

Murray Addresses Tug Valley Mining Institute



To coincide with the annual CEDAR Coal Fair, the Tug Valley Mining Institute (TVMI) heard an inspiring address by Robert E. Murray, the founder, Chairman, President and CEO, Murray Energy.

Prior to dinner Georgene Robertson, President, and Debbie Mudd, Coal Fair Manager, CEDAR, escorted Murray around some of the 244 exhibits at the Chief Logan Hotel & Convention Center, Logan, WV. Students Cydney Maynard, Burch Elementary, Math 1st place winner; Kylen McClannahan, Burch Elementary, Science 1st place winner; and Evan Allen, Mingo Central High School, Science 1st place winner, described their exhibits and why they thought it was important to submit an entry at the Coal Fair.

After dinner, TVMI President Tim Brown introduced Bob Murray who described today's coal production and sales situation as "extremely dangerous". To a packed room Murray declared he was not giving up and said "our cause is right. It is right for our industry, communities, and America. We must continue to do whatever we can to overcome the insanity of our current government." The complete text of his address is available at this link.

The sponsor for the evening was Victaulic, a regular supporter of TVMI activities, and Brian K. Dotson, National Mining Sales Manager, briefly described his company's products. TVMI Board of Directors include: Tim Brown, President; Andy Ashurst, First Vice-President; and Ray Scites, Treasurer. TVMI meets monthly with a social hour and dinner.

For a complete transcript of Mr. Murray's address, please click here.



(Left to right) Debbie Mudd, CEDAR SWV Coal Fair Manager; Bob Murray; Cydney Maynard, Burch Elementary, Math 1st place winner; Kylen McClannahan, Burch Elementary, Science 1st place winner; Evan Allen, Mingo Central High School, Science 1st place winner; Georgene Robertson, CEDAR SWV President



(Left to right) Tim Brown, TVMI President; Bob Murray; Brian Dotson, Victaulic National Mining Sales Manager; Lee Anderson, Victaulic Northern Appalachia Mining Sales Specialist