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**National Association of Towns and Townships  
2005 Legislative and Educational Conference**

**September 7-9, 2005**

**Washington, D.C.**



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# President's Message



Welcome to the 2005 America's Town Meeting sponsored by the National Association of Towns and Townships (NATaT) and the National Center for Small Communities (NCSC). This year's conference promises to be an exciting one for all local government officials.

The NATaT conference is packed full of great speakers, informative workshops and an excellent trade show. Optional events have been planned to allow visitors the opportunity to explore all the nation's capital has to offer. Time has been allotted on Thursday for attendees to travel to Capitol Hill to meet their respective members of Congress. For most officials, this is the only opportunity you have to meet with your federal lawmakers and I urge you to participate in these events.

I have the pleasure of being the President of NATaT and the Executive Director of the state association being honored as this year's featured state – Ohio. Nicknamed the "Buckeye State", Ohio encompasses 41,330 square miles and is ranked seventh among the fifty states in population. There have been eight presidents from Ohio, earning Ohio another nickname, "The Mother of Presidents."

Ohio will be hosting a social event for all attendees on Thursday afternoon in the Exhibit Hall. We will be serving a variety of products made in Ohio that showcase the variety of foods Ohioans love to enjoy, including trail bologna and buckeyes. During the social you can visit with vendors and possibly win a variety of Ohio made products and gifts. Anyone registered for the conference, except NATaT board members and guests, is eligible to win. So be sure to come to the Ohio Social on Thursday afternoon for food, beer, and prizes.

The NATaT officers and board are glad that you are here! Enjoy yourselves and if there is anything that you think we could be doing better, please let us know. We are always looking to improve upon each conference. Have fun and thanks for coming!

Michael Cochran  
President  
National Association of Towns and Townships

# Welcome

Dear Conference Attendees:

Welcome to the 2005 America's Town Meeting! I'm sure that you will find this year's conference one of the best ever. We have carried forward the programs members tell us they like and have even added a few new wrinkles.

As in past years, the conference is designed to provide members with political insight and educational opportunities. This year we have fourteen workshops on topics ranging from snow removal to Supreme Court decisions. There is something for every interest and we urge members to take advantage of the great workshop program we have put together.

Congress has already had a busy year but there are still a number of issues on the table that could affect towns and townships. These include telecommunications law reform, rural development and water infrastructure funding. We have again set aside Thursday morning for members to visit their Federal legislators. These visits are crucial to NATaT's effort to remain a major force on municipal issues in Washington.

This year, we will have a sizable contingent of exhibitors who are supporting our conference and who want to build relationships with NATaT members. Please take time to visit our exhibitors, browse their products and services and thank them for their support of towns and townships.

We have also added some new tours and special events this year that members will not want to miss. We hope that you take advantage of these new events and, as always, welcome suggestions for other events in the future.

Speaking of the future, we want to constantly improve America's Town Meeting. Please stop by the NATaT booth and give us your suggestions on how we might improve the conference in future years.

Welcome again and have a great conference!

Allen R. Frischkorn, Jr.  
Executive Director  
National Association of Towns and Townships



# Agenda

## Tuesday, September 6

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. “Early Bird” Registration Open (Regency Foyer)  
7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Washington After Dark Tour\*

## Wednesday, September 7

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration Open (Regency Foyer)  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. NATaT Information Center Open  
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open  
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Conference Orientation (Ticonderoga)  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Opening General Session (Ballroom)  
3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. For Spouses/Guests: “Brief Historic Tour” and Outlet Shopping in Leesburg, VA\*  
Buses Leave from Hotel Front Entrance  
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Workshops  
5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. State Association Group Photos (Ballroom)  
9:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m. Welcome Dessert Dance (Ballroom)\* Tickets collected – Attendees, Registered Spouses/Guests & Exhibitors

## Thursday, September 8

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Meetings on the Hill with Congressional Delegations Arranged by State Associations; Bus shuttle service leaves from Hotel Front Entrance  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration Open (Regency Foyer)  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. NATaT Information Center Open  
11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open  
12:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Awards Luncheon\*\* (Ballroom)  
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Workshops  
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Reception in Exhibit Hall

## Friday, September 9

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. NATaT Breakfast w/Speaker\* (Yorktown/Valley Forge)  
8:00 a.m. – 12noon Exhibit Hall Open  
8:30 a.m. – 12noon NATaT Information Center Open  
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Spouse/Guest Tour\* Bus leaves from Hotel Front Entrance  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Workshops  
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The Spy Tour\* Buses leave from Hotel Front Entrance  
1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 3rd Annual Golf Tournament\*  
Bus leaves from Hotel Front Entrance

## Saturday, September 10

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. All-Day Tour – Historic Fredericksburg/Spotsylvania, VA  
Battlefield Tour\* Bus leaves from Hotel Front Entrance

\*Special Events – Tickets required. Please see list of events and registration form for descriptions and costs.

\*\*Awards Luncheon – Ticket included with member/non-member registration. Purchase tickets for spouses/guests only.

## **President**

Michael Cochran, Executive Director,  
Ohio Township Association

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Dakota Township Officers Association

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Township, Minnesota

Barbara Weyrick, Assessor,  
Lyons Township, Cook County,  
Illinois



# President George W. Bush

George W. Bush is the 43rd President of the United States. He was sworn into office on January 20, 2001, re-elected on November 2, 2004, and sworn in for a second term on January 20, 2005. Prior to his Presidency, President Bush served for 6 years as the 46th Governor of the State of Texas.

