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~ MS STARS ~



September 24-26, 2013

WHISPERING WOODS HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER
Olive Branch, MS

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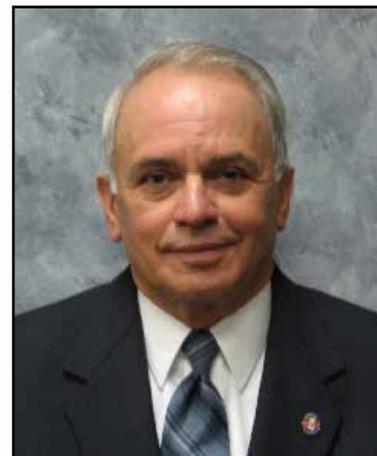
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
PHIL BRYANT, GOVERNOR
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL
ALBERT SANTA CRUZ, COMMISSIONER



September 24, 2013

Dear Attendees:

I just wanted to take a moment to personally welcome each and every one of you to the 2013 Mississippi Safety Training and Recognition Symposium (MS STARS), which is being presented by the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety, a division of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety.

We know that every one of you provide your services to your local law enforcement agency, community groups and the citizens of Mississippi, and without each of you, the State could not continue to reduce crashes, injuries and fatalities.

Last year, the State of Mississippi made great accomplishments in highway safety. The State decreased fatalities from 630 in 2011 to 582 in 2012. The State also reported the lowest number of alcohol related fatalities from 158 in 2011 to 132 in 2012. Mississippi is also making strides in speed fatalities from 99 in 2011 to 95 in 2012, and in seatbelt related fatalities with a total of 371 in 2011 to 302 in 2012. In 2012, the state had the fewest number of statewide fatalities in more than 20 years.

We still have a long way to go, but with everyone's help we are getting closer and closer to zero fatalities. The Mississippi Department of Public Safety thanks you for all of your hard work and dedication and hope you enjoy the conference.

And, thank you for attending.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Santa Cruz".

Albert Santa Cruz
Captain, MHP (Retired)
Commissioner, MS Department of Public Safety





It is my pleasure to “Welcome You” to the **1st Annual Mississippi Safety Training and Recognition Symposium (STARS)**. The Department of Public Safety, Division of Public Safety Planning and the Office of Highway Safety are proud of the opportunity to work together with federal, state, local law enforcement agencies and community based partners to make this first statewide law enforcement conference a reality. It is our hope that each of you will gain new information, develop new collaborations and identify new ways to coordinate with other agencies as we continue moving forward toward our unified goal of reducing traffic incidents and saving lives on Mississippi roadways.

The law enforcement officers and MS Highway Safety Patrol Troopers that will be recognized during the “Buckle for Life” and “DUI 100 Club” luncheons are to be congratulated for their efforts to take the lead and excel in the performance of their duties day in and day out on our public roads to keep us safe. We have made a special effort to recognize and honor each of them for their special service. I feel certain that each of you will join us in showing our appreciation for their exemplary efforts.

As you move throughout the STARS Symposium over the next two and a half days, the MOHS staff, and partners hope you enjoy and learn new techniques and ways to continue providing excellence in your public service.

I want to personally thank the MOHS staff, the DPS Administration, our local jurisdictions, federal and state partners, community partners and business entities for making this first statewide law enforcement conference a success.

Again, we are glad you are here and have a “GREAT CONFERENCE”!

WARMEST REGARDS,

Shirley Thomas, Director
Mississippi Office of Highway Safety
Governor’s Representative



Conference Agenda At-a-Glance

Day 1 - Tuesday, September 24, 2013

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Prior to 9:30 AM	Breakfast (On Your Own)	
After 12:00 AM	Hotel Check In	Lobby
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Registration	Lobby
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Opening Plenary	Grand Ballroom
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Break	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Buckle for Life Awards Luncheon	Grand Ballroom
1:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Break	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	1st Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
3:15 PM - 3:30 PM	Break	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	2nd Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
6:00 PM - Until	Networking Reception	Evergreen

