

SAFETY...

Make it Happen

MAKE IT MATTER!!!




2018 FALL FORUM

OCTOBER 1ST & 2ND



Veteran Owned Business



**10/30 HR. General Ind./Construction
Arc Flash
Confined Space Training
Fall Protection
HAZWOPER
Industrial Hygiene
Medical Clearances
Onsite Assessment
Safety Program Development
Respiratory Protection/FIT Testing**

SAFETY TRAINING COMPLIANCE

Providing solutions for all your safety, training and compliance needs

1-800-732-8004

accesscompliance.net

DEAR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES,

On behalf of the Region II Board of Directors, we would like to welcome you to our Fall Safety Forum. Our theme this year is **"Safety... Make it Happen, Make it Matter"**. Safety is not luck; it is a well-integrated plan for success. The results are predictable as well as reproducible. Participants continue to realize injury and illness rates that are 50% below the industrial average. This does not happen by accident. The collaborative bond that has been developed between Management, Labor, and OSHA is truly extraordinary. If you were to bet on the odds this relationship could be characterized as a trifecta. All parties have a horse in the race. All three parties take 1st, 2nd and 3rd. There are no losers, only winners. Workers go home to their families in one piece.

We are excited about our keynote speaker Jim Karol. Jim is ranked as one of the top mentalists in the world and is no stranger to the national stage. He has appeared on the Tonight Show, the Today Show and Howard Stern to name a few. He has worked with the USO to entertain men and women serving across the world. Jim has worked with wounded warriors suffering from Post-traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD). He had worked with soldiers and athletes that are dealing with the aftermath of a serious head injury. Jim will deliver the keynote as well as will entertain us at the mixer.

OSHA's proposed budget remains essentially unchanged at approximately \$549 million. The budget calls for an increase of 71 full time equivalent workers. The 2019 proposed budget proposed an increase of \$3,120,000 and 24 FTE to hire compliance assistant specialists to support training, outreach, compliance assistance and cooperative programs. A proposed increase of \$2 million and eight FTE will be made to support VPP specifically. To put things in perspective in Fiscal year 2017, OSHA approved 78 VPP sites and reapproved 256 sites nationwide. In FY 2018, new sites and reapprovals will hit 95 and 285 respectively. With the additional resources allocated to VPP for FY 2019, place estimates on new sites and renewals at 155 and 395 respectively. That is an overall increase of 170 sites or 31%. We are moving in the right direction.

The VPPPA (Voluntary Protection Programs Participants Association) has been working tirelessly to codify VPP. We have a bill in both houses (HRI444 in the House of Representatives and S.1878 in the Senate). To date we have 61 bipartisan cosponsors in the house and 2 bipartisan cosponsors in the Senate. By the end of the Safety Forum, please stop by the VPPPA booth and pledge your support. Letters have been prepared to be distributed to your representative in Congress. We also ask to have your team members at home pledge their support as well. Please have them visit www.vpppa.org/MakeVPPPermanent.

Currently VPP is funded through the Budget Category Compliance Assistance. There are a number of initiatives funded through compliance assistance. Examples include the Whistle Blower Program, On-Site Consultation Programs, OTI Education Centers, Strategic Alliances and Partnerships to name a few. The proposed legislation would create a separate line item with its own appropriation.

OSHA has finite resources. Although OSHA has provided additional resources to support outreach initiatives, they are a lean mean fighting machine. In order to accomplish their mission, they need to determine the appropriate balance between enforcement and outreach. OSHA's budget remains flat and they are doing more with less. As VPP Sites, we need to do what we can to support OSHA's Mission. For those that have not participated on SGE activities, they need your help. It is amazing how much you can learn from working with our OSHA outreach partners.

We have a strong contingent of SGE's in Region 2. Having the opportunity see firsthand how safety and health systems are implemented in another company and/or industry can have a profound impact on your own organization. Lessons learned can be brought back to your own site to improve and enhance existing safety and health programs.

Region II would like to thank our OSHA partners Robert Kulick, Mike Levy, Rich Brown and the Compliance Assistants who play a critical role in maintaining the integrity of the program. Their hard work and commitment to the program is truly appreciated. And the region is in an enviable position that the backlog is cleared and we are looking for new applications. We would also like to thank our speakers, sponsors and vendors who have made this forum possible.

In closing, I encourage each of you to engage in the breakout sessions, spend time with the vendors and make new connections with attendees outside of your company. Remember it is up to you, **"Safety... Make it Happen, Make it Matter."**

Sincerely,



Robert Brynes
Chairman of the Board
VPPPA Region II

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Robert Brynes

Chapter Chairperson
Vice-Chapter Chairperson
Wheelabrator
93 River Street
Hudson Falls NY 12839
Phone: (518) 361-3673
Email: rbrynes@wtienergy.com
(Term Expires 2020)

Vice-Chapter Chairperson

OPEN (Term Would Expire 2019)

Kevin O'Brien

Treasurer
Access Health Systems
776a Watervliet-Shaker Road
Latham, NY 12110
Phone: (518) 782 2205
Email: kobrien@
accesshealthsystems.com
(Term Expires 2020)
Mentor Committee
Vendors

Kevin Mihalenko

Secretary
Tropicana
9 Linden Avenue East
Jersey City, NJ 07305
Phone: (201) 395-6015
Email: kevin.mihalenko@pepsico.
com
(Term Expires 2019)
Union & Nomination Committee

DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

John Bawiec

Tropicana
9 Linden Avenue East
Jersey City, NJ 07305
Phone: (201) 395-6015
Email: john.bawiec@pepsico.com
Union
(Term Expires 2020)

