

15th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATORS FORUM (ILF)



Wednesday, June 24 - Friday, June 26, 2015
Deadwood Mountain Grand Resort and Event Center
1906 Deadwood Mountain Drive
Deadwood, South Dakota 57732

Agenda

PLEASE NOTE: All times are local - MDT

Wednesday, June 24th

ILF Steering Committee Meeting – Mountain Grand Resort (Prospector Room)

10:30 a.m. 2015 ILF Steering Committee Meeting

Lunch will be provided.

Pre-Forum Event – Sanford Underground Research Facility (630 E. Summit Street, Lead, South Dakota)

Bus transportation will be provided between the Mountain Grand and the Sanford Lab - There will be a 12:30 p.m. departure from the lobby of the Mountain Grand (please eat before departure). The return trip to the Mountain Grand is scheduled for 4:45 p.m.

“Technology – Regional Leadership in Research and Learning”

1:00 p.m. - Welcome - Check-in and Coffee

- Senator **Scott Parsley** (SD) ILF Steering Committee
- Representative **Roger Solum** (SD) ILF Steering Committee
- **Constance Walter**, Communications Director, South Dakota Science & Technology Authority (Host)
- **Mandy Knight**, User Support Manager, Sanford Underground Research Lab

Actual/Virtual Tours – Lift Car Departs: 2:15 p.m.

Delegates and guests will have an opportunity to tour the Sanford Underground Research Facility and view some of the cutting edge research that is being done in our region. NOTE: There will be an opportunity for 20 delegates to descend into the lab (nearly a mile underground). These slots have to be reserved in advance on a first come-first served basis and these individuals have been notified. Those on the "standby" list will be accommodated if there are cancellations. For those who do not wish to or cannot be afforded the opportunity to go below ground, the tour will be followed via closed circuit video/audio on the surface.

Opening Reception – Days of '76 Museum (18 Seventy Six Drive, Deadwood, South Dakota)

Hosted by the Days of '76 Museum and sponsored by the Deadwood Gaming Association

The Deadwood Trolley will provide service (approximately every 15 minutes) between the hotel and the Days of '76 Museum - 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. with return trips set for 7:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

5:45 p.m. Museum Opportunity - Stroll through the Days of '76 Museum and visit the gift shop

6:00 Welcome – South Dakota Steering Committee Members, Hosts and Dignitaries

- Honorable **Charles Turbiville**, Mayor, Deadwood, South Dakota
- Honorable **Jerry Apa**, Mayor of Lead, South Dakota
- **Mike Rodman**, Executive Director, Deadwood Gaming Association - Host
- **Mark Rambow**, Development Officer, Deadwood History, Inc.
- Senator **Scott Parsley** (SD) – ILF Steering Committee
- Representative **Roger Solum** (SD) - ILF Steering Committee

An Evening in Deadwood

Following the reception, delegates and others will be on their own for dining and an opportunity to “check out the night life” in historic Deadwood. The Chamber of Commerce will provide an informational package with suggestions and discount coupons.

Thursday, June 25th

Breakfast – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

7:00 a.m. Breakfast

Opening and Plenary Sessions – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

8:00 a.m. Opening – 2015 Legislators Forum

- Welcome – South Dakota ILF Steering Committee - Hosts
 - Senator **Scott Parsley** (SD)
 - Representative **Roger Solum** (SD)
- Introductions
- Meeting Process and Ground Rules
- Agenda and Materials (All Digital - bring your laptop or iPad)

The Missouri River Basin - Presentations and Discussions

All presentations will be followed by facilitated discussion.

