

2015 AAEM SUMMER CONFERENCE

June 22 - 23, 2015

Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel • Mobile, Ala.

The 2015 AAEM Summer Conference is scheduled for June 22-23 in conjunction with the Central Gulf States Hurricane Conference and the Governor's Preparedness Conference. All three conferences are being held at the Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel in Mobile, Ala. This promises to be an exciting week that you won't want to miss. For a detailed AAEM conference schedule and a list of topics please see page 2. I'm sure you'll agree that the conference and training committee have done a great job planning the agenda this year!

Conference registration is \$100 per person until May 22. After May 22, registration will be \$125. **You may register online at www.alabamacounties.org/triconference.** Please note that cancellations will not be refunded after June 8. Also included in this packet is awards information and nomination information, for those who are qualified to vote.

Monday night we will have a conference wide dinner event offsite at a local restaurant. Details are still TBA and we'll update you ASAP on the location.

Don't forget to make your hotel reservations! When you register for the conference you will be emailed a link directly to the Marriott website. If you need the link beforehand, email Jennifer Datcher and she can get it for you. The conference room rate is \$127. The *cutoff date for hotel reservations is May 22.*

If you have any questions, please call or email Jennifer Datcher at (334) 263-7594 or jdatcher@alabamacounties.org.



NOTE: www.alabamacounties.org/triconference is a webpage that has been set up for information on all three conferences.

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TENTATIVE Agenda

June 22 - 23, 2015

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MONDAY, JUNE 22

8 - 10 a.m.

AAEM Board of Directors Meeting and Committee Meetings

8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Conference Registration

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Opening General Session

- Welcome and Announcements

- State of the State Update

Art Faulkner, Director AEMA

- Unity of Effort Between the EMA Office and Commissioners

Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director

- Unity of Effort with Cities

12 - 1 p.m.

Awards Luncheon (Coat and Tie Business Attire)

1 - 5 p.m.

Afternoon General Session

- EOC Training
- Panel Discussion: EOC Interfacing
- Area Caucuses

6 - 8 p.m.

Offsite Dinner (Details TBA)

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

7 - 8 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

7:30 - 7:45 a.m.

Morning Devotional

8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Morning General Session

- National Weather Center Update

Jim Stefkovich and John DeBlock

- Logistics and THIRA Update

-Sam Guarrera, AEMA

-Zakia Darby, AEMA

- Panel Discussion: Alabama First Responder Wireless Commission and FirstNet

-Chuck Murph, Alabama Law

Enforcement Agency

-J.T. Johnston, Monroe County EMA Director

-Ernie Blair, CEO & Director, Madison County Countywide Radio Infrastructure Project

- AAEM Business Session and Induction of Officers

12 p.m.

Adjourn AAEM Summer Conference

10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Hurricane Conference Registration

12 - 1 p.m.

Strolling Lunch in the Exhibit Hall

1 - 5 p.m.

Hurricane Conference Opening General Session

5 - 6:30 p.m.

Reception in the Exhibit Hall

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hurricane Conference Registration

7 - 8 a.m.

Conference Breakfast (full buffet)

8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

12 - 1:30 p.m.

Conference Lunch

1:30 - 5 p.m.

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

5 p.m.

Adjourn Hurricane Conference

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Preparedness Conference Registration

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

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

Preparedness Conference General Session

12 - 1:30 p.m.

Conference Lunch

1:30 - 5 p.m.

Preparedness Conference General Session

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Preparedness Conference Registration

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

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

Preparedness Conference Closing General Session

12 p.m.

Adjourn Preparedness Conference



Alabama Association of Emergency Managers

NOTICE OF ELECTION

To: All AAEM Voting Members
From: Margaret Bishop-Gulley, Chairman, Nomination and Credentials Committee
Re: Election Packet and Guidelines

AAEM Elections will be held in June at the Annual Conference in Mobile at the Riverview Hotel. Please, do not jeopardize your opportunity to be considered. A brief description of each position along with the duties and responsibilities associated with it are listed below for your review. Please note that the Officers of the Association shall consist of the following: President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Immediate Past President, Secretary (Appointed Non Voting), Treasurer (Appointed Non Voting), (7) Area Directors, and (1) AEMA Representative. All of the elected officers of the Association, plus the immediate past president are voting members of the Board of Directors. The President shall appoint the Secretary and Treasurer, who will serve a one-year term, and one person may serve in both positions.

2nd Vice-President – The Second Vice President shall perform the duties of the First Vice President in the absence or disability of that officer and perform such other duties as required by the Administrative Policies and Procedures. Ultimately, both the First and Second Vice Presidents have the same duties as the President, which are to preside at all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors; authorize expenditures within the budget appropriations approved by the Board of Directors; and perform such other duties as required by the Administrative Policies and Procedures. A candidate seeking office of 2nd Vice-President must have been a member in good standing for three (3) years prior to seeking office.

