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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of the Region II Board of Directors, I would like to welcome you to our 25th Annual Region II Conference. Our theme "What you sow, is what you grow" represents the efforts of management, labor and OSHA working together to promote safety in the workplace. We have a great lineup of speakers this year. It is our hope that you will take the time to network with your peers, share best practices and learn something new. We are excited about our keynote speaker Gary Norland. His story of life after 12,500 volts is a compelling one. It will drive home the message that the decisions we make at work will impact the quality of life at home.

We are here, today, because we have made a commitment to our company, team members and ourselves that safety is a core value. We believe that management commitment, employee involvement, hazard assessment, implementation of controls, and training are not mutually exclusive, but must be incorporated in all aspects of the safety and health system. Your efforts to develop, implement and maintain a state of the art safety and health system, promotes a safety culture that reduces workplace injuries, illnesses and incidents. VPP is a proven system. In Region II our injury and illness rates are 50% below the industrial average. It is management commitment, meaningful employee involvement, and support from our OSHA partners that make the VPP program truly unique.

Over the past 8 years, OSHA's shift from outreach to enforcement has made many question the viability of the VPP program. The resources allocated to the program vary significantly between regions. OSHA has a tough job, they are responsible for 8 million workplaces and have a small work force of approximately 2,000 employees. Nationally, OSHA spends in the neighborhood of \$3.5 Million in VPP related activities. OSHA and VPP sites alike need to do more with less. There are companies that have waited in excess of 5 years to be evaluated. With regard to VPP, perception is not reality. We have a strong contingent of 104 Federal VPP Sites in NY and NJ, and 13 VPP sites overseen by Puerto Rico Department of Labor – 117 VPP sites total in Region 2. I believe we have an opportunity to grow the program and reach more workers.

In Fiscal year 2018, the OSHA is requesting \$543.3 Million dollars. This represents a reduction in appropriations of approximately \$8.5 Million and 26 FTE (below the FY 2017 Full Year Continuing Resolution level). I am cautiously optimistic with regard to funding for outreach programs like the VPP. The proposed budget calls for an increase in funding of approximately \$4 Million and 16 FTE in the Federal Compliance Assistance Budget. For FY 2016, there were 291 new and renewal approvals. The target for FY 2017 is 280. The proposed budget for FY 2018 sets the target at 380. This represents a significant increase in overall commitment.

I believe that the future of VPP is bright. We have a strong contingent of Special Government Employees (SGEs) in Region II. If we can increase participation rates among SGE to facilitate inspections, this could dramatically reduce waiting periods. For companies that are working toward VPP, SGE utilization could improve retention rates as well as approvals. With limited resources, companies up for renewal or initial approvals need to be in the position to pass an evaluation and reduce the number of conditional approvals. The increased utilization of SGEs will go a long way in securing our future and expanding site participation going forward.

I strongly encourage VPP participants to join the VPPPA (Voluntary Protection Programs Participants Association).

Efforts are underway to codify VPP. For several years the National VPPPA and the Regional Chapters have hit the road meeting Congressional members, asking for their support for the VPP program. Bills have been presented in both houses. Codification would secure funding going forward. Currently VPP is funded through the compliance assistant program. A number of initiatives adopted by the Department of Labor have put pressure on fund allocation. A line item on the budget would highlight the allocation of funds, making it much easier to access our position in the allocation of resources. In addition, greater emphasis must be made to welcome non-affiliated companies to join the VPPPA. This will have a positive impact on outreach initiatives. The VPPPA is our voice in Washington.

Region II would like to thank our OSHA partners 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. We would also like to thank our speakers, sponsors and vendors who have made this conference 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. The goal should be to bring something back that will enhance existing programs.

Sincerely,



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Gary Norland

Keynote Speaker

Monday June 26
Salon 1&2, The Ballroom, North Tower

The impact of an injury “What are you risking”? You’re Life... Have you considered your family, coworkers, community? There is a ripple effect!

