

GRAND WAYNE CENTER

WELCOME TO THE IPMS/USA

NATIONAL CONVENTION BUSINESS MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2026





AGENDA

- ▶ MEET THE TEAM
- ▶ NATIONAL STAFF REPORTS
- ▶ EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS
- ▶ NATS 2027: HUNTSVILLE, AL
- ▶ BUSINESS MEETING WRAP UP



MEET THE TEAM: EXECUTIVE BOARD

- ▶ John Noack – President – Dayton, OH
- ▶ David Morissette – 1st Vice President – Goshen, IN
- ▶ Scott Hackney – 2nd Vice President – Omaha, NE
- ▶ Mike Oberholtzer – Treasurer – River Forest, IL
- ▶ Joe Terry – Secretary – Columbia, SC
- ▶ David Lockhart – Director of Local Chapters – Duluth, GA
- ▶ Chris Bucholtz – Publications Director & Historian – Alameda, CA
- ▶ Eugenie Taylor Ray – Director of Social Media – San Jose, CA
- ▶ David Knights – Recruitment & Retention Secretary – Louisville, KY
- ▶ Phil Perry – Chief Judge – Clermont, FL





MEET THE TEAM: NATIONAL STAFF

- ▶ Nancy Kennedy-Hackney – National Office Manager, Member & Event System Admin – Omaha, NE
- ▶ Steve Broughall – Military & Veterans Services – Orrs Island, ME
- ▶ Nate Pollock – Data Manager – Cedar Rapids, IA
- ▶ Bob Lomassaro – Journal Editor – Henderson, NV
- ▶ Ro Annis – Journal Art Director – Park Ridge, IL
- ▶ Eric Aitala – IPMS/USA Webmaster – State College, PA
- ▶ David Willis – IPMS/USA Web Forum Admin – Panama City, FL
- ▶ Paul Markezich – IPMS/USA Associate Webmaster – Morris, IL
- ▶ Rick Jackson – IPMS/USA Associate Webmaster – Moore, OK





NATIONAL STAFF REPORTS





NANCY KENNEDY-HACKNEY – IPMS OFFICE MANAGER

- ▶ Process IPMS membership and audit for accuracy of records— assign IPMS numbers, add Region & Chapter on contact details record, process payments and approve membership
- ▶ Active members as of July 22nd 5,550
- ▶ Run reports for bi-monthly journals to send to publisher – Ensure city, state, postal codes and country for USA are entered. Ensure postal codes province and country for international
- ▶ Assist members with log on issues, password issues and general IPMS questions
- ▶ Mail out membership cards or journals upon requests
- ▶ New process for IPMS Email blasts
- ▶ Assist IPMS Officers, and regional coordinators - with special projects (25 & 50 Yr Pins)



NANCY KENNEDY-HACKNEY – IPMS EVENT MANAGER

- ▶ Prepare National Events – Vendor, IPMS Convention, and Social Event for Chapters
- ▶ Attend zoom meeting with host teams – address questions and provide data
- ▶ Send notification as requested for reminders about convention
- ▶ Train trophy sales with host team
- ▶ Coordinate with Ann Srandberg for Convention registrations – conduct zoom meeting to cover host team on duties 3 – 6 months prior, 1 – 2 months prior, 1 -2 weeks prior
- ▶ Conduct training for Pre-registration, Walk – In registration, General Admission and Contest registration (with Ann Strandberg, Mark Stevens & Jim Coatney)
- ▶ Create labels in new MyScaleCollection system for convention
- ▶ Prepared badges for printing, sent to PCName Tags



ERIC AITALA – WEBMASTER

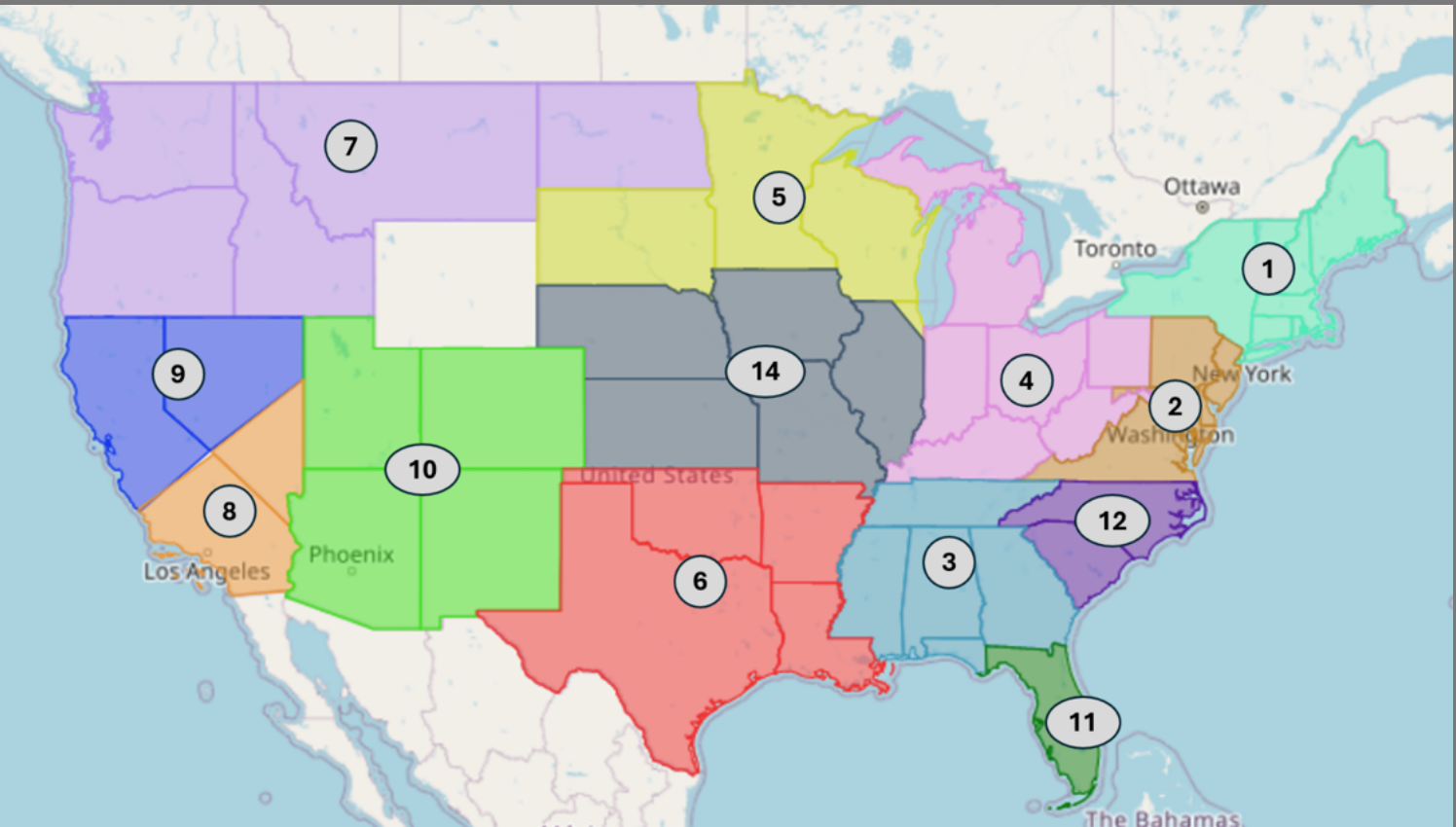
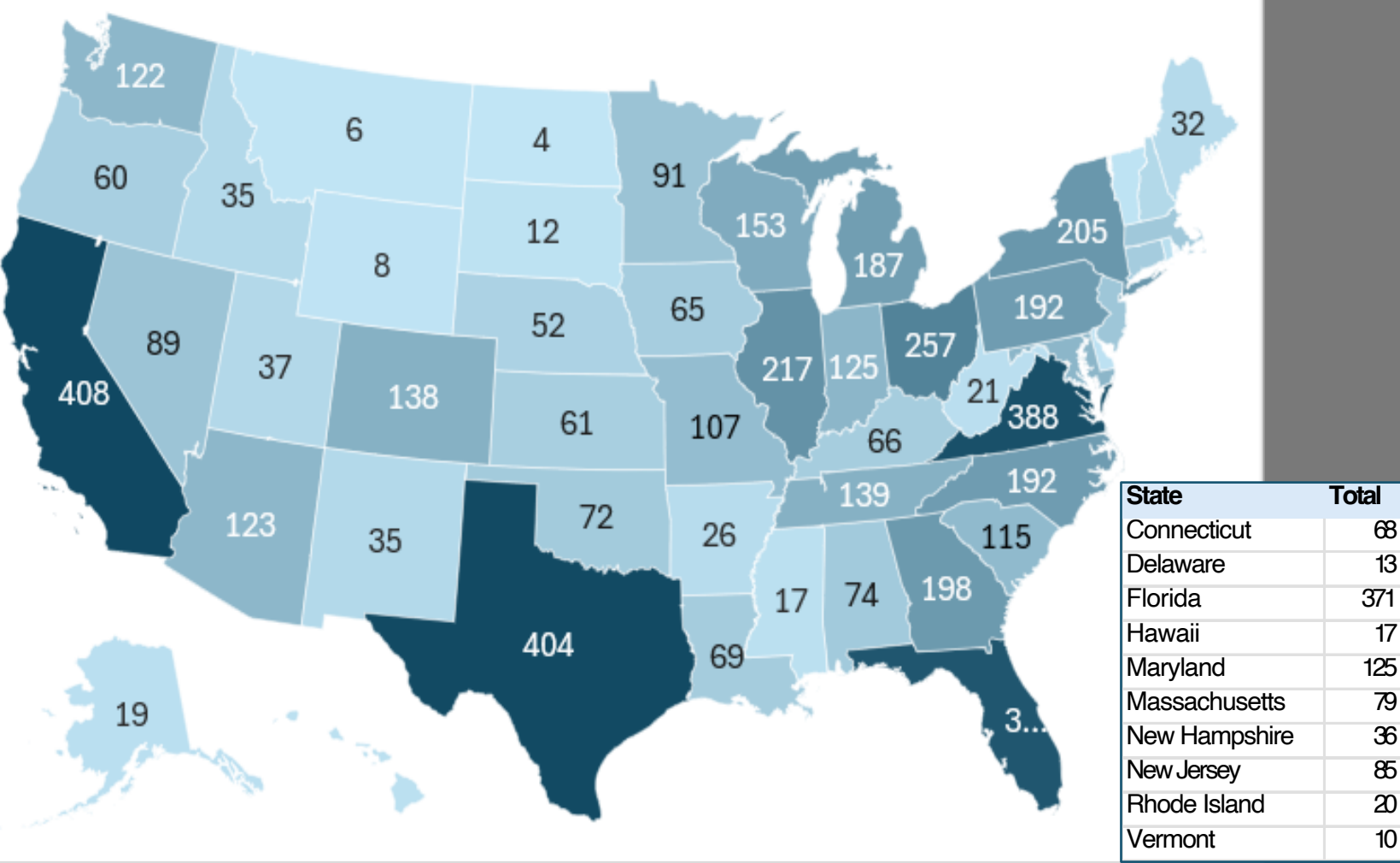
► Website Updates

