



NEW DATES & NEW FORMAT

*Designed to Make an Impact
in this Important Election Year!*

At this year's Government Affairs Conference we will join with the National Association of Manufacturer's (NAM) Manufacturing Summit to advocate for manufacturing on Capitol Hill. Combining forces with NAM in this election year allows us to make a strong impact in support of manufacturing. Hundreds of representatives from manufacturing companies will hit Capitol Hill to discuss issues and policies affecting the manufacturing economy.

We will also celebrate the success of a long-term effort by the AWPA and other manufacturing groups, resulting in passage of the Enforcing Orders and Reducing Circumvention and Evasion Act (ENFORCE). This important legislation was included in the Customs Reauthorization Bill, which was signed into law by President Obama on February 24th. The bill improves the United States' ability to combat trade law evasion by establishing timelines for Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to enforce existing antidumping and countervailing duty orders. AWPA will be recognizing the Congressmen and women who supported the industry and this legislation.

Combining Congressional advocacy, committee meetings, time for business, and an evening reception for renewing relationships with colleagues and customers, all while finishing up with plenty of time for a short trip up to Connecticut for WireExpo on Wednesday, this year's Government Affairs Conference should not be missed!

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.AWPA.ORG

This schedule is subject to change.
Please check the AWPA website for updates and the current list
of registered attendees.



PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY JUNE 6

All Monday Events at the W Hotel

8:00 am - 10:00 am

Executive Committee Meeting/Breakfast

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Stainless Committee Meeting

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Rope Committee Meeting (*Planning*)

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

PC Strand Committee Meeting

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Membership Committee Meeting

3:30 am - 5:30 pm

AWPA Board of Directors Meeting

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

AWPA Reception

Dinner on Your Own

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

8:30 am - 10:00 am

US House Wire & Wire Products Caucus Briefing
(*Capitol Hill*)

10:30 am - 11:30 am

NAM Registration and Meet & Greet
(*Mandarin Hotel*)

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

NAM Issue Briefing & Lunch with Special Guest
Keynote
(*Mandarin Hotel*)

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Congressional Visits, Scheduled by AWPA
(*Capitol Hill*)

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

NAM Congressional Reception & Dinner
Optional Offsite Event (Nationally Recognized Speaker)

or Dinner on Your Own

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

7:00 am - 9:00 am

AWPA Congressional Visits Debriefing Breakfast
(*The W Hotel*)

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Committee & Board Meetings

This year's schedule moves all committee meetings to Monday, June 6. The regular slate of Membership, PC Strand and Stainless product committees will also include a planning meeting to shape the establishment a Wire Rope Committee. Interested producers should set aside some time on Monday afternoon to meet with other companies in this product sector. Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings will also take place on Monday. Please check the Schedule of Events for times. Those of you with morning meetings will need to arrive on Sunday.

Opening Reception

Monday evening will provide time dedicated to meeting old friends and checking in with your knowledgeable industry colleagues. The reception on Monday evening gives attendees an opportunity to mix and mingle, and begin discussing the issues on your personal agenda and AWPA's government affairs agenda.

Wire & Wire Products Caucus Briefing & Breakfast, and Congressional Visits

On Tuesday ADVOCACY takes center stage. AWPA encourages all members to participate in the Caucus Briefing and Congressional Visits. The Caucus Briefing and Congressional Visits serve a two-fold purpose: keeping AWPA members and our Congressional Representatives up-to-date on the current trade issues facing the steel wire industry and it's an opportunity to thank them for the passage of ENFORCE. In order to have an impact, we must use this opportunity to educate our Representatives about the industry and the issues we face, and encourage them to influence government policy on our behalf. Your participation is vital to ensure the level of turnout that will make an impression on our legislators. With the

current regulatory and legislative challenges facing the industry, the information provided is more important than ever. Tuesday morning begins on Capitol Hill with a Wire Caucus briefing on ENFORCE implementation, and Congressional Visits will take place in the afternoon.