President Bush was born on July 6, 1946, in New Haven, Connecticut, and grew up in Midland and Houston, Texas. He received a bachelor's degree in history from Yale University in 1968, and then served as an F-102 fighter pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. President Bush received a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School in 1975.

President Bush is married to Laura Welch Bush, a former teacher and librarian, and they have twin daughters, Barbara and Jenna.

# Honored Guest

## **Congressman James L. Oberstar**

Born in Chisholm, Minnesota, Jim Oberstar graduated Summa Cum Laude from the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul in 1956, with a double major degree in French and Political Science. He went on to earn a Masters degree in European Studies at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium, 1957. Following graduation, he taught English to Haitian military personnel, and French and Creole to members of the U.S. Marine Corps military advisory group in Port-au-Prince, 1959-1963; then served as chief staff assistant to his predecessor, Congressman John Blatnik, 1963-1974.

Jim Oberstar began representing Minnesota's Eighth Congressional District in Congress in 1975, and is now in his 16th term, the longest service in the U.S. House of Representatives from the state of Minnesota.

He is now the senior Democrat on the Committee on Transportation



and Infrastructure. The committee has jurisdiction over America's surface transportation; freight and passenger rail; the inland waterway system, including the St. Lawrence Seaway; international maritime commerce; the Economic Development Administration; the U.S. Corps of Engineers' support of the nation's water resources; and the federal clean water program.

## **Charles Louis Kincannon**

Director, U.S. Census Bureau

President George W. Bush nominated Mr. Kincannon for director of the Census Bureau in 2001 and the Senate confirmed him unanimously on March 13, 2002.

Mr. Kincannon began his career as a statistician at the U.S. Census Bureau in 1963 after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin. He held positions of increasing responsibility in the economic, demographic and administrative areas of the Census Bureau before leaving in September 1975, during the Ford administration, to join the staff of the Office of Management and Budget, where he worked on statistical and regulatory policy. He also served as the statistical liaison to Vice President Nelson Rockefeller's office and provided administrative leadership that supported the successful implementation of the first Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980.

Mr. Kincannon returned to the Census Bureau in September 1981. He was appointed deputy director and chief operating officer in January 1982 by President Ronald Reagan's first director of the Census Bureau, Bruce Chapman.

In October 1992, Mr. Kincannon was appointed as the first chief statis-



tician in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris. He coordinated the organization's statistical programs and advised the OECD secretary general on statistical policy. He left this post in June 2000 to return to the United States.

Mr. Kincannon was born December 1940 in Waco, Texas. Following graduation from the University of Texas, he did postgraduate study at the George Washington University, Georgetown University and the University of Maryland. He and his wife, Claire, have lived in Paeonian Springs, Va., since 1972.



# Grassroots Government Leadership Award

The Grassroots Government Leadership Awards program is an old tradition with NATaT. We ask our state associations to submit nominations to us, of town and township officials who exemplify the best in leadership qualities. The winner and finalists will be presented with their awards at the Awards Luncheon on Thursday.

***Our congratulations to the  
winner of the  
2005 Grassroots Government  
Leadership Award***

**Donald “Gus” Edwards**

*Trustee, Wayne Township  
Ohio*



# 2005 NATaT GRASSROOTS GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP AWARD FINALISTS

## **ILLINOIS**

Michael Kelly, Township Supervisor, Hanover Township, IL  
Leo Berardi, Township Supervisor, Pekin Township, IL  
Bob Dudycz, Township Supervisor, Maine Township, IL

## **MICHIGAN**

Marvin D. Radtke, Jr., Planning Zoning Director, Blair Township, and Trustee,  
Green Lake Township, MI  
Brad VanHaitsma, Supervisor, Clam Union Township, MI

## **MINNESOTA**

Sandra Hooker, Supervisor, Medo Township, MN  
Carol Jean Bauer, Clerk, Belle Plaine Township, MN  
Monica Abress, Supervisor, Lent Township, MN

## **OHIO**

Gary L. Burnett, Trustee, LaGrange Township, Lorain County, OH  
James Harman, Trustee, Montgomery Township, Wood County, OH

## **PENNSYLVANIA**

Timothy L. Horner, Supervisor, Chapman Township, Clarion County, PA  
Diane Snyder, Supervisor, West Whiteland Township, Chester County, PA  
Jerry Andree, Manager, Cranberry Township, Butler County, PA

## **WISCONSIN**

Gene Krause, Chairman, Town of Spider Lake, WI  
Rodney Kropp, Town Chairman, Town of Goodrich, WI

# Workshops

**Wednesday, September 7, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

## **HAVA/Election Assistance Commission**

*Presenters:* Gavin Gilmour, Associate General Counsel and Peggy Sims, Research Specialist, Election Assistance Commission.

### **Room: Yorktown**

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission, the federal entity which implements the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), will review and discuss: What HAVA requires States to do (Title III) and by what deadlines; What HAVA funds are available to meet these requirements and to make other improvements in the administration of Federal elections; What HAVA funds have already been distributed, to whom, and how much, and what remains to be distributed; What are the consequences of missing HAVA deadlines; What is the role of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC); What EAC has done or is in the process of doing to fulfill that role; and How towns and townships may provide their input.