Michael Bell

Essity North America, Inc.
72 County Route 53
Greenwich, NY 12834
Work: (518) 742-2141
Email: michael.bell@essity.com
(Term Expires 2019)

Brian Bennett, Ph.D., CSP

Director at Large
EHS Excellence
33 Wood Avenue South
Suite 600
Iselin, NJ 08830
Phone: (732) 803.7812
Email: brian.bennett@ehs-
excellence.com
(Term Expires 2019)

William DePuy

Director at Large
LEAD Electrician
Olympus Power- Brooklyn Navy
Yard Cogen
Brooklyn, NY 11205
Phone: (718) 246-0870
Email: wdepuy@bnycogen.com
(Term Expires 2019)
Union

Brenda Kay Wiederkehr, CSC

Chapter Chairperson
Access Health Systems
776A Watervliet-Shaker Road
Latham, NY 12110
Phone: (518) 782-2200
Email: brenda@
accesshealthsystems.com
(Term Expires 2020)
Conference Committee

Director at Large

OPEN (Term Expires 2020)

TRUSTEES

Dominic Bruno

Sabic
One Noryl Avenue
Selkirk, NY 12158
Mobile: (518) 527-7799
Email: dominic.bruno@sabic-ip.
com

Tristen Dougher

Wheelabrator Hudson Falls, LLC
93 River Street
Hudson Falls, NY 12839
Phone: (518) 747 2390 ext. 240
Email: tdougher@wtienergy.com

2018 KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JIM KAROL



Jim Karol - Mentalist and Memory Expert

Meet Jim Karol, keynote speaker for our VPPPA Region II 2018 Safety Forums! You may remember seeing him during his performances on The Tonight Show, The Ellen Show, The Today Show, or Howard Stern. In 2007, he was featured as one of the world's Top Ten Mentalists, in a NBC reality show called, "Phenomenon."

Aside from being a performer, Jim continues to impact countless lives. Jim uses his abilities to help professional athletes, business leaders, seniors and anyone looking to enhance their memory.

He works with the USO and other military charities, helping our wounded warriors suffering from PTSD, and entertaining our troops around the globe. The USO has had him teach monthly classes on memory and emotional intelligence at Walter Reed Medical Center and Fort Belvoir Community Hospital. Jim has also performed at the Invictus Games in Orlando and Warrior Games at West Point.

As stated in the September 2017 edition of MUM, "currently, Jim is working with a group of doctors and specialists on a project to help athletes with CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy). This is a disorder caused by head injuries from sports like football and soccer."

Some of Jim's amazing abilities include knowing more than 80,000 zip codes, thousands of digits of Pi, the Scrabble dictionary, hundreds of science and medical journals and thousands of other facts!

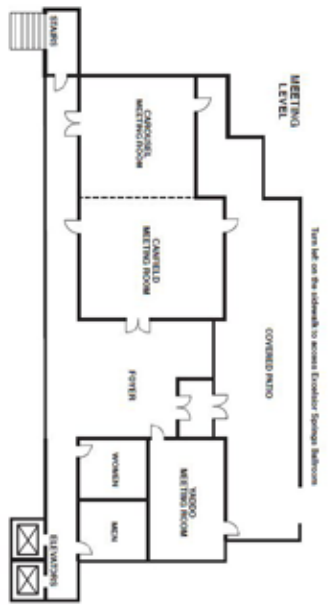
Jim can tell you the day of the week for every date, all the way back to 1AD, and can memorize a shuffled deck of cards in less than a minute!

What if every day, your brain kept getting stronger and so powerful, you began to do things you once thought impossible?

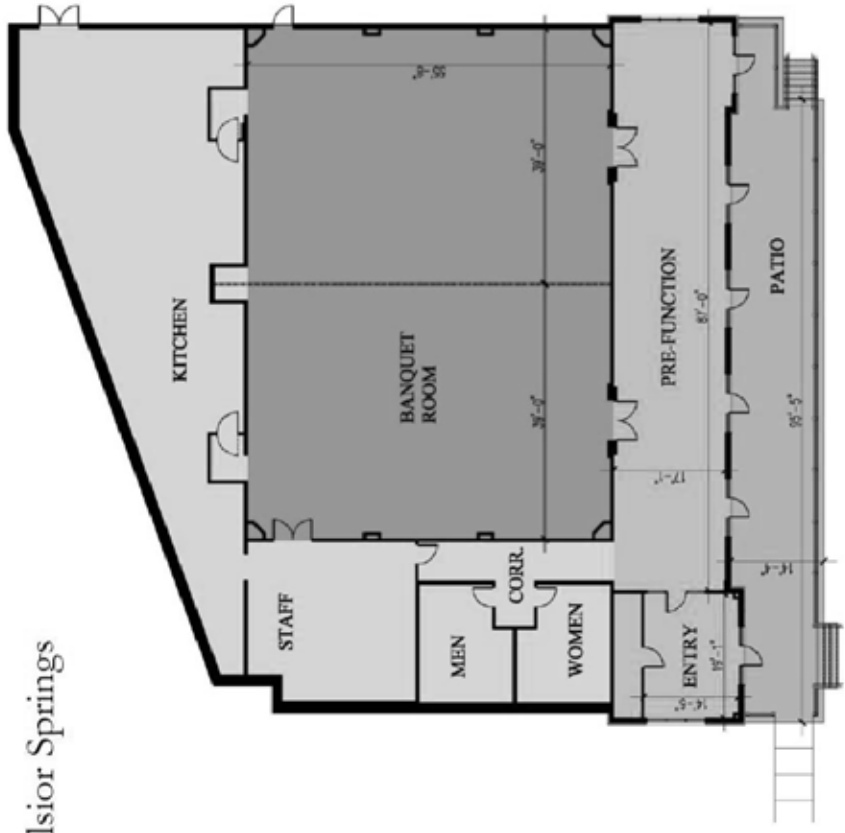
For more information, visit Jim at www.jimkarol.com or search YouTube for his appearances on the television shows mentioned above.



