

**MSHA SPRING THAW / STATE GRANTS
SAFETY CONFERENCE**

March 6-7, 2012

The Chateau Hotel

1601 Jumer Drive in Bloomington, Illinois

Presented by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and Illinois Department of Natural Resources-Office of Mines and Minerals (IDNR-OMM), this 21st annual conference promises to be very informative with topics of critical interest to aggregate miners, supervisors and safety professionals in Illinois and surrounding states. The Conference is free, however, if you wish to partake of the food and refreshments there is a **\$30.00** fee.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Contact the hotel directly at 309-662-2020 to **make room reservations prior to February 21, 2012**. When you make reservations, mention you are attending the Spring Thaw Safety Conference.

Program

Tuesday, March 6, 2012

- Noon Registration – Great Hall
- 1:00pm Welcome and IDNR-OMM Safety Award Presentations – Tony Mayville, Acting Director IDNR-OMM
- 1:20pm MSHA Priority Issues, Most Cited Violations and Accident Review –Rob Stalder, MSHA Peru Field Office
- 2:00pm Conveyor Belt Maintenance Safe Practices – Larry Tindle, Flexco
- 3:00pm Break
- 3:15pm Hearing Protection: New technologies and approaches to reduce and eliminate work-related, noise-induced hearing loss – Lee Hager, 3M Corporation
- 4:15pm Respiratory Protection: New technologies and approaches – Pat Fullen, 3M Corporation
- 5:30pm Evening Reception sponsored by Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

- 7:30am Registration and Breakfast – Great Hall
- 8:30am Air Gas Welding Safety – Larry Burnett, S.J. Smith
- 9:30am Arc Flash Welding Safety – Larry Burnett, S.J. Smith
- 10:30am Break
- 10:45am Substance Abuse in the Workplace: Best practices toward identification, early intervention, and treatment of substance abusing employees – Todd Donaldson, Chestnut Health Systems
- Noon: Lunch
- 1:00pm Fall Protection – Tom Dillon, Bacou-Dalloz, Co. and Miller Fall Protection
- 2:00pm Fall Protection Demonstration (parking lot) – Tom Dillon, Bacou-Dalloz, Co. and Miller Fall Protection
- 2:30pm Break
- 2:45pm Sling and Lifting Safe Practices – Mark Ward, Rockford Rigging
- 3:45pm Adjourn

REMINDER: To be eligible for the IDNR Aggregate Safety Award, a completed entry form must be submitted to Art Rice by February 7, 2012. If your company did not receive a Safety Award form contact Art Rice at 618-439-9111 ext 237 or 618-218-4450.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name:

Company or Affiliation:

Address:

E-Mail:

Telephone No.: (____) _____

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Mail this completed form and check (payable to IDNR-OMM) before February 18, 2012 to:

**Mike Falter
IDNR Office of Mines & Minerals
One Natural Resources Way
Springfield, IL 62702-1271**

If you do not intend to eat the food and refreshments provided, you may fax the registration form to 217-524-4819.

Any questions please call 217-782-9976