Gary’s message and story is straight from the heart and he tells it like it is. He

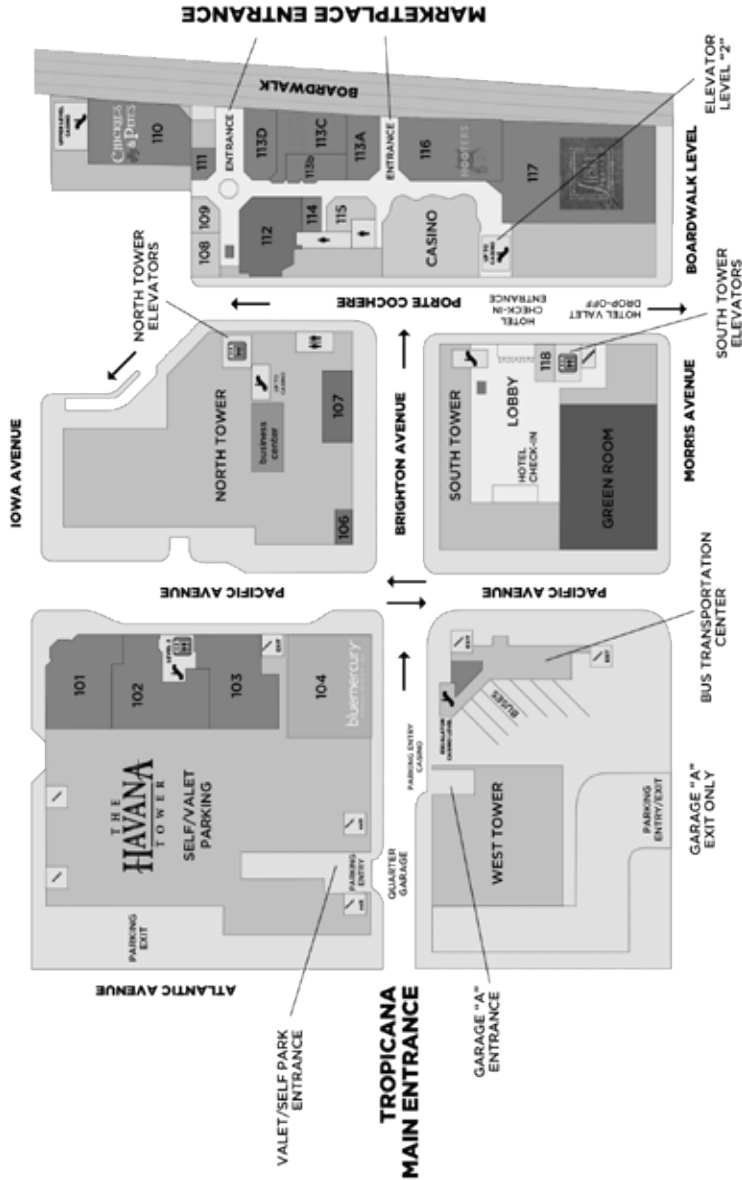
will share his real life safety experience about being shocked by 200 amps, 12,500 volts. Fire and electricity shot out of his body in fifteen places resulting in electrical burns over 37% of his body. He has had so many surgeries that he has lost count, well over fifty.

Gary’s mission is to explain the reality of life after an accident and the importance of taking safety seriously. Life as Gary knew it changed in less than a second when he suffered an injury that could have been prevented. Gary explains how his choice to avoid the use of proper safety equipment and rushing the clock cost him his independence. His vivid photos leave nothing to the imagination of the reality of an injury. The audience will leave impacted by his story and will make intentional changes to their safety awareness.

Gary always says “This is REALITY! IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU!!!”

