

# 2017 AAEM ANNUAL CONFERENCE

*March 14 - 15, 2017*

*Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center at Capitol Hill (The Legends) • Prattville, Ala.*

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The 2017 AAEM Annual Conference is scheduled for March 14 - 15 in conjunction with the Governor's Preparedness Conference. Both conferences are being held at the Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center at Capitol Hill (The Legends) & Spa in Prattville, 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. The conference and training committee have change format this year. You will have the option of to different tracks to attend on Tuesday afternoon. During your registration you will select to attend the general session or the AWR 136 – Essentials of Community Cybersecurity (4 hour CLEM approved course) . The AWR 136 course has a maximum of 50 registrants.

Conference registration is \$125 per person until February 18. After February 18, registration will be \$150. If you want to attend the both the AAEM Annual Conference and the Governor's Preparedness Conference, there is a combined conference price of \$220 until February 18. **You may register online at [www.alabamacounties.org](http://www.alabamacounties.org).** Please note that cancellations will not be refunded after February 27. Also included in this packet is election information for those who are qualified to vote.

Tuesday night we will have a conference wide dinner event offsite at the Alabama Nature Center. Busses will shuttle us between the dinner site and the hotel so please plan to attend.

Don't forget to make your hotel reservations! To reserve your room at the Montgomery Marriott Prattville, you may call the hotel directly at (334) 290-1235. Please mention you are with the AAEM Annual Conference when you call. The conference room rate is \$139. The cutoff date for hotel reservations is February 14.

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



*Theme: BECOMING AN  
AGENT OF CHANGE*

# 2017 AAEM Annual Conference

## Tentative Agenda

March 14 –16, 2017

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### TUESDAY, MARCH 14

8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Conference Registration

10 – 11:30 a.m.

Opening General Session

- Welcome and Announcements
- AEMA Update  
*Art Faulkner, Director, AEMA*
- Serve Alabama  
*Brooke Mills, Disaster Preparedness and Response Director, Serve Alabama*

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Awards Luncheon (Coat and Tie Business Attire)

12:45 – 5 p.m.

Afternoon split between 2 track – General Session or Course (select one)

Track A: Afternoon General Session

- County Award Presentations
- Alabama Extension Agency  
*Grant Lyons, County Extension Coordinator, Coffee County Extension Office*
- National Weather Service  
*John De Block, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS*

Track B: Course

- AWR 136 – Essentials of Community Cybersecurity (4 hour CLEM approved course)

5 – 5:15 p.m.

Area Caucuses

5:15– 6:45 p.m.

AAEM Board Meeting and Committee Meetings

7– 9 p.m.

Alabama Nature Center (*Busses Provided*)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

7 – 8 a.m.

Buffet Breakfast

7:30 – 8 a.m.

Morning Devotional

8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Morning General Session

- Table Top Exercise
- Business Session and Induction of New AAEM Officers

12 p.m.

Adjourn AAEM Annual Conference

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## Governor's Preparedness Conference

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Governor's Preparedness Conference Registration

11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open

12 – 1 p.m.

Strolling Lunch in the Exhibit Hall

1:30 – 5:15 p.m.

Governor's Preparedness Conference Opening General Session

- Welcome

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- Opening Remarks
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Deployments: Helping Other States in Times of Need!
- Essential Records Disaster Planning & Recovery
- The Role of Cybersecurity in Emergency Management
- Who's Responsible within State Government for Cybersecurity?
- No Cost Benefits

**5:15 – 7 p.m.**

Reception inside the Exhibit Hall

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 16**

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m.**

Continental Breakfast

**8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

**Morning General Session**

- Special Event Emergency Planning Panel Discussion, Trinity to Grandview Hospital Move
- Cyber-Threats to Critical Infrastructure for Power, Water and Wastewater Utilities
- Handling & Managing Cybersecurity Incidents

**12 – 1 p.m.**

Conference Lunch

**Topic:** Rebuilding Public Trust after a Cybersecurity Incident

**1:15 – 5 p.m.**

**Closing General Session**

- Taking the Next Step in School Preparedness
- Alabama Functional & Access Needs in Disasters (FAND)
- Exploring, the Social & Behavioral Science Underlying Social Media
- Lessons Learned from Lawrence & Morgan County Water Crisis

**5 p.m.**

Closing Remarks



# Alabama Association of Emergency Managers NOTICE OF ELECTION

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

AAEM Elections will be held in March at the Annual Conference in Prattville at the Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center at Capitol Hill. 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, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 5**

**Area Director 2**  
**Area Director 6**

**Area Director 3**  
**Area Director 7**

**Area Director 4**  
**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, Sumter County EMA Director/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.