



January 2019

Dear Colleague:

Once again it is time to register for IPANA's Spring Conference. This event will be held at The Meritage Resort and Spa "Compound" that includes: Meritage Resort and Spa, Vino Bella Resort Spa and Vista Collina Resort on April 29 – May 1, 2019. We will also celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Industrial Steel Drum Institute with a special cocktail reception on April 30.

Accompanying this letter is preliminary conference information as well as registration materials. Most of you have made your room reservations at the compound that includes the Meritage Resort and Spa, Vista Collina Resort and Vino Bella Resort Spa. If you still need a hotel room contact either myself at snauman@industrialpackaging.org or Bonnie Cunningham at cunninghambj@optonline.net **after you register** for the meeting.

You should be aware of certain deadlines in making your arrangements for IPANA's Annual Conference:

- Registration fees for the conference will increase after **February 28**, so make sure you register on-line following the instructions below

Featured speakers at this event include a keynote presentation by Roland Strassburger, CEO of Schuetz GbmH & Co. and Bill Schoonover, Associate Administrator of PHMSA. Our special guest is Elizabeth Schneider, founder of the Wine for Normal People podcast who will discuss the business of wine. We have also scheduled a golf outing for Monday, April 29 at Eagle Vines Golf Club in Napa. Two special tours will be available on limited, first come first serve basis. On Tuesday afternoon, we will hold a walking/food tasting tour of city of Napa and Wednesday afternoon will feature wine tasting at a very special estate, Chateau Montelena Winery. Chateau Montelena Winery is well known for winning the Judgement of Paris wine competition.

In addition, IPANA's independent affiliates will meet to address regulatory and technical challenges facing the various segments of the industrial packaging industry.

We are excited you will be joining us in Napa, California on April 29 - May 1, 2019 for this special event. See you there!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Nauman".

Executive Director

IPANA Spring Conference



Featuring Meetings of the
International Fibre Drum Institute
Industrial Steel Drum Institute
Plastic Drum Institute
Rigid Intermediate Bulk Container Association

The Meritage Resort and Spa
Napa, California

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Schedule

(Subject to revision)

Monday, April 29, 2019

11:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Golf Outing- Eagle Vines Golf Club
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. IPANA Board Meeting
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Registration/Information Desk
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Welcome Networking Reception
Dinner on your own

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. IPANA Registration/Information Desk
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. IPANA Associate Members Meeting (closed)
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Plastic Drum Institute/Rigid Intermediate Bulk
Container Association Board Meetings
Joint Membership Meetings

Industrial Steel Drum Institute Membership Meeting

Lunch on your own

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ISDI Board of Directors Meeting and Lunch (closed)
Noon – 3 p.m. Downtown Napa Walking Food Tour
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. IPANA Cocktail Reception and ISDI 75th Anniversary Celebration

Wednesday, May 1

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. IPANA information Desk
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:00 a.m. – Noon IPANA Plenary Session

Industrial Packaging: View to the Future

Roland Strassburger, CEO, Schuetz GbmH & Co.

Update From PHMSA

William Schoonover, Associate Administrator, PHMSA
Shane Kelly, Director, Standards and Rulemaking

View from the American Iron and Steel Institute

Tom Gibson, CEO, AISI (invited)

The Business of Wine

Elizabeth Schneider, Founder Wine for Normal People

Noon - 4 p.m. Winery Tasting & Tour - Chateau Montelena Winery.

IPANA Annual Meeting Concludes

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ICPP Meeting

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RECOMMENDED DRESS FOR IPANA MEETING SESSIONS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

Business Meetings – The attire for the annual meeting is business casual. For example, a man may wear slacks and a golf shirt and a sport coat (should he prefer). A woman may wear slacks, skirt, or dress. **Absolutely no shorts and/or tees or swim wear at any business sessions.**

Monday and Tuesday Receptions – The two IPANA receptions in Napa – the Welcome Reception on the 29th and the ISDI 75th Anniversary Reception on the 30th – offer great opportunities to see old friends and make new ones. Recommended dress for these occasions includes jacket, slacks, and open collar shirt for men and comfortable evening wear for women.

April 29th Golf Outing - Eagle Vines Golf Club

The IPANA Golf outing will be held at the nearby site located 10 minutes from the Meritage Resort and Spa beginning at 11:30 p.m. Pricing for 18 holes is \$70.00. Clubs can be rented for \$60.00. Eagle Vines Golf Club in Napa Valley is an 18 hole, par 72 golf course. Designed in part by the World Golf Hall of Famer, Johnny Miller, this Napa Golf Club is not only challenging, but an excellent way to indulge all the senses. Spend a day here at Eagle Vines Golf Club and it may quickly become one of your favorite Bay Area golf courses. The Grill at Eagle Vines has excellent ambiance with its panoramic views of the golf course and it offers Breakfast and Lunch as well as a full bar.

SPOUSE/ACCOMPANYING PERSONS REGISTRATION/TOURS

IPANA's registration fee for a spouse/accompanying person is \$100.00. This fee includes two breakfasts and both networking receptions.

Tuesday afternoon, April 30 will feature an afternoon **Downtown Napa walking food tasting tour with 7 stops** (food and drink at all stops). This tour will delight your taste buds as you explore revitalized downtown Napa with fellow foodies. The Tour Directors will share fascinating history of this beautiful riverfront town, one where celebrity chefs intermingle with organic farmers and boutique winemakers. This foodie tour begins at the new Oxbow Market, where a seasonal bounty of California specialty foods and produce awaits. The tour will cross the Napa River and visit 19th century historic buildings that weathered Prohibition to showcase the latest trends in California food and wine. The tour ends in downtown Napa.

A separate fee of \$150.00 is needed for the **Estate Wine Tour** on Wednesday, May 1. The Library tasting and tour of the estate, **Chateau Montelena Winery** is \$150.000 including private transportation. Chateau Montelena Winery, originally called A.L. Tubbs winery after its founder Alfred Tubbs, was constructed in 1888 and intended as a barrel-aging facility. The Chateau was unique in materials, plan, size, and style for its era. *This winery won the Judgement of Paris in 1976.* Four white Burgundies were tasted against six California Chardonnays. When the scores were tallied, the French Judges were convinced that the top-ranking white wine was one of their own. In fact, it was Chateau Montelena's 1973 Chardonnay, rated above all other wines. The results proved that Chateau Montelena could produce some of the world's finest wines, and that California's wine industry had come of age

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Three airports are located close to the Meritage: San Francisco (90 minutes from Napa, Oakland and Sacramento (both approximately 80 minutes). Please bear in mind that all three airports are at least 1 hour and 20 minutes away and could be longer depending on rush hour traffic.

May WEATHER in Napa, California

Average high temperature: 75 degrees; average low: 48 degrees

If you have not made your hotel reservations.

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The deadline for reservations at the Meritage hotel compound is **February 28, 2019. The room rate is \$259.00 plus tax and resort fee (\$25 per room, per night++).**