- The main IPMS website - ipmsusa.org - will be updated after Nats. This will be in two phases, the current site will be available during the update and archived after completion of Phase 2.
- The Reviews and Nationals site will receive a software upgrade after Nats. They may be offline for a short period while this is occurring.
- Other sites will be updated as needed.

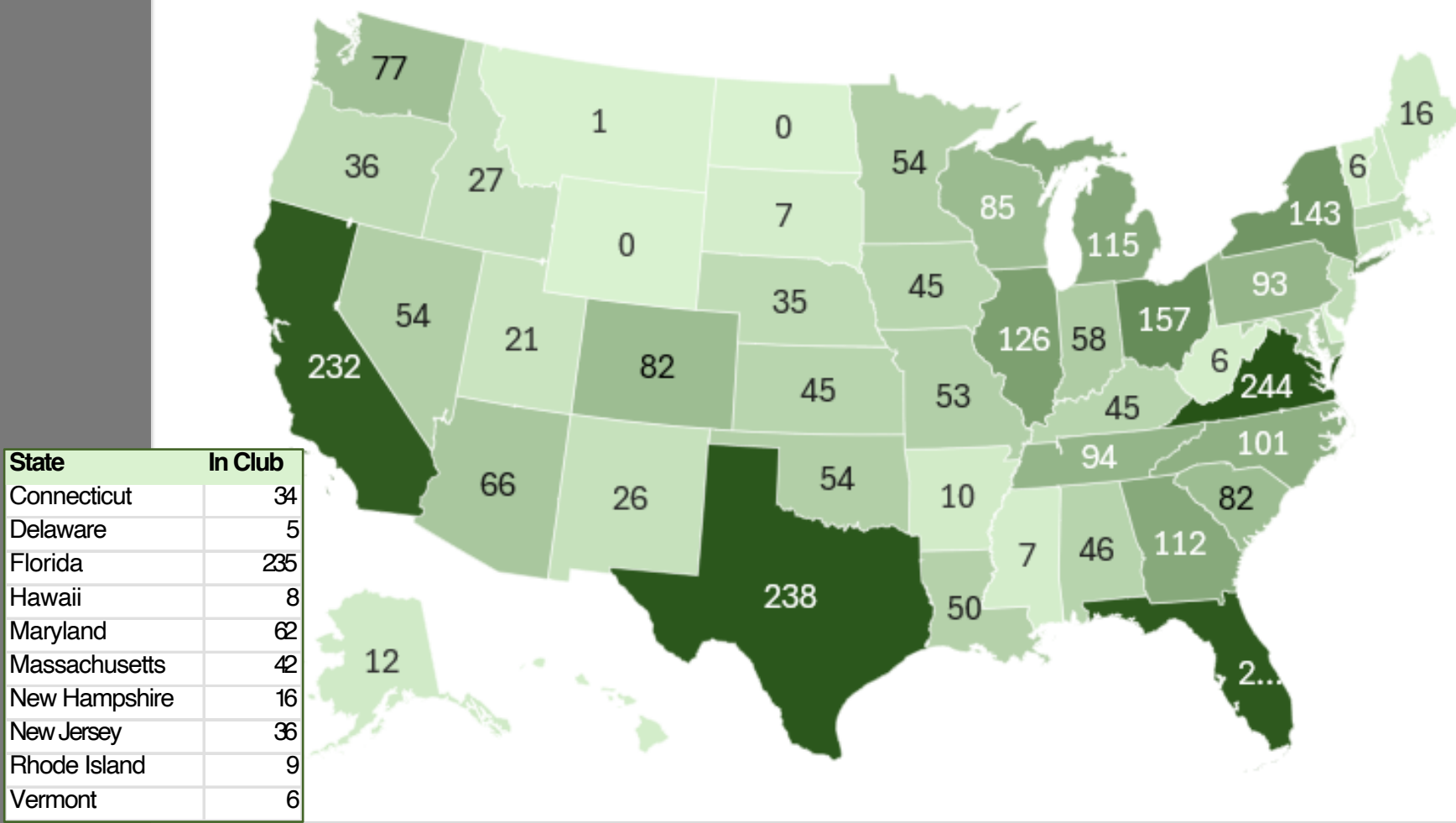


NATE POLLOCK - DATA MANAGER

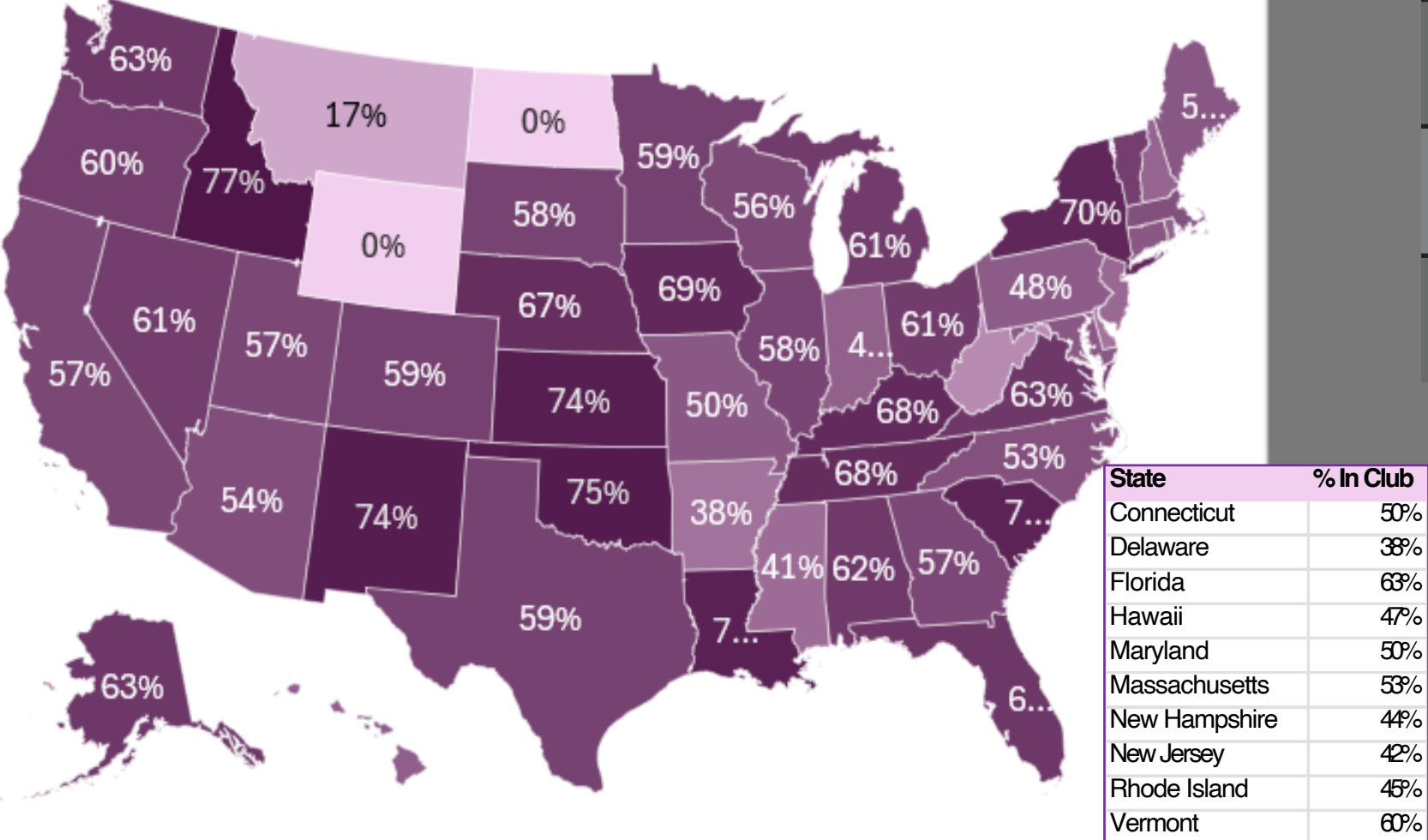
Total IPMS Members in State



IPMS Members in Local Clubs



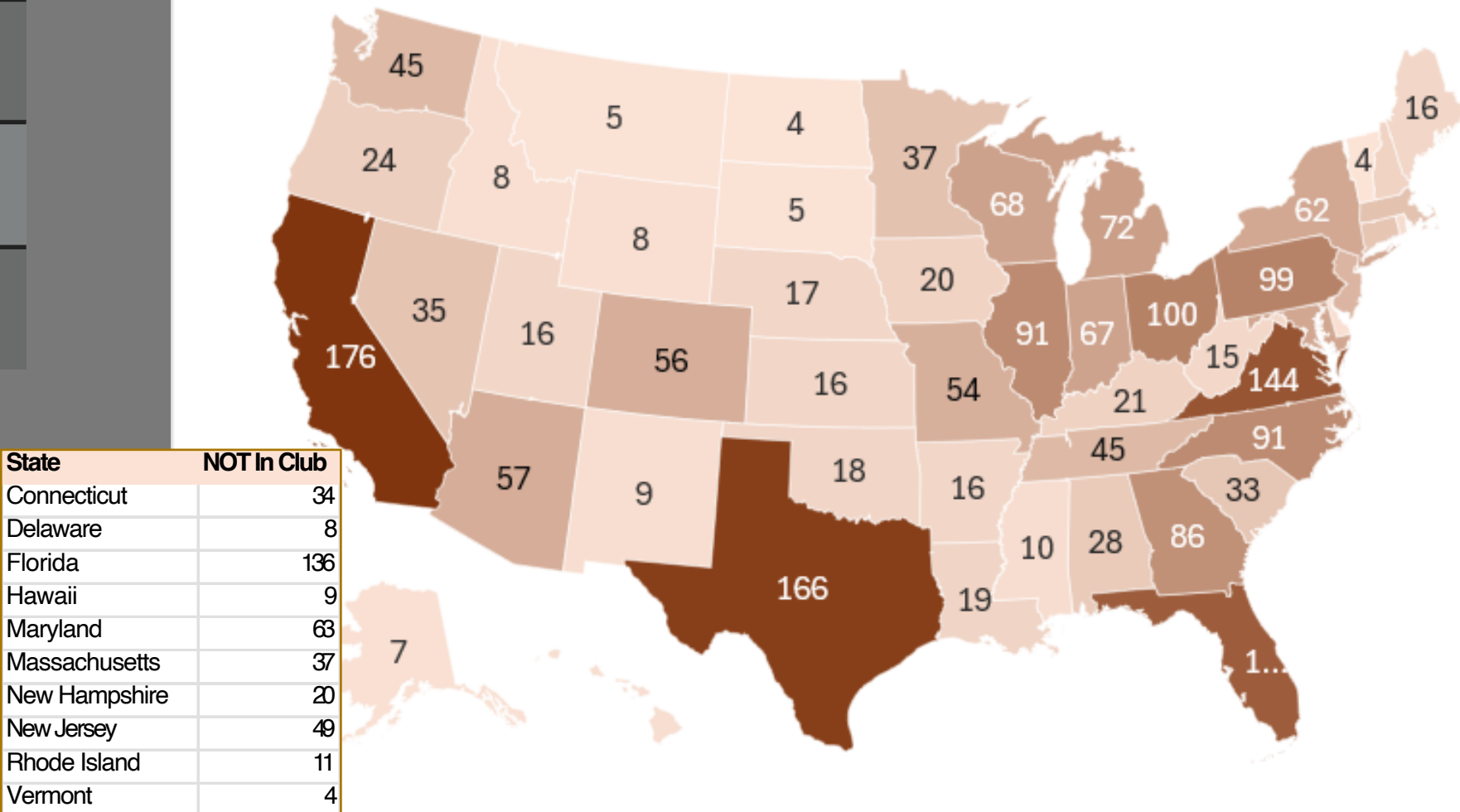
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IPMS/USA Membership

- ▶ Total Members ▶ 5,445
- ▶ In Chapters ▶ 3,208 – 59%
- ▶ No Chapter ▶ 2,237 – 41%

IPMS Members NOT In Local Clubs





EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS





MIKE OBERHOLTZER – TREASURER

- ▶ As expected, in 2025 we saw lower membership income as a result of the 60th Anniversary Special membership pricing. However we saw higher convention revenue and also began earning interest on reserves by moving those funds into a certificate of deposit. Overall income was up about \$18,000 over 2024.
- ▶ Expenses were also higher, primarily due to timing. Later payout of the 2024 convention proceeds and an earlier than usual deposit for the 2026 convention center, more issues of the Journal as we caught up on the schedule, and our biennial subscription payment for our membership system all resulted in expenses about \$86,000 higher than 2024.
- ▶ Therefore our net revenue was about \$69,000 lower in 2025, resulting in a loss of about \$32,000. This is within our expected range of income/loss as a non-profit organization.