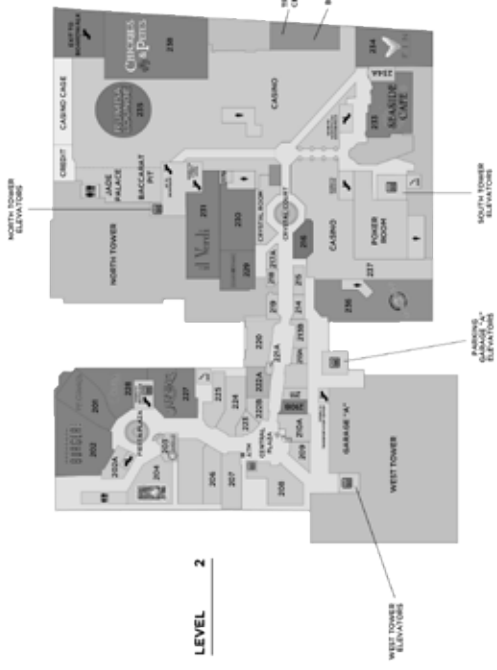


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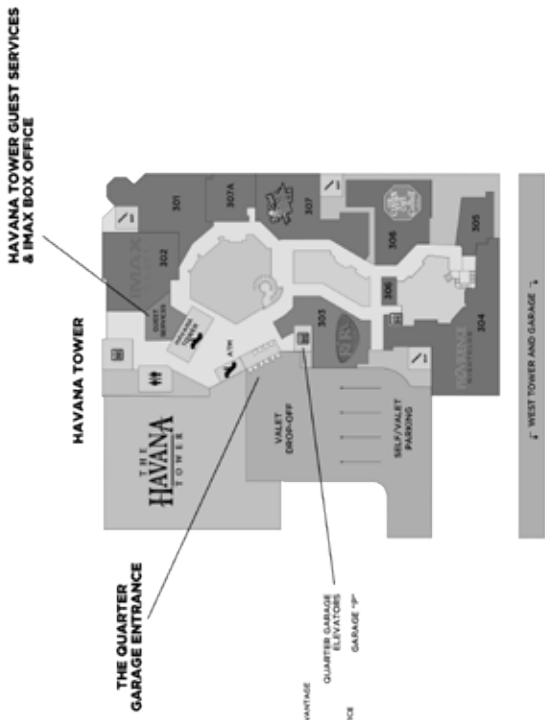


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Level 2 - Casino Level



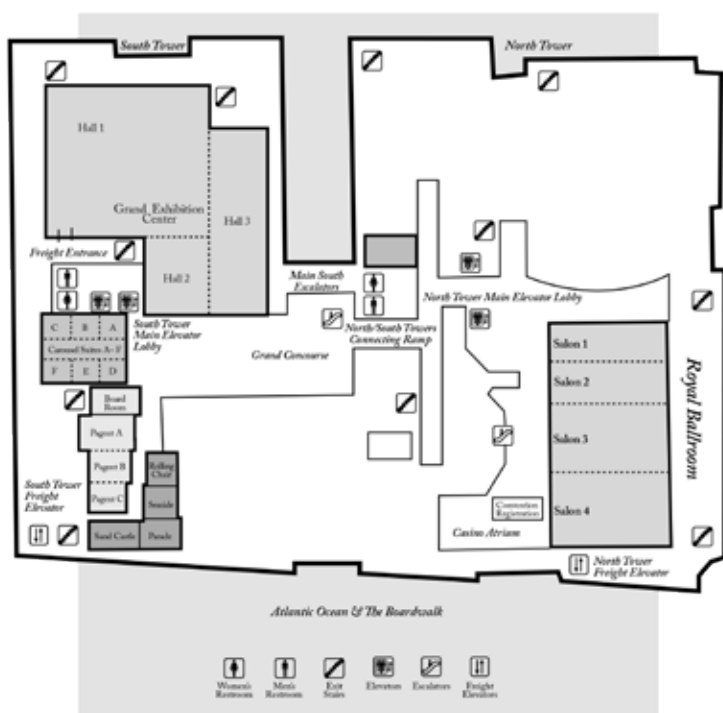
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2017 Workshop Schedule

Day	Time	OSHA/VPP	Making Better Workplaces Construction & General Industry	Making Better Workplaces Construction & General Industry	Your Professional Development: On The Path Towards Becoming a Better Safety & Health Professional
	Room	<i>Hall 3 So. Tower</i>	<i>Carousel A-C</i>	<i>Carousel D-F</i>	<i>Pageant A</i>
MON June 26					
TUES June 27	8:00-9:30	VPP Site Overview Workshop Multi Site Part 1	The "Shocking" Truth: Electrical Safety Survival ... Sagendorf	An Overview of NFPA's New Guide for Safe Confined Space Entry & Work Bennett/Dietch	VPP 101 What IS VPP all about? An INTRO ... Schulte
TUES June 27	10:00-11:30	VPP Site Overview Workshop Multi Site Part 2	Fire Safety & You Palumbo	Aerial Work Platforms & Fall Protection White	Introduction to using PLAN-Do-CHECK-ACT(PDCA) Methodology to Improve Your Self-Inspection Program Mirowitz
TUES June 27	1:30-3:00	SGE Ethics Velez	Elements of an Effective Safety Stand-Down Hightower / Mihalenko / Bawiec	The Relationship Between Lockout & Electricity Bennett / Dietch	The Changing Role of the Safety Professional Lyons
TUES June 27	3:30-5:00	VPP Manager Brown	Engaging Employees to Create a Safety Partnership Holland	Personal Health & Safety at Work & at Home Fariello	Overview of the OSHA General Industry Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard Reinemann
WED June 28	9:30-11:00		POT - Don't Let your Safety Program go up in SMOKE Silverman	Improving Safety Culture Through Risk Management McKenna	Safety & Health Training: Challenges and Opportunities in the Coming Year Koshy
POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS					
THUR June 29	8:00-4:00	Strengthening Star Quality O'Brien/Brynes			