COURTYARD® Marriott®



Excelsior Springs



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR RECEPTION!

5:00 - 8:00 PM

***Jim will be entertaining us with his mind
bending magic during the reception!***

**Come for the entertainment and stay for a
chance to Meet our Vendors:**

Access Compliance

Always In Mind, Inc.

A-SAFE

Catamount Consulting

EHS Excellence Consulting LLC

L. G. White Safety Corp

MPSA, a Division of Airline

OSHA

Premier Safety

Safety Management Systems, Inc. (SMS360)

Total Safety US Inc

2018 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Day	Time	OSHA/VPP	Your Professional Development: On The Path Towards Becoming a Better Safety & Health Professional	Making Better Workplaces Construction & General Industry
	Room	Carousel	Canfield	Yaddo
MON OCT 1				
TUES OCT 2	8:00-9:30	Electronic Record Keeping Struve	Common Fire Safety Violations Bennett & Deitch	Killing Conditions...Why They Continue Lyons
TUES OCT 2	10:00-11:30	Introduction to using PLAN-DO-CHECK-ACT (PDCA) Methodology to Improve Your Self-Inspection Program Mirowitz	Back Pass Buddy Logan Safety Comes Home Carneys Point	Managing Contractors at VPP Sites Bennett & Deitch
TUES OCT 2	12:30-2:00	ARC FLASH 1910.335/70E Awareness O'Brien	Workplace Violence - Who is at Risk & How to Reduce it Huntington	Aerial Work Platforms & Fall Protection White
TUES OCT 2	2:15-3:45	VPP Manager Brown	Survive an Active Shooter Event Bennett & Deitch	Improving Safety Culture Through Risk Management McKenna
POST FORUM WORKSHOPS Wednesday, October 3, 2018				
WED OCT 3	8:00-4:00	Strengthening Star Quality Brynes & Wiederkehr	OSHA General Industry or Construction Training on Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard O'Brien	

VPPPA FALL SAFETY FORUM AGENDA 2018

Monday, October 1, 2018

- 08:00 - 12:00 Set Up Vendors (Excelsior Springs)
- 11:30 Lunch on your own
- 1:00 Registration (Foyer of Excelsior Springs)
- 1:00 Exhibit Halls Opens (Excelsior Springs)
- 1:30 Opening and Welcome (Excelsior Springs)
 - Robert Brynes, VPPPA Region II, Chairman
 - J.A. Rodriguez, JR., National VPPPA, Chairman
 - Steven Kaplan, Deputy Regional Administrator, US DOL OSHA Region II
 - Richard Brown, VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA, Region II

VPP Star Plaque Presentations:

New VPP Star

Integrated Die manufacturing (IDM) Corning Incorporated,
Painted Post, NY

New VPP Merit

Nucor Steel Auburn, Inc., Auburn, NY

- 2:45 - 3:45 Key Note Speaker; Jim Karol, Mentalist
(Excelsior Springs)
- 4:00 - 4:30 Business Meeting (Announcements) (Excelsior Springs)
- 5:00 - 8:00 Reception (Excelsior Springs)
- 8:30: Exhibit Hall Closes

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

- 7:30 Continental Breakfast/Exhibit Hall Opens (Excelsior Springs)
- 8:00 Workshops (see schedule)
- 9:30 Break (Excelsior Springs)
- 10:00 Workshops (see schedule)
- 11:30 Lunch (Excelsior Springs)
- 12:30 Workshops (See Schedule)
- 2:00 Break (Excelsior Springs)
- 2:15 Workshops (See Schedule)
- 3:45 Break (Beverages only) (Excelsior Springs)
- 4:00 VPPPA Region 2 Chapter Business Closing (Excelsior Springs)
- 5:00 Exhibit Hall Closes

Post Forum Workshops

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

- 8:00 – 3:30
 - "Strengthening Star Quality" 6 Hours (Kaydeross)
 - Silica General 8 Hours (Room – TBA)

WORKSHOP NARRATIVES 2018

OSHA/VPP

Room# Carousel

OSHA Electronic Recordkeeping

Valerie Struve
Program Analyst, US DOL OSHA
Washington, DC
Moderator: Richard Brown, VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA

In 2018, covered establishments must submit injury information from their completed 2017 Form 300A by July 1, 2018. Beginning in 2019 and every year thereafter, covered establishments must submit the information by March 2. During this workshop, OSHA will explain which establishments are covered and how to submit the data online. The presentation will also cover which cases are OSHA-recordable. At the end of the presentation, there will be a question and answer period for general OSHA recordkeeping issues.

Introduction to Using PLAN-DO-CHECK-ACT (PDCA) Methodology to Improve Your Self-Inspection Program

Stuart Mirowitz, DrPH, CIH, CSP, FAIHA
Paramus, NJ

The Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) Cycle provides a simple but effective approach for problem solving and continuous improvement, ensuring that ideas are appropriately tested before committing to full implementation. This workshop will highlight key factors of using the PDCA (Plan, Do, Check, Act) model to improve safety and health self-inspection program.

Initial plans for improvement generated a: revised inspector training program; group of mentors for those who are new to conducting inspections; and revised the inspection documentation. This resulted in improved employee engagement and hazard recognition.

