

2014 Convention Agenda

ACCA 86th Annual Convention

August 19-21, 2014

Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach, Ala.



Monday, August 18

1 p.m.

Golf Tournament (*Lunch at Noon*)

Gulf Shores Golf Club

1 - 7 p.m.

Fishing Expedition

Reel Surprise Charter Docks

Tuesday, August 19

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Affiliate Meetings

- 9 a.m. - ACEA Board Meeting
- 10 a.m. - ACEA Membership Mtg
- 1 p.m. - ACAA Membership Meeting
- 3 p.m. - AAND Membership Meeting
- 4 p.m. - AAEM Membership Meeting

11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Registration Desk Open

11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Exhibit Showcase

11 a.m. - Noon

ACCA Board of Directors Meeting

12 - 1 p.m.

Strolling Lunch in the Exhibit Hall

1 - 5 p.m.

CROAA Education Meeting

- **One Spot...One Year Later**, *Curtis Stewart, Deputy Commissioner, ADOR and Butch Burbage, Shelby County Finance Manager*
- **Audit Information Sharing**, *Rouen Reynolds, Revenue Manager, ADOR*
- **Changes to the Taxpayer Bill of Rights**, *Kirk Keith, Tuscaloosa County Special Tax Board Manager*

- **Report from the SST Committee**, *Mark Culver, Houston County Chairman*
- **What's on the Horizon**, *Mary Pons, ACCA Association Counsel*

- **Business Session**

2 - 3 p.m.

ACCA Workers' Compensation and Liability Insurance Funds Meeting

5 - 6:30 p.m.

Opening Reception in the Exhibit Hall

Wednesday, August 20

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Convention Breakfast

7:45 - 8:30 a.m.

Nominating Committee Meeting
Resolutions Committee Meeting

8 - 11:30 a.m.

Registration Desk Open

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Opening General Session

- **Prison Reform: If We Fail to Act**, *David Guice, North Carolina DOC Commissioner, Council on State Governments Justice Center Board of Dir.*
- **Pressure on Prisons**, *John Speir, Ph. D., Applied Research Services, Inc.*
- **State of the Alabama Prison System**, *Kim Thomas, Commissioner, Alabama Department of Corrections*
- **A Look at Lower Cost Solutions: Community Corrections and Drug Courts**, *Jeffery Williams, Deputy Commissioner, Alabama Department of Corrections*

- **Too Many for Too Little: State Woes Weigh on County Jails**, *Larry Amer-son, Sheriff, Calhoun County and Mark Culver, Houston County Commission Chairman*

- **Remarks from NACo President Riki Hokama**

- **Report of the ACCA Nominating Committee**

12 - 1:15 p.m.

County Agents Kitchen Lunch

1:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions

- **Providing Services to Veterans in Your Community**, *Stan Bateman, St. Clair County Commission Chairman, and Mary Bell, NACo Financial Services Director*
- **Citizens Academy Success Stories**, *David Money, Chairman/Probate Judge, Henry County, and Chance Corbett, Russell County Commissioner*
- **Revenue Protection on Property Taxes for Subsidized Housing**, *Don Armstrong, Shelby County Revenue Commissioner*
- **Breaking Down the SEC's Municipal Bond Self-Reporting Initiative**, *Alston Ray, Attorney, Butler Snow*
- **Q&A on Insurance Coverage Issues**, *ACCA Staff*
- **Open Meetings Law Refresher**, *Mary Pons, ACCA Association Counsel*
- **PLAN—Practical Leadership Action Network**, *ACCA Staff*
- **Income Tax Offset**, *ACCA Staff*

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7:45 - 8:45 a.m.

County Agents Kitchen Breakfast

8:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Commissioners Breakout Session

- **Mental Health Services in County Jails**, *Jon Garlic, Mental Health Officer, Calhoun County Sheriff's Dept.*
- **Liability Considerations When Housing City Inmates in County Jails**, *Ken Webb, Attorney, Webb & Eley, PC*
- **Report from North Jackson**, *Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director*

Commissioners and Engineers Combined Breakout Session (after the break)

- **ATRIP Update**, *Ed Austin, ALDOT*
- **Road Vacation and Subdivision Regulations**, *Mary Pons, ACCA Association Counsel*
- **Improving Safety at Railroad Crossings**, *Will Miller, Norfolk Southern; Elizabeth Kennedy Lawlor, Norfolk Southern; Ryan Gustin, CSX; Jane Covington, CSX; Donald Lovelace, ALDOT; Jeffrey McInerney, ALDOT*

Engineers Breakout Session (before the break)

- **Legislative Update (Call Before You Dig, Advertising for Bids, Prompt Pay)**, *Mary Pons, ACCA Association Counsel*
- **Storage Tank Trust Fund Reimbursement Guidelines**, *James Thrash, ADEM*

- **A State Dam Safety Program in Alabama**, *Sallie Gowan, ACCA Director of Communication*

Engineers combine with Commissioners after the break

Administrators and CROAA Breakout Session (before the break)

- **Department of Revenue Update** *Commissioner Julie Magee*
 - Tax Tribunal
 - Suspension of Taxes
 - Business License
 - Business Personal Property Tax
 - Business Rapid Response to Declared Disasters Act

AAEM Breakout Session

- **Future of EMA**, *Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director*
- **What We Learned from the Ice Storms**, *Roy Waite, Clarke County EMA Director, Mike Bryant, Etowah County EMA Director and Hub Harvey, Shelby County EMA Director*
- **New Commissioner Handbook**, *Phyllis Little, Cullman County EMA Director*

AAND Breakout Session

- **Legislative Update**, *ACCA Staff*
- **Future of 911 in Alabama**, *Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director*
- **ANGEN Update**, *Speaker TBA*

Administrators, CROAA, AAND and AAEM Combined Breakout Session (after the break)

- **Generational Challenges in the Workplace**, *William Sauser, Ph.D., Professor of Management and Higher Education, Auburn University*

12 - 1:15 p.m.

Convention Luncheon Honoring 2013-2014 President Debbie Wood

1:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Afternoon General Session

- **Candidates Forum**
 - * *Gubernatorial Candidate Parker Griffith, D*
 - * *Gubernatorial Candidate Robert Bentley, R*
 - * *Lt. Governor Candidate James Fields, D*
 - * *Lt. Governor Candidate Kay Ivey, R*
 - * *Attorney General Candidate Luther Strange, R*
 - * *Attorney General Candidate Joe Hubbard, D*
- Awards Ceremony
- ACCA Business Session
- District Caucuses

6:30 p.m.

President's Banquet Honoring 2014-2015 President-Elect Merceria Ludgood

8 p.m.

President's Inaugural Celebration Dance, *Featuring The Tip Tops*