



WPMA 2024

ANNUAL MEETING

No Horsing Around –
This Event Will Knock You Out!

October 9-10, 2024

Embassy Suites Downtown
501 South Fourth Street | Louisville, Kentucky

Welcome!

Louisville, Kentucky is a vibrant city located along the Ohio River, known for its rich history, cultural heritage, and southern charm. As the largest city in Kentucky, Louisville offers a unique blend of urban and rural experiences, boasting a thriving arts scene, diverse culinary offerings, and deep-rooted traditions. It's home to the world-famous Kentucky Derby, held annually at Churchill Downs, and is known as the birthplace of boxing legend Muhammad Ali. The city also prides itself on its bourbon production, with many distilleries forming part of the famed Kentucky Bourbon Trail. Louisville's historic neighborhoods, like Old Louisville, showcase beautiful Victorian architecture, while the downtown area has seen revitalization with modern attractions such as the Louisville Slugger Museum and the Muhammad Ali Center. Whether exploring its parks, dining in local eateries, or attending one of its numerous festivals, Louisville offers a dynamic mix of history, culture, and modern living.

Embassy Suites Louisville Downtown: Historic Charm Meets Modern Comfort

Embassy Suites Louisville Downtown, nestled in the heart of the city, offers a unique blend of historical elegance and contemporary amenities. This hotel, adjacent to the vibrant Fourth St. Live! Entertainment district and a stone's throw from Whiskey Row, stands out as an ideal destination for travelers seeking both leisure and business conveniences in Louisville.

Key Features:

- **Prime Location:** Situated next to the Fourth St. Live! Entertainment district, merely 3 blocks from Whiskey Row, providing easy access to the city's most vibrant nightlife and cultural scenes.
- **Complimentary Cook-to-Order Breakfast:** Start your day with a delectable, freshly prepared breakfast, tailored to your preferences.
- Connected to Catch 23, a fine dining restaurant known for its exquisite steak and seafood.
- Hosts a complimentary evening reception daily, offering a range of snacks and beverages for guests.
- Just an 11-minute drive from Louisville International Airport, ensuring convenience for traveling guests.

Embassy Suites Louisville Downtown seamlessly combines the allure of Louisville's rich history with the comforts of modern living, making it a top choice for travelers seeking a memorable stay in the heart of the city.

Special Tour of Winstar Farms

Home of *JUSTIFY*, the last horse to win the Triple Crown. Experience the rich heritage of Kentucky by visiting Winstar Farms, renowned for its American Thoroughbred horse breeding and racing. This tour offers a unique glimpse into the local flavor and culture including a stop at the Heaven Hill Distillery.

Wednesday, October 9th

WPMA Annual Business Meeting

The business meeting will begin on **Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. sharp** in the Clark & William Salon. **Scott Ferland, Association President**, will share decisions that were made by the Board of Directors on Tuesday.

Roll Call

This session is jam-packed with information. Many members have commented that information learned in this session is well worth the time and expense of attending. We ask you to introduce yourself, share your company name and brief description of what they do.

Educational/Networking Sessions

We have a number of quality speakers that will share some timely information with members during our business meeting.

- **Beyond Wood**
- **Managing your Cyber Risk**
- **Drug Law Changes & The Workplace**

Welcome Reception & Dinner

Our welcome cocktail reception will tip off the 94th annual meeting beginning at six fifteen with a cocktail reception in the Meriwether Salon followed by dinner at 7:15 in the Lewis Salon & Clark Foyer. **George Melnyk, President of Premiere Millwork & Lumber Company and WPMA Vice President**, will welcome the group.





Thursday, October 10th

Excursions

- Northwood Machine Company
- Louisville Slugger Factory & Museum

Mystery Night Event

Our annual meeting will conclude with the close of the Mystery Night Event. Your staff has worked hard to prepare what we feel will be an excellent networking opportunity and a true “flavor” of what Louisville is known for.

Friday will allow you to stay and visit some of the beautiful spots that Louisville is known for or to travel home.

Attire

Dress for the meeting is corporate casual. We recommend a jacket or sweater as there is always the possibility of cool weather at this time of the year. Dress for the Mystery Night should be comfortable as we could be outside for part of the event.



Program Agenda

Tuesday, October 8th

6:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Golf – Tee time is 8:10 a.m.
Champions Pointe Golf Club
1820 Champions Pointe Club Lane
Henryville, IN (20 minute ride via Uber)
(Meet in lobby)

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

WPMA Board of Directors Meeting
(Meriwether Salon)

Wednesday, October 9th

6:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast (Third Floor Restaurant)

7:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Winstar Farms, Heaven Hill Distillery Tours
(Depart Front Lobby)

3:30 – 6:15 p.m.

WPMA Annual Membership Meeting
(William & Clark Salon)

3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Vendor Exhibits (Lewis Foyer)

3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

President Address & Brief Roll Call
(William & Clark Salon)

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Thermwood (William & Clark Salon)

5:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Managing Your Cyber Risk
(William & Clark Salon)

5:30 – 6:15 p.m.

Drug Law Changes & the Workplace
(William & Clark Salon)

6:15 – 7:15 p.m.

Cocktail Reception (Meriwether Salon)

7:15 p.m.

Dinner (Lewis & Clark Salon)

Thursday, October 10th

6:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast (Third Floor Restaurant)

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

Vendor Exhibits (Lewis Foyer)

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Excursions (Depart Front Lobby)

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Free time to explore Louisville

4:15 – 9:00 p.m.

Depart for “Mystery Night Event”
(Depart Front Lobby)

All times are subject to change up until the event.

Sponsors

A Very Special Thank You

We wish to offer a special thank you to all of our sponsors. We sincerely appreciate their generosity. We ask that you please acknowledge their gesture of good will by expressing your personal thank you. Please look for those wearing a ribbon on their name badge.

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The association officers, directors and staff are pleased to be able to offer you a wonderful annual meeting. As always, we are interested in your ideas for future meetings, whether it's a suggestion for a future meeting location or ideas on the content of the meeting. Remember...this is your meeting and we want it to be worth you taking the time from your busy schedule to attend.

Horseshoes

You will notice that some of the attendees are wearing horseshoes on their name badges. The Horseshoe represents those that are attending an association meeting for the first time. Please introduce yourself to these newcomers and make them feel welcomed. Research shows that if you are made to feel welcomed at your first meeting, you will return in the future.