Day 2 - Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Prior to 9:00 AM	Breakfast (On Your Own)	
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	3rd Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Break	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	4th Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
12:15 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch (On Your Own)	
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	General Session	Grand Ballroom
3:00 PM-3:30 PM	Break	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	5th Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
5:00 PM - Until	Dinner (On Your Own)	

Day 3 - Thursday, September 26, 2013

Prior to 9:00 AM	Breakfast (On Your Own)	
Prior to 11:00 AM	Hotel Checkout	Lobby
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	6th Workshop Sessions	See Workshop Detail
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Final Exhibit Hall Visits	Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	DUI 100 Club Awards Luncheon	Ballroom
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	MOHS Implementation	Amphitheater



★ *Tuesday, September 24, 2013* ★

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

REGISTRATION

Lobby

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME/OPENING PLENARY

Grand Ballroom

Posting of Colors: Mississippi Highway Patrol Honor Guard

National Anthem:

Judge Gay Polk-Payton

Greetings:

Albert Santa Cruz, Commissioner, Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Shirley Thomas, Director, Mississippi Office of Highway Safety

David Strickland, NHTSA Administrator (Via Video)

Plenary Speaker:

Georgia Chakiris, NHTSA Regional Administrator, Region VI

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



BREAK

Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room



Buckle For Life Awards Luncheon

Grand Ball Room

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Join the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety as it honors law enforcement and community partners from across the state for their seatbelt and child restraint safety achievements.

Luncheon Speaker: Laura Weiser, Texas Judicial Outreach Liaison

Awards Presentation: Robin Layton, Program Manager, MOHS



1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.



BREAK

Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room

1st Workshop Sessions:

1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Mezzanine Level



Impaired Driving: BIRCH

Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS)

The Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) is an operational philosophy that uses crime, crash and traffic data to determine hot spot locations in which to focus high visibility enforcement efforts. DDACTS maximizes the allocation of resources based on data resulting in a more efficient operation. DDACTS is a proven model to reduce crime and crashes to improve the quality of life.

Speaker:

Major James Sanders, Ret., Regional Law Enforcement Liaison, NHTSA Region VI



Impaired Driving: ASH

The “No Refusal” DUI Enforcement Operation Program

This workshop describes an enforcement strategy that allows jurisdictions to obtain search warrants for blood samples from suspected impaired drivers who refuse breath tests. Participants will hear about the success of a ‘No Refusal’ weekend which was conducted on the MS Gulf Coast.

Speakers:

Captain Pat Green, Mississippi Highway Patrol, Troop K
Tammy Moore, Director, MS Law Enforcement Liaison Office



Youth/Community Partners: DOGWOOD

Collaborating with Community Stakeholders

Participants will have the opportunity to hear and exchange information relative to experiences engaging community stakeholders and collaboration efforts that have been successful.

Speakers:

Velesha Williams, Project Director, Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition, Jackson State University
Dezzie Dickson, UMOJA Coordinator, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas





Occupant Protection: ELM

Child Passenger Seat Safety Update and Recertification

This update is offered to child passenger safety technicians to refresh their knowledge on child restraints, as well as see some of the new technology. The class will focus on advances in CPS, as well as discuss changes in the laws and regulations across our state. This training is two hours and technicians can attend both parts of the session or just one. Each part will count as 1.5 CEU credits that technicians can use towards recertification. This class is helpful to anyone who is or may be interested in gaining more knowledge on child restraints and child passenger safety.

Speakers:

Mallory Berg, Outreach Specialist, Safe Kids MS, Jackson, MS
Elizabeth Foster, Outreach Specialist, Safe Kids MS, Jackson, MS



Legal: FIR

Motor Carrier: Working Together for Highway Safety

This workshop will identify who we are and what we do to educate and train on “Sharing the Highway” with commercial motor vehicles (CMVs). Our panel will include Federal, MDOT and DPS personnel. We will discuss program accountability, levels of inspection, crash data, high crash corridors, crashes by CMVs, reportable crashes, and public awareness.

