



SOUTHEAST
Mine Safety & Health
Conference

14TH ANNUAL SOUTHEAST US MINING SAFETY & HEALTH CONFERENCE



NOVEMBER 5, 2019 - NOVEMBER 7, 2019
PRE-CONFERENCE: NOVEMBER 4, 2019

Developing a Safety Culture

Welcome to the 13th Annual Southeast Mine Safety and Health Conference held annually to provide information to our attendees to take home to their fellow miners. This year's conference will focus on developing a safety culture. Developing a safety culture takes three key elements; safety is held as a value by all employees, each employee feels a responsibility for their own personal safety and their co-workers, and the willingness to speak up for safety when a fellow worker is at risk from an unsafe condition or unsafe behavior. As we learn together how to foster a culture of safety take back what you learn and share it. Engage your employees in the process, and remember, people support what they help to create.

What a valuable role we can perform in safety a health. Thanks to each of you for all that your do toward improving safety and health in mining.

Developing a Safety Culture

At our 13th event make a point to attend the breakout sessions, meet with exhibitors, contractors, government officials, and your peers. The opportunities are here to gain resources, contacts, and information. It's up to you to take this back and create better avenues to advance your work site safety culture.

---Guidebook---

If you haven't used the guidebook app, you should definitely check it out.

- Entire conference schedule, speaker bios, sponsors, interactive maps, meal menus, photos, job postings, and much more to keep you up to speed.
- Build your own schedule and set reminders so you don't miss your favorite speaker
- Take notes
- Interact with conference attendees / network
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OUR MISSION

The Southeast Mine Safety and Health Conference will partner with our peers to offer the best mining safety and health conference in order to strengthen safety and health core values.

OUR VISION

We will apply our intellect, passion, and cooperation in mine safety and health issues to meet and develop an annual program that projects our mining community forward to zero injuries and illnesses and provides opportunities to network with industry and regulatory representatives.



Welcome

The Southeast Mine Safety and Health Conference Committee would like to welcome you to this year's Southeast Mine Safety and Health Conference at Ross Bridge Conference Center! We hope you will take away important safety and health knowledge to use back at your job and protect our miners, environment and communities.

Our committee began years ago when many volunteers from the profession came together to collaborate and design what is now the best mine safety and health conference today!

Through the years our group continues to grow and work hard to present current topics and emerging safety and health trends. It takes commitment to put this event together, but we cannot stress how valuable this year's conference theme, "Safety - The Only Way to Live," can change a life. We understand oneway or another – by working together to discuss risks, concerns, and potential solutions – our leadership will continue to grow and provide a great learning atmosphere for our nation's miners and safety professionals.

Thank you for attending the conference and supporting mining safety!

If you are a mine safety and health professional and are interested in volunteering, please contact us on the conference website <https://southeastmineconf.org/contact/>. We ask for your help to continue the success of future conferences and growing the profession.

Follow us on social media! Use or search hashtag **#SEMineConference** for conference related social media posts

Facebook: **@southeastmineconf**

Instagram: **"semineconf2019"**





2019

Hugh Talbert Merit Award

This award was developed by the conference to honor outstanding committee service.



2019 Award Recipient is Robin A. Wade



Robin A. Wade is the third generation to work in the family business at Wade Sand and Gravel. His grandfather, Robin Wade Sr., started the business in the 1930s. Robin is active in the Birmingham community having served on many boards over the years and as past president of the Freshwater Land Trust and Sloss Furnaces Foundation. He is a past member of the vestry at Cathedral Church of the Advent where he also attends church regularly and participates as an usher, is a stewardship captain, and meets with two small groups. He is a member of Redstone and the Downtown Kiwanis Club. Robin has been part of the Vulcan Voices Toastmaster group for 30 years and is also part of a business forum that has met for 25 plus years. Robin is a graduate of the University of Alabama. Whatever Robin commits to, he serves faithfully, humbly and tirelessly with his quiet manner, good sense of humor, and positive attitude. Robin is married to Jeanette (Sommers) and they have one teenage son. Robin has expressed often to his family how grateful he is to have had the opportunity to work at Wade Sand & Gravel.



Conference Scholarship Recipients

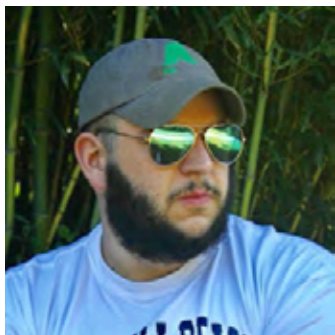


This award was developed by the conference to honor the memory of Dr. Martha Bidez, past executive committee member. Local college students participating in the student chapter of Alabama American Society of Safety Professionals and University of Alabama Birmingham School of Public Health are eligible candidates. These are students studying in the occupational safety and health field and graduate engineering management. You may also notice that college student volunteers participate and aid our annual conference program.

Thanks to your generosity the conference provided \$14,000 in scholarship funding last year. The following students were the recipients:

Brenna Hogan, Reese Koehler, Morgan Dean and Holden Phillips
Congratulations to our future safety and health leaders!

Josh Stowers - National Anthem



Josh is a West Virginia coal miner who gained recognition from singing the national anthem to his fellow miners prior to working underground. This is the second trip to our conference for Josh! Many thanks to Josh and his family for their support.

DAVID G. ZATEZALO

Assistant Secretary for
Mine Safety and Health



President Donald J. Trump nominated David G. Zatezalo to be the 9th Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health. He was sworn in on November 30, 2017.

Assistant Secretary Zatezalo is a native of West Virginia and has spent a lifetime working in mining. He began his career as a union miner and since then has held positions at a number of companies as shift foreman, engineering superintendent, mine manager, vice president of operations and chief executive officer. Assistant Secretary Zatezalo has worked in mining all across the U.S. and internationally in Australia. Assistant Secretary Zatezalo has a degree in mining engineering from West Virginia University and is a registered professional engineer in Ohio and West Virginia. He also has an MBA from Ohio University. He is the past chairman of the Kentucky Coal Association and the Ohio Coal Association. He's also been a member of the Mine Rescue Veterans of the Pittsburgh District.

PATRICIA W. SILVEY



Patricia W. Silvey is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations, Mine Safety and Health Administration. She was appointed to the position in December 2010. Previously, Mrs. Silvey served as the Director of Standards, Regulations and Variances for MSHA. Prior to this, Mrs. Silvey served as the Deputy Administrator for Metal and Nonmetal Mine Safety and Health, and on an Intergovernmental Personnel Act assignment to the National Safety Council. In October 1998, she held the position of Director, Office of Administration and Management. In July 1983, she was appointed to the Senior Executive Service as Director of Standards.

In early 1978, she played an integral role in the transition of MSHA from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Labor and the establishment of the Office of Standards.

Mrs. Silvey earned her B.S. degree from Tuskegee Institute; M.A. degree from the University of Alabama; and J.D. degree from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the District of Columbia Bar.

DAY 1 FEATURED SPEAKERS

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Manley Feinberg – “Reaching Your Next Summit Safely – Seven Vertical Lessons To Lead With Impact”

Manley Feinberg is recognized as an award winning international keynote speaker and business leader, author, published outdoor adventure photographer and professional musician. He served two terms as the President of the National Speakers Association, St. Louis chapter.

Leveraging more than twenty years of business, professional speaking and adventure experience, he helps professionals break through mindsets to step up and reach their next summit. As a result of his work, people have more focus, courage, commitment and momentum.

In fact, he wrote a book titled, *Reaching Your Next Summit! 9 Vertical Lessons to Lead with More Impact*.

DAY 1 - PM



Terry Tyson – “The 5 Odd Habits of Safety Leaders”

Terry Tyson has been an award-winning safety professional for over 35 years, all within the mining and construction materials industries. He has also been a respected and published mentalist for almost as long. In addition to being a sought after speaker at industry conferences throughout the country, his corporate and private party mentalism entertainment engagements have taken him across the world on cruise ships, cafes and clubs.

By combining his expertise and experience in the safety field with his understanding and insights as to how people think, his presentations, training and workshops take on special significance, attendee participation and a uniqueness rarely found.



Mark Savit – “What is the next wave in Safety and Health?”

A member of Husch Blackwell’s Energy & Natural Resources group, Mark Savit counsels clients in government investigations and regulatory matters and litigates improper enforcement actions and whistleblower cases. He has extensive experience in mining and oil and gas; health, safety and environmental law; industrial disaster response; and regulatory and legislative services. Mark began his career at the U.S. Department of the Interior, where he headed the special investigation unit of the Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration.