- ▶ We ended 2025 with a small loss, but it was planned for and is not a trend.
- ▶ Overall, IPMS/USA continues to be financially strong.



TREASURER REPORT: INCOME

	JAN - DEC 2025	JAN - DEC 2024 (PY)
Revenue		
Convention Revenue		
2024 Convention Revenue		188,422.00
2025 Convention Revenue	218,421.00	22,309.00
2026 Convention Revenue	24,795.00	
Total Convention Revenue	243,216.00	210,731.00
Journal Revenue	20,550.00	20,110.00
Memberships	148,521.00	173,610.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	38.50	
Interest Earned	9,170.72	10.91
Special Products Sales	552.00	435.00
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	9,761.22	445.91
Ralph Forehand Scholarship Fund	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue	\$422,048.22	\$404,896.91
GROSS PROFIT	\$422,048.22	\$404,896.91



TREASURER REPORT: EXPENSES & REVENUE

	JAN - DEC 2025	JAN - DEC 2024 (PY)
Expenditures		
Bank and Credit Card Fees	5,243.28	5,952.57
Consulting	43,200.00	57,600.00
Convention Expenses		
2024 Convention Expenses	12,317.56	135,799.45
2025 Convention Expenses	188,526.27	15,138.90
2026 Convention Expenses	19,285.61	
IPMS USA Paid	18,042.93	8,647.08
zz 2023 Convention Expenses		22,587.66
Total Convention Expenses	238,172.37	182,173.09
Insurance	8,812.00	8,544.95
Journal Expenses	117,655.26	83,572.33
Membership Refunds	1,406.00	711.00
Office Expenses	1,675.07	1,176.87
Other General and Admin Expenses	3,301.27	5,364.51
Regional Convention Grant		200.00
Reviewer Corps Expenses	1,796.33	5,296.19
Shipping and delivery expense	6,369.11	1,378.80
Tax Preparation	2,272.00	2,065.00
Taxes & Licenses	5,337.58	6,560.47
Web and Computer	18,771.10	7,552.24
Total Expenditures	\$454,011.37	\$368,148.02
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -31,963.15	\$36,748.89



