

# MMA ANNUAL CONVENTION

## AGENDA

June 15-17 | Grand Hotel Marriott | Point Clear, AL

### Wednesday, June 15

#### **5:00 p.m. - 6:30**

Reception and Exhibit Booths Open  
Grand Ballroom

Wine, beer, & light hors d'oeuvres

#### **6:00 p.m. - 10**

Kids Beach Party Bonanza  
Beachside Room

Cost: \$50 per child  
Open to children ages 5-12  
Themed crafts, sandcastle contest on the beach,  
balloon volleyball, games, movies, and more!

### Thursday, June 16

#### **7:30 a.m. - 8:30**

Breakfast buffet  
Grand Ballroom

#### **8:30 - 8:45**

Welcome and Intro  
Azalea B-F

#### **8:45 - 9:30**

Understanding Supply Chains & Logistics  
Azalea B-F

John Drake - Vice President for Supply Chain Policy,  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce

#### **9:30 - 10:00**

Break

#### **10:00 - 10:45**

Importance of Rail Networks in Supply Chains  
Azalea B-F

Daniel Parker - Senior Industrial Development  
Manager, Norfolk - Southern Railroad  
Alisha Bailey - Sales and Marketing Manager,  
Genesee and Wyoming  
Clayton Stanley - President, The Alliance of Corinth &  
Alcorn County

#### **10:45 - 11:30**

Ports & Surface Transportation  
Azalea B-F

Jon Nass - CEO & Executive Director, Port of Gulfport  
Scott Auslund - CEO, Gulf Relay  
Chris Wardwell - Director of Logistics, Enviva

#### **1:00 p.m.**

Golf Tournament at Rock Creek Golf Club

Cost: \$165 per person  
12 p.m. box lunch, 1 p.m. shotgun start Transportation  
not included

#### **1:00 p.m.**

Fashion Show  
Azalea A-B

Hosted by Fairhope's M&F Casuals  
Cost: \$30  
Event includes Bloody Mary's, mimosas, and door  
prizes!

#### **6:00 p.m. - 7:30**

Reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres  
*\*Resort note: If you appear to be under 40, be  
prepared to show ID for drinks*

### Friday, June 17

#### **8:00 a.m. - 9:00**

Breakfast buffet  
Grand Ballroom

#### **9:00 - 9:30**

The Most Important Link  
Magnolia Ballroom

Ryan Miller - Executive Director - Accelerate MS

#### **9:30 - 10:15**

Pursuing the Workforce of the Future - Moderated by  
Ryan Miller  
Magnolia Ballroom

Dr. Nathan Oakley - Deputy Director for K-12 &  
Innovation, Accelerate MS  
Dr. Mary Graham - President, Mississippi Gulf Coast  
Community College  
Stephanie Murray - Human Resources Director, Halter  
Marine

#### **10:15 - 11:00**

Expanding the Talent Pipeline Through the  
Manufacturing Extension Partnership - Moderated by  
Sandy Crist  
Magnolia Ballroom

Tonya McCall - Director, MSU-CAVS Extension  
Greg James - Assistant Workforce Director, Northeast  
Mississippi Community College  
TZ Waters - Workforce Education Director, Itawamba  
Community College