VPPPA Conference Agenda For 2017

Monday, June 26, 2017

- 8:00 Registration (Hall 2, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 11:30 Lunch on your own
- 8:00 - 12:00 Set Up Vendors (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 12:00 Exhibit Halls Opens (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 1:00 Conference Opening and Welcome (Salon 1 & 2, The Ballroom, North Tower)
 - Brenda Wiederkehr, Chairman, VPPPA Region II
Region II Chairman's Award Presentation
 - Terry Schulte, National VPPPA, Secretary
 - Robert Kulick, Regional Administrator,
US DOL OSHA Region II
 - Laura Kenny, Assistant Regional Administrator, US DOL
OSHA Region II
Technical Support – Federal Safety Councils
 - Richard Brown, VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA, Region II

*The Cynthia Mahoney Region II SGE of the Year Award Presentation:
Robert Brynes
Wheelbrator Technologies, Inc.
Hudson Falls, NY*

VPP Star Plaque Presentations:

Access Health Systems Latham, NY January 24, 2017

Berry Global, Inc Syracuse, NY May 12, 2017

- 2:30 Key Note Speaker; Gary Norland, and special guest Mrs. Jeanne Norland (Salon 1&2, The Ballroom, North Tower)
- 4:00 Break (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
Sponsored by Wheelbrator-Hudson Falls, NY
- 4:15 Business Meeting (Announcements/Elections) (Salon 1&2, The Ballroom, North Tower)
- 6:00 – 8:00 Reception (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower, with Vendors)
- 8:30: Exhibit Hall Closes

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

- 7:30 Continental Breakfast/Exhibit Hall Opens (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 8:00 Workshops (see schedule)
- 9:30 Break (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 10:00 Workshops (see schedule)
- 11:30 Lunch (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 1:30 Workshops (See Schedule)
- 3:00 Break ((Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 3:30 Workshops (See Schedule)
- 5:30 Exhibit Hall Closes

Wednesday, June 28, 2017

- 9:00 Continental Breakfast (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 9:30 Workshops (See Schedule)
- 11:30 : Lunch (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)
- 1:00 : Exhibit Hall Closes
- 1:30 : VPPPA Region 2 Chapter Business Closing (Hall 1, Grand Exhibition Center, South Tower)

Post Conference Workshops

Thursday, June 29, 2017

- 8:00 – 3:30
 - “Strengthening Star Quality” (Room – Hall 3 South Tower)

Workshop Narratives 2017

OSHA/VPP

Room# Hall 3 So. Tower

VPP Site Overview Workshop Multi Site Part 1 and Part 2

Moderator: Richard Brown, VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA

During a VPP evaluation opening conference, sites typically present information about their site and their safety and health management system to the VPP Team. Many sites prepare PowerPoint presentations and some involve multiple personnel from their site's safety team. This workshop will give sites an opportunity to share the same information about their VPP site with their fellow VPP participants at the conference! Up to eight (8) VPP sites will use the PowerPoint they've already prepared for their last VPP evaluation and showcase their facility. Each presentation will be 15-20 minutes.

08:00 – 08:10 Introduction – OSHA, Rich Brown

08:10 - 08:30 Site #1 – Tropicana, Kevin Mihalenko

08:30 - 08:50 Site #2 – Curtis Lumber, Bob Pelletier

08:50 – 09:10 Site #3 – Wheelabrator Hudson Falls, Robert Brynes

09:10 – 09:30 Site #4 – SABIC, Dominic Bruno

09:30-10:00 BREAK

10:00 – 10:20 Site #5 – General Magnaplate, Ken Leighton

10:20 - 10:40 Site #6 – Covanta Onondaga, Michael Riley

10:40 – 11:00 Site #7 – OPEN

11:00 – 11:20 Site #8 – OPEN

11:20 – 11:30 Closing Remarks – OSHA, Rich Brown

Special Government Employee (SGE) Ethics

Babette Velez

Lead Management Analyst, US DOL OSHA

New York, NY

This workshop will review ethics rules for our Special Government Employees (SGEs) participating on VPP evaluation teams. Topics will include appearance of bias, covered relationships, and the Hatch Act. We will discuss the ABIH and BCSP Codes of Ethics. Some other topics will be rules about political activity, accepting gifts, and business confidentiality.

