



Joint WVCA, WVCMI, & SME Membership Meeting, August 4-6, 2016



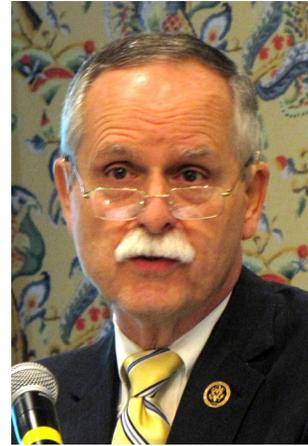
Bill Raney



Randy Huffman



Eugene White



David McKinley



Patrick Morrissey

The Joint West Virginia Coal Association (WVCA), West Virginia Coal Mining Institute (WVCMI), and SME Central Appalachian Section was held August 4-6, 2016 at the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. Some 210 members and friends attended. This meeting is in lieu of the WVCMI Fall Meeting which is usually held in October.

The meeting began on the Thursday with registration, Executive Committee luncheon, Board of Director's meeting and Welcoming Reception.

On the Friday after the Fun Run and Breakfast, the Membership Meeting took place. Speakers included: DEP Secretary Randy Huffman; Director WV Office of Miner's Health, Safety and Training, Eugene White; Congressman David McKinley, 1st District; Congressman Alex Money, 2nd District (by video); and WV Speaker of the House, Tim Armstead. Also speaking were Attorney General, Patrick Morrissey; and WV Senate President & Lt. Governor, Bill Cole. In the evening the Friends of Coal Party took place at Kate's Mountain.

On the Saturday the second Membership Meeting was held with Session Co-Chairmen: Matthew C. Efaw, Assistant Longwall Director, Murray Energy Corporation; and Eric Von Schubel, General Superintendent, Bailey Mine, CNX Resources, LP.

The first presentation was Coal Production Recent Trends and Long Run Outlook, by John Deskins, Ph.D., Director, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, College of Business and Economics, WVU.

This was followed by Role of Biotechnology in the Bioremediation of Selenium, Antimony and Other Heavy Metals, by Larry Evans, Entech Biosolutions.

Next was Research on Proximity Detection Systems for Underground Coal Mines, by James D. Noll, Team Leader, Electrical and Mechanical Systems Safety Branch, NIOSH.

The fourth presentation was Rock Dust Partnership Update, by Marcia L. Harris, Team Leader, Explosions Team, Pittsburgh Research Mining Division, NIOSH.

The last presentation was Respirable Dust Research in Underground Coal Mines, by James P. Rider, Operations Research Analyst, Office of Mine Safety & Health Research, NIOSH.

The WVCA leadership team includes: Chairman Jimmy Brock, CEO, CNX Coal Resources GP LLC; President Bill Raney; Snr. Vice-President Chris Hamilton, and Vice-President Jason Bostic. The meeting coordinator was Sandi Davison. The WVCMI President is Douglas (Doug) Fala and the Secretary-Treasurer is Royce J. Watts.

Members are reminded of the great importance of November 8th Election Day!



Matthew C. Effaw



Eric Von Schubel



The Greenbrier



John Deskins



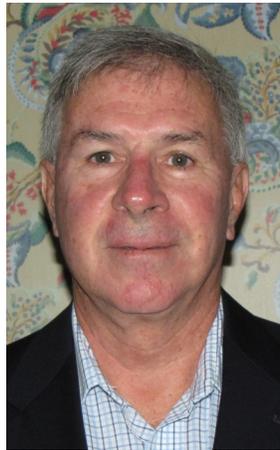
Larry Evans



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