



Mark Your Calendars: WCPA Expo March 26-28, 2015 Hilton Seattle Airport Hotel & Convention Center

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That's right! You've read it correctly! The dates have been set and the WCPA is headed to the Hilton Seattle Airport Hotel & Convention Center March 26-28, 2015.

So mark your calendars, call your friends and business associates, tell your family, and get ready for three-days of WCPA fun!

The WCPA Expo will feature a tour of Rainier Industries, workshops, seminars, the WCPA Excellence Awards, networking opportunities, and the chance to make new friends and business acquaintances.



Downtown Seattle is just a short ride away! You can bring your family with you to the Expo from Thursday-Saturday and spend Saturday evening and Sunday with the kids exploring Seattle's historic landmarks and great attractions.

Whether you check out the Space Needle, Pike Place Market, the Museum of Flight, or head over to the Safeco Field or the Olympic Sculpture Park, you're in for a great weekend your family won't forget!



Remember, if you would like to have something specific discussed during the WCPA Expo, let us know and we'll do our best to accommodate! Contact us at wcpa2012@hotmail.com and let us know today.

You can also visit www.wcpaonline.com to check out photos of this year's event and for information about the 2015 Expo.

Look for more details about the 2015 Expo in your e-mail and in your snail mail. We'll be sending registration forms and flyers with more information.

Hope to see you all there and remember, renew your membership today to enjoy a small discount to the 2015 Expo!



WCPA Bylaws Change and Update

The WCPA Board voted to change the WCPA bylaws September 2014. An update to the membership is hereby given.

Article IV – Membership, Section 2 was modified. “All applicants who apply for membership to a particular Region (their ‘home’ region) at the same time will become a member of the WCPA at large,” was removed.

Article V – Board of Directors, Section 2, letters f & g, were modified and now reads: f) Three (3) at large Directors. g) Immediate Past President.



Also, Article V – Board of Directors, Section 2 was modified with the addition of the following: Elections shall be held every even year. All directors serving at the adoption of this section whose term extends beyond the end of the current year shall have their term reduced to the end of the current year, but may stand for re-election.

Article V – Board of Directors, Section 6 was modified to: Meetings of the Board. Five (5) members of the Board (three (3) being officers) shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Board. Regular Meetings. There shall be three (3) regular meetings of

the Board of Directors – namely one (1) to be immediately before or after the Association’s annual meeting and two (2) on such dates and locations as the President shall designate. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or upon written request of four (4) members of the Board or at the written request of fifteen (15) fabricator and/or supplier members of the Association. A special meeting of the Board of Directors may also be called by the Immediate Past President in the event the office of President and Vice President becomes vacant.

Article VI – Officers, Section 1 was modified to the following: Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or upon written request of four (4) members of the Board or at the written request of fifteen (15) fabricator and/or supplier members of the Association. A special meeting of the Board of Directors may also be called by the Immediate Past President in the event the office of President and Vice President becomes vacant. Section 4 was modified and the following was added: “and other legal filing as required by law.”

Additional changes were made to the bylaws and can be found on the WCPA Web site at www.wcpaonline.com.

SBA Awards 2015 Open for Nominations

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced it is accepting nominations for its 2015 National Small Business Week awards online. [Click here](#) to go the nominations page.

Deadline for submission is January 5, 2015 at 3 PM EST.

Categories include but are not limited to Small Business of the Year (one from each state), Exporter of the Year, and more.

Visit:

https://nationalsmallbusinessweek.sba.gov/sites/all/documents/Nomination_Guidelines.pdf for the guidelines.

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