Speakers:

Don Bennett, Department of Public Safety, Motor Carrier Division
Sterlin Williams, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Dennis Hopper, Mississippi Department of Transportation



Data: AMPHITHEATER

Think Fast

Think Fast Interactive is an interactive awareness program that appeals to all ages with its MTV-style production set, mainstream music and videos, an entertaining host, and informative and engaging trivia. From start to finish, messages of prevention, responsibility, and awareness are non-intrusively reinforced. Our philosophy is to provide participants with information that can facilitate choices that will promote a healthy and exciting educational experience that carries on to the real world.

Speaker:

Think Fast Interactive



General Traffic: HICKORY

How Self-Discovery Can Lead to More Effective Highway Safety Collaborations

You are asked to serve on a highway safety coalition or engage in other highway safety partnerships. How well will you work with others to achieve success? In this age of collaboration, it is critical that we learn how to form strong teams, run more efficient meetings, and resolve conflict more effectively. This workshop will feature a personality assessment, not some dull written test, but a lively, fun-filled activity designed to help you discover more about your strengths and limitations. Come to this workshop and discover the gem in you...and others!

Speaker:

Glenda Crump, CEO & President, DREAM, Inc.





Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety FY14 Grant Implementation

This workshop is for Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Sub-grantees awarded contracts for the upcoming FY14 grant year. Participants will hear federal and state updates, as well as updates on forms, blitzes, and policies and procedures. Award contract packets will be given at the end of session.

Speakers:

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Staff

3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.



BREAK

Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room

2nd Workshop Sessions:

3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Mezzanine Level



Impaired Driving: BIRCH

Social Host Law Overview

This workshop will give an overview of the social hosting phenomenon and discuss Miss. Code Ann. 97-5-49(2012). Attendees will leave with basic knowledge of the statute and how to practically apply it in real world settings. The class will also cover basic principles related to Controlled Party Dispersal including but not limited to, pre-operation planning/briefing, execution, and processing the scene and dispersal.

Speaker:

Riley Nelson, Chief of Enforcement, Mississippi Alcohol Beverage Control Division



Impaired Driving: ASH

DUI Statutory Updates: A Comparison of the Current Law with the New Legislative Amendments

This workshop will consist of an in-depth review of the current DUI laws, along with a comparison of those laws to the new legislative amendments to the DUI statute. The audience should take away from this lecture: 1) a better understanding of the crime of driving under the influence as defined in Mississippi, 2) information needed by prosecution from law enforcement to successfully resolve DUI cases, and, 3) an understanding of the new amendments to the DUI statute scheduled to go into effect on July 1, 2014.

Speaker:

Joshua Paul Fortenberry, Assistant District Attorney, 12th Circuit Court District, Hattiesburg, MS





Youth/Community Partners: DOGWOOD

Mississippi Youth Highway Safety Youth Program: What's the 411?

This workshop will help participants gain knowledge about the history of youth impaired driving and seat belt usage in the United States. Participants will also learn about programs offered through the Mississippi Youth Highway Safety Program and how to access tools and resources to implement various programs in their schools and communities to help drive down youth fatalities.

Speakers:

Tawni Basden, Youth Program Director, DREAM®, Inc.

Alex Cantrell, Youth Program Coordinator, DREAM®, Inc.

DeMarco Fomby, Youth Program Specialist, DREAM®, Inc.



Occupant Protection: ELM

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Legal: FIR

HIPPA Hiccups and Mississippi Blood Draws

Discussion of the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act of 1996 (otherwise referred to as HIPPA) & the regulations providing guidance in the application of the statute as it applies to Mississippi law enforcement officers in the investigation and prosecution of DUIs and/or other traffic-related crimes, including, but not limited to: applicability and definitions (45 C.F.R. sections 164.500 & 501); uses and disclosures of protected health information (45 C.F.R. section 164.502); transmission requirements and compliance dates (45 C.F.R. section 164.532 & 534); and uses and disclosures for which individual permission or release by patient is not required (45 C.F.R. section 164.512). Additionally, the presentation will focus on Mississippi laws pertaining to blood draws, and the effect that the recent U.S Supreme Court case of *McNeely v. Missouri* has had on our ability to obtain blood evidence in DUI cases.

Speaker:

Molly Miller, Special Asst. AG/TSRP





General Traffic: AMPHITHEATER

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Speaker:

Think Fast Interactive



General Traffic: HICKORY

Big Trucks, Big Trouble?