Note: If any CIH's need to document ethics training, we can generate training certificates to meet ABIH's requirements and send them via email while at the conference. See Brenda for details.

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.

Making Better Workplaces Construction / General Industry Room# Carousel A-C

The “Shocking” Truth: Electrical Safety Survival

Robert Sagendorf, CSP, ASP, CHST, CRIS
Corporate Safety Director, ELL, Inc.
Cranford, NJ

This hands-on workshop will test your knowledge on electrical hazards in the general and construction industry. You will actively participate in a team environment in electrical hazard recognition and mitigation. Knowledge skills will include LOTO, NFPA 70E, temporary and permanent power, low and high voltage systems, PPE, equipment clearances and safe work practices. This workshop will include a “dynamic” lab to test your skills and knowledge which will leave you “Energized”. Are you ready for the challenge?

Fire Safety & YOU!!!!!!

Nicholas Palumbo
Fire Chief / Inspector, Palumbo Investigations, LLC
Freehold, NJ

This Class will bring to mind the simple things that need to be done in order to keep your building and YOU safe from fire. It will also let you know just what can and will happen when fire safety is forgotten.

Elements of an Effective Safety Stand-Down

Tasha Hightower	Kevin Mihalenko	John Bawiec
HSE Manager	VPP Safety Chairman	Safety Committee Chairman
Tropicana, Jersey City, NJ		

Tropicana’s HSE and Union Team will be sharing best practices on how to conduct an effective “Safety Stand Down”. They will demonstrate how this voluntary event can be used to engage and speak directly to all employees about safety or specific safety topics. As with any campaign there is a structure (a before, during & after) which ensures participation and effectiveness. This presentation will review how the Tropicana Team prepares for and implements a successful “Safety Stand Down”.

Engaging Employees to Create a Safety Partnership

Anna Holland

Sales Manager, AIM (Always In Mind, Inc.)

Thibodaux, LA

A safety partnership is an effort geared toward building a safety culture where managers and employees are visibly committed, involved and are actively participating in the effort to maintain a safe work site.

POT – Don't Let Your Safety Program Go UP in SMOKE

Warren Silverman, MD

Medical Director, Access Health Systems

Latham, NY

This session will review the current legal status and the legalization process for marijuana within the United States. Will discuss the data with regard to health and safety as it currently stands and we will talk about strategies for dealing with marijuana in the workplace for employers. Depending upon the nature of the industry in response to legalize marijuana needs to be individualized to address the specific issues.

Making Better Workplaces Construction / General Industry Room# Carousel D-F

An Overview of NFPA's New Guide for Safe Confined Space Entry & Work

Brian Bennett

President, EHS Excellence Consulting LLC

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Norman Deitch

Senior Vice President,

EHS Excellence

Iselin, NJ

NFPA 350 Guide for Safe Confined Space Entry and Work is a new standard that is designed to minimize gaps in OSHA standards, minimize confusion on the requirements, and provide practical guidance on how to apply the requirements in existing standards to improve confined space safety. This workshop will provide a comprehensive review of the new standard, and help you to enhance your confined space entry system.

Aerial Work Platforms

Lawrence G. White

President

L.G. White Safety Corporation

Schenectady, NY

Mathew E. White

Vice President

Randy A. White

Vice President

This 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.

The Relationship Between Lockout & Electricity

Brian Bennett
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Many workers understand the importance of lockout as a requirement of their job but they don't have a true understanding of the consequences of not controlling the numerous types of hazardous energy. One of the most significant of those hazards is electricity because the hazard is invisible. However, it can kill or seriously maim in an instant. This workshop will focus on the importance of controlling electric energy when servicing or maintaining electrical equipment at work and at home.

Personal Health & Safety at Work and at Home

David Fariello, RN, COHC
St Mary's Healthcare at Amsterdam
Amsterdam, NY

The process of aging has consequences that will impact safety in the workplace. The presentation will take a look at disease and illness related to hearing and vision. The second half of the presentation will review steps to protect private health information from criminals engaged in identity theft. Finally safety at home should not take second stage. Presentation will identify measures to protect your friends and family at home.

