



Newsletter

Contractors Association of West Virginia
2114 Kanawha Boulevard, E., • Charleston, West Virginia 25311
(304) 342-1166 • FAX (304) 342-1074 • cawv@cawv.org



Newsletter 2017-07

February 17, 2017

GOVERNOR JUSTICE BEGINS STATEWIDE SAVE OUR STATE (S.O.S) TOUR

Gov. Jim Justice is asking CAWV members, and as many of their employees as possible, to join him Sunday, February 19, at 1:30 p.m. on the Coalfields Expressway in Raleigh County to promote the need to invest in West Virginia's infrastructure of roads, schools and water and sewer systems. Governor Jim Justice will make the first stop on his statewide S.O.S Tour this Sunday, February 19 at 1:30 p.m. The Governor will be visiting the Coalfields Expressway roads project on Route 121 near Sophia, in Raleigh County. The event will be held at the current end of the project paving near the Slab Fork Road exit. [View map here.](#)

The Governor will be joined by Department of Transportation Secretary Tom Smith, Coalfields Expressway Authority Executive Director Richard Browning, King Coal Highway Authority Executive Director Mike Mitchem and other state and local officials to discuss his roads building plan. Justice will also speak about the King Coal Highway, another major transportation project in Southern West Virginia.

REMINDER: MEMBERS TO RECIEVE CAWV LEGISLATIVE BULLETINS EACH MONDAY

Each Monday, CAWV members will receive, via e-mail, the CAWV Legislative Bulletin. It will contain up-to-the-minute information on issues affecting the contracting industry and association members. The Legislative Bulletin will not be included with the weekly Newsletter. In addition, the CAWV will be sending out Legislative Alerts throughout the coming weeks to members via email. The 2017 legislative session began Wednesday, February 8, and will run until April 8, 2017.

TRANSPORTATION REPORT FOR WEST VIRGINIA RELEASED AT STATE CAPITOL

A news conference was held on Thursday, February 16, at the West Virginia State Capitol to announce the release of TRIP's latest report, *West Virginia Transportation by the Numbers: Meeting the State's Need for Safe, Smooth and Efficient Mobility*. See this week's Highway Bulletin for more information. Also this week was the 2017 Transportation Day at the Capitol. Members will be provided a full article in next week's Newsletter.

GOVERNOR JUSTICE NAMES INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

This week Gov. Jim Justice announced that Allan McVey will serve as the next state insurance commissioner. McVey is the vice president and agency manager for CAWV member firm BB&T-Carson Insurance Services in Charleston, and has 48 years of experience in the insurance industry. This includes working with the West Virginia Workers Compensation Fund as a medical claims examiner. In addition to his insurance work, he serves as board chairman for both the Charleston-Kanawha Housing Authority and Highland Hospital Board. He also volunteers as a public address announcer for the St. Albans High School and West Virginia State University basketball games, as well the state High School Basketball Tournament.

Andrew Pauley, general counsel for the commission, will continue serving as acting commissioner until McVey takes office April 1.

CAWV STATE MEETING – SAVE THE DATE – MARCH 22 AT EXPO

Registration is now open for the CAWV State Meeting, being held March 22 at 7:30 a.m. at the Charleston Civic Center. The cost to attend is \$35. Registered members will be invoiced. Members can register by visiting http://wvexpo.com/page_Registration.php and selecting to attend event #3 on the line-up. Members can also contact Wendy Long at long@cawv.org or (304) 342-1166 to register. Keynote speakers for the breakfast are being finalized.

The CAWV State Meeting will recognize members for excellence in their safety programs, quality concrete awards will be presented, and the CAWV Scholarship Foundation recipient will accept his or her CAWV scholarship check. Nearly 200 CAWV members and guests, along with state and federal contracting officials, attended the meeting last year, which is held during EXPO.

Immediately following the CAWV State Meeting, members can attend the EXPO Opening Ceremony from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the Little Theater. EXPO has invited Governor Jim Justice, House Speaker Tim Armstead and Senate President Mitch Carmichael to share their thoughts on economic development and infrastructure investment in the state of West Virginia, as well as any design or construction initiatives that the West Virginia Legislature has under consideration.

Members must register to attend EXPO and they can do so by visiting www.wvexpo.com. Anyone needing further information about EXPO can call Cassidy at (304) 342-3976.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YCF PLAYGROUND BUILD – FEBRUARY 22

The CAWV Young Contractors Forum is seeking volunteers for a playground build at the Ronald McDonald House in Huntington. The event will take place Wednesday, February 22. Volunteers will be working in two shifts: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Members can contact Pat McDonald at (304) 342-1166, or email pmcdonald@cawv.org, to sign up or for more information.

LAST CALL TO SUBMIT FOR CAWV SAFETY AWARDS

This is the last chance for members to submit their entries for the 2016 CAWV Safety Awards. **Information is due by Friday, February 24, 2017.** Each year, the CAWV Safety Committee invites members of the association to participate in the Safety Award Program. Awards are presented at EXPO in March to companies who have exhibited excellence in safety at the workplace. Members participating in the program are scored on their documented safety policies and procedures, their commitment and approach to safety and health, as well as their recorded statistical data for the year. Special attention is given to the quality of safety training provided to employees and to companies who demand active employee involvement in their safety process. The Safety Questionnaire and forms are available at www.cawv.org.