## **Federal Affairs Update**

*Presenters:* Allan Cagnoli, Director, Government Relations, NATaT; and Toby Burke, Special Assistant to the

President, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, The White House

### **Room: Ticonderoga**

A review will be made of the legislative issues in the 109th Congress that have affected, or will affect NATaT's members. This session will specifically help prepare those members who intend to visit their elected federal officials during the conference and those interested in the latest issues that will impact local communities. Toby Burke will report on the President's agenda in the 109th Congress and how it impacts local governments.

## **Rural Roads**

*Presenters:* Erin Kenley, Transportation Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, Debra M. (Dee) Williams Chappell, Highway Safety Engineer, FHWA

### **Room: Congressional A**

The recently passed highway reauthorization bill contains money for federal road programs for the next six years. NATaT has supported increased rural road safety programs since rural roads are the location of a disproportionate share of serious accidents. Representatives from the Department of Transportation will review the status of rural road programs, reauthorization, and safety guidelines.

## **Wednesday, September 7, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

### **Benchmarking for Risk Management**

*Presenter:* Mary Stewart, Director, Research and Development, Public Entity Risk Institute, PERI

#### **Room: Concord**

One of the ways to incorporate benchmarking elements into your management program is to compare your experience against best practices. This session will discuss some basic applications for benchmarking and provide examples of standards used by various departments, such as public safety, human resources, public works, and recreation. The second part of the workshop will provide an overview of PERI's Data Exchange Project, which was created to compare claim activity and loss information of all public entities throughout the nation. Sample Data Exchange reports will be used to explain how such comparisons can be used as a program evaluation tool.

### **Water & Wastewater**

*Presenters:* Richard Phalunas, National Environmental Service Center, West Virginia University, William Hasselkus, Environmental Engineer, Environmental Protection Agency

#### **Room: Valley Forge**

American communities will have to spend billions of dollars over the next 20 years to upgrade our country's water infrastructure. Representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Environmental Services Center will discuss the status of federal water/wastewater regulations and funding, with particular emphasis on decentralized wastewater management programs.

## **Thursday, September 8, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

### **Volunteer Fire Issues**

*Presenters:* Heather Schafer, Executive Director and Craig Sharman, Director of Government Relations, National Volunteer Fire Council

#### **Room: Capitol A**

NATaT has partnered with the National Volunteer Fire Council in a

Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate on issues of common concern. A discussion of these legislative and regulatory issues, including funding for first responders, will be the subject of this presentation.

# Workshops

**Thursday, September 8, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

## **Supreme Court and Local Governments**

*Presenters:* Christopher Pashler, Attorney, International Municipal Lawyers Association

### **Room: Capitol B**

This presentation will review a number of cases that were decided last term by the U. S. Supreme Court that will impact this nation's local governments, including the *Kelo v. City of New London* eminent domain case.

## **FCC/Telecommunications**

*Presenters:* Gerry Lederer, Counsel, Miller & Van Eaton, Catherine Seidel, Acting Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC

### **Room: Ticonderoga**

Fast moving developments, including Supreme Court decisions, have overtaken the legal framework that Congress enacted in the mid-1990's to regulate the telecommunications industry. Congress is taking another look at this volatile area for possible legislative action. The FCC is also considering a number of proposals that could change the dynamics of the industry and have repercussions for local governments. A telecommunications law expert and senior staff member from the agency will analyze these developments and answer questions on likely law changes and their impact on towns

and townships, with emphasis on local franchises and franchise fees.

## **Best Practices in Procurement Card Programs**

*Presenters:* Jean Cawley Taplett, Director, Public Sector, Corporate Payment Solutions, MasterCard, and Tom Gustin, National Account Manager, Comdata (Helena, MT)

### **Room: Bunker Hill**

Every municipal employee, as a steward of the Town's or Township's fiscal assets, has a responsibility to ensure that funds are spent wisely. A well-run procurement card program can help conserve administrative time and money, monitor and control spending, and provide a strong audit trail for all expenditures.

This session will provide lessons learned from over three decades of experience with card payment solutions in government agencies.

## **Surplus Federal Property**

*Presenter:* Scott Pepperman, Division Chief, Pennsylvania Federal Surplus & Law Enforcement Property Division and Past President, National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property

### **Room: Concord**

This session will cover programs such as the Federal Surplus Property

## **Thursday, September 8, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

Program, the Fixed Price Sales Vehicle Program, the Law Enforcement Excess Property Program, the Law Enforcement Cooperative Purchasing Program and two new programs which will allow communities to participate in cooperative purchasing contracts

from the Federal government for property designated for counter terrorism activities. These programs will offer you ways to stretch your budget dollars and recycle your Federal taxes.

## **Friday, September 9, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

### **Fighting Snow with Technology**

*Presenters:* Ed Humphrey, Trustee and Walt Fischer, Service Director, Miami Township/Clermont County, OH

#### **Room: Capitol B**

This session covers seven technologies applied to fighting snow. This includes an explanation of each technology including: what they are, the benefits, and the costs. The technologies are: On Spot Chains; stainless steel and aluminum truck beds; road surface temperature sensors; ground speed controllers for salt and salt brine distribution; anti-icing road treatment with salt brine; pre-wetting salt as distributed; automatic vehicle locator (AVL).

