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Youth, Volunteers, and Agents,

It is that time of year again where we are busy planning for Congress 2009: "Blast from the Past." In this packet you will find information on workshops available during Congress, registration papers, information on our community service efforts this year as well as a tentative schedule of this year's events. Please make sure to read all information thoroughly and to not double schedule events with the Science and Technology workshops.

This year the Congress Planning Committee has decided to help the community by hosting a canned food drive. They are asking that each youth bring at least 3 cans per person. To make it interesting, a *friendly* competition will take place between the districts in attendance. However to make it fair to all attending, cans will be counted on a per person basis, so just because it is a small district doesn't mean it is out of the running! Remember, this is a community service activity and a friendly competition, and if each youth is able to bring 3-4 cans (the size of one pair of extra shoes), it would make a huge difference.

Toward the beginning of June a participant's guide will be available that contains valuable information on attending Congress. Please check the Web site regularly for important information updates. The schedule and workshops are subject to change based on size and availability. All workshops are filled on a first come, first serve basis - so sign up early.

We are looking forward to a great year; I can't wait to see you all at Congress 2009!

Sincerely,



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