National Association of Manufacturers Issue Briefing and Lunch

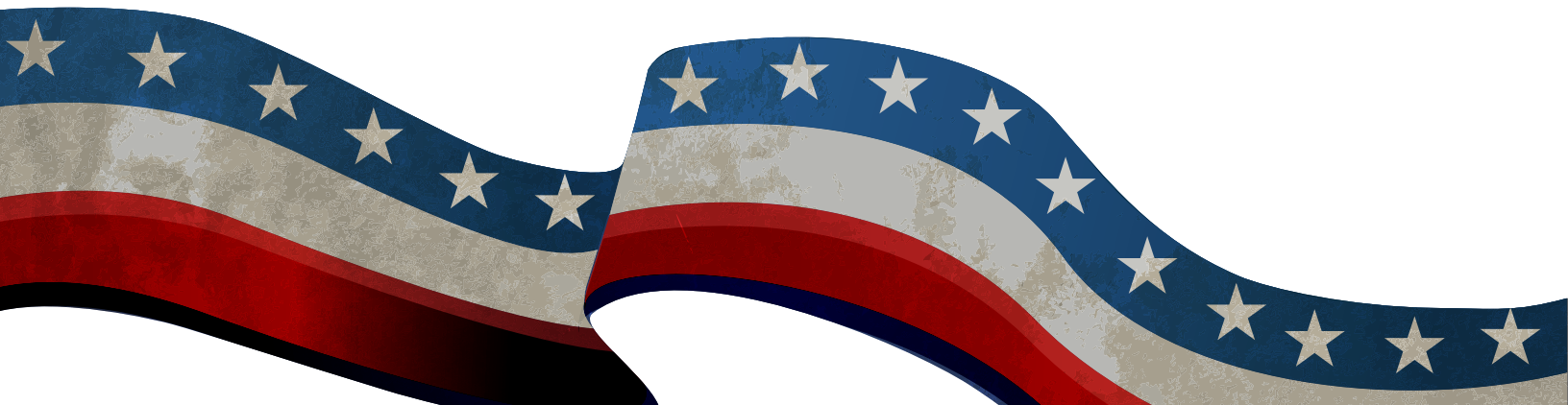
In addition to the Wire Products Caucus Briefing on Capitol Hill, we will also attend NAM's Issue Briefing & Lunch on Tuesday. We will hear a nationally recognized keynote speaker, and hear a briefing on the manufacturing and economic issues facing US industry. By Tuesday afternoon, you will have all the tools and talking points you need to advocate for manufacturing and ENFORCE implementation during your congressional visits.

National Association of Manufacturers Reception & Dinner with Keynote Address *(Optional)*

For those who are interested, NAM will also hold a reception and dinner event at an offsite location Tuesday night. NAM is known for its political muscle and will host a nationally recognized keynote speaker. **Registration for this event will be available online for an additional \$180.**

Congressional Visits Debriefing Breakfast

On Wednesday morning we will gather for breakfast and discuss the results of our congressional visits from the day before. Bring your scorecards, and let your fellow AWPA members know who you met with, and how they responded. Sharing this information is the important next step in our advocacy efforts – Janet Kopenhaver, AWPA's Director of Government Relations, will use this information to focus efforts where they can make the most impact, and will provide follow-up information to Representatives and Senators after your meetings.





REGISTRATION

Meeting Registration

We urge attendees to register and make reservations early for the AWPA Government Affairs Conference. The earlybird **registration deadline is May 13**. After this date the registration fee increases by \$50. The registration fee covers all business and social functions sponsored by the Association, and NAM's Briefing Lunch on Tuesday. If you wish to attend NAM's Reception and Dinner on Tuesday evening, registration is available, for an additional fee of \$180.

