



Welcome to the *Scopes Trial Centennial Conference*, hosted by the Center for Inquiry and the Freedom From Religion Foundation. The conference runs from Friday, July 18 to Sunday, July 20 in Chattanooga and Dayton, Tennessee!

Location: The Chattanooga Hotel -1201 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee



All programs at the Chattanooga Hotel will take place in the Chattanooga Ballroom and Ballroom Foyer.

Conference Schedule:

Highlights include:

- Friday evening's opening reception with remarks from CFI and FFRF leaders, comedian Leighann Lord, and live jazz circa 1925. Feel free to wear 1920s-era clothing for the reception. It's not required, of course, but it will add to the festive atmosphere.
- Saturday's full day of engaging presentations and awards featuring Katherine Stewart, Chris Cameron, Bertha Vazquez, Ed Larson, Brenda Wineapple, Richard Katskee, Judge John Jones III and a performance of John de Lancie's audio play "The Dover Panda Trial," with Q&A to follow. Books for purchase and signing will be available.

- Sunday morning's presentation of the CFI Richard Dawkins Award will be awarded by Richard Dawkins in person to John McWhorter, and the two will be in conversation for about an hour, followed by a bus trip to Dayton, with short outdoor speeches, including by Richard Dawkins, and a tour of the historic courthouse where the Scopes Trial took place.

Registration Materials:

When you check in (4PM Friday and on), you'll receive a conference neck wallet containing: A complimentary **drink ticket** – redeemable for one beverage at the Friday evening reception. Color-coded **meal tickets** – Please keep these visible during dinner so hotel staff know your selection. Your **bus assignment** – This will determine your group and schedule for the Dayton tour on Sunday.

Meals

The event includes the Friday night reception with light appetizers and desserts (6-7 PM), the Saturday banquet dinner and a box lunch/water during the Sunday visit to the Dayton courthouse. You are on your own for most meals. The hotel has a restaurant, two bars and a Starbucks. Your registration pack contains a list of nearby restaurants.

Other Things to Know

What to wear? Dressing in layers is advised. Feel free to dress up (including in 1920s-esque attire, if you'd like on Friday). Please wear your neck wallet throughout the conference to ensure your materials are easily accessible and visible.

Courthouse tour: Your name badge indicates which bus to board, and also which group of 50 or so participants you'll tour the Rhea County Courthouse and Museum, starting about noon. (Due to space prohibitions, please stay with your assigned group.)

Bus trip/weather heads up: The trip takes about 40 minutes each way. Buses do not have toilets but the courthouse does. You'll receive a keepsake fan but stay hydrated! The average temperature in Dayton on July 20 is 88 degrees. You'll be provided water with your box lunch, but traveling with extra water is advised, so consider bringing your own water bottle. Buses are air-conditioned and can be accessed to cool off during the 2-and-a-half hour Dayton event. The courthouse is also air-conditioned.

Check in/out time: Stowing luggage Sunday. Check in is 4PM. Check out is 11AM. If you're coming on the Dayton tour, you may stow luggage in a private room FFRF and CFI will open near the lobby from 8:45–10 AM Sunday and where you can collect it upon return about 3PM.



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