### **2010 Census**

*Presenters:* Edison Gore, Acting Chief, Decennial Management Division, David Hubble, Assistant Division Chief for ACS and Cheryl Chambers, Program Analyst, ACS, U.S. Census Bureau

#### **Room: Valley Forge**

Planning for the 2010 decennial census began even before Census 2000 ended. This presentation will describe the various planning, development, and testing activities that the Census Bureau will undertake in preparation for the 2010 census. This workshop will include information about the Census Bureau's plans for the 2006 National Census Test, the 2008 Dress Rehearsal, and its plans to improve the Census Bureau's master address file. A major enhancement to the 2010 decennial process is the implementation of the on-going American Community

# Workshops

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**Survey.** This discussion will focus on the survey's overall operations and status. Information also will be provided about the survey's sample design and the population and housing data that the ACS will provide for communities of all sizes throughout the decade.

## **EDA - Federal Economic Policy in the 21st Century**

*Presenter:* James A. Yeager, Senior Policy Advisor, Economic Development Administration, US Department of Commerce

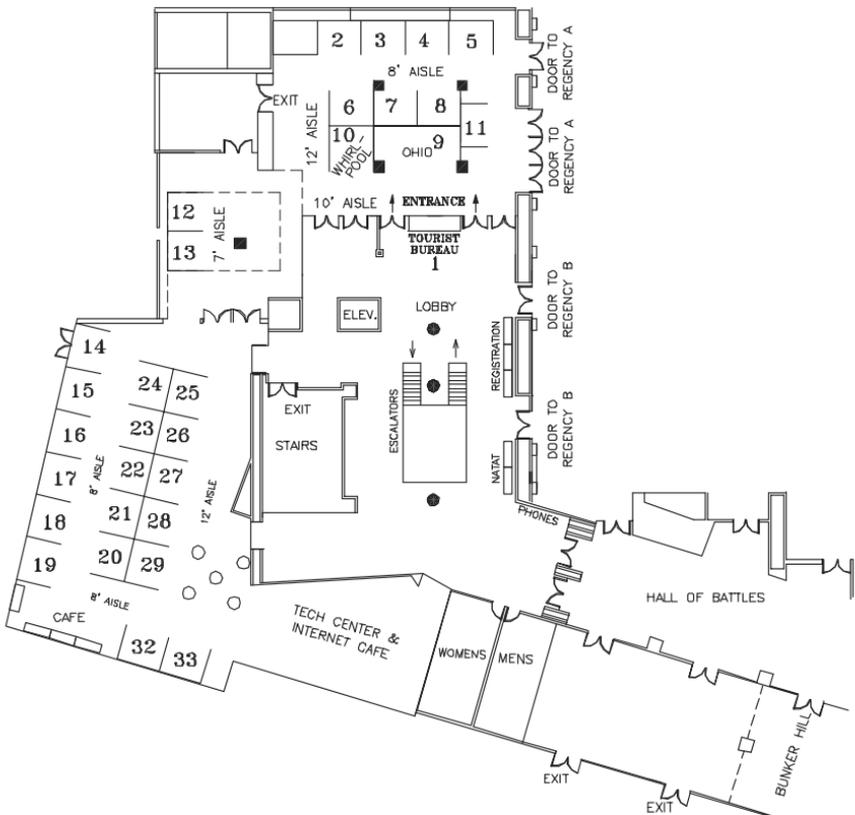
### **Room: Capitol A**

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) at the Department of Commerce will provide a briefing on the recently released

report of the Strengthening America's Communities Advisory Committee on its recommendations to the Secretary of Commerce for the successful implementation of the President's Strengthening America's Communities Initiative (SACI). The SACI is major Presidential proposal to bring federal policies and programs for economic and community development into the 21st century, better target resources to distressed communities, and to build performance metrics to ensure results.

# Exhibitor Hall

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|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Booth 1:  | Washington DC Conv. Bureau Corp. | Booth 18: | HHS-CMS         |
| Booth 3:  | Benjamin Media                   | Booth 19: | HHS-SAMHSA      |
| Booth 4:  | Federal Trade Commission         | Booth 20: | NCPC            |
| Booth 5:  | U. S. Census Bureau              | Booth 21: | NCMEC           |
| Booth 9:  | Ohio Township Association        | Booth 22: | DHS-TSA         |
| Booth 10: | Whirlpool Corporation            | Booth 23: | NOWRA           |
| Booth 11: | Fifth Third Bank                 | Booth 24: | NESC            |
| Booth 14: | Zabel Environmental Technology   | Booth 25: | HMS Promotions  |
| Booth 15: | EPA-OWM                          | Booth 26: | General Code    |
| Booth 16: | DHS-Ready Campaign               | Booth 27: | DOT-FHWA        |
| Booth 17: | Pontem Software                  | Booth 28: | NASASP          |
|           |                                  | Booth 29: | USDA-Rural Dev. |
|           |                                  | Booth 32: | DOJ-OJP         |



# Exhibitors

## **Benjamin Media – Digital City Expo**

Rob Krzys  
1770 Main Street  
Post Office Box 190  
Peninsula, OH 44264

### **Booth #3**

At the time we founded Trenchless Technology Magazine in 1992, the corporate name Trenchless Technology Inc. seemed appropriate. However, our company has become more than just Trenchless Technology—today, as Benjamin Media we publish seven other magazines and have a successful conferences/trade show division as well. Our newest publication, The Last Mile, highlights the world of Broadband, Internet technology and wireless communication. Digital City Expo, our successful Communications Technology Conference connects America's community leaders to the best companies, corporations and vendors in the communications industry.