Improving Safety Culture through Risk Management

Scott McKenna
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 a 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.

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

VPP 101 What is VPP All About? An Intro

Terry Schulte
VPP Manager NuStar Energy LP
Secretary, National VPPPA
Elk Grove, CA

The VPP Program is built on a strong collaboration between management, labor and OSHA. The program is broken into 4 key elements; management leadership, employee involvement, worksite analysis, implementation of controls and training. The goal is to prevent workplace fatalities, injuries and illness through planning, implementation, integration and control. The presentation will breakdown the individual elements and provide a broad overview of the application process

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.

The Changing Role of the Safety Professional

Thomas (TJ) Lyons, CSP, OHST
Safety Director, Gilbane
New York, NY

Honest discussions on our outdated work traditions and tools. Why now is the time for a change? Spoken in plain terms and with examples, the speaker will share methods to eliminate what he has coined "killing conditions. Opportunities that tie-in the elements of the VPP culture to the field of Prevention through Design.

Ten opportunities to save you, schedule, profit and lives. Most of the interventions will keep sons and daughters unharmed for little or no money - no harm and no cost. Attendees will leave with a library of additional best practices to make your VPP site, safer.

Overview of the OSHA General Industry Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard

John Reinemann, CIH

Principal Industrial Hygienist, Access Compliance, LLC

Latham, NY

This workshop will provide an overview of the recent OSHA Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard. Presentation will be provided in two parts. Part 1 provides a review of the general standard requirements while Part 2 will address the two Appendices: A-Methods of Sample Analysis; and B-Medical Surveillance Guidelines. Handouts will be provided summarizing effective dates of sections of both the General Industry and Construction Industry Silica Standards. Handouts will also be provided of the Construction Industry Standard's Table 1: Specified Exposure Control Methods When Working with Materials Containing Crystalline Silica. Table 1 can be used to comply with both industry standards' provisions.

Safety & Health Training: Challenges and Opportunities in the Coming Year

Koshy Koshy, PhD

Assistant Professor Rutgers School, Public Health and Program Manager

Region II Atlantic OSHA Training Center, Rutgers School of Public Health

Somers, NJ

The OSHA Training Institute (OTI) Education Center has had a tremendous effect on worker safety and health throughout the country. As the program starts its 25th year on October 1, 2017, it's important to reflect on successes as well as opportunities in the coming year. This workshop will provide an overview of new initiatives from the OTI Education Center network as well as the regional education center at the Rutgers School of Public Health in Piscataway, New Jersey

2017 SGE of the Year: Robert Brynes

The Region II VPPPA Board has announced the Region II 2017 SGE of the Year nominee: Mr. Robert Brynes of VPP Star site Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. located in Hudson Falls, New York.



In 2016, OSHA Region II offered 61 Special Government Employee (SGE) opportunities during VPP evaluations in our region, and 25 of our SGEs answered the call 34 times. Mr. Brynes participated in three (3) VPP evaluations in 2016, in addition to two (2) other VPP evaluations during the previous two (2) years. Mr. Brynes is very knowledgeable in safety and health management and the VPP process. Mr.

Brynes has served as a SGE for over 10 years (since March of 2006). Mr. Brynes also serves as Secretary on the Region II VPPPA Board and chairs their Nominations Committee.

Mr. Brynes is currently a Senior Environmental, Health & Safety Manager responsible for safety compliance (OSHA Standards, DOT Standards, Wheelabrator Safety Policies), and contractor safety. He has worked for Wheelabrator Technologies for over twenty-five (25) years. He is the Hudson Falls campus Emergency Response Manager. He oversees the environmental, safety and health management for four (4) current VPP participants: Wheelabrator Hudson Falls, Hudson Falls, NY and Wheelabrator Westchester, Peekskill, NY in Region II; and Wheelabrator Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT and Wheelabrator Lisbon, Lisbon, CT in Region I. The Wheelabrator Hudson Falls facility has been a VPP site since May of 1997. He is currently mentoring a newly acquired Wheelabrator Waste-to-Energy facility located in Poughkeepsie, NY.

Mr. Brynes has a diverse 35-year safety background in General Industry. He has been a certified Red Cross trainer since 1983, and received certification from the American Heart Association in 2014 for CPR, AED, and First Aid.