Arc Flash 1910.335 / 70E Awareness

Kevin O'Brien, CSC
Director of Operations & Training Access Health Systems, Latham, NY

Employees working in areas where there are potential electrical hazards shall be provided with, and shall use, electrical protective equipment that is appropriate for the specific parts of the body to be protected and for the work to be performed. This training will cover protective equipment and maintenance, the insulating capability of protective equipment, use of nonconductive head protection wherever there is a danger of head injury from electric shock or burns due to contact with exposed energized parts. Protective equipment for the eyes or face wherever there is danger of injury to the eyes or face from electric arcs or flashes or from flying objects resulting from electrical explosion. General protective equipment and tools, fuse handling, insulating capability of tools, use of nonconductive ropes and hand lines used near exposed energized parts, protective shields, protective barriers, or insulating materials shall be used to protect from shock, burns, or other electrically related injuries.

VPP Manager Workshop

Richard Brown
VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA
New York, NY

This workshop will provide an opportunity for a program update for VPP participants from the VPP Manager. There will also be an update for current Special Government Employees. There will be a question and answer session for the group, and the VPP Manager will be available afterwards to answer any individual questions. This year, a significant portion of the workshop will be devoted to VPP self-evaluations. We will discuss how to improve annual submissions and how to use VPP self-evaluations as a tool to drive continuous improvement.

Your Professional Development: On The Path Towards Becoming A Better Safety & Health Professional Room# Canfield

Common Fire Safety Violations

Brian Bennett
President, EHS Excellence Consulting LLC
Iselin, NJ

Norman Deitch
Senior Vice President, EHS Excellence
Iselin, NJ

The local fire inspector has called and scheduled an inspection of your facility in the upcoming days. You want to prepare, but you are not sure of what things the inspector will be looking for. Using photographs from previous inspections, an experienced Fire Inspector will give you insights into what issues will likely be focused on during the inspection, some common violations that are found in workplaces, and what you can do to properly prepare for an inspections.

NAES - Two Locations Sharing Two Best Practices:

Logan's Generating will be presenting on Back Pass Buddy

Mike Holick- Logan Generating, NJ

Carney's Point will be presenting on Safety Comes Home

Paul Diedrichson, Buzz Ryder - Carney's Point, NJ

"Back Pass Buddy" One of the operation crews at Logan Generating came up with this idea and presented it to their shift supervisor. The idea was to utilize a mechanical device to clean ash from the back pass area of the boiler for inspections versus employees climbing in and out to clean with a fire hose.

"Safety Comes Home" People are three times more likely to be hurt off the job than while at work. Bringing safety home it is not just the right choice for you, but influencing family, friends, and impacting your community, makes it the right decision for everyone.

Workplace Violence - Who is at Risk and How to Reduce it . . .

Steven Huntington
Safety Instructor, Catamount Consulting
Warrensburg, NY

Workplace violence is any act or threat of physical violence, harassment, intimidation, or other threatening disruptive behavior that occurs at the work site. It ranges from threats and verbal abuse to physical assaults and even homicide. It can affect and involve employees, clients, customers, and visitors. This workplace violence presentation provides information on the extent of violence in the workplace, assessing the hazards in different settings and developing workplace violence prevention. Workplace violence training will help reduce disruptive incidents, prevent workplace violence, lower risk of injury, improve workplace relations, and reduce exposure to liability. Join the presenter to share in his over 30 years of law enforcement experience and tactical training.

Survive an Active Shooter Event

Brian Bennett
President, EHS Excellence Consulting LLC
Iselin, NJ

Norman Deitch
Senior Vice President, EHS Excellence
Iselin, NJ

Active shooter incidents are becoming all too common. These incidents are often unpredictable and evolve very quickly. This workshop will discuss common facility vulnerabilities that exist that can be exploited by a shooter to maximize attack effectiveness, and what you can do to reduce the likelihood of an attack. Information will be presented on what actions can be taken in response to an attack to protect employees and increase their chances of survival. The workshop will also address basic security enhancements that can be made to make your workplace more secure and less vulnerable to criminal activity or terrorist attacks.

Making Better Workplaces Construction / General Industry Room# Yaddo

Killing Conditions WHY they Continue. . . .

TJ Lyons, OHST, CSP
Eastern Region EHS Manager, Total Facility Solutions – A company of the M+W Group
Malta, NY

Honest discussions with the audience on outdated construction work traditions and why now is the right time for change. Discussed in plain terms and examples, TJ offers methods to eliminate outdated conditions that are hurting or killing workers on our projects. Conditions we overlook on a construction site – through simple conversation and contractual provisions would prevent injuries or death. Ten opportunities including a topic few are willing to discuss. All offered to save your schedule, profits and lives. Most if not all the interventions offered will keep our sons and daughters unhurt for little or no money.

Managing Contractors at VPP Sites

Brian Bennett
President, EHS Excellence Consulting LLC
Iselin, NJ

Norman Deitch
Senior Vice President, EHS Excellence
Iselin, NJ

Contractors can make or break your participation in the VPP. Improperly selected, trained, and managed contractors can lead to increased injuries and significant incidents. This workshop will cover various best practices regarding the use of contractors at VPP Worksites. Topics covered include: Developing effective contractor safety & health management systems; selection and approval of contractors; training of contractors; auditing of contractors; and integration of contractors into your overall safety and health system. Attendees will learn various techniques that can be employed to ensure contractors work at least as safe as your own employees and are a valued VPP partner.