DAY 2 FEATURED SPEAKERS

DAY 2 - AM



J. B. Smith – “Laughter is Lawful”

To compensate for the everyday trauma that comes with the job, the sheriff started looking for positive things that produced humor. That attitude adjustment evolved over 20 years into a "Laughter is Lawful" program that has been presented hundreds of times from New York to L.A. He is booked by speaker bureaus from Boston, MA, Tulsa, OK and Texas. In January 2016 he spoke on attitude and safety to 2,400 employees of Phillips 66.

As a Vietnam veteran and sought after humorous speaker, the sheriff was contracted in 2011 by the Dept. of Defense to be the keynote speaker for Navy Seals returning from war zones. This expanded into programs for Marine Special Forces as well. These programs spanned four years and is one of the highlights of his speaking career.



Eric Dusenbery – “The Power of Curiosity and Mining Safety”

Eric Dusenbery (B.A. Cinema & Photography, Southern Illinois University) is a photographer, an award-winning journalist and the author/photographer of two books. He utilizes the power of the still photograph, and frequently uses the traditions of the large-format film camera for editorial assignments, documentary, creative place-making [exhibits and workshops] and commissioned projects. His work has appeared in numerous national publications and exhibits, and he is the recipient of several national awards. Eric is also passionate about using unconventional thinking, curiosity and photography to tell stories about a variety of social and cultural issues.

DAY 2 - PM



Erik Therwanger – “The Leadership Connection”

Erik Therwanger is the founder of Think GREAT and draws from his experiences as a U.S. Marine, executive business leader, sales professional, and entrepreneur to help organizations achieve new levels of success. He uniquely combines leadership development, team building, sales training, and goal-setting into strategies and techniques that empower employees, sales teams, leaders, and business owners to exceed expectations.



Angelica Grindle – “Turning Supervisors into Safety Leaders”

Angelica C. Grindle, Ph.D. is President of Quality Safety Edge. Dr. Grindle has successfully designed, implemented, and evaluated behavioral and process improvement systems in a wide variety of organizational settings.

During this presentation, Dr. Angelica Grindle will discuss the importance of supervisor relationships in injury prevention, the systems-related barriers to effective supervisor leadership, and the critical practices needed for supervisors to engage employees and shape world class safety performance.

CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Mike Hourigan – “How Change Affects Safety”

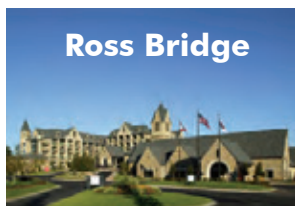
Mike Hourigan is a refreshingly unique keynote speaker, change management speaker and author who empowers the country's top companies to navigate constant change with real-world wisdom. A veteran leadership consultant and productivity expert, Mike is consistently sought after and hired by the top companies in the U.S., including McDonald's, Harley-Davidson, Disney, GE, Marriott, ExxonMobil and Kaiser Permanente.

Decades of corporate experience have allowed Mike to develop a completely fresh approach to team building, sales management, and customer service training. With a style that engages listeners in a way that's meaningful to them and their company culture, Mike rarely gives his audiences a moment between laughs.

A former member of the management teams of Cargill Inc. and Olympus Corporation, Mike has offered over 1,200 audiences-and-counting the benefit of his real-world corporate experience. A seasoned author and co-author, his books include *Riding the Waves without Getting Wet: A Journey to Leadership* and *Motivational Selling*.

As one of the top keynote speakers in the United States, Mike has developed a comprehensive roster of speeches that address the key issues that affect companies most. From the growing need for soft skills training and interpersonal communications, to the subtle nuances of conducting business in a global economy, Mike Hourigan continues to lead the industry in dynamic presentations that direct executives and entire companies toward real, lasting change.

GIFT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS





40 YEAR SAFE MINER AWARD

This award was developed by the conference to honor miners who have worked 40 years or more without a lost time injury and to recognize the accomplishment of their high priority for safety in mining! Recommended attire for Award Recipients is business casual. Reserved seats will be held at the front of the Hoover Ballroom in your honor. Please arrive early for your seating.

Larry Bates	40	KaMin – Macon, GA Plant
Ronnie Cantrell	40	Carmeuse – Luttrell Operations
James Christmas	44	Mosaic – Four Corners Mine
Timothy Dominy	40	KaMin – Sandersville, GA Plant
Jerry Duncan	40	KaMin – Sandersville, GA Plant
Eddie Lee Edwards	40	Martin Marietta – Ruby Quarry
Ricky Giddens	40	KaMin – Macon, GA Plant
Neslie Johnson	45	Mosaic – Four Corners Mine
Marvin Lutz	40	Martin Marietta – O’Neal Plant Calera, AL
LC Mack	40	Covia Corporation – McIntyre, GA
Sess Maxwell	40	Midsouth Paving Inc. – Alexander City Quarry
Derek McIntyre	41	Argos – Roberta Plant
Brice Mock	40	KaMin – Wrens, GA Plant
Joe Parler	40	Argos – Harleyville Cement Plant
Tom Thach	40	Martin Marietta – Southeast Division (North GA)
Mike Wiggins	40	KaMin – Sandersville, GA Plant
Donnie Wolfenbarger	40	Carmeuse – Luttrell Operations
Kenneth Wren	40	US Silica
Tom Yarberry	40	Carmeuse – Luttrell Operations

CONGRATULATIONS ON ACHIEVING SAFETY EXCELLENCE!

Conference Safety Tips

Upon Arrival....

- Designate and check in with an emergency contact at your office, or in your family, whom you can send a copy of your itinerary;
- Research the area where you are staying to be aware of the nearest convenience store, medical assistance, emergency shelter, etc;
- Read the emergency evacuation procedures located in your hotel room.



While in Birmingham/Hoover...

- Conference attendees should wear name badges at all times while in the conference area, but we advise you not to wear your name badge out in public;
- Consult maps before leaving your hotel room to become familiar with your route;
- Keep the address of your hotel with you at all times;
- Travel in groups when possible;
- Remove hotel keys from sleeve with room numbers;
- At your hotel, ask front desk personnel not to announce your room number out loud;
- Always know what the quickest exit route is;
- If traveling with a group, have a pre-determined meeting place in case of an emergency situation.

CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

Floor	Room	11/5 8:00AM- 12:00PM	11/5 1:00PM- 2:00PM	11/5 2:15PM- 3:15PM	11/5 3:30PM-4:30PM	11/5 4:45PM- 5:15PM	11/6 8:00AM- 9:00AM	11/6 9:00AM- 10:00AM	11/6 10:30AM- 12:00PM	11/6 1:00PM- 2:00PM	11/6 2:15PM- 3:00PM	11/6 3:15PM – 4:15PM	11/6 4:30PM - 5:30PM	11/7 8:00AM - 11:00AM
1st	Hoover Ballroom	General Session w/ Awards, Josh Stowers – National Anthem Joe Weldon – Prayer, Flags by Midfield High MSHA Asst. Sec. of Labor David Zatezalo – Featured Speaker Manley Feinberg – “Reaching your Next Summit Safely...”	Terry Tyson – “The Five Odd Habits of Safety Leaders” — Insight Services and Presentations	Adele L. Abrams, ESQ, CMSP – “Crystalline Silica Update: OSHA & MSHA Rulemaking and Enforce- ment”	Arthur Wolfson – “MSHA 101” –Fisher Phillips	Mark Savit – “What is the Next Wave for Safety and Health” – Senior Counsel, Husch Blackwell LLP	Sheriff JB Smith – “Laughter is Lawful” –former Smith County, Texas Sheriff and from <i>Lone Star Justice</i>	Eric Dusenbery – “The Power of Curiosity and Mining Safety” - a photographer, an award- winning journalist and the author/photogr apher of two books	Dis- cussion Group – Stone, Sand,& Gravel	Erik Therwanger – “The Leader-ship Connection” - founder of Think Great, former US Marine, and business leader.	Sam Pierce – “MSHA SE District Update” – SE District Manager	Angelica Grindle, PhD – “Introduction to BBS: Using Behavioral Tech. To Achieve a World Class Safety Culture at Argos Cement”	Angelica Grindle, PhD – “Turning Super- visors into Safety Leaders - & Pres. Quality Safety Edge”	General Sessions w/ Patricia Silvey & Day 3 Fea- tured Speaker Mike Hourigan – “How Change Affects Safety”
1st	Helena				“Mobile Equipment Technology” Joe Shoemaker – Komatsu	“Noise Exposure & Hearing Loss Prevention in Mining” – Amanda Azman, PhD – NIOSH						“Accident Prevention & Investigation” – Walter Simpson – North American		
1st	Pelham				“Driving New Technology” – Kevin Averette – AirPower Mfg. Solutions	“MSHA Enforcement of Structural Integrity Issues on Mine Property” – Margo Lopez – Ogletree Deakins						“A Supervisor’s Guide to Safety Leadership” – Ed Barnett – North American		
1st	Salon A				“Hand Safety Awareness – Putting A Robust PPE Program Together for Sites” – Joe Ysasi – Hex Armor	“Epidemiology of Silicosis” – David F. Goldsmith, PhD						“Rolling Stock Fall Protection Best Practices” – Jason McKinney – Safe Rack		
1st	Salon B				“Drone Safety” – Adam Rice, Jeff Choate, & Tony Cinkovich – Kespry & Pine Bluff	“Fall Protection” – Jeremy Bethancourt – ACTA Safety *Repeated session						“Guarding Innovations & Evolutions Over the Past Several Years” – Bryan Moore – Vulcan Materials		
1st	Salon C				“Safety Guarding Ergonomics & It’s ROI” – Chris Allen – Belt Conveyor Guarding	“Crisis Management: You’ve Called the 1 st Responders, Now What?” – Karen Johnston, ESQ – Jackson Kelly						“Workplace Violence Strategies” – Robert Ifft – Florida Highway Patrol		
1st	Vestavia				“Fall Protection” – Jeremy Bethancourt – ACTA Safety *Repeated session	“The Use of Near Miss Reports to Improve Organizational Mgmt. Around Site Specific Risks” – Emily Haas, PhD – NIOSH						“MSHA Abatement – What Does this Mean for Operators?” – Jason Nutzman – Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP		
2nd	Bessemer *upstairs hallway near hotel registration				“Leading Safety Through Innovation” – Ed Jarmin – Liberty Industrial Group	“Impairment in the Workplace” – Susan Barge – Florida Highway Patrol						“Concrete Storage Structure Inspection & Repair” – Cheyenne Wohlford		
2nd	Mountain Brook *upstairs hallway near hotel registration				“Helping Underserved US Workers and Abroad” – Albert Tien, PhD	“MSHA Litigation Update: Review of Cases Impacting Mine Operators” – Nick Scala						“Here, Hold My Beer... Watch This” – Sarah Haydon		