8:45 a.m. Section #1 - The Missouri River Basin - What You Need to Know

Presenters:

- **Joel Galloway**, Associate Director for the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) North Dakota Water Science Center - *"An Overview of the Missouri River Basin"*
- **John Cooper**, Natural Resources Consultant/Working Retiree - *"The Historical Perspective"*
- Honorable Judge **John Thorson** (ret.) - *"River of Promise"*

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Section #2 - The Missouri River - Promise and Peril

Presenters:

- **John Cooper**, Natural Resources Consultant/Working Retiree - *"Basin Management - What We Have Done"*
- Honorable Judge **John Thorson** (ret.) - *"River of Peril"*
- **John Davidson**, Professor of Law, University of South Dakota (USD) - *"If it Can Happen, It Will"*

Luncheon – Mountain Grand Resort (TBD)

Noon - Luncheon

- **Welcome**
 - Honorable **Jerry Apa**, Mayor of Lead, South Dakota
 - Honorable **Charles Turbiville**, Mayor, Deadwood, South Dakota
- **Luncheon Address** – *"Great Plains Indian Society"* - **Donovin Sprague**, Instructor, Author and Historian - Black Hills State University

Plenary Sessions – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

Workforce Development Issues - Presentations and Discussions

All presentations will be followed by facilitated discussion.

1:15 p.m. Section #1 - Upstream Investments, Downstream Returns

Presenters:

- **Carol Scott**, Chief Executive Officer, Child Care Aware of Missouri and Board Member, Child Care Aware America - *"The Preschool to Prison Pipeline/Turning Off the Flow"*
- **Michael Burke**, Vice President, Buffett Early Childhood Fund - *"Rewards of Early Investments"*

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. Section #2 - South Dakota Workforce: Navigating the Channels

Presenters:

- **Marcia Hultman**, Secretary, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation
- **Dawn Dovre**, Director of Workforce Planning, Policy, and Public Affairs, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

4:00 p.m. Break

Reception and Dinner – Custer State Park (Sylvan Lake Auditorium)

*Bus transportation will be provided between the Mountain Grand, Custer State Park and Mt Rushmore. There will be a **4:30 p.m.** departure from the lobby of the Mountain Grand - **7:50 p.m.** Departure from Custer State Park to Mt Rushmore and a **9:45 p.m.** departure/return to the Mountain Grand Resort.*

5:45 p.m. Reception (2015 Group Photo)

6:00 p.m. Welcome

6:15 p.m. Dinner

Remarks:

Christopher J. Gunning, Consul and Principle Officer
United States Consulate, Winnipeg, Manitoba
Jamshed Merchant, Consul General of Canada
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Steering Committee Recognitions:

- Former Representative **Susan Wismer** (SD) - 2011-2012-2013-2014
- Former Representative **Kathy Tyler** (SD) - 2014

Evening Event - Mount Rushmore National Memorial

9:00 p.m. Evening Sculpture Lighting Ceremony

Friday, June 26th

Breakfast – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

7:00 a.m. Legislators (ONLY) Working Breakfast

Guests, presenters and sponsors will be directed to an alternate location for breakfast

Plenary Sessions – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Comments

Transportation Infrastructure - Presentations and Discussions

All presentations will be followed by facilitated discussion.

8:40 a.m. Section #1 – Highway Infrastructure

Presenters:

- Senator **Kevin Van Tassell** (Utah), Western States Transportation Alliance (WSTA)
- **David Lettner**, Pembina-Emerson Border Facility - Project Work and Initiatives
- **James Simmons**, Hazardous Materials Program Manager, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Section #2 – Railway Infrastructure

Presenters:

- **Sean Kammer**, Associate Professor, University of South Dakota (USD)
- **Brian Sweeney**, Regional AVP, Burlington, Northern, Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) State Governmental Affairs - Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota - The Industry Perspective

From the Floor – Mountain Grand Resort

11:45 a.m. Delegate Recommendations and Conclusions

Adjourn – Mountain Grand Resort

12:30 p.m. Closing Comments, Evaluations and Box Lunches (provided)

- **2015 Evaluation Forms**
- **2016 International Legislators Forum - Hosted by North Dakota**
(Tentative Dates: June 22-24, 2016)
- **2015/2016 Steering Committee Meeting** (Tentative Meeting: Saturday, September 12, 2015 – Fargo. ND)

12:45 p.m. 2015 International Legislators Forum Adjourns – SAFE TRAVELS!!

- Be sure to pick up your box lunches!!

Media Conference – Mountain Grand Resort (Event Center)

1:00 p.m. Media Conference - A delegate from each of the jurisdictions will provide a statement to participating media and respond to questions.