Commercial motor vehicle related fatalities account for over 10% of the nation's roadway deaths and millions of drivers hold commercial licenses; yet most law enforcement officers, prosecutors and courts receive little training on these topics. In this fast-paced workshop, we will discuss criminal activity, from impaired driving to serial homicides, occurring everyday on the nation's interstate system. It will cover the basics of commercial driver's licensing and CMVs as well as the fundamentals of compliance with federal mandates regarding reporting CDL violations. Attendees will learn how knowing whether or not a defendant has a CDL just might help them win the case.

Speaker:

Kristen Shae, National Traffic Law Center



Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK

MOHS Programmatic Update and Review

This session will cover examples of how to effectively complete quarterly reports relevant to Map 21 and how to accurately submit grant reimbursements. Discussion will be interactive with participants identifying common errors made within the documentation process.

Speakers:

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Staff

6:00 p.m. - Until
Networking Reception

Dancing Under the Stars

Evergreen - First Floor

Come join us as the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety welcomes you to the 1st Annual Mississippi Safety Training and Recognition Symposium (MS STARS). Entertainment will be provided.



★ *Wednesday, September 25, 2013* ★

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast on Your Own

3rd Workshop Sessions:
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.



Impaired Driving: BIRCH

Services Provided by the Implied Consent Section of the Mississippi Crime Laboratory

Participants will learn the different services that the Mississippi Crime Laboratory (MCL) provides in the area of Implied Consent, what each service does and how it relates to you. The session will also cover the blood/urine alcohol testing, drug screens, and the Intoxilyzer 8000, as well as, updates and improvement of the Implied Consent Program relevant to MCL.

Speaker:

Wendy Hathcock, Forensic Scientist, MS Crime Lab



Impaired Driving: ASH

Traffic Safety and Criminal Justice System

This session will present the current national statistics on impaired driving, along with state data and how this information relates to the impact upon the criminal justice system. From arrest through adjudication to release, the impact of a DWI arrest has far-reaching implications upon our traffic safety partners. The coordination of efforts within the criminal justice system is important and success is dependent upon all facets of the entities involved. Information will be presented on current resources that are available to law enforcement, prosecutors and the judiciary through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Speaker:

Brian Chodrow, Program Analyst, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



Youth/Community Partners: DOGWOOD

Creating a Neutral Environment: Understanding Cultural Diversity and the Communities We Serve

This workshop aims to identify the conceptual framework of cultural diversity through the following objectives:

- Define the concept of cultural diversity and look at its practical application in mainstream service delivery
- Specify the knowledge and skills, including communication techniques, required for effective interaction and working in diverse communities
- Examine practical strategies relevant to integrating cultural competence into your everyday work

Speaker:

Earnestine McNeal-Brown, Director, Alcohol and Drug Studies Center, Jackson State University





Occupant Protection: ELM
Senior Driver Safety Models

The importance of senior driving safety is of increasing significance and can be stated succinctly. The American population is living longer; by the year 2030, 22% of all licensed drivers in the United States will be age 65 and older. Correspondingly, older drivers are an increasing presence on America's roads. The risk of driving impairment and fatalities increases as one ages. This session will explore national and state data and several models used in the design of senior driving safety programs. Curriculum content issues such as effects of aging on driving, changing traffic signage, road and traffic regulations, and mobility options for senior drivers are a part of this presentation. Further, the need for a senior safety program in Mississippi will be explored.

Speaker:

Dr. Bettye Ward Fletcher, Professional Associates, Inc. (PAI)



Legal: FIR
Understanding and Combatting the Drugged Driving Problem in Mississippi

This workshop will raise awareness of drugged driving issues in Mississippi; discuss training and educational opportunities to combat drugged driving and explore the efforts that law enforcement and prosecutors can make to effectively investigate and prosecute drugged driving offenses.

Speaker:

Joanne Michaels-Thomka, Director; National Traffic Law Center



General Traffic: HICKORY
Traffic Safety Presentations—How They Affect the Public and Your Department

This workshop will help all attendees, whether law enforcement or community partners, to develop the skills to enhance their traffic safety presentations for schools, universities and the community.