TREASURER REPORT: FINANCIAL POSITION

	AS OF DEC 31, 2025	AS OF DEC 31, 2024 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
2025 Convention	100.00	8,128.54
2026 Convention	3,744.39	25,560.65
IPMS USA Main	118,048.56	178,187.80
PayPal Credit Cards	786.95	1,936.78
Reserve Savings CD	205,511.79	146,341.07
Total Bank Accounts	\$328,191.69	\$360,154.84
Total Current Assets	\$328,191.69	\$360,154.84
TOTAL ASSETS	\$328,191.69	\$360,154.84
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		
Equity		
Opening Balance Equity	273,030.90	273,030.90
Retained Earnings	87,123.94	50,375.05
Net Revenue	-31,963.15	36,748.89
Total Equity	\$328,191.69	\$360,154.84
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$328,191.69	\$360,154.84



JOE TERRY – SECRETARY

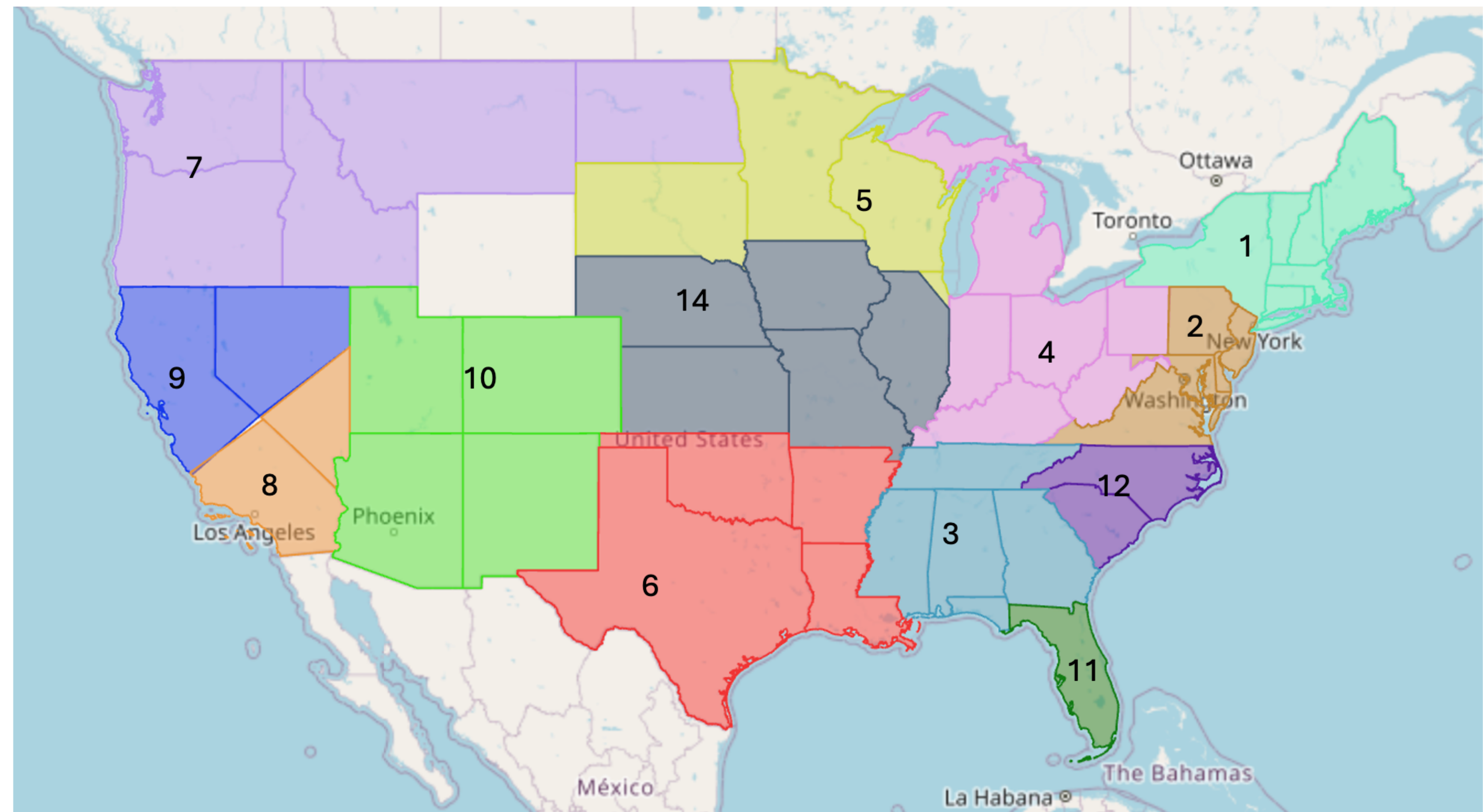
- ▶ Answered LOTS of emails...
- ▶ Helped institute features at the National Convention for Special Interest Groups and Clubs (Best Display Awards at Tiger Meet)
- ▶ Worked with the Special Interest Groups to determine how we can support them better
- ▶ Working on revising the Special Interest Group system of management
- ▶ SIGs offer so much to our members!



DAVID LOCKHART – DIRECTOR OF LOCAL CHAPTERS

► Regions & Regional Coordinators

- Reg 1 – Mark Norman
- Reg 2 – Tim Ward
- Reg 3 – Bill Langlitz
- Reg 4 – Chris Long
- Reg 5 – Alex Drake
- Reg 6 – Tim Robb
- Reg 7 – Doug Reed
- Reg 8 – Michael Potter
- Reg 9 – Ernie Gee
- Reg 10 – Jim Coatney
- Reg 11 – Carl Weaver
- Reg 12 – Tim Kirland
- Reg 13 – Jorg Mustafa
- Reg 14 – Doug Kolkman

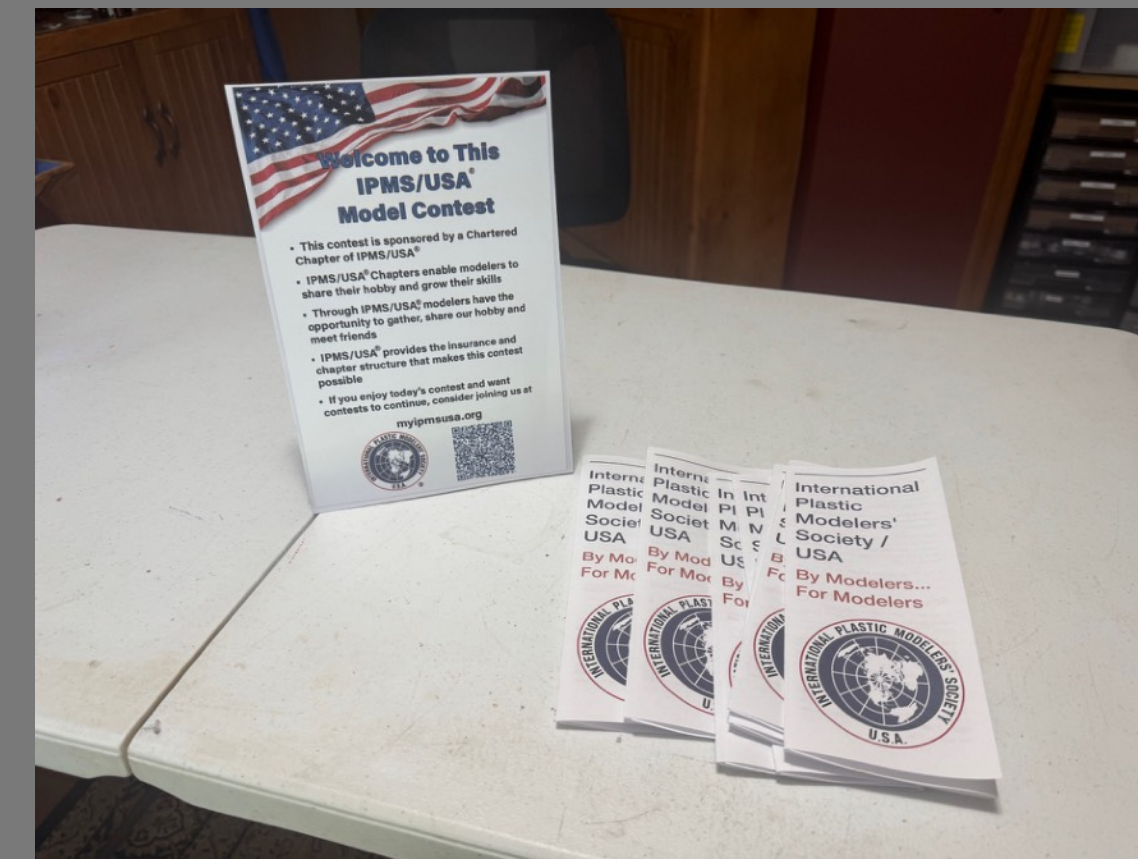


13: AK, HI, PR, Satellite, International, Cyber Clubs



DAVID LOCKHART – DIRECTOR OF LOCAL CHAPTERS

- ▶ Local chapters
 - ▶ Currently: 214
 - ▶ New chapters: 2, 3 potential
- ▶ Recruitment/Promotion at Local/Regional Shows
- ▶ Insurance COI (Certificates of Insurance):
 - ▶ Key advantage for IPMS/USA chapters
 - ▶ Local shows. Regional shows, Monthly meetings, Build sessions
- ▶ Document Development
 - ▶ Chapter renewal
 - ▶ New chapter
 - ▶ Navigating MyIPMS (Wild Apricot) Tips



