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VPPPA wishes you a happy & safe Thanksgiving!

Consider Speaking at the 2020 Safety+ Symposium

The 2020 Safety+ Symposium will be here sooner than you think! We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the World Center Marriott in Orlando, FL, August 25-27, 2020. Have you ever wanted to share your knowledge or best practices with other safety professionals? Consider submitting a proposal for the 2020 Safety+ Symposium. Presenting a workshop is an opportunity to be an integral part of the symposium.

For more information regarding presentation guidelines, deadlines and the submission process [click here.](#)

Important Dates:

- Deadline to submit: Friday, February 14, 2020
- Notification of acceptance: March 13, 2020
- Deadline for accepting speaking role: April 3, 2020



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OSHA Campaign: #KeepingTeenWorkersSafe

Throughout this week, OSHA has been working hard to increase awareness and promote workplace safety and health resources for employers and teen workers who are employed over winter break. This is part of a larger campaign to protect teen workers during summer jobs, or temporary jobs year-round. The 2019-2020 theme is **"Keeping teen workers safe is everyone's job!"**

For more information on this campaign and some helpful industry-related tips, visit [our website](#).



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VPPPA & ISEA Partnership



VPPPA Chairperson, J.A. Rodriguez, Jr., spoke at the International Safety Equipment Association's Annual Meeting on November 19 at the Ritz Carlton in Pentagon City, Arlington, VA. He spoke about the partnership between ISEA and VPPPA. There are currently 32 shared VPPPA/ISEA member companies.

ISEA provides the world-class products and technology used to protect workers - like VPPPA's members. J.A. also discussed some of the top safety industry trends like ergonomics; slips, trips and falls; and struck-by/against/caught-between hazards.

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How Your Holiday Shopping Could Help VPPPA

It's the most wonderful time of the year! While you are doing holiday shopping for your loved ones, please consider using **VPPPA's AmazonSmile account**. When you are ready to shop, start at smile.amazon.com and select the Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association as your charitable organization.

AmazonSmile is a program operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when our members shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5 percent of the price of eligible purchases to VPPPA. There is no price difference if our members choose to use AmazonSmile.

A promotional graphic for AmazonSmile. On the left, two Christmas ornaments hang from strings: one is striped and the other is a round bauble with a starburst pattern. To the right, the text reads "#1 holiday hack: When you buy your gifts at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates." Below the text is the AmazonSmile logo, which includes the word "amazon" in its signature font and "smile" in a simpler font, with a curved arrow underneath "amazon".

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VPPPA National Office Staff Update

The VPPPA National Office Staff is very excited to announce that our former Member Services Coordinator, Natasha Cole, has moved into the role of Conference Coordinator for the association. Congratulations, Natasha!



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Association Announcements

Write for a VPPPA Publication

Have you checked out the [VPPPA Blog?](#) Send us an article regarding any safety or health topic, and we will consider adding it to our blog schedule.

If you would like to write for a VPPPA publication, or know of someone who is interested, please email communications@vpppa.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

In case you didn't hear, the *Leader* magazine is now offered in Spanish. We are always looking for people to help us translate. If you are interested, please email communications@vpppa.org.

Instagram

VPPPA has an Instagram! Follow us [@VPPPA_Inc](#) for fun updates.

Membership News

If you have any news or pictures from your site that you would like to share (an award, a VPP approval, a member who went above and beyond, etc.), please send it to communications@vpppa.org. We would love to add your updates to the next On The

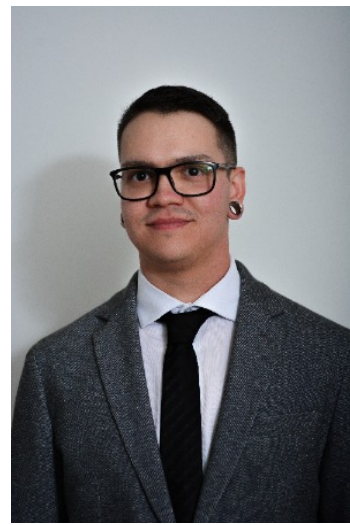
Level newsletter or post it on our social media pages.

Member of the Month

Make sure you visit the [Member of the Month](#) section on our website? If you would like to nominate someone as the VPPPA Member of the Month, please email membership@vpppa.org.

The November Member of the Month is Steve Noël René. You can read about Steve [here](#).

Congratulations, Steve!



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