## **Environmental Protection Agency Office of Wastewater Management (OWM)**

Joyce Hudson  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20460

### **Booth #15**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Wastewater Management (OWM) oversees

a range of programs contributing to the well-being of the nation's waters and watersheds. Through its programs and initiatives, OWM promotes compliance with the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Cleaning and protecting the nation's water is an enormous task. Under the Clean Water Act, OWM works in partnership with Environment Protection Agency (EPA) regions, states and tribes to regulate discharges into surface waters such as wetlands, lakes, rivers, estuaries, bays and oceans. Specifically, OWM focuses on control of water that is collected in discrete conveyances (also called point sources), including pipes, ditches, and sanitary or storm sewers. OWM is also home to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, the largest water quality funding source, focused on funding wastewater treatment systems, non-point source projects and estuary protection.

## **Federal Trade Commission (FTC)**

Dawne Holz  
600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, NJ-2267  
Washington, DC 20580

### **Booth #4**

The Federal Trade Commission is the nation's consumer protection champion. The FTC provides free information to help consumers spot, stop and avoid fraud and deception in the marketplace. The FTC offers educational materials on a wide variety of

subjects, including identity theft, telemarketing fraud, the National Do Not Call Registry and Internet related issues such as spam, "phishing" schemes, and online auctions.

## **Fifth Third Bank**

*Michael Mestemaker  
38 Fountain Square Plaza  
Cincinnati, OH 45263*

### **Booth #11**

Fifth Third Bank operates 17 financial services affiliates with over 1,100 full-service locations primarily in the Midwest and Florida. Fifth Third Banks are located in Ohio, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Tennessee.

## **General Code**

*Patricia Creekmore  
72 Hinchey Road  
Rochester, NY 14624*

### **Booth #26**

General Code has more than 40 years of experience working with local governments and related organizations. We have an unparalleled reputation for quality and service.

Our sophisticated technologies include: E-Code on the Internet allows citizens and local officials 24 hour access; GCP MinuteManager- Puts decades of minutes at your fingertips; GC TermTracker™ software – Tracks boards, committees, appointments, authorities and any other group you need to manage information for; GC WebDocs© - Software that provides

high-quality, cost-effective scanning of a wide range of documents for easy access; Laserfiche® - Document imaging systems that let you store and instantly retrieve years of records; PC/CodeBook – A fully searchable, electronic version of your Municipal Code and MORE! Come see our representative at ATM 2005 in Booth #26!

## **HMS Promotions**

*Harry Sklaroff  
Post Office Box 44298  
Ft. Washington, MD 20744*

### **Booth #25**

For your next event or promotion ... At HMS Promotions, we are very passionate about helping you find just the right item to make your organization look like ROYALTY without spending a King's Ransom! With over 750,000 products to choose from, we're sure to find exactly what you need. To get an idea of just some of the products available, visit us in Booth #25 at ATM 2005!

## **National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property (NASASP)**

*Scott Pepperman  
2221 Forster Street  
Post Office Box 1365  
Harrisburg, PA 17105*

### **Booth #28**

The mission of the 56 State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs) that

# Exhibitors

make up NASASP (in partnership with the U.S. General Services Administration), is to save taxpayer dollars. Saving taxpayer dollars by extending the useful life of federal excess/surplus personal property assets is “for the public good” and it serves the “welfare of the whole.”

NASASP believes that once property has been declared surplus to the needs of the Federal Government, the highest and best secondary utilization is by public and private organizations of this nation that are dedicated to the education, training, health, civil protection, safety, and other public benefits of our people.

## **National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC)**

*Faye Hyslop*

*Charles B. Wang International Children's Building*

*699 Prince Street*

*Alexandria, VA 22314-3175*

### **Booth #21**

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's® (NCMEC) mission is to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation; help find missing children; and assist victims of child abduction and sexual exploitation, their families, and the professionals who serve them.

NCMEC was established in 1984 as a private, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization to provide services nation-

wide for families and professionals in the prevention of abducted, endangered, and sexually exploited children. The center serves as a clearinghouse of information about missing and exploited children; operates a CyberTipline that the public may use to report Internet-related child sexual exploitation; provides technical assistance to individuals and law-enforcement agencies in the prevention, investigation, prosecution, and treatment of cases involving missing and exploited children; and offers training programs to law-enforcement and social-service professionals.

## **National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC)**

*Andrea Bush*

*1000 Connecticut Ave., NW, 13th Floor  
Washington, DC 20036*

### **Booth #20**

The National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) is the nation's clearinghouse for crime prevention. We support children, law enforcement, youth and community leaders to create safer and more caring communities. We are best known for coordinating crime prevention activities featuring McGruff the Crime Dog®. NCPC is a nonprofit organization that provides crime prevention technical assistance, publications and training to communities throughout the United States. For more information, visit [www.ncpc.org](http://www.ncpc.org) and Booth #20 at ATM 2005!