Speaker:

Johnny Poulos, Public Affairs Officer, Mississippi Highway Patrol



Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK
MOHS Resources Showcase

This workshop will feature two MOHS resources that can help sub grantees increase the impact of their highway safety programs.

The Mississippi Public Safety Data Laboratory (PSDL) was established in 2007 at the Social Science Research Center of Mississippi State University in partnership with the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety and the Mississippi Highway Patrol of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety. Funding for lab was made available with 408 funds, now MAP-21, from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration. Since data is a strategic resource, the lab was designed to assist MOHS/MHP with the successful execution of its Highway Safety and Performance Plan focused on adopting and implementing

programs that enhance the functionality of data-driven strategies by leveraging operational technology with the ability to perform problem identification and countermeasure analysis. The purpose of this presentation is to inform users of the information contained within this website, as well as, train them on how to utilize its data and visualization features.

The Mississippi Highway Safety Resource Center (MHSRC) is the new centralized distribution center for highway safety promotional items and educational materials. Participants will receive an overview of the features of the resource center, a demonstration of the Center's Web site, procedures for ordering, and other information.

Speakers:

Tonya Neeves, Mississippi State University, Social Science Research Center
Robert Hancock, Traffic Records Coordinator, Mississippi Office of Highway Safety
Roderick Thurman, Gabe Pope, Coordinators, Mississippi Highway Safety Resource Center, DREAM®, Inc.

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.



BREAK

Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room

4th Workshop Sessions:

Wednesday 10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.



Impaired Driving: BIRCH

Driving Down Fatalities

This session will examine the necessary partnerships needed between all highway safety personnel in the state to help drive down fatalities. It takes the combined efforts of the highway safety office, media, enforcement, engineering, and highway safety advocates. These partnerships combine and create the power needed to reduce the number of highway fatalities in the state.

Map-21 funding is also a big tool in helping decrease fatalities. With the new mandate in Map-21 and the development of an Impaired Driving Task Force to create a statewide Impaired Driving Strategic Plan, it uses these partnerships to enlist stakeholders in health, mental health, law enforcement, prosecution, judiciary, corrections, and the state department of safety.

Speaker:

Kendell Poole, Director, Tennessee Highway Safety Office, Chairman of the Governor's Highway Safety Association

Impaired Driving ASH





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Youth/Community Partners: DOGWOOD

A Victim's Perspective

Traffic fatalities are more than just numbers. Each death is a family member, friend and/or loved one. This workshop is designed to educate participants on the serious consequences associated with impaired driving, distracted driving and seatbelt use. Hear from a father whose life was dramatically impacted and leverage his story to reach motorists in your community.

Speakers:

Shantay Griffith, State Program Manager, Mothers against Drunk Driving (MADD)
Brian Pearse, K & J Foundation



Impaired Driving: ELM

Designer, Synthetic and Trending Drug Abuse

This session will focus on drug trends in society and provide tools and techniques on how to recognize the signs and symptoms of their use. All traffic safety partners will be better equipped with the knowledge to enforce, detect, deter and prevent drugged driving and drug abuse. If the words “mollies”, “bath salts”, “spice”, “k2”, “krokodil” or others have peaked your interest, this is the session for you!

Speaker:

Tammy Moore, Director, Law Enforcement Liaison Office, Pearl, MS



Legal: FIR

Traffic Safety: The Role of the Court

This workshop will include: a short history of the Justice and Municipal Courts and how courts were created; statistics relating to the classification of counties and cities; how traffic tickets are processed in courts and how governments authorize and form Justice and Municipal Courts. Challenges facing Justice and Municipal Courts, including safety and security, will also be highlighted.

Speaker:

Odell Thompson, Jr., President Thompson Consulting Group, Biloxi, MS



General Traffic: HICKORY

Who Do You Want to Tell the Story?

This workshop will help attendees, whether law enforcement or community partners, enhance their skills to develop highway safety presentations, interact with individuals about highway safety issues, and utilize earned media.

