

## 2018 West Virginia Mine Symposium

The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual West Virginia Mine Symposium presented by the West Virginia Coal Association was held at the Charleston Civic Center, Charleston, WV on January 30 – 31, 2018. There were 388 attendees. The meeting comprised four Technical Sessions which were well-attended as well as the traditional Mountaineer Guardian Safety Awards Luncheon and Annual Reclamation Awards Luncheon. The program appears below.



Bill Raney



Chris Hamilton



Jason Bostic



Sandi Davison



Gov. Jim Justice



Deck Slone



Patrick Morrissey



David Zatezalo



Doug Matheney

### Tuesday, January 30

#### **Welcome/Introduction**

Bill Raney, President WVCA

#### **State of the State -- 2018**

James C. Justice, Governor WV

#### **WV's Metallurgical Coal & The Global Marketplace**

Deck Slone, Sr. VP Strategy & Public Policy Arch Coal

#### **Shelley Moore Capito, U.S. Senator (video)**

Joe Manchin, U.S. Senator (video)

**Break** sponsored by **Steptoe & Johnson**

#### **Fighting the Fight**

Patrick Morrissey, WV Attorney General

#### **National Mine Health & Safety Enforcement Programs**

Dave Zatezalo, Assistant Secretary --- MSHA



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### **Mountaineer Guardian Safety Awards Luncheon** sponsored by *Jackson Kelly*

Awards Presentation: Greg Norman, Director, and Eugene White, Deputy Director, WV Office of Miners' Health, Safety & Training

### **West Virginia Legislature Today**

Mitch Carmichael, Senate President  
Tim Armstead, Speaker of the House

### [West Virginia's Financial Picture](#)

Dave Hardy, WV Secretary Tax & Revenue

### [Harassment in the Workplace 2018](#)

David Morrison, Steptoe & Johnson

**Break** sponsored by **Steptoe & Johnson**

### **Mine Safety Legal Issues**

Chris Pence & Eric Silkwood  
Hardy & Pence

### [Politics vs Reality -- Which Factors Will Likely Drive MSHA's Enforcement Narrative in 2018](#)

Kelby Gray  
Dinsmore & Shohl

### **Coal Legislative Leaders**

Senator Randy Smith  
Delegate Rupie Phillips

**Legislative Reception** sponsored by **Austin Powder & Greer Lime Company**

**Wednesday, January 31**

### **Registration**

**Breakfast** sponsored by **Walker Machinery** and **Dinsmore & Shohl**

### **Welcome & Introductions**

Chris Hamilton, Senior Vice President WVCA

### **Congressional Coal & Energy Update**

David McKinley, Congressman (Video)  
Chairman, Congressional Coal Caucus

### **National Energy Challenges and Coal's Role**

Doug Matheny, Special Advisor to the Secretary Office of Fossil Energy

**Break** sponsored by **Appalachian Power & FirstEnergy**

### **Washington Climate Change**

Evan Jenkins, U.S. Congressman

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### **WV Mining & Reclamation Q & A and Roundtable**

Harold Ward  
Lewis Halstead  
John Vernon  
Jeff Parsons  
Dustin Johnson

### **Annual Reclamation Awards Luncheon** sponsored by *Babst Calland*

Speaker: Austin Caperton, Secretary WV DEP Awards Presentation: Harold Ward, Director, DMR WV Department of Environmental Protection

### **SMCRA Primacy Update**

Christopher Power, Babst Calland

### **WV Coal in the World Energy Market**

Matt Warder, Energy Price Bulletin

### **Mine Safety Update**

Mark Heath, Spilman, Thomas & Battle

### **Break** sponsored by **Appalachian Power Co. & FirstEnergy**

### **Environmental Litigation Update**

Robert G. McLusky, Jackson Kelly

### **Military Training & Post-Mining Land Use**

Col. Joe Peal (Ret.), WV National Guard

### **Federal Tax Update**

Bob Kiss, Bowles Rice

### **Closing Remarks**

At the Wednesday morning Technical Session there was a roundtable question and answer discussion by members of WV Mining & Reclamation.



WV Mining & Reclamation Panel

There were a large number of attendees from Arch Coal, who were collecting a number of awards, and they had their photos taken by CoalZoom. In addition, there were some 28 mining engineering students present from WVU and they had their photos taken with Governor Jim Justice of West Virginia.



Arch Coal Team



WVU Mining Engineering Students

The 2017 Mountaineer Guardian Awards were won by:  
Eustace E. Frederick Milestones of Safety - ACI Tygart Valley, Leer Mine.  
Bart B. Lay, Jr. Milestones of Safety - Marfork Coal Co., Inc. Workman Surface Mine.  
Special Recognition - Tunnel Ridge, LLC., Tunnel Ridge Preparation Plant

The 2017 Reclamation Awards were won by:  
Greenlands Award - Southeastern Land LLC., Twin Branch Surface Mine.  
Good Neighbor Award - ICG Tygart Valley LLC., Leer Mine Complex.  
National Wild Turkey Federation - Coal-Mac, LLC., Phoenix #5 Surface Mine.  
Ducks Unlimited - American Bituminous Power Partners, Barrackville Surface Mine.



Eustace E. Frederick Milestones of Safety  
ACI Tygart Valley, Leer Mine



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Leer Mine Complex



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Phoenix #5 Surface Mine

There were 17 exhibitors showing their products and services. They were set-up in the eating area to maximize traffic and let as many people as possible visit their booths. All audio visual production was carried out by VMI Productions.



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Mark Jenkins, NEXANS



Matrix



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Noah Phillips, Victaulic



Friends of Coal Ladies Auxiliary



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