## **National Environmental Services Center (NESC)**

Mark Kemp-Rye  
NRCCE Building, Evandale Road  
Post Office Box 6064  
Morgantown, WV 26506-6064

### **Booth #24**

Running a small community utility is hard work. Whether you're an operator or a manager, a board member or a local official, the need to understand regulations, responsibilities, and funding opportunities just keeps getting more complicated. How can a small town keep up with it all? The National Environmental Services Center booth provides NATaT participants with a wealth of information about drinking water, wastewater, environmental training, solid waste, infrastructure security and utility management.

## **National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Assn. (NOWRA)**

Linda Bonner  
Post Office Box 1270  
Edgewater, MD 21037

### **Booth #23**

The National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOWRA) is the largest organization within the U.S. dedicated solely to educating and representing members within the onsite and decentralized industry. Our motto, Making a Difference evolves from our mission, "to provide leader-

ship and promote the onsite wastewater treatment and recycling industry through education, training, communication and quality tools to support excellence in performance. NOWRA's headquarters are located in Edgewater, Maryland, with constituent state groups throughout the U.S.

## **Ohio Township Association (OTA)** **OHIO – Featured State** **Booth #9**

The OTA is a statewide organization dedicated to the promotion and preservation of township government in Ohio. We work at the General Assembly on behalf of legislation which effects local government in general and township government in particular. Additionally, the Association sponsors two statewide conventions a year and publishes the Ohio Township News six times a year.

The Association was founded in 1928, and is organized in eighty-seven, out of eighty-eight, Ohio counties. Membership is open to elected township officials (three trustees and one clerk in each township) and Associate membership is open to anyone interested in supporting township government. There are 1,308 townships in Ohio and 5,232 elected township officials.

# Exhibitors

## **Pontem Software**

*Amy Allingham*

*215 Dexter*

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### **Booth #17**

Pontem Software has been providing innovative software solutions and complete support services to local government units in Michigan and other states for over twenty years. Our products for local government include: Property Tax Suite – county equalization, delinquent tax, special assessment, tax administration and tax receipting; Dog Licensing – reports and forms, mailing labels, renewal letters, sales reports and vaccination reports; Fund Accounting Suite – accounts payable and receivable, cash receipts, payrolls and purchase orders; Voter Registration – designed for local jurisdictions, automated street index, electronic inbox processing and reporting, scan directly from poll lists, records maintenance, unlimited voter history and absentee voter processing.

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ments into the database and virtually eliminate the need to type. Visit us in Booth #17 at ATM 2005!

## **U. S. Census Bureau**

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*Noel Velez*

*Rm. 3-3007*

*Washington, DC 20233-0800*

### **Booth #5**

For over 100 years, the U. S. Census Bureau has been the preeminent collector and provider of quality data about the people and economy of the United States. Our collections include information and services available in print, on CD/DVDs, and on our powerful website ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) that includes the popular American FactFinder data access tool; the longstanding favorite, the Statistical Abstract; and links to all Census Bureau programs, products and other resources.

## **U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Rural Development**

*Timothy McNeilly*

*1400 Independence Ave., SW, Rm. 4170*

*Washington, DC 20250*

### **Booth #29**

The Department of Agriculture was reorganized under the Federal Crop Insurance Reform and Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act. Under that Act, USDA Rural Development was created to administer

the former FmHA's non-farm financial programs for rural housing, community facilities, water and waste disposal, and rural businesses. The former REA's utility programs were also consolidated within Rural Development.

Today, Rural Development is the venture capitalist for rural America, built on the legacy of these Depression-era agencies begun 70 years ago. We are helping to develop the technological infrastructure that will enable rural America to compete in the 21st century domestically and globally. We are committed to helping improve the economy and quality of life in rural America. Rural Development has an \$86 billion dollar loan portfolio, and we will administer nearly \$16 billion in program loans, loan guarantees, and grants through our programs.

## **U. S. Dept. of Health & Human Services Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS)**

*Ian Canda*

*c/o Casals & Associates*

*1199 North Fairfax Street, 3rd Floor  
Alexandria, VA 22314*

### **Booth #18**

CMS is the federal agency, which administers the Medicare and Medicaid Program. Currently, Medicare, provides coverage to approximately 40 million Americans. Medicare is the national health insurance program for people age 65 or older; some people

under age 65 with disabilities and people with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), which is permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant.

Medicaid is a program that pays for medical assistance for certain individuals and families with low incomes and resources. This program became law in 1965 and is jointly funded by the Federal and State governments (including the District of Columbia and the Territories) to assist States in providing medical long-term care assistance to people who meet certain eligibility criteria.

## **U. S. Dept. of Health & Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Adm. (SAMHSA)**

*Elana Marks*

*11426 Rockville Pike  
Rockville, MD 20852*

### **Booth #19**

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), focuses attention, programs and funding on promoting a life in the community with jobs, homes and meaningful relationships with family and friends for people with or at risk for mental health or substance abuse disorders. The Agency is achieving this vision through an action-oriented, measurable mission of building resilience and facilitating recovery.