Speaker:

Ward Calhoun, Chief Deputy, Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department



Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK

MAGIC and Finance

This workshop will be an introduction to Mississippi's Accountability System for Government Information and Collaboration (MAGIC)—the new grant system implemented by the State of Mississippi. There will be a question and answer session for sub grantees in reference to this new program.

Speakers:

Lawyer Epps, Internal Auditor, Anna Johnson, Finance Manager, Mississippi Office of Highway Safety
Patricia Bryant, Department of Public Safety

Lunch on Your Own
12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

General Session: Grand Ballroom

Wednesday 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Part I

Federal Partners and How They Work Together to Bring Motor Vehicle Fatalities Down in Mississippi

This session will examine how the federal agencies that are involved in traffic safety (FMCSA, FHWA and NHTSA) work with different state agencies to help bring down the number of fatalities and injuries that are attributed to motor vehicle crashes in Mississippi. Additionally, this session will provide information to the general audience on how these agencies complement each other to achieve the U.S. Department of Transportation's mission of safe transportation for all within the State.

Part II

Traffic Safety Initiatives in Beirut

This session will examine the similarities and differences between traffic safety initiatives and programs in the United States and those in Beirut. The panel members will consist of Lebanese Law Enforcement students and Law Enforcement representatives from the State of Mississippi both local and statewide. We will examine technological advances that both countries may be using and the effectiveness of programs to reduce the number of fatalities and injuries as a result of motor vehicle crashes.

Moderator:

Pat Tucker, Regional Program Manager



Speakers:

Georgia Chakiris, NHTSA Regional Administrator, Region VI
Sterlin Williams, Director, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Andy Hughes, Director, Federal Highway Administration
Walter Armstrong, Chief of Police, Vicksburg, MS
Don McCain, Executive Director, Public Safety Planning
Rob Banks, Constable, Carroll County
Karnel Ibrahim, Beirut Law Enforcement Officer
Michel Moutran, Beirut Law Enforcement Officer

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.



BREAK

Exhibit Hall/Mahogany Room

5th Workshop Sessions:

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Impaired Driving: BIRCH

Impaired Driving and Distracted Driving

Impaired driving is dangerous and is the cause of more than half of all car crashes. It involves operating a motor vehicle while:

- Affected by alcohol
- Affected by illegal or legal drugs
- Too sleepy or upset
- Distracted, such as using a cell phone or texting
- Distressed with a medical condition which affects your driving

This presentation will give an overview of impaired and distracted driving, provide statistics/facts, and strategies to prevent impaired and distracted driving. Also included will be a fun quiz on “texting while driving” and video.

Speaker:

Daisy Carter, Program Director, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of the Central Mississippi Area, Inc. (NCADD)



Impaired Driving: ELM

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Speaker:

Tammy Moore, Director, Law Enforcement Liaison Office, Pearl, MS





Occupant Protection: ELM

How Does Mississippi Estimate Seatbelt Usage Rates?

This workshop will provide an overall view of how the State calculates seatbelt and child restraint usage rates by performing seat observation surveys. You will receive ideas to take back in your community to help you perform a seatbelt survey for your area.

Speaker:

David Parish, Senior Research Associate; Mississippi State University, Social Science Research Center



Legal: FIR

The Impact of Distracted Driving on Mississippi Roadways

This workshop will help attendees understand the various types of distracted driving, give reasons why preventing distracted driving is beneficial and necessary, how to recognize distracted drivers while driving, and ways to discourage distracted driving. Participants will view video impact statements by Mississippi motorists.

Speaker:

Robert Walton, CEO, Moto Steps Motorcycle Safety Training, Inc., Jackson, MS

Kim Catchings, Vice President of Operations, Moto Step Motorcycle Safety Training, Inc., Jackson, MS



General Traffic: HICKORY

Driver's Services Update

This workshop will provide participants with information on obtaining a Mississippi driver's permit, intermediate license, driver's license, restricted motor cycle license/endorsement and commercial driver license. Discussion will also be geared towards differences in colors and classifications of licenses, regular suspensions versus DUI suspensions, and what it takes for re-instatement and on-line processing. Improvements and updates will also be shared.