Area Directors:

Candidate for Area Director must be an Individual in good standing for one year. Area Directors are the liaison between AAEM and their Region. Candidate for Area Director 8 is also a liaison between AAEM and AEMA.

Area Director 1	Area Director 2	Area Director 3
Area Director 4	Area Director 5	Area Director 6
Area Director 7	Area Director 8	

In order to be placed on the ballot for election to office, the candidate must submit the following:

- 1) A letter of intent stating candidacy;
- 2) A letter from the candidate's immediate supervisor supporting the time and travel necessary to satisfactorily fulfill the requirements of the office;
- 3) A brief resume

These items must be submitted within 30 days prior to the first scheduled day of the Annual Conference or submitted to the Chairman of the Nomination and Credentials Committee on the first day of the Conference.

If you decide you would like to run for one of these positions, please send your packet to:
Margaret A. Bishop-Gulley, Director, Sumter County EMA/Nomination Chairperson
P.O. Box 99, Livingston, AL 35470

Voting rights – are granted in accordance with the following membership categories:

Individual Members – Full voting rights

Life Members – Full voting rights

The deadline for election packet submission must be received NLT 5 business days before the first day of the Annual Conference.

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Awards Program

Rookie of the Year Award: New Emergency Manager with less than two years experience who demonstrates innovative methods for enhancing Emergency Management. Please include an example of why you feel this person should receive this award. This candidate should possess a minimum of the Basic Level certification.

Career Achievement in Emergency Management Award: An actively employed or retired Emergency Manager with 10+ years experience who has distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their community and the state by exhibiting an exceptionally high standard of leadership and professionalism. Please include a list of achievements and awards.

Preparedness Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has developed a structure in preparing for disasters. Developed a plan, exercised a plan, developed a volunteer management program, worked with the community to better prepare – i.e. Be Ready Day, Storm Spotter, Continuity Plans, mass casualty planning, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Photographs and supporting documentation strongly encouraged.

Response Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has developed a structure in responding to disasters. A program that has responded to a disaster – displayed outstanding, timely response to an affected area, citizens/victims – sheltering, ICS, NIMS, commodity distribution, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Photographs and supporting documentation strongly encouraged.

Recovery Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has focused on restoring the affected communities to its previous state. Developed plans, conducted meetings, worked with elected officials to secure grants or community involvement to help rebuild, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Please include information on the program and how it has benefitted the communities.

Mitigation Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has focused on long-term strategies to protect lives and reduce the impact of disasters. Secured funding for shelters, sirens, weather radios, etc. – made a difference in the community to mitigate the effects of disasters. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Details and supporting strategy strongly encouraged.

Pat Neuhauser Spirit of EMA Award: High level of enthusiasm in promoting emergency management, willingness to share and serve, dedicated, faithful and loyal. This is the most prestigious award offered by AAEM. One award may be presented each year. A person may only be awarded one time. You are strongly encouraged to supply examples of nominee qualities that reflect the values listed above. Additional letters from others in the community would be a plus.

Alfred T. Moore Memorial Volunteer Award: Recognizes a volunteer who has demonstrated loyalty, a willingness to serve at a moment's notice in any emergency needing their assistance and serving in a volunteer capacity for at least 5 years. One award may be presented each year. Please provide supporting details, photographs, etc. that illustrate your nominee's qualifications.

Vendor Recognition Certificates: Will be presented to every vendor sponsoring the AAEM program.

The deadline for accepting recommendations for awards will be April 3, 2015. The Awards and Recognition Committee will meet in April to make award selections and to insure all awards and certificates are received and correct before the Annual Conference.

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Name of person or agency you are recommending for an award:

Where is the person you are recommending employed?

Agency/Company Name

Street Address

City/State/Zip

Which award are you making a recommendation for? (Check only ONE)

_____ Rookie of the Year Award

_____ Alfred T. Moore Memorial Volunteer Award

_____ Career Achievement in Emergency Management Award

_____ Pat Neuhauser Spirit of EMA Award

_____ Preparedness Program of the Year Award (Circle one: Small County, Medium County, Large County)

_____ Response Program of the Year Award (Circle one: Small County, Medium County, Large County)

_____ Recovery Program of the Year Award (Circle one: Small County, Medium County, Large County)

_____ Mitigation Program of the Year Award (Circle one: Small County, Medium County, Large County)

Please provide the following information should the Awards Committee have any questions regarding your submission.

Your Name: _____ Office phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Complete this form and enclose it with documentation supporting your recommendation. **Deadline for accepting award recommendations is Friday, April 3, 2015.**

Email submissions and supporting documentation to kcarson@leecoema.com or mail to:
Lee County EMA, ATTN: Katherine Carson, 908 Avenue B, Opelika, AL 36801