



## On The Level - April 2016

### Upcoming Events & Deadlines

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**Now**

[Register for Regional Conferences](#)  
**Now**

[Early Bird National Conference Registration](#)  
**Now-April 25**

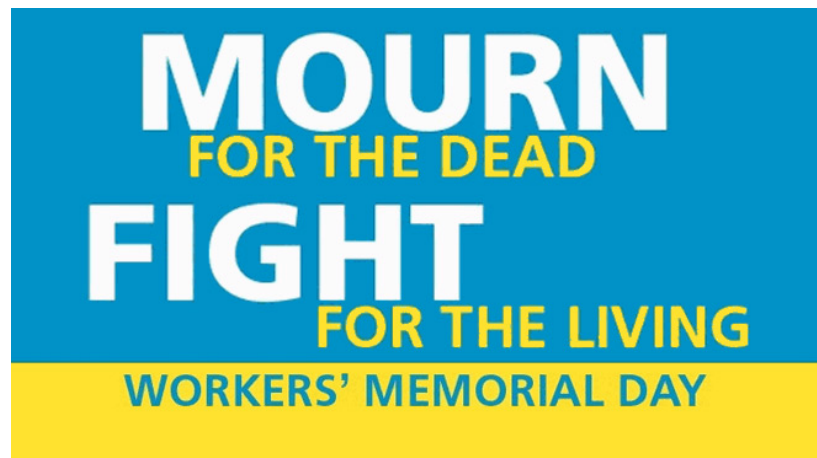
[National Board of Directors Nominations Being Accepted](#)  
**Now-May 27, 2016**

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### Safety & Health News Round-Up

['Worksite of horrors' exposed workers to asbestos and lead](#)  
(OSHA news)

[2015 safest year yet for U.S. mining](#)  
(OHS)



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#### Honoring Worker's Memorial Day

OSHA was established on **April 28, 1971**. Each year on that day we observe Worker's Memorial Day to honor those who have died on the job and to acknowledge the grievous suffering experienced by their families and communities. On this day we recommit ourselves to the fight for safe and healthful workplaces for all workers.

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#### OSHA National Fall Prevention Stand-Down

Join the National Fall Prevention Stand-Down on **May 2-6, 2016** to raise awareness of preventing fall hazards in construction. This year, OSHA's goal is to reach 5 million

[New climate change report discusses impact on health and safety of workers](#)

(EHS Today)

[New food safety rule requiring sanitary practices in transportation](#)

(The National Law Review)

workers, which is over half of the construction workers in the country. Anyone who wants to prevent falls in the workplace can participate in the stand-down. This is a voluntary event for employers to talk directly to their employees about safety and reinforce the importance of fall protection. Find out more about this life-saving opportunity [here](#).

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## Get Involved in Congressional Outreach: You Can Make a Difference

VPPPA's next congressional outreach is taking place **June 8-9** in Washington, D.C. following the National VPPPA Board of Directors meeting. We are looking for volunteers from VPP sites to educate and spread awareness of the impacts of VPP. This is your opportunity to meet with Senators and Representatives from all over the United States and share your personal VPP experiences and accomplishments. We'll provide training and materials for these visits - all you need is your passion for VPP. For more information, or to volunteer, email [kpagliuca@vpppa.org](mailto:kpagliuca@vpppa.org).

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## Association Announcements and Upcoming Deadlines

Mark your calendars for these upcoming VPPPA deadlines:

- **Register** for the 32nd Annual National VPPPA Safety & Health Conference by **April 25** and enjoy up to **\$200 in savings!**
- Submit your award or scholarship entries by **June 3, 2016** to [awards@vpppa.org](mailto:awards@vpppa.org) for the chance to be recognized. Winners will be announced at the national conference during a special reception on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2016.
- **Nominate** yourself, or a fellow safety leader, to the VPPPA National Board of Directors by **May 27, 2016**. The six open positions include:
  - Chairperson
  - Treasurer
  - Director from a Site without a Collective Bargaining Agent
  - Director from a VPP Contractor/Construction Site
  - Director-at-Large (two positions available)



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## Write for *The Leader* - Nanotechnology

The summer issue of *The Leader* will focus on Nanotechnology. If you or a colleague can supply an article that discusses the ramifications of the manufacturing process of nanotechnology on worker health, how nanotechnology can be used to improve the quality of the work environment (such as air filtering clothing or other uses), rules and regulations related to nanotechnology, risks and benefits of nanotechnology, etc. we want to hear from you! Contact the Communications Department by May 1 at [communications@vpppa.org](mailto:communications@vpppa.org). Articles will be due for consideration on June 8, 2016.

You may view our 2016 editorial calendar [here](#) for more information on upcoming

magazine topics.

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