68th Annual Meeting & Convention September 20-23, 2016 New Orleans, Louisiana











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# Blast in the Bayou – NOLA 2016!

The APA returns to the "Big Easy" in 2016, and whether this is your first convention or you are a long-time attendee, we're confident you'll find the meeting will provide an excellent return on your investment.

Our goal is to help you and your company save time & money by avoiding costly fines with advance notice of new regulations. You'll learn from industry experts and have the opportunity to visit with industry service providers in our Resource Area. At the same time, there will be plenty of opportunities to meet, mingle, and network with leading industry experts, regulators and peers. Join us for this year's Blast in the Bayou!



**Hotel Monteleone** 214 Royal Street • New Orleans, LA 70130

## Reserve Your Room & Join Us!

Hotel Monteleone is a 4 star hotel with a character all its own. The hotel combines a legendary 130 year history of family-run hospitality with a vibrant contemporary flair and a location

> that puts you at the very heart of the French Ouarter in New Orleans.

Reserve on-line at the link provided on the APA website www.americanpyro.com or call directly at 800-217-2033. Group ate is \$179 per night, plus tax.

#### **THURSDAY. SEPTEMBER 22**

8 am – 2 pm	Resource/Networking Area Open
8 am – 9 am	Continental Breakfast
9 am – 11 am	General Session
11 am – 1 pm	Round Table Roundup
Noon – 2 pm	Transportation Committee
Noon – 2 pm	Membership Committee
2 pm – 4 pm	AFSL General Membership Meeting
1 pm – 4 pm	Display Industry Forum
Evening	Dinner on your own

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

8 am – Noon	Resource/Networking Area Open
8:30 am – 10 am	Salute Breakfast*
10 am – Noon	General Session
Noon – 5:00 pm	APA Board of Directors Meeting
1 pm – 3 pm	Workshop – Ken Nixon, Electronic Lock
2 pm – 4 pm	Passfire Screening
6 pm – 10 pm	NGAP Fundraiser Dinner & Fireworks*

\* Requires purchase of an event ticket.

## Highlights

#### **Blast Off!**

Get your bead sharing started at our fun-filled Welcome Reception Tuesday evening where we'll enjoy the signature NOLA sounds of Keith Franks' Zydeco Band.



#### **General Sessions**

General Sessions throughout the week will cover a wide range of legislative, regulatory & other current issues. Agency personnel & noted experts will be on hand to provide the latest updates and share valuable information to assist your company in remaining compliant.



#### Salute Breakfast

Louisiana native, Willie Robertson, star of A&E's Duck

Dynasty and CEO of Duck Commander, will join us Friday morning and share how he took the family duck-call-making company from a living room operation to a multimillion dollar business.



#### Workshops & More

~Electronic Lock Cylinder System~

Ken Nixon, will share information about this innovative new security option.

~ Round Table Talks to answer your questions one-on-one with those in the know, including representatives from our agency regulatory partners.

### Schedule

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

8 am – 5 pm AFSL Board Meeting 9 am – 3 pm Enforcement Officials Training\* 4 pm – 5 pm Convention Committee

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#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Golf Outing at English Turn Club\* 7 am – 2 pm 1 pm – 3 pm Proximate Pyrotechnics Committee Resource/Networking Area Set-up 1 pm – 5 pm **Display Committee** 3 pm – 5 pm NGAP Committee 3 pm – 5 pm 6:30pm - 8 pm Welcome to New Orleans Reception\*

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

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8 am – 2 pm	Resource/Networking Area Open	
8:30 am – 10 am	Welcome Breakfast*	
10 am – Noon	APA General Membership Meeting	
10:30am – 1 pm	Tour – Cajun & Creole Cuisine*	
Noon – 1:30 pm	Foundation Board Meeting	
2 pm – 4:30 pm	General Session	
3 pm – 5 pm	Code Committee	
Evening	Dinner on your own	
9:30pm – 11 pm	Bowling for Dollars– Fulton Alley La	

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#### **APA Golf Tournament**

APA golfers will compete on the English Turn Golf Club course, voted among the best in the state of Louisiana Transportation, green fees, carts, & prizes are included.



#### **Creative Creole**/ Cajun Cuisine – Demo & Lunch

Learn everything that New Orleans cooking has to offer during this demonstration class at Crescent City Cooks



where you'll enjoy some of NOLA's signature dishes. You'll receive a copy of the recipes for all dishes prepared & served at the event and participants are welcome to bring their own "adult beverages" to enjoy with lunch.

#### **Bowling for Dollars**

Join in some Wednesday late night bowling merriment at nearby Fulton Alley and help raise funds for the worthwhile



educational programs of the APA's Safety & Education Foundation.

#### Foundation Fun & Fireworks!

Our time in New Orleans will culminate Friday night with dinner & fireworks –all to support the APA's Safety & Education Foundation. Following dinner at the hotel, we'll form our own Second Line and parade thru the city streets to JAX Brewerv where we'll end our time in NOLA with an exciting

pyro production over the

Mississippi River.





## **Registration Information**

All attendees must be registered to attend any APA event. PLEASE SUBMIT ONE FORM FOR **EACH REGISTRANT** 

#### **Guest/Spouse Registration**

The **spouse/guest** registration is designed for the **non**industry individual accompanying the registered attendee to social functions. It does not include admittance to the committee meetings, general sessions, or workshops.

#### Attendee Information

Name:	
Company:	
Address:	
City:	
State:	Zip:
Phone:	
Email:	

(Confirmations will be emailed to all registrants)

#### **Registration Includes**

- General sessions, committee meetings, and workshops.
- Session coffee breaks & snacks.
- Breakfast Thursday morning.

#### **Registration Fees** (check one)

Early – By August 1 □ \$325 🗖 \$100 Spouse/Guest

#### Standard – Between August 2 and September 1

□ \$375 □ \$150 Spouse/Guest

#### Late – After September 1

□ \$450 □ \$200 Spouse/Guest

\*On-site sales will be limited & subject to availability.

#### ASSURE YOUR ATTENDANCE BY PURCHASING YOUR EVENT TICKETS AHEAD OF TIME.

Complete and return this form to the APA via email: Agillespie@americanpyro.com fax: (301) 907-9148 or snail mail: 7910 Woodmont Ave. • Suite 1220 Bethesda, MD 20814



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\* Sept. 1 Deadline. No on-site reservations.

#### **Payment Information**

TOTAL DUE:

□ AMEX □ VISA □ MC □ CASH

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Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrations may be cancelled for a full refund (less \$50 processing fee) if APA is notified in writing by Sept 2. After that date, refunds will be made at the discretion of the APA.

