

WORKING AGENDA · GICA 114th Annual Seminar

August 7-9 2019 - New Orleans, LA
InterContinental, New Orleans

6.6.2019

Wednesday, August 7

- 8:00-12:00 **Golf Tournament** - Tee Time – 8:00 AM – Lakewood Golf Club, New Orleans (Algiers)
- 2:00 -6:00 **Registration Desk Open**
- 3:30-5:30 **GICA Board of Directors' Meeting**
- 6:00-7:30 **Welcome Reception** (Open Bar and Hors d'oeuvres)

Thursday, August 8

7:30 **Breakfast Buffet - Registration Desk Open**

First General Session - Jim Stark, President GICA Presiding

- 8:00-8:30 **Welcome** – Tom Marian, GICA Board Chairman
- 8:30-8:45 **Opening Remarks** – RADM John Nadeau, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District (*invited*)
- 8:30 *Spouses meet in Lobby - Depart for Aquarium of The Americas Visit*
- 8:45-9:45 **Washington Perspective** - Infrastructure Funding and Regulatory Outlook – Mike Toohey, Waterways Council Inc. and Craig Montesano, American Waterways Operators
- 9:45-10:00 **Break**

Second General Session

- 10:00-11:00 **Tow Industry CEO Panel** – Leadership's Perspectives on GIWW Business, Operations, Challenges, Issues
- 11:00-12:00 **USACE Commanders/Operations Panel** – Galveston, New Orleans, Mobile District Commanders/Reps
- 12:00-1:30** **Luncheon** - Congressional Level Keynote Speaker TBD

Third General Session

- 1:30-2:30 **GIWW Resiliency** – Highwater and Houston ITC Spill Review Panels – What worked / What didn't
- 2:30-3:30 **Brownwater Industry Education** – Maritime Schools Representatives Panel
- 3:30-3:45 **Break**

Fourth General Session

- 3:45-4:45 **USCG Commanders' Panel** – USCG Sector and Senior MSU Commanders
- 5:00-5:30 **Towing Vessel National Center of Excellence Update** – CDR Andrew Bender, USCG
- 6:00-7:30 Evening Reception** (Open Bar)

Friday, August 9

- 8:00-8:30 **Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:30-8:45 **GICA Membership Business Meeting**– Board Chairman, Tom Marian, Presiding
- 8:45-9:30 **GIWW Towboat Operators' Panel** –
- 9:30-10:15 **Economic Impacts of the GIWW MarTrec Study** – Jim Kruse, Texas Transportation Institute
- 10:15-10:45 **Inland Waterways Users Board Priorities** – IWUB Representative
- 10:30-12:00 **TBD / Open Discussion**
- 12:00** **Adjourn – Safe Travels – SEE YOU AGAIN NEXT YEAR AT OUR 115th**