Aerial Work Platforms & Fall Protection

Lawrence G. White
President
L.G. White Safety Corporation
Schenectady, NY

Mathew E. White
Vice President

Randy A. White
Vice President

L.G. White Safety Corporation's Presentation will cover both Aerial Work Platform and Fall Protection information. The Aerial Work Platform portion of the course will cover OSHA standards, pre-use inspections, types of aerial lifts, training requirements, selecting the right lift, inspections, safety and shutdown procedures, and fall protection while working on an aerial lift. The Fall Protection portion of the course will cover OSHA standards for railings, safety nets, covers, and personal fall arrest systems. The course will also include information about fall protection equipment inspections, ABCD's of fall protection, and the difference between active and passive fall protection solutions. L.G. White Safety will bring to the course examples of commercially available fall protection equipment for demonstration.

Improving Safety Culture Through Risk Management

Scott McKenna
Owner, Catamount Consulting
Warrensburg, NY

There are a number of things that the Safety Supervisor has to manage within their organization. We will focus our time on the inspection process and minimizing citations, as well as minimizing exposure of risk to the staff members. Join us while we explore these details. We will explore the human behavior side of accident prevention and look at how human factors and behavior affect personnel and organizational safety. Does compliance with regulatory standards equal safety? Why do the same injuries still continue to occur? Discussions on safety are always based on who's doing what wrong and who's getting injured and killed. Let's take a different look at safety and see what's being done right and who isn't being killed while acknowledging that safe, quality production is the goal. The Catamount Consulting Group has spent a great deal of time exploring the foundations of safety and is convinced all levels of safety professionals must understand how to manage risk and recognize that relying on luck is not solution as well as being aware of the link between effective communication and accident prevention. Attendees are invited to join in this session to explore some of Mr. McKenna's thoughts as he captivates your attention and entertains you while you learn.

Post Forum Workshops Wednesday, October 3, 2018

Strengthening Star Quality - ROOM: Kaydeross

This workshop will go over questions such as Just Maintaining? Or what is OSHA seeing? It will also look at what the recertification findings have been showing with Employee Involvement, Hazard Prevention & Control, and Safety & Health Training. It will give ideas of what to do. Reasons why to still participate in VPP. We will have breakout groups to help work on these findings. There will also be a review of Best practices. It will also review the common 90 day items!

Silica - ROOM: TBA

Respirable Crystalline Silica This workshop will clearly identify the health hazards associated with respirable crystalline silica exposure. How are employees exposed? What activities put workers at increased risk? What control measures can be put in place to limit exposure? When is air sampling required? How is Table 1 used to develop safe work practices? We will tackle the questions and more. This course is designed to provide a solid foundation in the essential elements of the standard. The particulate in question is 100 times smaller than a grain of sand. The adverse health effects (ex. Silicosis, lung cancer, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) is 100% preventable. This will cover both the Construction 29 CFR 1926.1153 & the General Industry Standards 29 CFR 1910.1053

Stick out your wrist !
And save a life

Region 2, of the VPPPA, has sponsored an AED FUND for several years. By purchasing our a bracelet, you help purchase an AED
Seems like a small thing, but someday it may mean all the world to someone

United Quality
Only \$20
Made in USA

Divided by

Access
compliance

REGION II

Providing solutions for all your safety, training and compliance needs.
accesscompliance.net | 518 852 2029 | brenda@accesscompliance.net

VPP



Voluntary Protection Program Participants' Association Region II Chapter NJ, NY, PR, VI

NORMAN DEITCH AED OUTREACH FUND

In 2007 Norman Deitch retired from OSHA after 27 years of service. Norman also served as the Region II VPP Manager for 18 years. One of Norman's passions is to foster the use of AEDs to help save lives. In his honor, the Region II VPPPA Board of Directors established the "Norman Deitch AED Fund".

The Board is again soliciting donations from members to purchase AEDs for worthwhile community groups in honor of Norman Deitch's many years of service.

Donations of any amount will be accepted and appreciated.

A company can make a recommendation for a worthy non-profit organization in their area to receive an AED. Examples of acceptable organizations include: Police, Fire, or EMS departments, churches, youth groups such as Scouts or Little League, social groups such as the Elks or Knights of Columbus, and veteran groups such as the VFW or American Legion.



Checks should be made payable to Region II VPPPA and sent to:

Kevin O'Brien, Treasurer, VPPPA Region II, 776a Watervliet-Shaker Rd, Latham, NY 12110

Help us make a difference in helping others save lives!

Brenda Wiederkehr, CSC

Region II VPP PA ~ Chairman

c/o Access Health Systems 776A Watervliet Shaker Road, Latham, NY 12110

Brenda@accesshealthsystems.com

2018 SGE OF THE YEAR: RONALD ROGERS



The Region II VPPPA Board has announced the Region II 2018 SGE of the Year nominee: Mr. Ronald Rogers of DA Collins Companies located in Wilton NY.

In 2017, OSHA Region II offered 58 Special Government Employee (SGE) opportunities during VPP evaluations in our region, and 32 of our SGEs answered the call 40 times. Mr. Rogers participated in four (4) VPP evaluations in 2017, in addition to eight (8) VPP evaluations during the previous three (3) years. He is a dependable team member and knowledgeable in safety and health, especially in construction safety issues. Mr. Rogers has

been an SGE since January of 2014. In 2016, Mr. Rogers was also selected as the Region II SGE of the Year, making this his second award.

He is currently the Corporate Safety Director responsible for safety compliance (OSHA Standards, MSHA Standards, DOT Standards, D.A. Collins Companies Safety Policies), contractor safety, as well as the Wilton office campus site safety. He is the Wilton campus Emergency Response Manager. He serves as the chair at the D.A. Collins Companies VPP core team. He oversees the safety and health management for three (3) current VPP participants: D.A. Collins Construction Mobile Workforce, D.A. Collins Environmental Mobile Workforce, and D.A. Collins Wilton Shop. He is currently mentoring a local Asphalt Manufacturer / Distributor, in the elements of VPP and worker safety. He has worked for D.A. Collins Companies for over 5 years. The D.A. Collins Companies have been VPP Star MWF (Mobile Work Force) Sites since February of 2012.