2017 Conference Critique

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Please help us make next year's conference 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 conference is:	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How well did the conference 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 conference experience to meet your expectations.

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

- Speaking at a Workshop
- Moderating a Workshop
- Coordinating a Workshop
- Registration Support
- General Volunteer to set-up rooms

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

Volunteers please fill in the contact data below:

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Title or Position	Company
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Address _____

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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

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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

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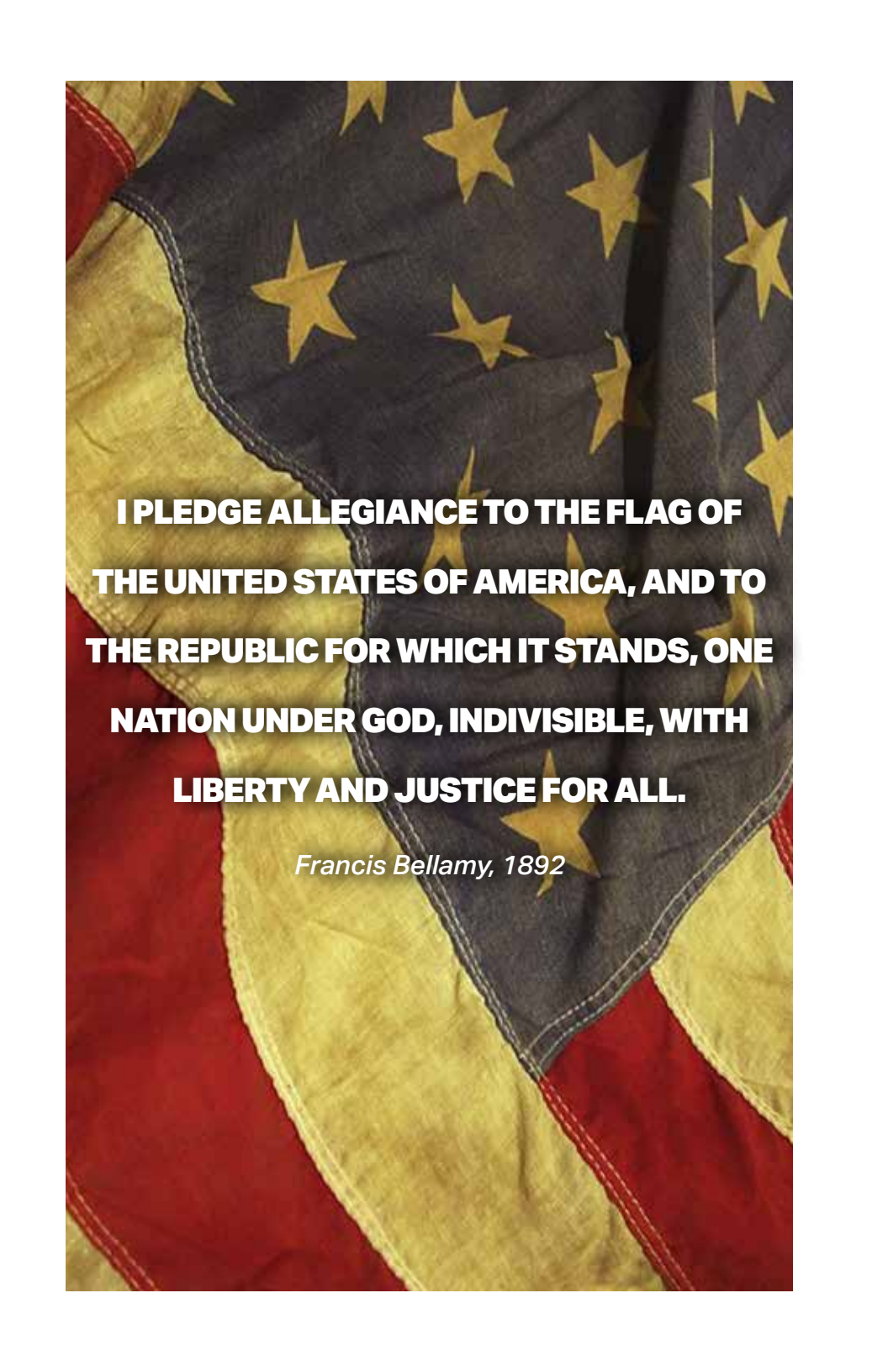


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