CONFERENCE ROOM MAP



MEETING LOCATIONS

- ☐ **Registration** – Lobby near front desk (second level)
- ☐ **Breakfast/Lunch** – Tent provided on the terrace
- ☐ **Breakout Sessions** – Lower Level & Lobby Level - left of Hotel Registration (Mountain Brook/Bessemer Rooms)
- ☐ **Pre conference on 11/4** – Lower Level
- ☐ **Kick off each day is @ 8:00 in the Hoover Ballroom on 11/5 – 11/7** (Lower Level)
- ☐ **Vendors** – along the foyer and in the room adjacent to the Hoover Ballroom
- ☐ **Banquet – Charity Dinner** – Tent provided on the terrace
- ☐ **MSHA stakeholder meetings on request** – Homewood Boardroom - Lobby Level - left of Hotel Registration



CONFERENCE AGENDA AND PROGRAM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019

7:00AM – 6:00PM

REGISTRATION DESK OPEN

Ross Bridge Check-In Area Second Floor Adjacent to Hotel Registration

8:00AM – 3:30PM

NIOSH

INNOVATIONS IN NIOSH TECHNOLOGIES

Pelham Room

Facilitator: Brianna Eiter, PhD

8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

PLANT CONTRACTORS & MAINTENANCE

Vestavia Room

Facilitator: Danny Callies

12:00 PM CONFERENCE COMMITTEE HUDDLE

Terrace

1:00 PM - 5:15 PM

EARLY EXHIBITOR SET UP

11:30 AM - GOLF OUTING MEETING
Outside Pro Shop, in front of putting green

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019

7:00AM – 5:00PM

REGISTRATION DESK OPEN

Ross Bridge Check-In Area Second Floor adjacent to Hotel Registration

7:00AM – 9:00AM

FINAL VENDOR DISPLAY SETUP

Exhibitor Areas (Lower Level)

6:30AM – 8:00AM

BREAKFAST (See Menu)

Terrace

8:00AM – 8:45AM

WELCOME & HOTEL SAFETY

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS,

SPONSORS, COMMITTEES, ROLL

CALL OF STATES, VIPS INTRO

– HOW TO USE YOUR GUIDEBOOK

– NATIONAL ANTHEM - JOSH STOWERS

– FLAG PRESENTATION - MIDFIELD HIGH

– BRIEF REMARKS BY VIPS

– 2019 MEMORIAL - SE FATALITIES (PPT)

– 40 YEAR MINER AWARDS

– SCHOLARSHIP ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

8:45AM – 9:00AM

SAM PIERCE, MSHA SE DISTRICT

MANAGER - "THE SE DISTRICT STAFF"

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

9:00AM – 9:45AM

DAVID G. ZATEZALO, MSHA

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF LABOR -

"SESSION INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS"

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Sam Pierce

9:45AM – 10:00AM **BREAK**

10:00AM – 11:00AM

MANLEY FEINBERG, "REACHING

YOUR NEXT SUMMIT SAFELY -

SEVEN VERTICAL LESSONS TO

LEAD WITH IMPACT"

Topic: Leveraging more than 20 years of business, professional speaking & adventure experience, Manley helps professionals break through mindsets to step up & reach their next summit.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

11:00AM – 11:15AM

BREAK & BOOK SIGNING

11:15AM – 11:30AM

HUGH TALBERT AWARD

Recipient: Robin Wade, Wade Sand & Gravel

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Michael Heaton

11:30AM – 12:00PM

EXHIBITOR INTRODUCTIONS

BOOTHS CLOSED DURING INTROS

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Paul Beagle

12:00PM- 1:00PM LUNCH - **Terrace**

1:00PM – 2:00PM

TERRY TYSON - "THE 5 ODD HABITS OF SAFETY LEADERS"

Topic: By combining his expertise & experience in the safety field with his understanding & insights as to how people think, his presentations, training & workshops take on special significance, attendee participation and a uniqueness rarely found.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

2:00PM – 2:15PM **BREAK**

2:15PM – 3:15PM

ADELE L. ABRAMS, ESQ. CMSP -

"CRYSTALLINE SILICA UPDATE: OSHA & MSHA RULEMAKING AND ENFORCEMENT"

Topic: OSHA's respirable crystalline silica rule for construction & general industry has been in effect for two years now & the agency has issued guidance on its enforcement intentions and expectations that is critical to understand. Most inspections target exposure monitoring, exposure control plans & training deficiencies. Meanwhile, MSHA is undertaking an RFI to gather information on developing a similar standard for the mining sector. This program will explore the latest activities of both agencies on silica, and recommend best practices to protect workers' health and avoid legal liability.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Shawn Sharp

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

JOE SHOEMAKER, KOMATSU -

"MOBILE EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY"

Topic: Komatsu's latest technology and recommendations will be presented for keeping safety both current and in the forefront.

Helena Room

Facilitator: Grace Holden

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

KEVIN AVERETTE - "DRIVING NEW TECHNOLOGY, AIRPOWER

MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS"

Topic: The focus of this presentation is on mobile equipment and current technology.

Pelham Room

Facilitator: Michael Heaton

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

JOE YSASI, HEX ARMOR - "HAND SAFETY AWARENESS - PUTTING A ROBUST PPE PROGRAM TOGETHER FOR SITES"

Topic: Given the inherent risks in the mining industry, it is critical to proactively pay attention to hand safety day in & day out. An effective hand safety program can decrease workplace injuries, reduce lost-time, increase compliance with the law & lower insurance costs. Key elements to develop a proper PPE program will be discussed including; how to take proper baseline assessments of your PPE use, the importance of field trials when selecting PPE, &

CONFERENCE AGENDA AND PROGRAM continued...

educating stakeholder groups on industry standards to aid in selection. Walk away with the tools needed to create a sustainable program for accountability, mutual ownership and a safer work environment.

Salon A

Facilitator: Lee Travis

ADAM RICE of KESPRY, JEFF CHOATE & TONY CINKOVICH of PINE BLUFF - "DRONE SAFETY"

Topic: A discussion of utilizing drones on mine property, their usefulness, and safety elements that must be addressed.

Salon B

Facilitator: Tim Osborne

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

CHRIS ALLEN -

"SAFETY GUARDING

ERGONOMICS & IT'S ROI"

Topic: The topic of the presentation is to emphasize the importance of safety guarding ergonomics & its Return On Investment. Key points discussed will include: OSHA/MSHA Machine Guarding Standards & how to apply them to your equipment, principles of fixed guarding, explanation of how companies can make their guarding ergonomic & maintenance-friendly, demonstration of cost effects of injuries due to non-ergonomic guarding and providing a useful tool to estimate direct and indirect costs caused by poor ergonomics. **Salon C**

Facilitator: Kenny Harris

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

JEREMY BETHANCOURT- "FALL PROTECTION"

Topic: According to a recent article in Safety + Health magazine, falls are the second leading cause of work related death in the U.S. & the leading cause of death in the construction industry. It has been suggested there is a continued need for collaboration among industry, professionals, regulators, employers, and employees in order to reduce the continuing trend. This presentation has been created to enable a more direct question/answer session for those who need to implement a program or for those who may want to see where they can improve their program and approach.