Registration is available online at www.awpa.org. Click on the Log In button on the upper right corner of the new website. Your User Name is your email address and if you have forgotten your password, or have not yet logged in, you will need to use the "Obtain Password" link on the Log In page. If you have attended an AWPA meeting in the past, or receive regular emails from AWPA, you already have a record in the database. **Please do not create a new account.** If you have trouble accessing your account, please call 703-299-4434 and ask Heather for assistance.

To register for the meeting, click the link in the home page banner "Register Now." Next you will choose to register yourself, or someone else from your company, by using the "Add Me" or "Add Someone Else" buttons. You can register as many people from your company as you would like. If you are bringing a spouse or companion to the meeting, be sure to check the Spouse Registration box. Follow the directions and be sure to

mark Congressional Visits and the Optional NAM Reception and Dinner. When you are done, click "save/continue." Review the registration information on the screen, and then click "Save/continue" to proceed to enter your payment information. You may pay with Visa, MasterCard or American Express, and payment is required at the time of registration. When you complete your payment, you will receive an email confirmation, and also be able to view your registration details in the My Meetings section of the website.

Spouse/Companion Attendees

Your Spouse/Companion is welcome to attend the AWPA meeting, at no charge. If your spouse will attend the NAM events with you, there are additional fees.

FEES & DATES

You are asked to complete your registration by May 13, 2016, so that we can handle the coordination with NAM in an efficient manner.

Early Bird Registration

On or before Friday, May 13, 2016 **\$495**

Late Registration

After Friday, May 13, 2016 **\$595**



HOTEL RESERVATIONS

THE W HOTEL
515 15th St NW
Washington, DC 20004
Phone: 202-661-2400



The Conference will be held at the W Hotel. This ideal location will allow you to maximize the effectiveness of your time in Washington. We will be holding the Opening Reception in the Rooftop POV Lounge, which boasts some of the best views in the city. The W also provides easy access to many restaurants, and all the attractions of our nation's Capital, Congress, and Reagan National Airport.

AWPA members are responsible for making their own reservations by calling the hotel directly at 202-661-2400 or by making your reservation online at www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1508271424&key=12B7528D. Identify yourself as an AWPA Government Affairs Conference attendee to receive the special group rate of **\$279/night** plus taxes for single or double occupancy. The group rate is available two days prior and two days after the meeting dates, based on availability.

All rooms must be guaranteed by credit card at the time of reservation. Discounted rooms are available until May 13, or until the room block is full, whichever occurs first. **Reservations must be made on or before Friday, May 13, 2016.** To

ensure these special rates and rooms are available, make your reservation early. June is a particularly busy time in the nation's capital and hotel rooms are at a premium. Your cooperation in making early reservations is greatly appreciated, and you will have a better experience if you are at the conference hotel! This deadline cannot be extended, so make your reservation early.

Restaurants

Several websites offer good guides for making arrangements for dinner on Sunday night and following the AWPA reception on Monday evening. Opentable.com and Frommer's both have useful DC sites, and the hotel concierge, 202-661-2400, is another great resource for dining options.

Transportation

Local airports are Reagan National-DCA (15 minutes), Dulles International-IAD (40-60 minutes) and Baltimore Washington International-BWI (60 to 90 minutes). Taxis from Reagan are approximately \$38 depending on traffic. Super Shuttle service is available for \$15 per person, one-way from Reagan National. Reservations for Super Shuttle are available at www.supershuttle.com but are not required. Super Shuttle also serves Dulles Airport for \$39 and BWI for \$59; prices are per person, one way.

Going to WireExpo after the AWPA meeting?

The Wire Association International's WireExpo opens at 10:00 am on Wednesday, June 8. Non-stop Flights from Reagan National Airport to Hartford, CT leave nearly every hour and take about an hour and 20 minutes.

Cancellations

Meeting Registrations

Meeting registrations cancelled in writing by May 13, 2016 are entitled to a full refund. Registrations cancelled after May 13 are non-refundable.

Hotel Reservations

Reservations may be cancelled up to forty-eight hours prior to arrival, after which one night's stay will be charged to your credit card.

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