Ron is actively a member of multiple organizations such as ASSE (American Society of Safety Engineers), NASP (National Association of Safety Professionals), NFPA (National Fire Protection Association), BCSP (Board of Certified Safety Professionals) and NSC (National Safety Council). Ron has a diverse 30 year safety background in general industry, as well as construction. He has worked as lead safety specialist for multiple projects in environmental remediation as well as local atomic power laboratories and training facilities, to include contractor oversight at a local computer chip plant erection.

He has also organized multiple OSHA Fall Protection Stand Down events at multiple worksites, for a total of 95% of the D.A. Collins Companies total workforce of approximately 500 employees. He also supports multiple events put on by fall protection vendors, soft dig vendors, equipment vendors, etc. at his Wilton Campus location in Wilton NY, where many local competitors as well as state and local county department employees have attended for training and or educational purposes. Also for the past two (2) years, has assisted the local Albany FBI office in coordinating NEIF (National Improvised Explosives Familiarization) training events for local emergency responders, such as FBI agents, New York State Troopers, and Saratoga Police Department, to name a few. Plans are to continue these annual training events and to broaden the student base to include additional counties as needed.

2018 Fall Safety Forum Critique

Region II Participant's Association / www.region2chapter-vpppa.org

Please help us make next year's forum even better than this one by giving us your feedback. Please check one answer for each question and provide any additional comments / information in the space provided.

	Excellent	Good	Poor
My overall reaction to the forum is:	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How well did the forum fulfill your expectations?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Did the facilities and services meet your needs?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Were you able to attend all the breakout sessions of your choice?			
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			

If No, please explain: _____

Additional Comments: _____

Please provide any recommendations you may have to improve the overall forum experience to meet your expectations.

If you will be attending next year's forum would you be willing to volunteer to help in preparing the forum by (check all that apply):

<input type="radio"/> Speaking at a Workshop	<input type="radio"/> Moderating a Workshop
<input type="radio"/> Coordinating a Workshop	<input type="radio"/> Registration Support
<input type="radio"/> General Volunteer to set-up rooms	

Please list any suggestions for Workshop topics you would like to attend if available at next year's forum.

Volunteers please fill in the contact data below:

Name (First, Last, MI.) _____

Title or Position _____ Company _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

Turn in your critique sheet to the VPPPA Region II Booth for a chance to win a gift basket at the closing session. Must be present to win.

Workshop Evaluation

2018 Region II VPPPA Fall Safety Forum

Saratoga Springs, NY

October 1-2, 2018

Evaluation forms are important tools for improving future seminars. The VPPPA would like to thank you for taking the time to complete this form. We appreciate your comments. Please submit form to speaker/moderator at the end of the session.

Name of Session: _____

Name of Speaker: _____

This session met my expectations.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The speaker demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The presentation was effective for the topic and material being presented.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Audio-visual aids were effectively used for this presentation.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

This session was a worthwhile use of my time.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

There was adequate opportunity for questions and answers.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Overall comments on this session / speaker, etc:

Workshop Evaluation

2018 Region II VPPPA Fall Safety Forum
Saratoga Springs, NY
October 1-2, 2018

Evaluation forms are important tools for improving future seminars. The VPPPA would like to thank you for taking the time to complete this form. We appreciate your comments. Please submit form to speaker/moderator at the end of the session.

Name of Session: _____

Name of Speaker: _____

This session met my expectations.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The speaker demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The presentation was effective for the topic and material being presented.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Audio-visual aids were effectively used for this presentation.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

This session was a worthwhile use of my time.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

There was adequate opportunity for questions and answers.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Overall comments on this session / speaker, etc:

Workshop Evaluation

2018 Region II VPPPA Fall Safety Forum
Saratoga Springs, NY
October 1-2, 2018

Evaluation forms are important tools for improving future seminars. The VPPPA would like to thank you for taking the time to complete this form. We appreciate your comments. Please submit form to speaker/moderator at the end of the session.

Name of Session: _____

Name of Speaker: _____

This session met my expectations.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The speaker demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The presentation was effective for the topic and material being presented.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Audio-visual aids were effectively used for this presentation.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

This session was a worthwhile use of my time.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

There was adequate opportunity for questions and answers.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Overall comments on this session / speaker, etc:

Workshop Evaluation

2018 Region II VPPPA Fall Safety Forum
Saratoga Springs, NY
October 1-2, 2018

Evaluation forms are important tools for improving future seminars. The VPPPA would like to thank you for taking the time to complete this form. We appreciate your comments. Please submit form to speaker/moderator at the end of the session.

Name of Session: _____

Name of Speaker: _____

This session met my expectations.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The speaker demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

The presentation was effective for the topic and material being presented.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Audio-visual aids were effectively used for this presentation.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

This session was a worthwhile use of my time.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

There was adequate opportunity for questions and answers.

- Agree Neutral Disagree

Overall comments on this session / speaker, etc:



L.G. WHITE SAFETY CORPORATION

2 South Westcott Road, Schenectady, NY 12306

Ph: 518-355-3876 | Fax: 518-355-3876

WWW.LGWHITE.COM

- Turnkey Fall Protection Solutions
- In-house Fall Protection Engineering
- 3M Certified Engineered System Installer
- Guardian Fall Protection Distributor
- On-Site Safety Consulting & Evaluations
- Anchor and Lifeline Certification
- Equipment Inspections
- OSHA Training Courses
- Forklift Operator Training Courses
- Aerial Lift Operator Training Courses
- Fall Protection Training Courses

Curtis Lumber is proud to be partnered with OSHA. Our programs insure a safe work environment for our employees as well as a safe place for our customers to shop. All twenty-one of our locations are currently involved in the Voluntary Protection Program with nine being recognized as STAR sites and the rest on their way to reach for the STAR in the future.