Vestavia Room

Facilitator: Judith Etterer

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

ED JARMIN, Liberty Industrial Group Safety APP - "LEADING SAFETY THROUGH INNOVATION"

Topic: Innovative ideas to improve your safety program will be presented. Ed will share what works at Liberty Industrial Group and review electronic resources that have been successful.

Bessemer Room

Facilitator: Alex Ream

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

ALBERT TIEN, PhD - "HELPING UNDERSERVED U.S. WORKERS AND ABROAD"

Topic: The nature of employment is rapidly changing. Companies are relying more & more on contractors to reduce headcount & reduce operational costs. As such, contractor firms also rely more on temporary, transient or independent contractors (1099 employees in the USA) to deal with thinner operational margins. Many of these workers are unaware of or fall under the radar of legal OH&S requirements. Nonprofit organizations such as Workplace Health Without Borders-US can fill a gap and address these forgotten workers through OH&S awareness campaigns and projects, partnering with key stakeholders such as government agencies, universities and labor organizations. This presentation discusses our approach and some of our project highlights.

Mountain Brook Room

Facilitator: Jen Platt

VENDOR TIME & BREAK

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

ADAM RICE, JEFF CHOATE, TONY CINKOVICH

Topic: Join Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel and Adam Rice with Kespry for a demonstration of safely flying your drone. The demonstration will be held outside.

Parking Lot - Adjacent tennis courts

Facilitator: Tim Osborne

3:30PM – 4:30PM

ARTHUR WOLFSON - FISHER PHILLIPS - "MSHA 101"

Topic: New to the mining industry? Working at a MSHA-regulated facility presents certain compliance challenges not present in general industry. MSHA regulators are a constant presence

at mine sites and possess certain authority not held by other government agencies. Those in the mining industry should have a working knowledge of how MSHA enforcement works. This presentation will cover the basic terms and concepts that anyone who regularly interacts with MSHA should know. Topics covered will include: scope of MSHA authority, types of enforcement actions MSHA may issue, gravity, negligence and other special designations, individual liability against company agents, and whistleblower complaints. In addition to an explanation of these legal concepts, this presentation will be illustrated by real-world examples. Participants will have the chance to ask questions & share examples of their own.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Mike Scott

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

DR. AMANDA AZMAN - " NOISE EXPOSURE & HEARING LOSS PREVENTION IN MINING"

Topic: Despite the MSHA Occupational Noise Exposure Standard existing for nearly 20 years, noise exposure and hearing loss remains a major concern across mining commodities. The 7 key elements recommended by NIOSH to successfully implement a Hearing Conservation program in mining will be discussed with specific examples from current research projects. Specific examples will focus on those elements - noise exposure monitoring, engineering and administrative controls, use of hearing protection devices, and education and motivation. Easy, inexpensive improvements regarding these elements will be discussed which can move many existing hearing conservation programs from simply checking a required box, to truly making a difference in the lives of the miners.

Helena Room

Facilitator: Alex Ream

3:30 PM – 4:30PM

MARGO LOPEZ, OGLETREE DEAKINS - "MSHA ENFORCEMENT OF STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY ISSUES ON MINE PROPERTY"

Topic: As a result of high profile accidents around the country involving structural failures, MSHA has placed a greater emphasis in its inspections on evaluating the structural integrity of all types of structures, such as silos, bins, buildings, and conveyors. These issues can be difficult for mine operators to resolve and often include allegations of unwarrantable failure and failure to timely abate. This presentation will discuss recent cases and offer insights into how to effectively navigate the legal pitfalls that can arise.

Pelham Room

Facilitator: David Tant

CONFERENCE AGENDA AND PROGRAM continued...

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**DAVID F. GOLDSMITH, PhD. -
“EPIDEMIOLOGY OF SILICOSIS”**

Topic: Dr. Goldsmith will focus on the disease silicosis, known causes, and what can be done. He has organized three international symposia on silica, silicosis and cancer, and other chronic diseases. He was a consultant to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) as it revised the U.S. national silica dust standard, and in 2014 testified at hearings focusing on the impacts of OSHA’s new silica regulation. He has been a consultant to the Washington DC Departments of Health and Environmental. **Salon A**

Facilitator: Shawn Sharp

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**JEREMY BETHANCOURT- "FALL
PROTECTION"**

Topic: According to a recent article in Safety + Health magazine, falls are the second leading cause of work related death in the U.S. and the leading cause of death in the construction industry. It has been suggested there is a continued need for collaboration among industry, professionals, regulators, employers, and employees in order to reduce the continuing trend. This presentation has been created to enable a more direct question/ answer session for those who need to implement a program or for those who may want to see where they can improve their program and approach.

Salon B

Facilitator: Jen Platt

3:30PM – 4:30PM

**KAREN JOHNSTON, ESQ -
JACKSON KELLY - “CRISIS
MANAGEMENT: YOU’VE CALLED THE
FIRST RESPONDERS, NOW WHAT?”**

Topic: While numerous safety precautions are taken on a day-to-day basis to prevent safety or health mishaps, the fact is that the extraordinary event can occur, and therefore crisis management is needed. The appropriate response to an emergency extends beyond the initial few hours. The days and even months following the event are critical in maintaining control over the situation from both an internal management standpoint and a legal standpoint. We will address: The key elements of an emergency response plan from development & execution; agency notification & investigation; interacting with the family & the media; participation in the investigation; document control, pitfalls created by documents, and preventive audits;

interviews, statements, and other evidence collection to aid in loss control and best practices when conducting your own internal investigation from both business and legal perspectives.

Salon C

Facilitator: Carrie Gardner

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**DR. EMILY HAAS, NIOSH- " THE USE
OF NEAR MISS REPORTS TO
IMPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL
MANAGEMENT AROUND SITE-
SPECIFIC RISKS"**

Topic: A near miss incident, or close call, is an event that could have resulted in harm or loss but did not due to either a timely intervention or just by pure luck. Near-miss reports are often completed by workers and have the potential to proactively improve safety performance. However, these reports must be analyzed in a way to identify and search for ways to reduce risks. To that end, a case study analysis provides insight into ways that risk management programs can be improved with a specific focus on managers using pre-shift safety meetings to reengage workers around more difficult or non-routine tasks.

Vestavia Room

Facilitator: Andy Perkins

3:30PM – 4:30 PM

**SUSAN BARGE - "IMPAIRMENT
IN THE WORKPLACE"**

Topic: This session presents information on recognizing the signs and symptoms of emotional, mental, and substance-related workplace impairment and determining if an individual may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Strategies for intervention and reporting are outlined. Session also establishes the opportunity for us all to take proactive measures in addressing an impaired individual.

Bessemer Room

Facilitator: Kenny Harris

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**NICK SCALA - "MSHA
LITIGATION UPDATE: REVIEW
OF CASES IMPACTING MINE
OPERATORS"**

Topic: While MSHA’s rulemaking agenda may be quiet, that doesn’t mean that the interpretation and enforcement of existing regulations by MSHA is stagnant. With each challenge by a mine operator and independent contractor, or appeal by MSHA,

the standards can and do change, resulting in new compliance expectations for all operations. This presentation will review important decisions from the Federal Mine Safety & Health Review Commission and Appeals Courts which have or have the potential to move the compliance benchmark for mine operators and independent contractors.

Mountain Brook Room

Facilitator: Paul Beagle

4:30 PM – 4:45 PM

VENDOR TIME & BREAK

4:45PM - 5:30PM

**MARK SAVIT, SENIOR COUNSEL,
HUSCH BLACKWELL LLP - "WHAT IS
THE NEXT WAVE FOR SAFETY AND
HEALTH?"**

Hoover Ball Room

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

**ENJOY BIRMINGHAM, AL WITH A
FRIEND OR HAVE A DINNER MEETING
WITH A VENDOR - OPEN EVENING**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2019

**7:00 AM – 5:00 PM REGISTRATION
DESK OPEN**

Ross Bridge Check-In Area Second Floor

**6:30 AM – 8:00 AM
BREAKFAST (See Menu)
Terrace**

**8:00 AM – 9:00AM
JB SMITH - "LAUGHTER IS LAWFUL"**

Topic: As sheriff for over 3 decades JB was responsible for the investigation of 146 murder cases, hundreds of sexual assaults, child molestations, aggravated assaults and countless burglaries and thefts. When you add numerous family violence cases involving children it can cause depression in the strongest of men including him. To compensate for the everyday trauma the sheriff started looking for positive things that produced humor. That attitude adjustment evolved over 20 years into a "Laughter is Lawful" program that has been presented hundreds of times from New York to L.A. "Blessed are they that laugh at themselves for they shall never cease to be amused."