Welcome to This IPMS/USA® Model Contest

- This contest is sponsored by a Chartered Chapter of IPMS/USA®
- IPMS/USA® Chapters enable modelers to share their hobby and grow their skills
- Through IPMS/USA®, modelers have the opportunity to gather, share our hobby and meet friends
- IPMS/USA® provides the insurance and chapter structure that makes this contest possible
- If you enjoy today's contest and want contests to continue, consider joining us at

myipmsusa.org





CHRIS BUCHOLTZ – PUBLICATIONS & HISTORIAN

- ▶ Magazine is back to being on time thanks to the staff's hard work
- ▶ Calendar last year was a big hit
- ▶ Staff produced Nationals issue in addition to its regular work
- ▶ Editing and production process has been tightened up - leads to a better Journal
- ▶ In the last month, we've added an editor and two graphics designers to the team
- ▶ Still hunting for a full-time advertising manager
- ▶ The people deserving of thanks:
 - ▶ *Managing Editor:* Bob Lomossaro
 - ▶ *Art Director:* Ro Annis
 - ▶ *Editors:* Randy Baumgartner, Doug Cole, John Eaton, Jan Jacobs, Tim Hosek, Scott Huber, Chris Klaver, Ben Morton, Richard Slusher
 - ▶ *Designers:* Brad Growden, Ian Latham, Brandon Marsh, William O'Malley, Alan Welch, Clay Williams, Chi Wang



EUGENIE TAYLOR RAY – DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL MEDIA

- ▶ How do people find out about IPMS/USA? Social Media!
- ▶ Our IPMS/USA Facebook site (groups/ipmsusa), and the Nationals Facebook site (groups/ipmsusanationals) have 19.5K+ members, and 4.2K+ Members respectively
- ▶ The purpose of both Facebook groups is to connect people that otherwise wouldn't be able to, across locations and timezones
- ▶ Our YouTube channel (@Official_IPMSUSA) is another opportunity to promote and share the hobby in more depth - through the Reviews, Tips & Tricks, and Events and Activities.
- ▶ And we're on BlueSky (@ipmsusa.bsky.social) and X (@IPMSUSA) as well
- ▶ We're always looking to expand the team - so if you would like to contribute as a moderator, content creator or expand the realm of social media - please reach out to me at dsm@ipmsusa.org





DAVID MORISSETTE – 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

- ▶ 376 reviews posted in 2025; rate remains consistent for 2026
- ▶ 11,277 reviews posted to web site total
- ▶ Manufacturers Page cleaned and all logos added
- ▶ Seeing a shift from major manufacturers to smaller niche ones
- ▶ Manufacturing is Shifting
 - ▶ 3D printing is exploding especially in aftermarket with companies like Reskit, DXM, Phase Hanger Resin and many others. Quality and Quantity and improving greatly
 - ▶ Larger manufacturers are still issuing kits but more slowly and at target markets.
 - ▶ Many small manufacturers issuing all different types of new kits
 - ▶ Some older manufacturers are not issuing new kits such as Dragon and Hasegawa



SCOTT HACKNEY – 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

- ▶ Another great Convention
- ▶ Huntsville is going to be a blast
- ▶ Model Registration is working great
- ▶ We haven't raised prices for the convention in ten years
 - ▶ I don't know how long we'll be able hold that line
- ▶ We finally have documentation available
 - ▶ Help Chapters bid for a convention
 - ▶ Help Chapters plan and execute a convention
- ▶ The teamwork between the E Board and Chapters planning a convention is both strong and well defined
- ▶ Hosting a convention is a great opportunity to bring the IPMS into your region



JOHN NOACK – PRESIDENT

- ▶ IPMS/USA remains stable, well-funded, and (moderately) growing
- ▶ Our focus areas:
 - ▶ Revamp and update website (DSM, Webmaster)
 - ▶ Constitution and By-Laws update
 - ▶ Growth in our future – young members, different genres
 - ▶ Revisiting the “Why should I join IPMS/USA” question
 - ▶ Community vs. Growth
 - ▶ Making a difference/Being part of something bigger



2027 CONVENTION UPDATE



2027 NATIONAL CONVENTION

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA



2027 IPMS-USA National Convention Update

Brief to the IPMS E-Board

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Agenda



- Summary
- Current Status
 - Contracts
 - Organization
 - Hotels
- Venue
- Timeline
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2027 IPMS-USA Nationals Summary



Where: Von Braun Center, Huntsville, AL

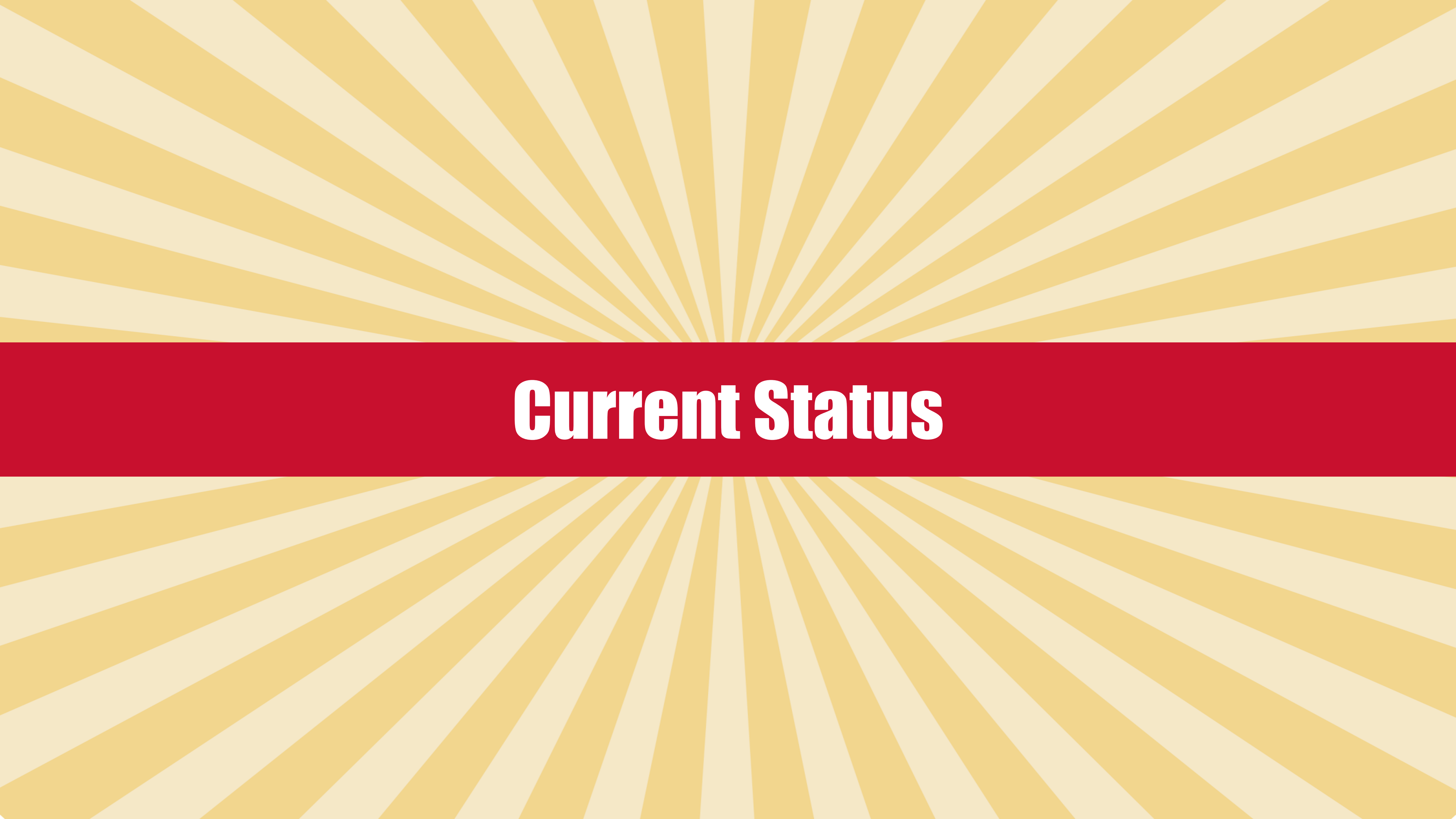
When: 14-17 July 2027

Who: Huntsville Plastic Modelers Society and Region 3

Motto: “Life is Like a Box of Plastic”