Speaker:

Lt. John Hillhouse, Department of Public Safety, Driver's Services



Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK

Is Your Grant Audit Proof?

This session will help ensure that grantees apply standards of financial management as they manage their highway safety grants. Participants will also learn about specific responsibilities for becoming compliant and submitting a corrective action plan.

Speakers:

Patricia Bryant, Liaison, Department of Public Safety

Lawyer Epps, Internal Auditor

★ Thursday, September 26, 2013 ★

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast on Your Own

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9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**Occupant Protection: BIRCH**
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Speaker:

Dr. Bettye Ward Fletcher, Professional Associates, Inc. (PAI), Jackson, MS

**Impaired Driving: ASH**
Reporting Crashes Correctly

In this workshop participants will be able to capture the small common errors that are found in the Crash Reports submitted to the Department of Public Safety. Information on how to make reports more accurate and how to review investigative evidence to determine causations of the crash will be discussed.

Speakers:

M/SGT Agent Allen Lyles, Criminal Reconstruction Unit, Mississippi Highway Patrol

Robert Hancock, Traffic Records Coordinator/State Law Enforcement Liaison, Department Public Safety

**Youth/Community Partners: DOGWOOD****Riders Helping Riders: Tools to Decrease Motorcycle Alcohol-Related Crashes**

This workshop will provide individuals with the tools to help prevent impaired motorcyclists from operating their motorcycles, give individuals reasons why preventing impaired motorcyclists is beneficial and necessary, and assist in decreasing the number of alcohol involved motorcycle-related crashes and fatalities.

Speakers:

Robert Walton, CEO, Moto Steps Motorcycle Safety Training, Inc., Jackson, MS

Kim Catchings, Vice President of Operations, Moto Step Motorcycle Safety Training, Inc., Jackson, MS





Occupant Protection: ELM

Child Restraint Programs

Discussion will be directed towards the child restraint program coordinated by the MS State Department of Health. Participants will learn how to facilitate assisting indigent individuals who are in need of securing a proper child restraint seats.

Speaker:

Nikki Johnson, MS State Department of Health



Legal: FIR

Speakers:

Captain Scott Carnegie, Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Ray Steed, M/SGT, Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Harold Buckhaults, Mississippi Department of Public Safety



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Traffic Safety Programs at the Social Science Research Center

This workshop will provide updates on programs within the Social Science Research Center at Mississippi State University to include administration and management of observational surveys, E-citation programs and systems, and the Mississippi Alcohol Safety Education Program (MASEP).

Speakers:

Bill Henderson, Operations Coordinator; Mississippi State University, Social Science Research Center, Mississippi Alcohol Safety Education Program

David Parish, Senior Research Associate, Mississippi State University, Social Science Research Center

Dr. Laura Myers, Research Professor/State Coordinator, E-Cite—Mississippi State University, Social Science Research Center



Mississippi Office of Highway Safety: OAK

Everything You Ever Wanted Know About MOHS...But Were Afraid to Ask

Here's your opportunity to have all of your questions answered regarding finance, programmatic issues, the resource center, and more. Put faces with names as you are introduced to the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety staff.

Speakers:

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Staff

Exhibit Hall Closes/Hotel Checkout

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



DUI 100 - 300 CLUB
★ AWARDS
RECOGNITION LUNCH

11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Grand Ballroom

Join the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety as it honors law enforcement and community partners from across the state for their impaired driving achievements.

Luncheon Speaker:

Mr. Garry Thomas, Director, Oklahoma Office of Highway Safety

Awards Presentation:

Sandra Moffett, Division Director, MOHS

Post-Conference Workshop

Amphitheater

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety FY14 Grant Implementation