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

CONFERENCE AGENDA AND PROGRAM continued...

9:00AM – 10:00AM

ERIC DUSENBERY - "THE POWER OF CURIOSITY AND MINING SAFETY"

Topic: Eric Dusenbery is a photographer, an award-winning journalist & the author/photographer of two books. He utilizes the power of the still photograph & frequently uses the traditions of the large-format film camera for editorial assignments, documentary, creative place-making & commissioned projects. His work has appeared in numerous national publications & exhibits, and he is the recipient of several national awards. Eric is also passionate about using unconventional thinking, curiosity & photography to tell stories about a variety of social and cultural issues.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

10:00AM-10:30AM

Break/Exhibitor Time

Go to YOUR INDUSTRY BREAKOUT DISCUSSION GROUP as shown:

10:30AM – 11:50AM DISCUSSION GROUP #1 - ALL OTHER METAL/ NON METAL(PHOSPHATE, LIME, GOLD, CHEMLIME, MINERALS)

Salon Room B

Facilitator: Jon Heaser/Brandon Russell

10:30AM – 11:50AM DISCUSSION GROUP #2 - UNDERGROUND MNM MINING

Salon Room A

Facilitator: David Tant/Leroy Lockett

10:30AM – 11:50AM DISCUSSION GROUP #3 - STONE, SAND & GRAVEL

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jay Canada/Brian Thompson

10:30 AM– 11:50AM DISCUSSION GROUP #4 - CEMENT

Salon Room C

Facilitator: Jen Platt/Rory Smith

10:30 AM – 11:50AM DISCUSSION GROUP #5 - COAL

Pelham Room

Facilitator: Walter Simpson/TJ Chatham

12:00PM - 1:00PM LUNCH - Terrace

**1:00PM – 2:00PM
ERIK THERWANGER-- "THE LEADERSHIP CONNECTION"**

Topic: Erik is the founder of Think GREAT and draws from his experiences as a U.S. Marine, executive business leader, sales professional, and entrepreneur to help organizations achieve new levels of success. He uniquely combines leadership development, team building, sales training, and goal-setting into strategies and techniques that empower employees, sales teams, leaders, and business owners to exceed expectations

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

2:00PM – 2:15PM BREAK

2:15PM – 3:00PM

**SAM PIERCE, BIRMINGHAM
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
MANAGER, MSHA - "DISTRICT
UPDATE"**

Topic: Join the SE District Manager in a discussion of recent changes to the district boundaries and for an enforcement update.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

3:00PM – 3:15PM BREAK

3:15PM - 4:15PM

**ANGELICA GRINDLE, PhD,
"INTRODUCTION to BBS: USING
BEHAVIORAL TECHNOLOGY TO
ACHIEVE A WORLD-CLASS SAFETY
CULTURE AT ARGOS CEMENT"**

Topic: The last century has brought amazing breakthroughs in how organizations manage safety and reduce incidents. However, people are still getting hurt. When we analyze why, it is often clear that someone could have done something to prevent the incident. This is our opportunity! Using proven behavioral technology, organizations can increase the consistency of safe practices, change their safety culture, and reduce incidents. Join this session to learn about the fundamentals and key features of a successful and sustainable BBS process in a mining and cement production facility.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Michael Heaton

3:15PM - 4:15PM

WALTER SIMPSON - "ACCIDENT PREVENTION & INVESTIGATION"

Topic: Workplace inspections are a source of accident prevention – yet accidents still occur all too frequently. This session will review typical workplace examination practices and highlight behavioral changes that reduce accident frequency.

Helena Room

Facilitator: Kevin Crowe

3:15PM – 4:15PM

ED BARNETT - "A SUPERVISOR'S GUIDE TO SAFETY LEADERSHIP"

Topic: Frontline supervision is where safety comes together, where the vision and values are executed, where procedures are complied with, where decisions are implemented, and where safety can be seen.

Pelham Room

Facilitator: Danny Callies

3:15 PM – 4:15 PM

JASON MCKINNEY - "ROLLING STOCK FALL PROTECTION BEST PRACTICES"

Topic: Jason has over 20 years of experience in commercial and industrial project management. This presentation will address Safe Rack safe technologies available to prevent falls in your rolling stock.

Salon A

Facilitator: Carrie Gardner

3:15 PM – 4:15 PM

BRYAN MOORE - "GUARDING INNOVATIONS AND EVOLUTIONS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS"

Topic: This presentation sheds light on how guarding affects worker safety & efficiency on the job. In an effort to find safer quicker access to equipment, maintenance personnel has helped reshape our definition of a good guard & why it must be right the first time.

Salon B

Facilitator: Lee Travis



CONFERENCE AGENDA AND PROGRAM continued...

3:15PM – 4:15PM ROBERT IFFT- "WORKPLACE VIOLENCE STRATEGIES"

Topic: Learn from a responder: An active shooter will be discussed to help your employees recognize indicators of potential violence. The class will assist managers with Emergency Action Plans and its components along with additional ways to prepare for an event. It will further go into and highlight the employee response to an active shooter.

Salon C

Facilitator: Jay Canada

3:15PM – 4:15PM

JASON NUTZMAN, Partner, DINSMORE & SHOHL, LLP - "MSHA ABATEMENT - WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR

OPERATORS?" Topic: Section 104(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act requires MSHA to fix a reasonable time for abatement. The term abatement is not defined in the Mine Act but is generally understood in the mining industry to mean "correction" of the violative condition. But what does this really mean? What can MSHA actually require? This presentation will discuss operator rights and responsibilities when it comes to abating an enforcement action.

Vestavia Room

Facilitator: June Childress

3:15PM – 4:15PM

CHEYENNE WOHLFORD - CEO, CCS GROUP - "CONCRETE STORAGE STRUCTURE INSPECTION & REPAIR"

Topic: If you operate a facility with concrete storage, at some point you've likely noticed some level of cracking and spalling. How do you know what to look for? When is "a little crack" too much? If neglected, seemingly minor defects can become significant or even catastrophic. This education session will use real world examples to illustrate when to inspect your facility, what you should be looking for, and when to take action. It will also review the types of repairs that are available and their application in industry today.

Bessemer Room

Facilitator: Judith Etterer

3:15PM – 4:15PM

SARAH HAYDON - "HERE, HOLD MY BEER...WATCH THIS"

Topic: From years of training, Sarah's team will present safety related incidents and steps to prevent these failures. Training tips will be addressed that you can take back to your own sites. Let's look together at hazardous things we all do and try to change our attitudes and unsafe behaviors.

Mountain Brook Room

Facilitator: Jeff Golden

4:15PM-4:30PM BREAK

4:30PM - 5:30PM

ANGELICA GRINDLE, PhD, PRESIDENT- QUALITY SAFETY EDGE - "TURNING SUPERVISORS INTO SAFETY LEADERS"

Topic: Strong leaders are critical for sustained injury and fatality prevention. Through what they do, what they say, and how they spend their time, leaders shape the culture that drives the systems and processes that create safety outcomes. The result is world-class safety that drives operational excellence. Everyone agrees on the importance of safety leadership in achieving safety outcomes. Unfortunately, this topic is often aimed at senior leaders and managers, rather than our front-line supervisors, supervisors who often have the most critical interactions with associates doing the bulk of our work. Supervisors often achieve their position because they were highly skilled in the position of those they are now supervising. However, the skills needed to do the job of your subordinates are not the same skills needed to be an effective leader. During this presentation, Dr. Angelica Grindle will discuss the importance of supervisor relationships in injury prevention, the systems-related barriers to effective supervisor leadership, and the critical practices needed for supervisors to engage employees and shape world class safety performance.

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

5:30PM - 8:00PM CHARITY EVENT & DINNER - 11/6, Wed.

JB SMITH, AUCTIONEER

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CHARITY BENEFIT FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS FOR UAB STUDENTS STUDYING IN THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH FIELD AND GRADUATE ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT.