*Your Home For Superior Quality
Building Materials and Service.*

CURTIS

Shop Where The Pros Go!



- Custom Kitchens, Baths and Decks
- Docks
- Roofing & Siding
- Stairs & Flooring
- Doors & Windows
- Garage Doors
- Lumber & Treated Lumber
- Paints & Stains
- Power Tools & Hardware
- Fully Customizable

LUMBER

BALLSTON SPA

885 Rt. 67

518-885-5311



curtislumber.com

AN INTEGRATED SAFETY &
HEALTH MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS SYMPOSIUM

SAFETY+

PRESENTED BY VPPPA & TSHC



#VPPPA2018



Tennessee
Safety & Health Conference

#TSHC2018

Tuesday, August 28 – Friday, August 31, 2018

Gaylord Opryland Convention Center | Nashville, TN

www.vpppa.org/symposium

- **More than 100 educational workshops**
- **Visit 250 safety & health exhibitors**
- **Prizes, giveaways & networking opportunities**
- **Earn industry CEUs**

“I thoroughly enjoyed the conference, and felt I gained a lot of insight and valuable tools to bring back to my organization.”

SAVE THE DATE FOR 2019!

Tuesday, August 27 – Friday, August 30, 2019

Morial Convention Center | New Orleans, LA



EmPart Online is **LIVE**



EmPart is a proven, effective solution to your safety recognition needs

It's a non-traditional, custom program that offers recognition to employees for participating in various action based activities.



EmPart
ONLINE

We are very excited to introduce the EmPart online experience to you.

Bringing EmPart online will enable you to review your EmPart account as well as place product award orders online.

In addition to being accessible on your computer, it works on your iPad or tablet, and on your iPhone or smart-phone too!

If you have any questions or would like a custom quote, please call us or email us.

AIM
ALWAYS IN MIND

PROMOTE THE VALUE OF SAFETY
AIMFORSAFETY.COM // 1-800-220-1818

Essity Celebrates a Decade of VPP Star Certification at its Greenwich, NY Site

At Essity, workplace safety and health is a top priority.

Voluntary Protection Programs (VPP) provides an excellent framework for external verification of comprehensive safety and health training for all employees, high-quality worksite hazard analysis protocols and prevention and control programs.



On June 5, 2008, Essity's Greenwich, New York site achieved VPP Star certification and has proudly remained a Star site for the last 10 years.

Essity, formerly SCA, is a leading global hygiene company that develops and produces tissue and personal care products. In North America, Essity produces the Tork® line of napkin, towel, tissue and wiper products used in commercial settings such as office buildings, restaurants, schools and healthcare facilities. The company has approximately 400 employees in upstate New York at its paper mill in South Glens Falls, converting facility in Greenwich and distribution center in Saratoga.



Essity Papermaking

1 River Street, South Glens Falls, NY 12803
Tel (518) 793-5684

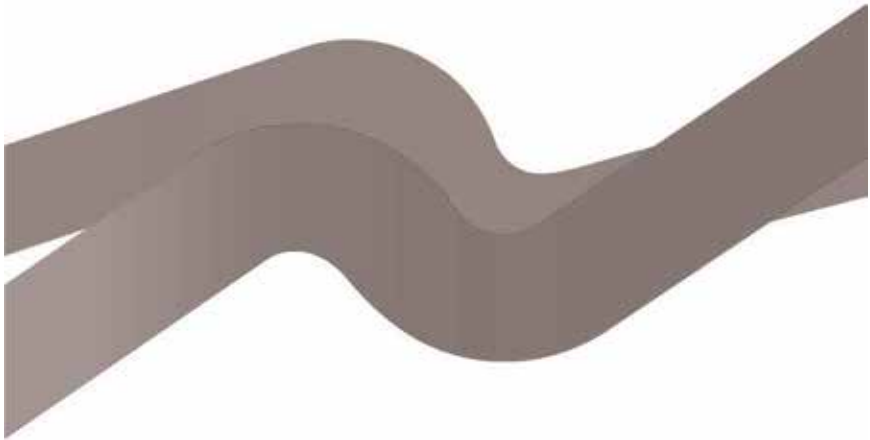
Essity Converting

72 County Rt. 53, Greenwich, NY 12834
Tel (518) 692-8434



SABIC SELKIRK

PROUD 30-YEAR
OSHA VPP STAR SITE



CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS™

ALL ROADS LEAD TO GORMAN



Surface Treatment



Paver Placed
Surface Treatment



Micro Surfacing



Cold In-Place Recycling



Full Depth
Reclamation



FiberMat®

THE GORMAN GROUP

Albany Office

300 Church Street, Albany, NY 12202
Phone: (518) 462-5401

Amsterdam Office

446 State Highway 141, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Phone: (518) 543-2540

Clinton Office

20 Robinson Road, Clinton, NY 13225
Phone: (315) 653-8161

WWW.GORMANROADS.COM



Helping you achieve VPP
efficiently and effectively.

E H S **EXCELLENCE** **Consulting**

presents:



A proprietary software system
that assesses readiness for VPP.

