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GOALS & OBJECTIVES OF THE WEDA ORGANIZATION

- » TO COMPILE, PRESENT AND PUBLISH SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PAPERS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE SCIENCE AND PROFESSION OF DREDGING, NAVIGATION, AND MARINE ENGINEERING.
- » TO PROMOTE THE EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE IN FIELDS RELATED TO DREDGING, NAVIGATION, MARINE ENGINEERING, AND CONSTRUCTION BY SPONSORING OR CO-SPONSORING NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND SYMPOSIUMS, INCLUDING PUBLICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF THE PROCEEDINGS.
- » TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR THE COMMUNICATION OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE, THROUGH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND COOPERATION AMONG ASSOCIATIONS, SOCIETIES, AND ALL ORGANIZATIONS INTERESTED IN DREDGING, NAVIGATION, MARINE ENGINEERING, AND CONSTRUCTION.
- » TO PUBLICIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF UNDERSTANDING AND DEVELOPING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS FOR PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT.
- » TO SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN PURSUING DREDGING AND MARINE ENGINEERING AS A CAREER.
- » TO RECOGNIZE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF DREDGING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

EVENT SCHEDULE

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 21

1:00-5:00	DREDGING 101 SHORT COURSE CRYSTAL BALLROOM DON HAYES, THE DREDGING PROFESSOR, LLC
4:00-6:00	EARLY SIGN-IN MEZZANINE
6:00-8:00	ICEBREAKER RECEPTION & SPONSOR EXHIBITS GALLERY BALLROOM THE BROWN HOTEL, LOUISVILLE

EVENT SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

7:00 - 8:30	BREAKFAST BLUEGRASS ROOM	
7:30 - 8:30	WOMEN OF WEDA BREAKFAST MEETING J. GRAHAM BROWN ROOM HOSTED BY: STACI GOETZ, RAMBOLL AMBER WILSON, J.F. BRENNAN COMPANY, INC.	
8:30 - 8:35	MEETING KICKOFF & SAFETY BRIEFING CRYSTAL BALLROOM STAN EKREN, WEDA MIDWEST CHAPTER PRESIDENT	
8:35 - 8:50	LOCK & DAMS HISTORY SHAWN KENNEY, PE, PMP USACE LOUISVILLE DISTRICT	
8:50 - 9:15	CHANGING THE BENEFICIAL USE PARADIGM TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT DON HAYES THE DREDGING PROFESSOR, LLC	
9:15 - 9:40	CURRENT WODA WHITE PAPERS, RESERVOIR DREDGING AND SAFETY STAN EKREN GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK, LLC	
9:40 - 9:50	BREAK	
9:50 - 10:15	DESIGNING AN EVOLVING URBAN SEDIMENT PROJECT ERIC ENGLUND GEI CONSULTANTS, INC.	
10:15 - 10:40	SEDIMENT CONTROL CORYDON COPPOLA FLOW-WATER, LLC	
10:40 - 11:05	OHIO: UPLAND PLACEMENT, HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND UPCOMING PROJECTS DAVID EMERMAN OHIO EPA	
11:05 - 11:15	BREAK	
11:15 - 11:40	MINDFULNESS FOR DREDGERS KATHRYN THOMAS ANAMAR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING, INC.	
11:40 - 11:45	BUSINESS MEETING STAN EKREN WEDA MIDWEST CHAPTER PRESIDENT	ELECTION: CONTRACTOR BOARD MEMBER
11:45 - 12:25	USACE DISTRICT OFFICE UPDATES USACE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES	
12:25 - 4:30	LUNCH & TOURS, FOLLOWED BY SOCIAL EVENT CHURCHILL DOWNS BUS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED, TO & FROM	

EVENT SCHEDULE

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 23

7:00 - 8:30	BREAKFAST BLUEGRASS ROOM
7:00 - 7:30	CHAIR YOGA FOR ANYONE INTERESTED WEAR NORMAL CONFERENCE ATTIRE
8:30 - 8:35	WELCOME STAN EKREN WEDA MIDWEST CHAPTER PRESIDENT
8:35 – 9:35	INTEGRATED SAFETY MINDSET AND SAFETY PANEL DISCUSSION MODERATOR: EMILY KELAHAH HILE GROUP PANEL REPRESENTATIVES: MICHAEL CERDA J.F. BRENNAN COMPANY, INC. TODD DAVIS USACE LOUISVILLE DISTRICT RANDY STEED ROSS ISLAND SAND & GRAVEL CO.
9:35 – 10:00	EFFICIENT SHALLOW WATER REAL-TIME DREDGING MONITORING HEIDI SEGER SEAHORSE GEOMATICS
10:00 – 10:10	BREAK
10:10 – 10:35	PAH COMPOSITION ANALYSIS TOXICITY MGP PROJECT OHIO RIVER JAY PETERS HALEY & ALDRICH
10:35 – 11:00	THE CLEVELAND HARBOR EASTERN EMBAYMENT RESILIENCE STUDY (CHEERS) JOE WAGNER HDR, INC.
11:00 – 11:10	BREAK
11:10 – 11:35	INNOVATIVE REMEDY FOR COST-EFFECTIVE DREDGING AND DISPOSAL OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENT KRISTIN SEARCY BELL, PHD RAMBOLL
11:35 – 12:00	TURBIDITY USING ECHOSOUNDER TECHNOLOGY KONRAD MECH KONGSBERG
12:00	CLOSING REMARKS, SPEAKER GIFTS & DOOR PRIZES DRAWN STAN EKREN WEDA MIDWEST CHAPTER PRESIDENT



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