Tent on the Terrace

Facilitator: Jon Heaser, Tim Osborne



Alabama ASSP Student Scholarship Participants

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BREAKFAST (See Menu)

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8:00 AM - 9:00AM

PATRICIA SILVEY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT

SECRETARY FOR MINE SAFETY & HEALTH - "MSHA UPDATE FROM THE HILL"

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

MIKE HOURIGAN - "RIDING THE WAVES WITHOUT GETTING WET - HOW CHANGE AFFECTS SAFETY"

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

CONFERENCE WRAP-UP, CLOSING, DOOR PRIZES

Hoover Ballroom

Facilitator: Jon Heaser



**SOUTHEAST
Mine Safety & Health
Conference**



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EVENT	DATE	TIME	MENU
PRE-CONFERENCE LUNCH	Monday 11/4/2019	11:30am-12:00 pm	Lunch Buffet Pasta Salad, Potato Soup with Appropriate Toppings, Boars Head Cajun Turkey on Wheat Bread with Swiss Roast Beef and Cheddar on Sourdough with Horseradish Sauce, Green Leaf Lettuce, Tomatoes, Red Onion, & Kosher Pickle Slices, Creole Mustard, Mayonnaise, House Fried Potato Chips, Lemon Bars & Brownies, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Iced Tea
PRE-CONFERENCE BREAK	Monday 11/4/2019	2:15pm -3:00pm	Drinks, Snacks
BREAKFAST	Tuesday 11/5/2019	6:30am – 8:00am	Breakfast Buffet Orange Juice, Assorted Breakfast Breads and Toasts, To Include: Cinnamon Rolls, Bran Muffins, Blueberry Muffins, Croissants, Glazed Donuts, Toast: White Bread, Multigrain Bread, Bagels, with Cream Cheese, Sweet Creamery Butter & Fruit Preserves, Assorted Cereals with 2% and Skim Milk, Individual Yogurts, Sliced Seasonal Fruits, House made Biscuits served with Conecuh Sausage Gravy, Buttermilk Pancakes with Maple Syrup, Fluffy Scrambled Cage Free Eggs, Potatoes O'Brian, Smoked Bacon & Conecuh Sausage, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Hot Tea Selections
BREAK	Tuesday 11/5/2019	9:30am – 9:45am	Drinks, Snacks
LUNCH	Tuesday 11/5/2019	12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch Buffet Caesar Salad, Hearts of Romaine Lettuce, Tomatoes, Freshly Grated Pecorino Romano Cheese, Garlic Herbed Croutons, and Creamy Caesar Dressing, Minestrone Soup, Bread Sticks, Traditional Meat Lasagna, Fettuccini Alfredo with Chicken, Broccoli with Truffle Salt and Parmesan, Chef's Selection of Assorted Desserts, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Unsweet Tea and Water
BREAK	Tuesday 11/5/2019	3:15pm - 3:30pm	Ice Cream Novelties, Granola Bars, and Trail Mix
BREAKFAST	Wednesday 11/6/2019	6:30am – 8:00am	Breakfast Buffet Orange Juice, Assorted Breakfast Breads and Toasts, To Include: Cinnamon Rolls, Bran Muffins, Blueberry Muffins, Croissants, Glazed Donuts, Toast: White Bread, Multigrain Bread, Bagels, with Cream Cheese, Sweet Creamery Butter & Fruit Preserves, Assorted Cereals with 2% and Skim Milk, Individual Yogurts, Sliced Seasonal Fruits, House made Biscuits served with Conecuh Sausage Gravy, Buttermilk Pancakes with Maple Syrup, Fluffy Scrambled Cage Free Eggs, Potatoes O'Brian, Smoked Bacon & Conecuh Sausage, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Hot Tea Selections
BREAK	Wednesday 11/6/2019	9:30am – 9:45am	Drinks, Snacks

EVENT	DATE	TIME	MENU
LUNCH	Wednesday 11/6/2019	12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch Buffet Chicken Tortilla Soup, Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Toppings and Salad Dressings, Sautéed Ground Beef Seasoned with Cumin and Spices, All Natural Pollo Asada Roasted Chicken Pulled and Served in a Seasoned Broth, Spanish Rice, Black Beans, Chili Con Queso, Palo Verde Condiments, Queso Dip, Pico de Gallo, Guacamole, Cilantro Sour Cream, Shredded Cheddar Cheese, Jalapenos, Shredded Lettuce, Tomato, Salsa Verde and Flour Tortillas, Tortilla Chips & Salsa, Churros and Tres Leches, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Iced Tea
BREAK	Wednesday 11/6/2019	3:15pm - 3:30pm	Ice Cream Novelties, Granola Bars, and Trail Mix
CHARITY DINNER	Wednesday 11/6/2019	5:30pm – 8:00pm	Southern Chop Salad with Assorted Dressings and Toppings, Chow Chow, Fresh Baked Yeast Rolls with Sweet Creamery Butter, Beef Brisket with Coca Cola BBQ Sauce, Smoked Chicken with White BBQ Sauce and Tangy Sauce, Macaroni and Cheese, Firecracker Potatoes, Slow Cooked Green Beans, Squash Casserole, Chef's Selection of Assorted Desserts, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Unsweet Tea and Water
BREAKFAST	Thursday 11/7/2019	6:30am – 8:00am	Breakfast Buffet Orange Juice, Assorted Breakfast Breads and Toasts, To Include: Cinnamon Rolls, Bran Muffins, Blueberry Muffins, Croissants, Glazed Donuts, Toast: White Bread, Multigrain Bread, Bagels, with Cream Cheese, Sweet Creamery Butter & Fruit Preserves, Assorted Cereals with 2% and Skim Milk, Individual Yogurts, Sliced Seasonal Fruits, House made Biscuits served with Conecuh Sausage Gravy, Buttermilk Pancakes with Maple Syrup, Fluffy Scrambled Cage Free Eggs, Potatoes O'Brian, Smoked Bacon & Conecuh Sausage, Freshly Brewed Illy Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Hot Tea Selections

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This year's fundraising dinner is to support two great local scholarship funds. All proceeds will go to the scholarship funds.

ASSP Student Scholarship

&

Dr. Martha Bidez Memorial Scholarship Fund



SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Adele L. Abrams, Esq., CMSP Adele L. Abrams is an attorney and Certified Mine Safety Professional who is president of the Law Office of Adele L. Abrams P.C., a multi-attorney firm with offices in Beltsville, MD, Denver, CO, and Charleston, WV. The firm represents employers in OSHA and MSHA litigation nationwide, and Adele and her colleagues also provide employment and safety law consultation, audits, industrial hygiene assistance, and training services. Adele is a member of multiple federal and state courts, including the United States Supreme Court. She is a graduate of the George Washington University's National Law Center (JD degree) and earned her B.S. in Journalism from the University of Maryland, CollegePark. She has been an ASSP SPY award recipient at the practice specialty, chapter, and regional level multiple times. Adele is also an active member of the National Safety Council, where she was awarded the Distinguished Service to Safety Award (DSSA) in 2017.



Chris Allen Chris Allen is a Sales Coordinator with Belt Conveyor Guarding, an organization that specializes in customized design and manufacture of safety guarding solutions for rotating equipment and belt conveyors. Chris has extensive expertise directly related to workplace safety, equipment guarding, project management, and safety guarding risk assessments. She regularly represents belt conveyor guarding at trade shows and seminars throughout North America and directly assists companies in preventing workplace injuries.



Kevin Averette, Application Specialist and Technical Resources Leader at Air Power Inc.

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Amanda S. Azman Dr. Amanda Azman is a research audiologist with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. Her work, within the Pittsburgh Mining Division Workplace Health Branch, is currently focused on evaluating and improving existing hearing conservation programs in mining. She has worked directly with miners, mine management, and manufacturers of mining equipment, on various noise issues as well as strategies for decreasing worker occupational noise exposure and subsequent hearing loss. She also manages the NIOSH hearing loss prevention mobile audiometric test trailer. The trailer is driven to various mines and customer outreach events to provide free hearing tests, general hearing loss prevention information, and guidance on selection and use of hearing protectors. Dr. Azman has worked for NIOSH since 2007, enjoying hearing loss prevention research and especially working with miners at their jobsites.



Susan Barge Susan Barge began her law enforcement career in 1998, serving three years with the Key West Police Department in the patrol division and presently serves as State Trooper with the Florida Highway Patrol. She is a Senior Traffic Homicide Investigator and a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) currently assigned to the Florida Highway Patrol Academy. Susan is also the Assistant DRE Coordinator for the Breath Testing Courses, Agency Inspector Courses, SPST and ARIDE Courses. She is an instructor for the DUI Basic Recruit Curriculum and DUI Standardized Field Sobriety Tests at the Florida Highway Patrol Academy in Havana, Florida. She is an adjunct instructor for Broward College teaching the Advanced Traffic Homicide Courses and DUI Courses. She is also adjunct instructor for the Florida Public Safety Institute and the College of Central Florida Criminal Justice Institute teaching the DUI and DRE courses. She has also taught numerous counties and municipalities in DUI/DRE and Crash Investigations. She is a member of the Impaired Driving Education and Victim Services, the Florida Impaired Driving Coalition and the Institute for Behavior and Health Drugged Driving Committee. She has conducted DUI presentations for the Florida Medical Examiners Association, the Society of Forensic Toxicology and the DUI

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Adjudication Lab for County and Circuit Court Judges and training on the Intoxilyzer 8000 for the Appellate Court Judges. She has also been a guest speaker at the Criminology and Law Honors Society at the University of Florida and University of North Florida. She has given expert witness testimony to the horizontal and vertical Gaze Nystagmus. Susan has done numerous demonstrations to high school students and college students on impairment and the effects it causes from Driving Under the Influence.