Our VPP services include:

- Selling employees on the value and business case for pursuing VPP
- Employee training on the principles and processes of VPP
- Assist with gaining commitment for VPP
- Assist with culture change to encourage employees to embrace the VPP principles
- Gap analysis of safety and health management system
- Evaluation of your Process Safety Management (PSM) System
- Developing/enhancing VPP Star Level programs
- VPP application preparation
- VPP readiness audits to ensure your company is prepared for the VPP on site evaluation
- On site support during the VPP evaluation
- Resolution of Merits Goals, action items, and recommendations
- Preparation of the VPP annual evaluation
- Assistance with continuous improvement activities

www.ehs-excellence.com

Phone: (732) 558-8922

Helping Sites Become STARS.™

EHS Excellence Consulting is the premier safety and health consulting firm for those seeking help to become a VPP worksite or maintain VPP status. We have helped almost 100 companies, including ourselves, achieve this prestigious recognition.

We will be presenting the following workshop at the Region II VPPPA conference:

*Surviving the VPP Evaluation,
Tuesday, 8:00 – 9:30 AM*

*Managing Contractors at VPP Sites,
Tuesday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM*

*Surviving an Active Shooter Event,
Tuesday, 2:15 – 3:45 PM*

We invite you to visit us in the Exhibit Hall to find out how we can assist you in improving your safety and health management system.



Securus, LLC is a consulting firm that takes a risk based approach to provide tailored solutions for HSE, Quality and Security challenges.



Human and Organizational Performance



Industrial Hygiene and Indoor Air Quality



Security and Emergency Management



Health and Safety Program Development and Training



Management Systems and Code Review



Auditing

For more information:

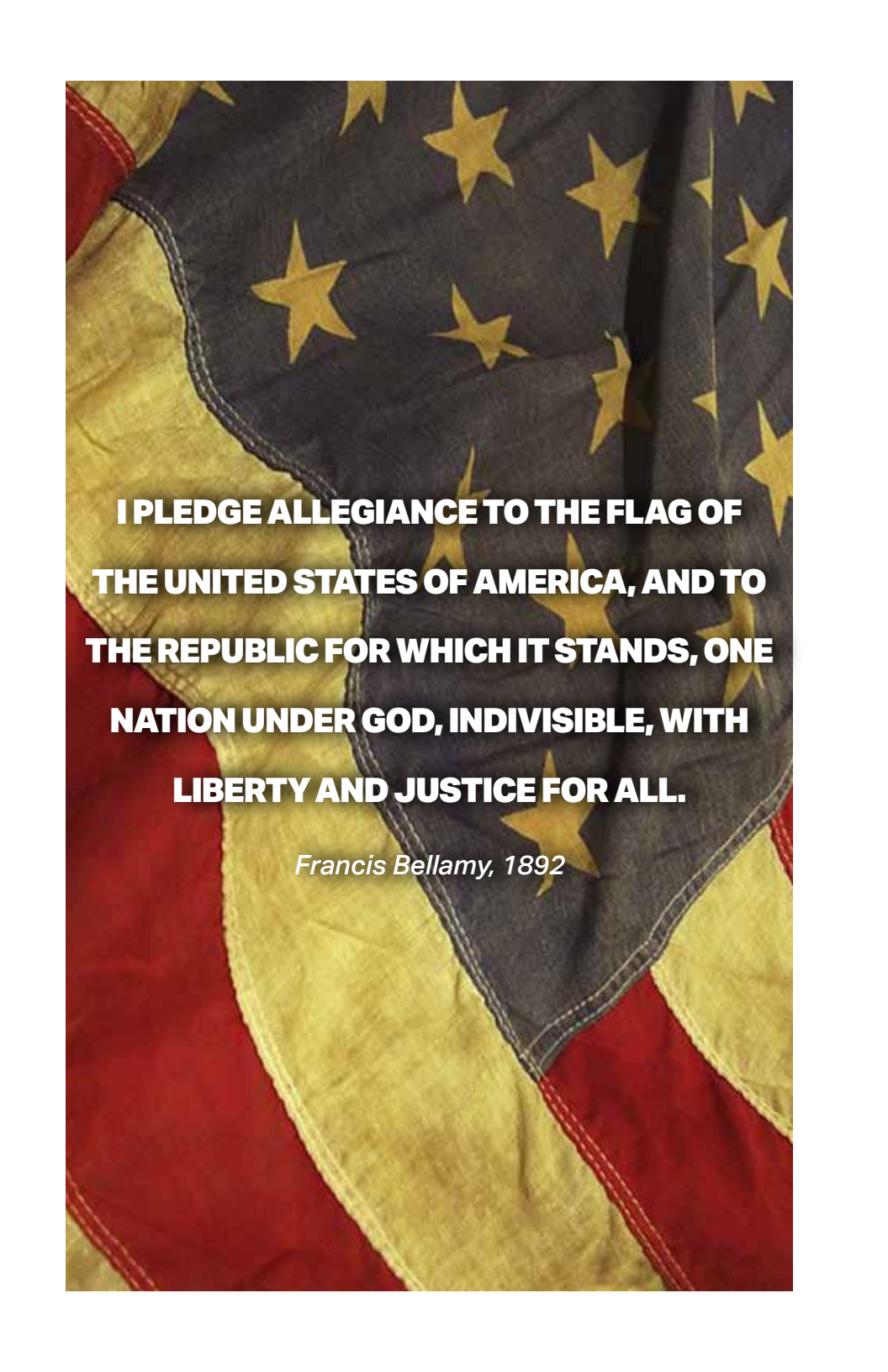
Securus LLC

www.securus-ehs.com

63 Putnam Street, Suite 202

(518) 925-7269

Saratoga Springs, NY 12866



**I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO
THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE
NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.**

Francis Bellamy, 1892