Overall Theme: The Space Age

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Current Status



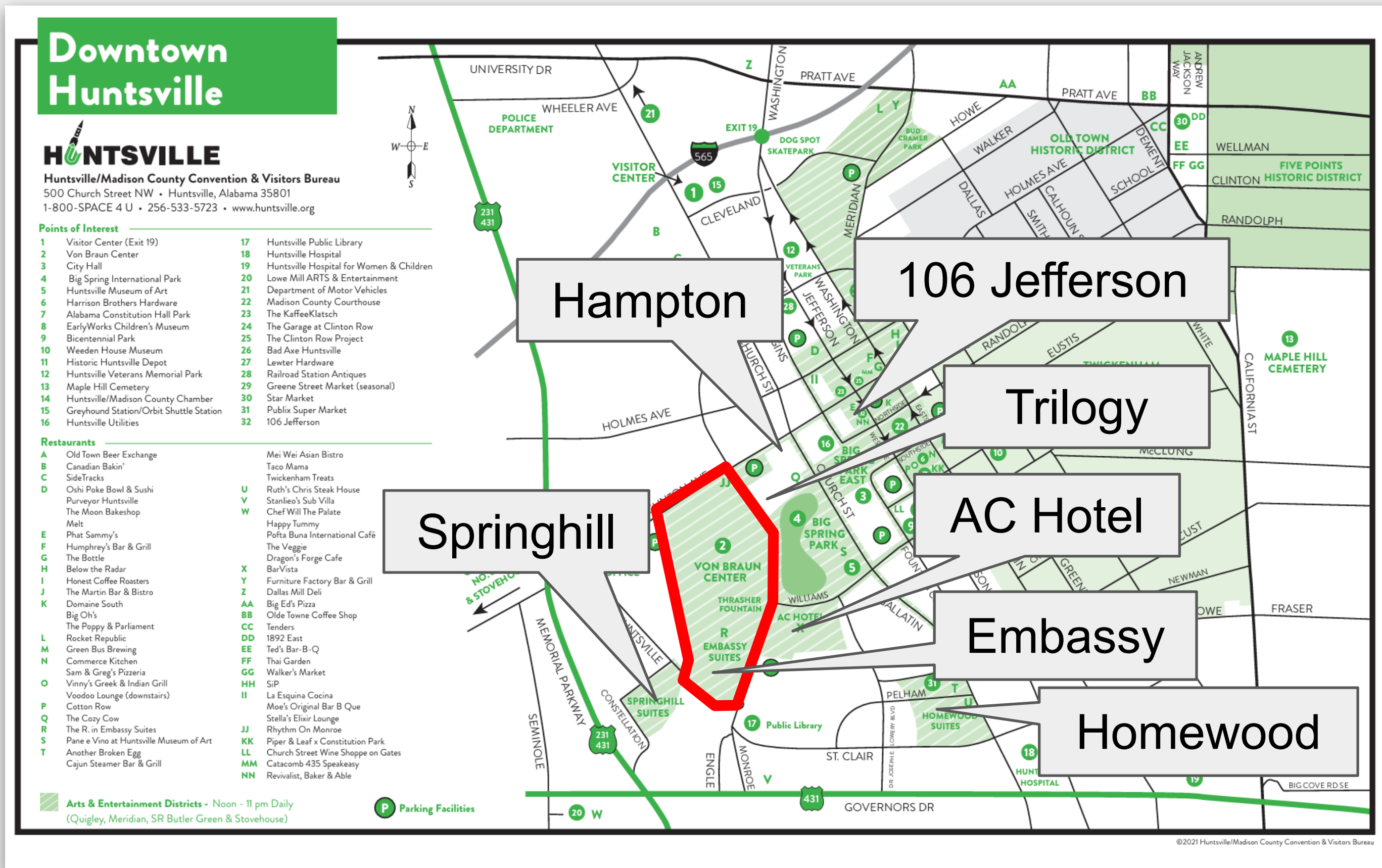
Contract Status



- Venue: VBC Under contract for convention space.
 - Tables, power, other services have to be finalized NLT two weeks before event date (29 June).
- Flagship Hotel (Embassy Suites): Under contract for 994 room-nights.
- Other Hotels:
 - Springhill Suites, 0.1 miles, 180 room-nights.
 - AC Hotel, 0.2 miles, 175 room-nights.
 - Hampton Inn and Suites, 0.2 miles, 150 room-nights.
 - 106 Jefferson, Curio Collection, 0.4 miles, 95 room-nights.
 - Homewood Suites, 0.6 miles, 90 room-nights.
 - Trilogy, 0.1 miles, 80 room-nights. Contract still under negotiation.
- Total approximately 1700 room-nights adjacent to the VBC.



Hotels and Downtown Huntsville



- Seven hotels with 1500+ room nights.
- 50+ Restaurants downtown.
- Multiple municipal and commercial parking lots and garages nearby.
- Space & Rocket Center is 10 minutes away.



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Organization



Curt Haskell
Chairman



Tom Clark
Vice Chair



Earl Thomas
Finances



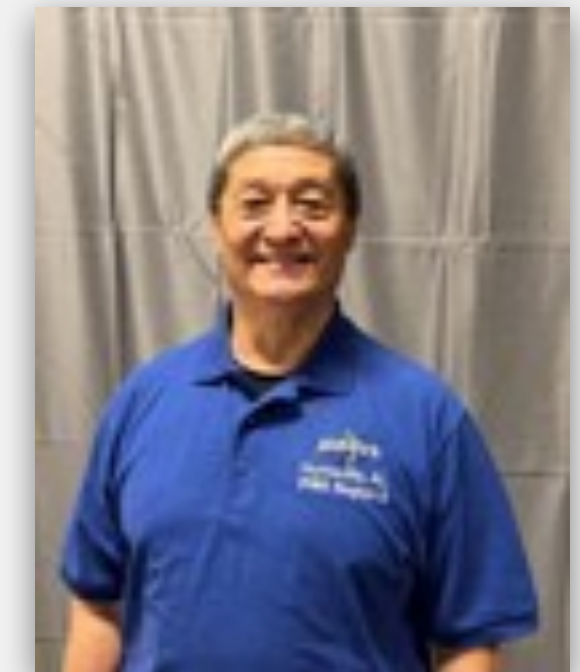
Chuck Segar
Vendor Coord.



Andy Brezinski
Contest Coord.



Bill Langlitz
Volunteer Coord.



Danny Herron
Hotels/Convention Reg.