Ed Barnett Ed Barnett is a Mining Professional with over 30 years' experience in surface coal mining and limestone rock mining. He has held numerous positions to include: Electrician, Electrical Supervisor, Maintenance Supervisor, Maintenance Manager, Facilities Manager, along with Safety Supervisor. Ed is a certified MSHA Instructor, Certified Surface Foreman, Electrical Instructor, both Surface and Underground. Ed's current position as Training Manager for North American Coal allows him to travel to all locations and present safety and leadership classes. Currently, Ed lives with his wife of almost 40 years in Frisco, TX, and visits his daughters in California and North Dakota, along with two grandchildren.



Jeremy Bethancourt Jeremy Bethancourt is Program Director of ACTA Safety and Safety Director at LeBlanc Building Co, LLC. The mission of ACTA Safety is to provide, in collaboration with our many partners, worksite safety and health safety oversight, training, and education. Among some of the reasons ACTA Safety was created was to fill a recognized industry void for quality fall protection expertise and training in the light commercial and residential building industries. Through worker safety education & training our Nations workers can be assured of a safe workplace free from recognized hazards likely to cause serious injury.

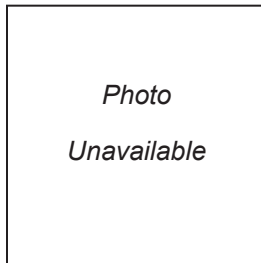
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Jeff Choate Jeff Choate is a Project Engineer with Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel Co. and has worked with them in the mining and construction industries for the last 5 years. He has a degree in Civil and Construction Engineering from the

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University of Arkansas, Little Rock and is currently licensed as an FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot. Projects Jeff has worked on involve inventory management, mine planning, pit development, and site preparation and layout.



Tony Cinkovich Tony Cinkovich is currently employed by Pine Bluff Sand and Gravel and has been employed in the mining industry for nearly 30 years, primarily at limestone quarry operations. He has a degree in Electronics Technology from Southern Illinois University as well as being an MSHA Qualified Electrician. Throughout Tony's career, he has held a variety of positions including District Electrician, Maintenance Manager, District Engineer, and Sr. Project Manager (current). Tony's responsibilities include or have included electrical/automation management, plant and mobile equipment maintenance, inventory management, mine planning, and project management.

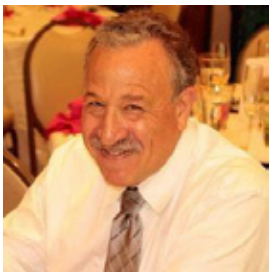


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Manley Feinberg Manley Feinberg is recognized as an award winning international keynote speaker and business leader, author, published outdoor adventure photographer and professional musician. He served two terms as the President of the National Speakers Association, St. Louis chapter. Leveraging more than twenty years of business, professional speaking and adventure experience, he helps professionals breakthrough mindsets to step up and reach their next summit. As a result of his work, people have more focus, courage, commitment and momentum. In fact he wrote a book titled, *Reaching Your Next Summit! 9 Vertical Lessons to Lead with More Impact*. During Manley's eleven years with Build-A-Bear Workshop, his leadership direction helped take the revolutionary retail concept from 40 stores to over 400 worldwide, realizing revenue growth from 55 million to over 474 million, and a successful IPO on the NYSE. He built an award-winning reputation for implementing business solutions and support that produced measurable results every day. Manley's leadership influence contributed to a workplace culture that landed Build-A-Bear on the FORTUNE 100 Best Companies to Work For® List four years in a row. Through custom developed programs and support ranging from 60 minutes to 12 months, he will leave you with many actionable techniques, frameworks, and insights. Most importantly, he can engage your organization in a way that sustains true results that last well beyond the presentation, and ultimately affect long term change. Manley's inspirational keynotes are brought to life through his national geographic photography and riveting stories culminating from a lifetime of adventure through 25 countries, to over 400 outdoor destinations. Manley vividly shares compelling lessons from his adventure and leadership experiences in a way that allows you to relate to your mountains.



David Goldsmith, MSPH, PhD Dr. Goldsmith is an expert on environmental health, with a particular interest in fracking, silica, silicosis and cancer risks; respiratory illnesses and exposure to paints and welding fumes; and the chronic health effects, including cancer, associated with pesticide exposure. Other areas of expertise include the legal aspects of occupational and environmental health research, and chronic illness and agriculture. Dr. Goldsmith has also worked with Native American communities on the issue of the health risks of repatriating sacred artifacts that have been treated with pesticides and other chemical preservatives. Dr. Goldsmith has organized three international symposia on silica, silicosis and cancer, and other chronic diseases. He was a consultant to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) as it revised the U.S. national silica dust standard, and in 2014 testified at hearings focusing on the impacts of OSHA's new silica regulation. He has been a consultant to the Washington DC Departments of

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Health and Environmental. From 2009 to 2011 Dr. Goldsmith was detailed to the Veterans Administration via an Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Exchange. In 2014 Dr. Goldsmith was Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math, Department of Community Health Sciences, University of Manitoba, Faculty of Medicine, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.



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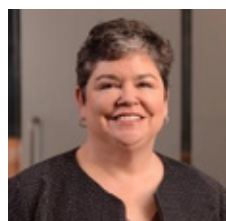
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employers with respect to prevention and avoidance of liability under the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act, as well as the Safe Explosives Act. She also handles all aspects of the defense of enforcement actions arising under those statutes, including both administrative and civil litigation. She conducts seminars and training sessions on enforcement and discrimination topics under various state and federal safety and health statutes.



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Special Investigator, Supervisor for Special Investigations, and Staff Assistant to the District Manager. In 2011 he was promoted to the position of Assistant District Manager. As District Manager, the Birmingham District has enforcement authority over 1000 plus mine operations. To accomplish this task, Sam directs over 80 MSHA employees including a staff of inspectors, supervisors, specialists, litigation representatives, and assistants.

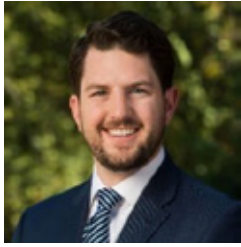


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Service as Director of Standards. In early 1978, she played an integral role in the transition of MSHA from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Labor and the establishment of the Office of Standards. Mrs. Silvey earned her B.S. degree from Tuskegee Institute; M.A. degree from the University of Alabama; and J.D. degree from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the District of Columbia Bar. Mrs. Silvey is married to Donald K. Silvey and they have three sons.



Walter Simpson Walter Simpson is the Manager of Safety, Training, and Professional Development for The North American Coal Corporation in their corporate office in Dallas, TX. With a solid background in organizational leadership, Walter has focused his career on the development and training of safety initiatives. He is skilled in design and implementation of: 1) Human Resources policy and procedures; 2) behavioral safety initiatives; 3) site specific and company-wide leadership development; and 4) effective communications. He received his undergraduate degree from Troy University in Alabama and his Master's in Psychology from Walden University in Minnesota. He holds certifications from the Society for Human Resources Management and the International Society of Mine Safety Professionals.



J. B. Smith J.B. Smith was continuously elected sheriff of Smith County Texas from 1976 to 2012 making him one of the longest serving sheriffs in Texas history. He was elected by his peers to serve as President of the Sheriffs Association of Texas 2002-2003. He managed a department of 350 personnel and over 1000 prisoners. He is a graduate of The University of Texas at Tyler with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. He is also a graduate of the National FBI Academy. As sheriff for over 3 decades, he was responsible for the investigation of 146 murder cases, hundreds of sexual assaults, child molestations, aggravated assaults and countless burglaries and thefts. When you add numerous family violence cases involving children it can cause depression in the strongest of men including him. To compensate for the everyday trauma the sheriff started looking for positive things that produced humor. That attitude adjustment evolved over 20 years into a "Laughter is Lawful" program that has been presented hundreds of times from New York to L.A. As a Vietnam veteran and sought after humorous speaker, the sheriff was contracted in 2011 by the Dept. of Defense to be the keynote speaker for Navy Seals returning from war zones. This expanded into programs for Marine

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Special Forces as well. These programs spanned four years and is one of the highlights of his speaking career. He has authored two true crime books, "*The Christmas Day Murders*" and "*The Unholy Ghost Murders*", murder cases taken from the many he was responsible for working. Along with his books, he has received two Emmy's for his TV production on Texas Heritage. As a licensed Texas auctioneer he holds numerous auctions for various non-profit organizations. His motto is "Blessed are they that laugh at themselves for they shall never cease to be amused."



