

Friday October 11, 2013

7:45-10:30 am *Regency ABC— all sessions*

**Research And Railroad Forum**

- **Shane Kitchens**, “The Effects of Creosote and Borate Treatments on Electrical Resistance of Wooden Crossties”, *Mississippi State University*
- **John Butala**, “Crososte Absorption Through Skin Following Contact With Creosote-Treated Wood” *Creosote Council*
- **Gordon Gilmet**, “Europe’s Experience, Continued Use Of, and Manufacturing Capabilities for Custom Creosotes.”, *Ruetgers, AG*
- **Mike Wheeler**, *VP, Norfolk Southern Engineering Update*
- **Tim Carey**, “ACZA Update on Testing & Usage Experience”, *Lonza*
- **Carmen Trevizo**, “Ongoing Work at TFCI in FAST Heavy Haul Applications”, *TFCI*
- **Dr. Samuel Weaver** “Cellulose to Hydrogen Power— Growing a Cleaner Tomorrow” *Proton Power*

10:30-10:45 am **Vendor-mercials**

10:45 am-12:45 pm *Regency ABC*

**Railroad Purchasing Forum**

- **Chad Rolstad**, *BNSF*
- **Sheila Gudenrath**, *Union Pacific*
- **Lisa Pleasants**, *CSX Transportation*
- **Kristine Storm**, *Genesee & Wyoming*
- **Chris Laddish**, *Kansas City Southern*
- **Jon Zillioux**, *Norfolk Southern*
- **Rob Churma**, *Canadian Pacific*
- **Bruce Emberly**, *Canadian National*

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**Departure Times  
and Locations for  
Optional Events**

**Golf Outing**

**Wednesday October 9, 2013 from 9:00-3:00**

Hotel Shuttle available departing hotel lobby at 8:00 am

**Truckee River Winery Tasting & Shopping**

**Wednesday October 9, 2013 from 10:30-2:00**

Truckee River Winery was established 21 years ago with the vision of bringing quality grapes to the Sierras in order to take advantage of the high elevation. You will get to enjoy a variety of unique and delicious wines followed by a visit to historic Truckee, California. just minutes away from the winery with quaint shops and restaurants to enjoy!

(Bus transportation provided—meet in lobby)

**Chocolate and Wine Pairing**

**Wednesday October 9, 2013 from 2:00-4:00**

Wine & chocolate paired together? You will learn how to choose the right wine to complement the right chocolate creating a match made in heaven! You'll also get the opportunity to learn how to create world-class truffles and be able to impress your friends with your very own signature truffle!

**Spouse & Guest Hospitality Breakfast**

**Thursday October 10, 2013 beginning 8:30am**

Breakfast will be in the Lone Eagle Grill at hotel and is included in Spouse/guest registration fees

**Virginia City Historical Walking Tour with Lunch  
& Wild West Show**

**Thursday October 10, 2013 from 10:00-3:00**

Virginia City was once one of the most prominent cities in the US as gold and silver mining attracted people from all over the world. Your guide will share colorful stories about the city's past. You'll get to top that off with a ride on the Virginia and Truckee Diesel Train. (Bus transportation provided—meet in lobby)



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**PROGRAM**

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**PROGRAM**

*(Spouses are welcome at all RTA functions and business sessions. Highlighted events are of particular note. Right column italics indicate location of events.)*

**Tuesday October 8, 2013**

8:00 am Exhibit Set-Up *Regency DEF*  
11:00 am-5:00 pm Early Registration *Regency Foyer*

**Wednesday October 9, 2013**

8:00 am-4:15 pm Registration *Regency Foyer*  
9:00 am-3:00 pm Golf Tournament  
*Incline Village Championship Course*  
10:30 am-2:00pm Truckee River Winery Tasting and  
Old Town Truckee Shopping  
*Meet in hotel lobby for optional tour*  
2:00 pm-4:00 pm Chocolate and Wine Pairing  
*Lone Eagle Grill*  
2:00-5:00 pm Hospitality Suites Open

5:15-7:15 pm  
**PRESIDENT'S COCKTAIL RECEPTION**  
At the home of Kern Schumacher on Lake Tahoe  
Shuttles available at 5:00pm in front of the hotel  
**Home is in walking distance, weather permitting**  
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**Thursday October 10, 2013**

7:30-8:00 am *Regency ABC –all sessions*  
**Welcome and RTA General Business Session**  
8:00-8:30 am *Regency ABC- all sessions*

**The Economy**

- Beth Ann Bovino, *Standard & Poor's*
- Tony Hatch, *ABH Consulting*

9:00-9:30 am *Regency ABC*

**RTA Clinic**

- Midori Connolly & Jessica Levin, "RTA Website & Conference Networking 101", *Seven Degrees Communications*

8:30-10:00 am *Meet in Lone Eagle Grill*  
**GUEST HOSPITALITY BREAKFAST**

Depart hotel lobby at 10:00 a.m. for Optional Virginia City Historical Walking Tour with Lunch, Wild West Show & More  
*(Separate Registration Required for Tour)*

**Thursday October 10, 2013 (Continued)**

9:30-10:45am *Regency ABC*

**Short Line, Regional, & Contractors Forum**

- Mike Ogbom, *Ogborn Consulting Group*
- Brad Lafevers, *Atlantic Western Transportation*
- Nathan Henderson, *RJ Corman*
- Mike Smith, *Finger Lakes Railway*
- John August, *RailWorks Corporation*

10:45-11:30 am *Regency ABC*

**Washington DC Forum Part I**

- Dan Keen, *Association of American Railroads*
- Keith Hartwell, *Chambers, Conton and Hartwell, Inc.*

11:30 am-Noon Break for Exhibits/Lunch

12:00 - 1:30 pm *Regency DEF*  
**RTA BUSINESS LUNCHEON**  
Terry Jones  
Chairman and CEO, *Kayak.com*

1:30-3:00pm *Regency ABC*

**Washington DC Forum Part II**

- Joseph Szabo, *Federal Railroad Administration*
- Frank Mulvey, *Surface Transportation Board*
- Bob Fronczak, *AAR- EPA report*

3:00-3:20 pm *Regency ABC*

**Hardwood Markets**

Judd Johnson, *Hardwood Market Report*

3:20-3:45 pm *Regency ABC*

**AREMA Presidential Address**

Joseph Smak, *Amtrak* (Forum Moderator)

3:45-5:30 pm *Regency ABC*

**Engineering Forum**

- John Cech, *BNSF*
- Dave Ferryman, *Canadian National*
- Tod Echler, *CSX Transportation*
- Stephen Ashmore, *Union Pacific*

7:15 pm *Lakeside Ballroom*

**ANNUAL RTA BANQUET  
AND AWARDS CEREMONY**

*All Black and a Little Gold Nevada Party*  
*Awards Will Precede Dinner During Reception*