Ken Acosta
Tours



Jimmy Trapane
Seminars



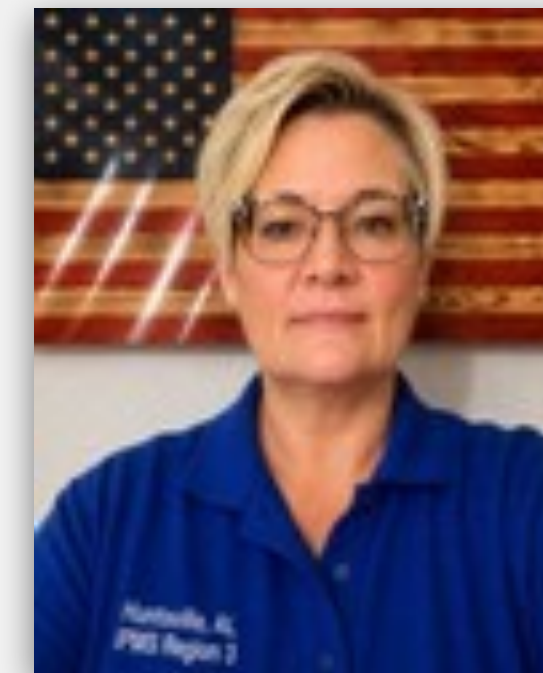
Chris Hines
Tiger Meet



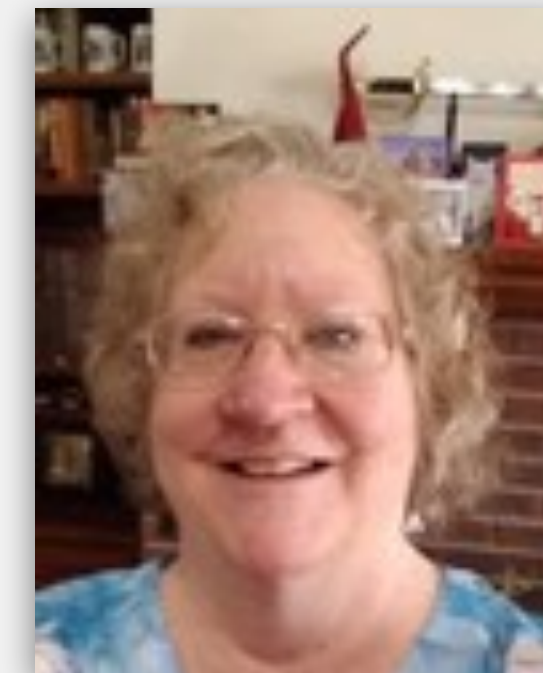
Chuck Davenport
Door Prizes



Mike Hazlewood
Decals



April Thomas
Marketing



Liana Thompson
Web Design



Dan Thompson
Journal Spec Edition

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Region 3



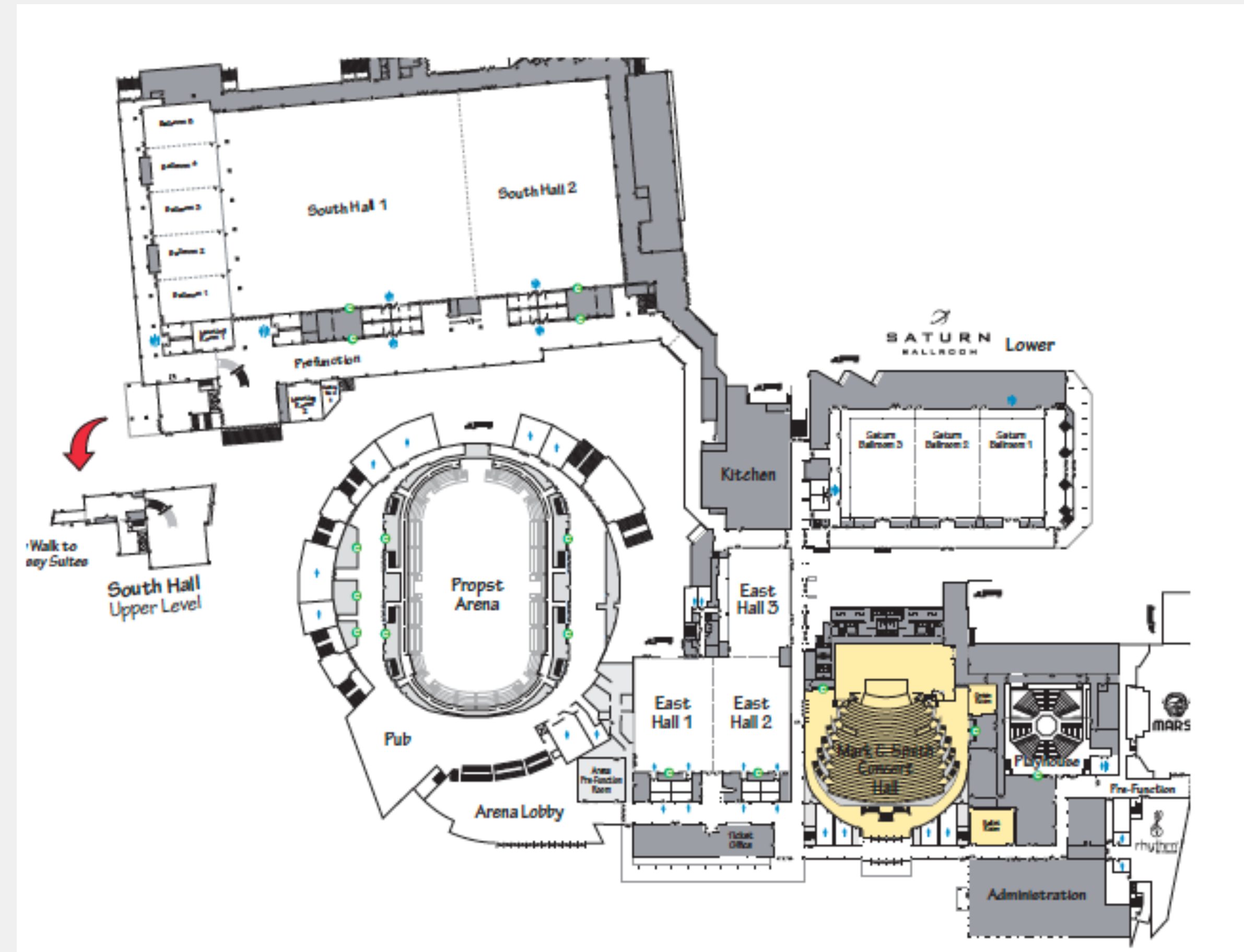
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Venue - The Von Braun Center