Albert Tien, PhD **Albert J. Tien, PhD – President (2 year term Nov. 2017-19) – Workplace Health Without Borders - US** After completing his doctoral studies in microbial physiology of pollutant degrading communities at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Dr. Albert Tien completed his post-doctoral training in environmental biotechnology for the Oakridge Institute for Science and Engineering and later worked in Poland as a project coordinator for the US Dept. of Energy (DOE) and the Polish Institute for Industrial Ecology (IETU) Environmental Technology Transfer Program (JCCES). He worked as a Senior Scientist for Environmental Biotechnology at the Savannah River Technology Center developing remediation technologies for mixed hazardous wastes within the DOE complex and has been active promoting industrial ecology and developing business risk management strategies and tools while working for Holcim Ltd in Switzerland. There he established corporate wide risk-based exposure guidelines for the safe use of alternative fuels and raw materials in the manufacture of cementitious materials and has worked with industry, unions and regulatory agencies to build awareness and protect worker health from mineral dusts and fibers. He worked as VP for Sustainable Development with Essroc, Italcementi Group to promote EHS, improve stakeholder relations and regulatory compliance. He has also served as an EHS and Sustainability specialist for the World Business Council for Sustainable Development Cement Sustainability Initiative (WBCSD CSI), European Cement Association (Cembureau), Portland Cement Association (PCA) and has served as the Chair of the Medical Advisory Committee in Calabar, Nigeria. He chaired the Scientific Information Exchange Forum (SIEF) for Portland Cement Flue Dust in compliance with the European Union's Registration, Evaluation, Assessment of Chemicals (REACH) legislation and supervised toxicological assessment studies. He is currently a sustainable development consultant and serves as a township zoning commissioner as well as president of WHWB-US.

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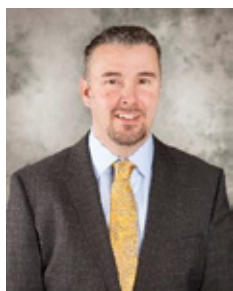
Erik is the author of *The Think GREAT Collection* and shares the successful, proven concepts in his six books to give individuals and organizations the competitive edge needed for achieving new levels of success. As a speaker and coach, Erik's interactive and entertaining style empowers audiences to connect and relate as he shows them how to open new doors to success in their personal and professional lives. More than just a presenter with a lasting message of inspiration, he also empowers audiences as he describes his life-changing experience of being his wife's caregiver during her four bouts with cancer and cardiac arrest.



Terry L. Tyson Terry Tyson has been an award-winning safety professional for over 35 years, all within the mining and construction materials industries. He has also been a respected and published mentalist for almost as long. In addition to being a sought after speaker at industry conferences throughout the country, his corporate and private party mentalism entertainment engagements have taken him across the world on cruise ships, cafes and clubs. By combining his expertise and experience in the safety field with his understanding and insights as to how people think his presentations, training and workshops take on special significance, attendee participation and a uniqueness rarely found. Terry is the proud recipient of the NSSGA's James Christie Safety Professional of the Year award, a published author, poet and photographer, an avid hiker and climber and has taught at the Academy of Magic in London, England. When it comes to his mentalism-mind reading skills, Terry says, "Be careful of what you're thinking, you never know who's listening!" Terry represents Insight Services and

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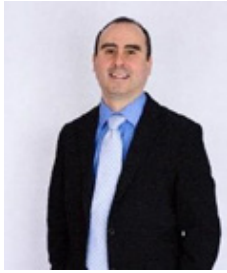
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David G. Zatezalo President Donald J. Trump nominated David G. Zatezalo to be the 9th Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health. He was sworn in on November 30, 2017. Assistant Secretary Zatezalo is a native of West Virginia and has spent a lifetime working in mining. He began his career as a union miner and since then has held positions at a number of companies as shift foreman, engineering superintendent, mine manager, vice president of operations and chief executive officer. Assistant Secretary Zatezalo has worked in mining all across the U.S. and internationally in Australia. Assistant Secretary Zatezalo has a degree in mining engineering from West Virginia University and is a registered professional engineer in Ohio and West Virginia. He also has an MBA from Ohio University. He is the past chairman of the Kentucky Coal Association and the Ohio Coal Association. He's also been a member of the Mine Rescue Veterans of the Pittsburgh District.

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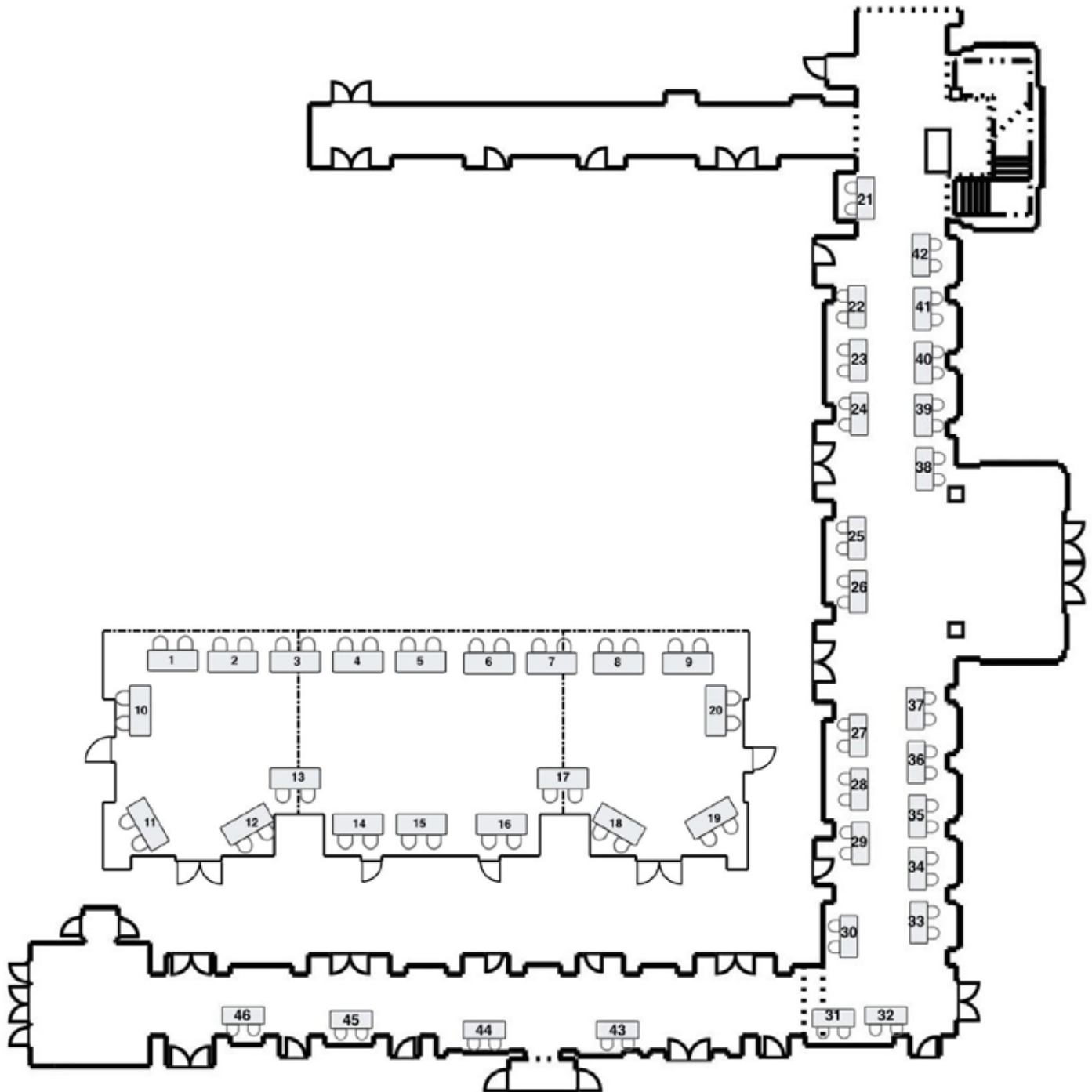
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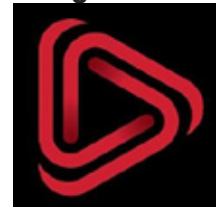
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