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## **U. S. Dept. of Homeland Security Ready Campaign**

*Sarah Shields*

3801 Nebraska Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20528

### **Booth #16**

Launched on February 19, 2003, the “Ready” Campaign is a national public service advertising campaign designed to educate and empower American citizens to prepare for and respond to potential terrorist attacks and other emergencies. The Ad Council declared it one of the most successful campaign launches in its 62-year history. The Department of Homeland Security has secured many strategic partnerships to help disseminate “Ready” campaign messages and materials. The “Ready” Campaign has generated \$205 million in donated media support (radio, TV, print, etc.) to date and more than 113 million people saw or read about the “Ready” Campaign at it’s launch.

In the months following the campaign launch, there was a sharp spike in public awareness messages about “steps you can take to protect your family in the event of a terrorist attack.” Awareness levels peaked to approximately 70% in April-June 2003. Recent tracking survey results suggest that the Ready Campaign has made significant headway on the challenging issue of citizen preparedness. It

is the goal of the Ready Campaign to increase preparedness awareness and education as well as changes in attitudes and behaviors of every citizen.

Please stop by Booth #16 to learn how you and your township can participate in DHS’ Ready Campaign.

## **U. S. Dept. of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration (TSA)**

*Darrett Lomax*

601 South 12th Street  
Arlington, VA 22202

### **Booth #22**

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) was created in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 as part of the Aviation and Transportation Security Act signed into law by President George W. Bush on November 19, 2001. TSA was originally in the Department of Transportation but was moved to the Department of Homeland Security in March 2003.

TSA’s mission is to protect the nation’s transportation systems by ensuring the freedom of movement for people and commerce. In February 2002, TSA assumed responsibility for security at the nation’s airports and by the end of the year had deployed a federal work force to meet challenging Congressional deadlines for screening all passengers and baggage.

## **U. S. Dept. of Justice Office of Justice Programs (OJP)**

*Andrea Lange*

*National Criminal Justice Reference  
Service*

*2277 Research Blvd., MS.2B*

*Rockville, MD 20850*

### **Booth #32**

Since 1984 the Office of Justice Programs has provided federal leadership in developing the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems, increase knowledge about crime and related issues, and assist crime victims.

Through the programs developed and funded by its bureaus and offices, OJP works to form partnerships among federal, state, and local government officials to control drug abuse and trafficking; reduce and prevent crime; rehabilitate neighborhoods; improve the administration of justice in America; meet the needs of crime victims; and address problems such as gang violence, prison crowding, juvenile crime, and white-collar crime.

Many of the program bureaus and offices, award formula grants to state agencies, which, in turn, sub-grant funds to units of state and local government. Formula grant programs in such areas as drug control and system improvement, juvenile justice, victim's compensation, and victim's assistance, are administered by state agencies designated by each state's

governor. Discretionary grant funds are announced in the Federal Register or through program solicitations that can also be found through bureau and OJP Websites. Grant applications are made directly to the sponsoring OJP bureau or program office.

## **U. S. Dept. of Transportation FHWA Office of Safety**

*Timothy Barkley*

*400 7th Street, SW, Rm. 3407*

*Washington, DC 20590*

### **Booth #27**

The key mission of the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) Office of Safety is to make roadways safer. Together with our customers, stakeholders, partners, and other Department of Transportation (DOT) agencies, the Office of Safety works to reduce the number of crashes on U.S. roadways, and the severity of crash impacts.

## **Washington DC Convention & Tourism Corp.**

*Patricia Uptegrove*

*901 7th Street, NW, 4th Floor*

*Washington, DC 20001*

### **Booth #1**

The Washington, DC Convention and Tourism Corporation serves as the lead organization to successfully manage and market Washington, DC

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as a premier global convention, tourism and special events destination. Through successful development and execution of centralized and cohesive sales and marketing strategies, the WCTC generates economic benefits to the citizens of the District of Columbia, the convention and tourism industry, stakeholders and the Washington Convention Center Authority, with a special emphasis on the arts, cultural and historical communities.

## **Zabel Environmental Technology**

*Tom Petty*

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### **Booth #14**

Zabel Environmental Technology is a product development and marketing company focused on dominating the onsite wastewater treatment mar-

ket. Zabel Environmental Technology is a leading manufacturer in the onsite wastewater industry in terms of both influence and product diversification. We publish a high quality and informative magazine called The Zabel Zone three times annually. The Zabel Zone is a clearinghouse of information concerning the field of onsite wastewater and Zabel Products.

We also publish a Product catalog with over 200 various onsite components and systems. We have developed this extensive line of onsite products by combining both proprietary products designed and developed by Zabel and through the acquisition of patent rights from third parties. Our current product line has grown from the well known Zabel Filter Line into a complete single source of products for everything from the house to the receiving body.



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**Please visit us at Booth 29, on the corner beside the café.**

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# Featured State

This year our featured state is Ohio. We salute Ohio's 1,308 townships and the more than 5,200 township officials. In Booth #9, the Ohio Township Association will highlight the valuable role of the state's township officials, showcase its service programs offered to members, and highlight state businesses and tourist attractions. Gift bags, given to all registered attendees, will feature products made in Ohio or by companies headquartered there. Ohio urges all attendees to please stop by and say "hello!"

To highlight their year as featured state, the Ohio Township Association will be sponsoring a number of exciting events including...

## **A Reception**

Thursday afternoon in the exhibitor area, featuring Ohio-made or favorite products for your enjoyment.