Von Braun Center in Downtown Huntsville



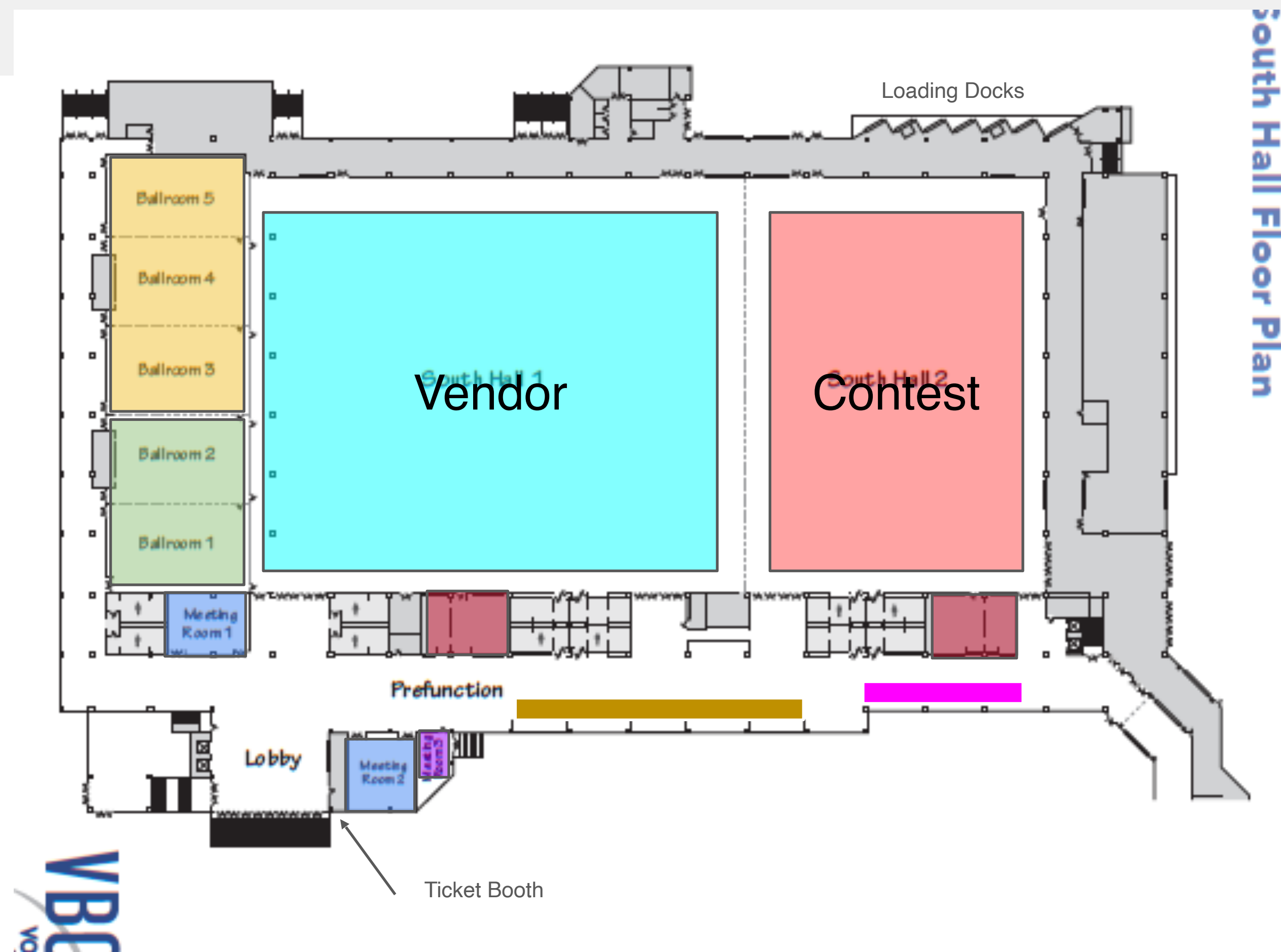
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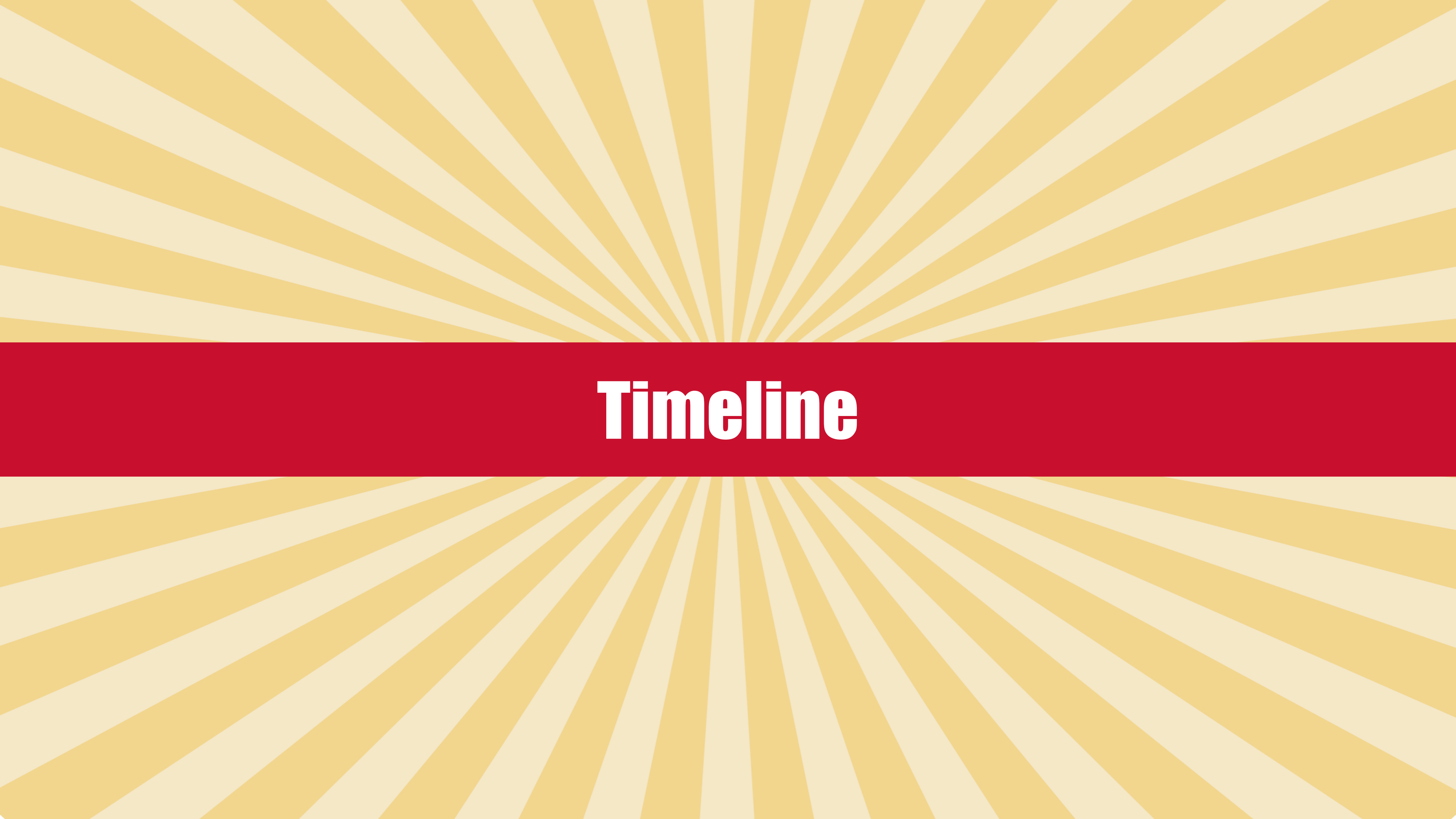
Von Braun South Hall - Convention Layout



- 100,800 sq. ft. of space.
- Includes use of Prefunction, Lobby and Meeting Rooms
- South Hall 1 - Vendor Room
 - 50,400 sq. ft.
 - 420 8 ft. tables
- South Hall 2 - Model Contest
 - 31,500 sq. ft.
 - 280 8 ft. tables
- Ballroom 1 & 2- Tiger Meet
 - 6,000 sq. ft.
 - 60-70 tables
- Ballroom 3, 4 & 5- Seminars
 - 9,000 sq. ft.
 - 315 occupants each
- - - Paid Workshops
 - 1,200-1,350 sq. ft.
 - 60-65 seats as a classroom
- - - Convention Operations
 - 360 sq. ft.
 - 30 people w/ conference table
- Ticket Booth
 - Information/Late Walk-in Registration



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Timeline



Timeline



Event	Date
2026 IPMS-USA Nats Open	Wednesday, 08/05/26
2027 Vendor Registration Opens	Friday, 08/07/26
2027 IPMS-USA Website & Facebook Go Live	Wednesday, 09/09/26
Hotel Reservation Window Opens	Monday, 02/01/27
Convention Registration Opens	Monday, 03/01/27
Model Contest Registration Opens	Monday, 04/05/27
Convention Registration Closes	Wednesday, 06/16/27
Accessory Contract with VBC finalized	Tuesday, 06/29/27
2027 Convention Set-Up	Tuesday, 07/13/27
2027 Convention Opens	Wednesday, 07/14/27
2027 Convention Closes	Saturday, 07/17/27
After-Action Report	Monday, 01/10/28

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Financial



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- Initial Budget prepared
- Reviewed business license and tax information with City of Huntsville
 - Submitted 6-8 weeks before event.

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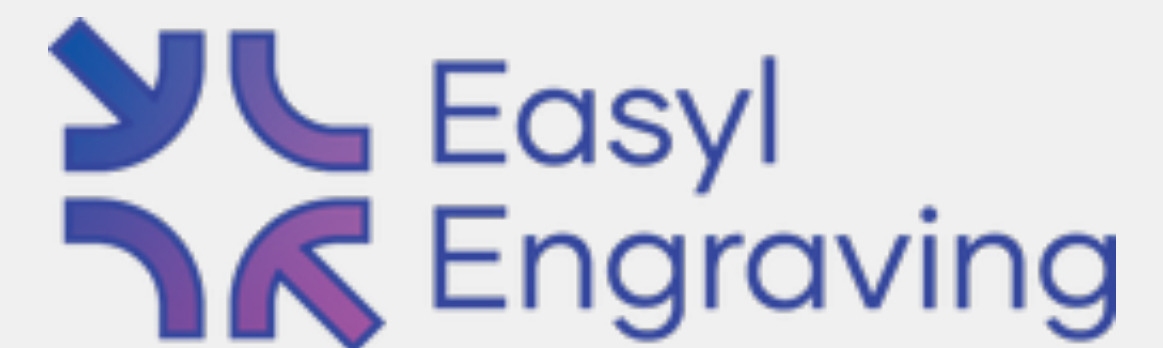
Contest



Prototype Trophies



- 1-2-3 Trophy designs in final stages.
- “Best of” and “Specials” in development
- Local shop specializing in laser cutting, laser engraving and UV printing.



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Special Categories



- Space Age: From Sputnik to Space Shuttle
 - Any subject related to the Space Race.
- Six Day War: The Middle East Aflame
 - Cold War Armor, Aircraft and Figures from the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.
- Talladega: "Boogity, Boogity, Boogity..."
 - NASCAR. NASCAR. And More NASCAR.
- Star Wars: A Galaxy Far, Far Away
 - Celebrating the 50th Anniversary.
- Mecha: The Grunts
 - The Guys Who Exist To Be Blown Up.
- Dazzled! Naval Camouflage from 1914
 - Because "Haze Grey and Underway" Is Boring.

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Tours & Attractions



- U. S. Space & Rocket Center
- US Veterans Memorial Museum
 - A collection of US military vehicles and aircraft in a new facility.
- Signals: Museum of Information Explosion
 - Communication and Information technology
- Rocket City Trash Pandas - AA affiliate baseball team
- Huntsville City Football Club



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**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?**

Audience



WRAP-UP

- ▶ We appreciate your support and your membership
- ▶ Thanks for joining us at the 2026 IPMS/USA National Convention
- ▶ We look forward to seeing you in Huntsville, Alabama
- ▶ Enjoy the rest of the event!