A panel of safety professionals, owner representatives and insurance experts judge the participants. Finalists are chosen from contractors and associates who achieve an excellent performance rating. Awards are presented in the following categories: Building Division, Utility Division, Industrial Division, Specialty Contractor Division and Associate Division.

Winners in each category will receive a plaque and their choice of items such as hats, jackets, shirts, travel mugs, and golf shirts that will display the CAWV Safety Award logo. Also, the

award will be published in the CAWV Newsletter and *West Virginia Construction News* magazine. Awards will be presented at the CAWV State Meeting, which will be held March 22 at the Charleston Civic Center. For additional information, contact Pat McDonald at (304) 342-1166 or pmcdonald@kawv.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CYNTHIA SNYDER MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE AT EXPO

The CAWV is once again sponsoring a blood drive in memory of Cynthia Snyder on March 22 and 23 at the Charleston Civic Center in conjunction with EXPO. Volunteers are needed to work on-site registration and to help provide snacks to donors. Cynthia, who passed in 2011, was the wife of CAWV Past President Lee Snyder. The Cynthia Snyder Memorial Blood Drive will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on March 22 and 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on March 23. Over 57 pints of blood were donated at last year's EXPO making a total of 262 pints donated since the drive's inception. Members can contact Cheryl Clark at (304) 342-1166, or cclark@kawv.org, if interested in volunteering. To give blood donations, walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred.

DON'T MISS OUT ON CAWV COMMUNICATIONS

We want to ensure all members are receiving CAWV communications. Since your Internet Service Provider probably uses a spam filter, we ask that you add Cassidy Webb cwebb@kawv.org to your trusted list of senders, contacts or address book, also known as whitelisting. If you have not been receiving emails from Cassidy in your inbox, they may have mistakenly been sent to your spam folder. Please open your spam folder and mark emails from cwebb@kawv.org as "not spam". If you need instructions for your provider, please [click here](#).

REGISTER NOW FOR WV EXPO 2017 – MEMBERS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Online registration is open for the 38th Annual West Virginia Construction and Design EXPO which will be held March 22 and 23 at the Charleston Civic Center. Members can click here to register. Over 5,000 regional decision-makers are expected to visit the more than 300 vendors. The show is open 10:00 am to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, March 22, and 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Thursday, March 23. Booths are still available. Click here to secure your space today. Call EXPO at (304) 342-3976 or email expo@wvexpo.com with any questions.

EXPO is pleased to announce this year's event sponsors (**CAWV members are in bold**):

After Hours Reception

All Crane & Equipment Rental
Bowles Rice, LLP
BrickStreet Insurance
Doss Enterprises
E. L. Robinson Engineering Co.
Moran Construction Company / RAM Jack
Sunbelt Rentals
Thornhill Commercial Solutions
West Virginia American Water
WV811

BOB (Business Over Breakfast)

Highway Safety, Inc.
Terradon
West Virginia Paving, Inc.

Pen Sponsor

Kay Casto & Chaney, PLLC

WiFi Sponsor

Multivista

Lanyard Sponsor

IronPlanet

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The following firms have been accepted into membership by the Board of Directors. Please welcome them to the CAWV, and call on them for products and services. Please cut and paste the new members into your directory.

Contractor Members:

Eastern Tank & Utility Services, Inc.

145 Krit Lane

Princeton, West Virginia 24739

Type of Business: Heavy Highway, Utility, Industrial

Phone: 304-325-6754

Fax: 304-323-1632

Email: easterntank@frontiernet.net

Contact: Teddy Taylor

J.T. Hatfield Excavation, Inc.

5008 Sandstone Drive

Cross Lanes, West Virginia 25313

Type of Business: Excavation

Phone: 304-784-6483

Fax: 304-776-0248

Email: johnhatfieldsales@gmail.com

Contact: John Hatfield

Scott Wheeler Development

1027 Stewart Street

Milton, West Virginia 25541

Type of Business: Heavy Highway, Excavation, Masonry

Phone: 304-419-1578

Fax: 304-743-7922

Email: swdevelopment@live.com

Web: www.scottwheelerdevelopment.com

Contact: Scott Wheeler

Associate Members:

Austin Powder Appalachia, LLC

930 University Street

Wise, Virginia 24293

Type of Business: Explosives Company

Phone: 276-219-1226

Fax: 276-328-5625

Email: Bernard.ketron@austinpowder.com

Web: www.austinpowder.com

Contact: Bernard Ketron

Blacklidge Emulsions, Inc.

109 White Pine Drive

Plymouth, North Carolina 27962

Type of Business: Construction Supplies

Phone: 252-902-5706

Email: jross@be-inc.com

Web: www.blacklidgeemulsions.com

Contact: James Ross