## **Giveaways**

An assortment of giveaways representing the State of Ohio will be given away Wednesday afternoon and during the Thursday afternoon reception. These prizes include weekend

getaway packages to Ohio's major cities with tickets to sporting events and area attractions, two Huffy bicycles, an Amish-made rocking chair, a Lloyd Middleton doll and a number of other exciting prizes from the Buckeye State.



Note: Prizes will be announced and awarded in the exhibit hall Wednesday afternoon and during the reception on Thursday afternoon (attendees must be present to win). One major grand prize will be awarded at the Thursday Awards Luncheon and the winner will need to be present to win. Please note that other than the Grand Prizes, no giveaways will be shipped; and prizes must be picked up by 11 a.m. on Friday, September 9, or be forfeited. Please note that the following are ineligible for the grand or first prize drawings: NATaT/NCSC staff board members and their spouses/guests, and OTA staff.

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# Events and Tours

We have scheduled a number of exciting events that are not to be missed! Have lots of fun and participate!!

## **Tuesday, September 6**

*Washington After Dark Tour* (tickets required)

## **Wednesday, September 7**

*Brief Tour of Historic Area & Outlet Shopping in Leesburg, VA* (tickets required)

*Welcome Dessert Dance* (tickets will be collected; all attendees, registered guests and exhibitors welcome)

## **Thursday, September 8**

*Meetings with Congressional Delegations* (organized by your state association, see page 30 for details)

*Awards Luncheon* (tickets included with attendee registrations only; all others must purchase tickets – tickets will be collected)

*Exhibition Hall Reception* (tickets not required – all attendees and registered guests welcome)

## **Friday, September 9**

*Annual NATaT Breakfast with Speaker* (tickets required)

*Spouse and Guest Tour* (tickets required)

*3rd Annual Golf Tournament at Andrews Air Force Base* (tickets required)

*The Spy Tour* (tickets required)

## **Saturday, September 10**

*All Day Tour: Historic Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania – Battlefield Tour* (tickets required)

# On The Hill

## **State Association Breakfast Meetings**

### **ILLINOIS**

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Congressional Breakfast:  
HC-5 Capitol.

9:00 am – Meeting with Sens. Durbin  
and Obama in Durbin office:  
332 Dirksen Senate Office Building

### **MICHIGAN**

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Congressional Breakfast:  
902 Hart Senate Office Building

### **MINNESOTA**

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Congressional Breakfast;  
2168 (Gold Room) Rayburn House  
Office Building

### **OHIO**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Congressional Breakfast:  
B-338 Rayburn House Office Building

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Congressional Reception:  
B339 Rayburn House Office Building

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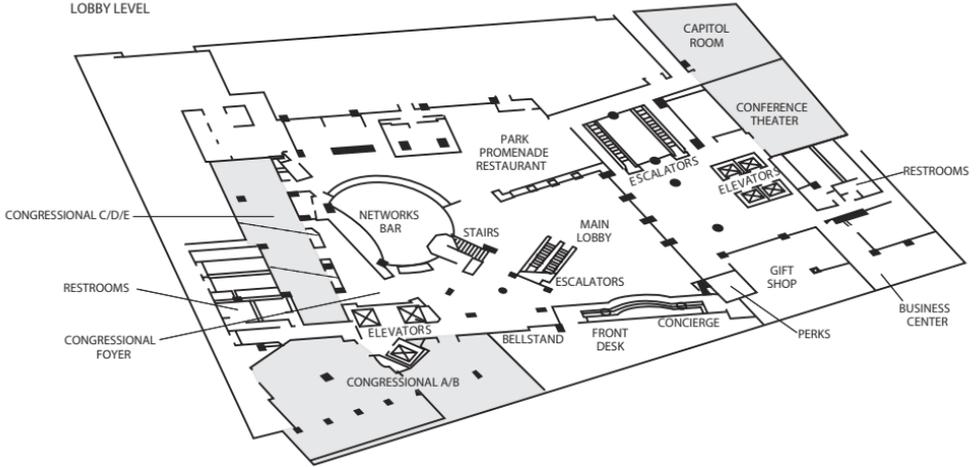
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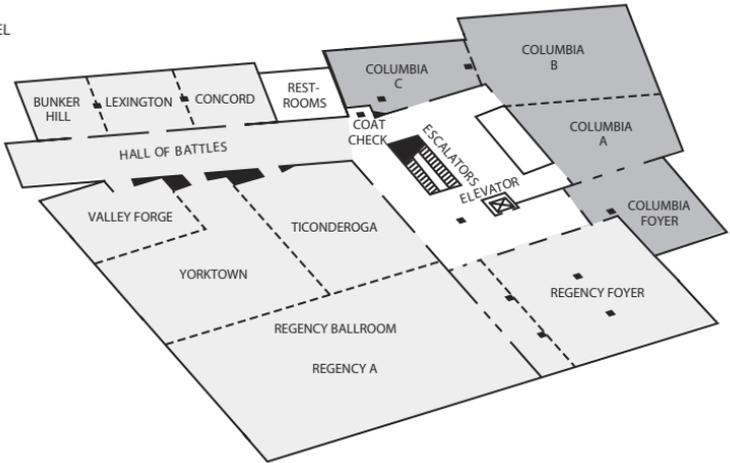
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## BALLROOM LEVEL



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