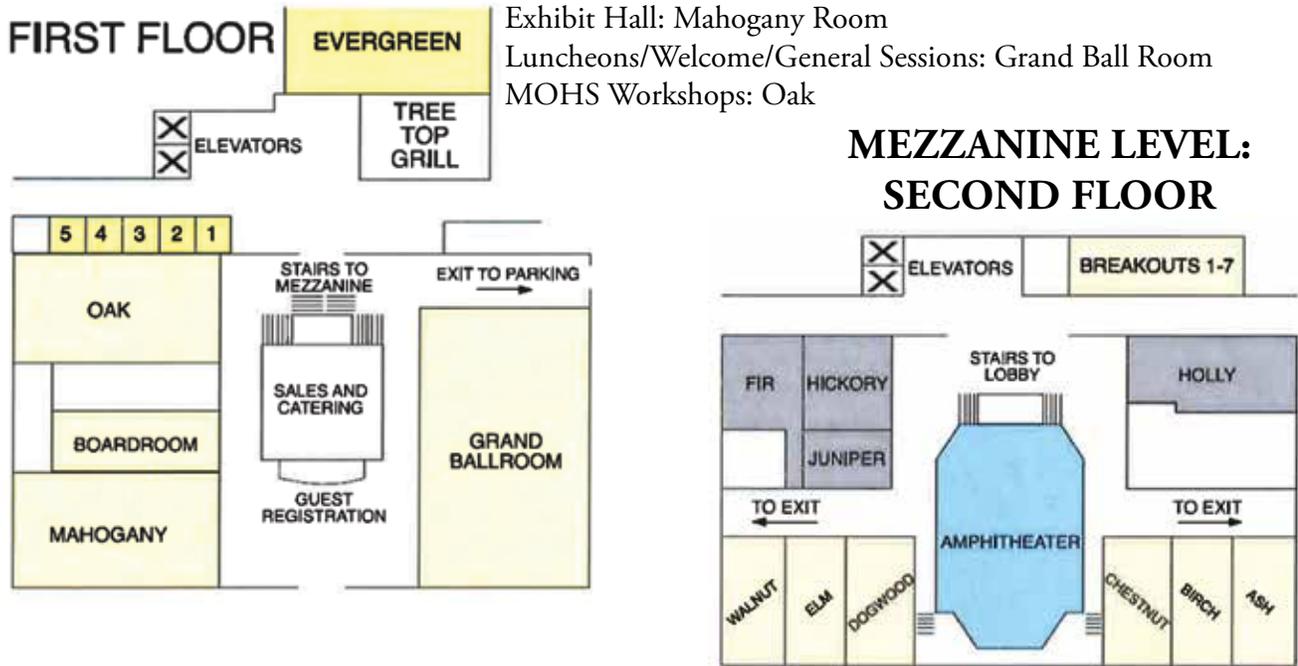
This workshop is for Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Sub-grantees awarded contracts for the upcoming FY14 grant year. Participants will hear federal and state updates, as well as updates on forms, blitzes, and policies and procedures. Award contract packets will be given at the end of session.

Speakers:

Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Staff



★ Conference Floor Plan ★



Impaired Driving: Birch



Legal: Fir



Impaired Driving: Chestnut



Data: Amphitheatre



Youth/Community Partners: Dogwood



General Traffic: Hickory



Occupant Protection: Elm



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★ Conference Reminders ★

- Wear name badges to all meal functions and workshops
- Silence all cellphones and electronic devices while in sessions and other functions
- Follow all instructions for Continuing Educations (CE's)
- Attend the Buckle for Life Luncheon, Networking Reception, and the DUI 100 – 300 Club Luncheon. These events are part of your registration
- Visit the Exhibit Hall for great information and a chance to win prizes
- Have Fun!

★ STARS Vendors/Exhibitors List ★

NON-PROFIT AGENCIES:

Alcohol Services

DREAM®, Inc., MS Youth Highway Safety Program

K & J Foundation

Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)

MotoSteps

National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependents of Central MS (NCADD)

Sobriety Trained Officers Representing Mississippi (S.T.O.R.M.)

STATE AGENCIES & OTHER EXHIBITORS:

Jackson State University

Mississippi Department of Health

MSU - Mississippi Alcohol Safety Education Program (MASEP)

MSU Social Science Research Center

Office of Standards and Training, Public Safety Planning

VENDORS:

All Traffic Solutions

Guardian, LLC

MPH Industries (Radar, In-car Video, etc.)

MS Police Supply

Smart Start, Inc.

Stalker Radar

WatchGuard Video Intoximeters





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