

President's Welcome



Welcome to the beautiful Renaissance Vinoy Resort and to ABMA's 103rd Annual Convention. It has been my pleasure to serve our Association in numerous capacities over the past many years, and for an organization that is in its second century of service to the industry, it is exciting to know that we are still strong, vibrant and relevant. St Petersburg Florida is a great place to connect with friends, enjoy the area's attractions and to gain some much needed life/work balance. Get ready for a great experience and thanks for attending!

On Wednesday feel free to attend any of the various committee meetings as they are open to the membership and your input is welcome. Don't miss the All Divisional Meeting on Wednesday afternoon where they have been strengthened with the addition of the timely presentation from Lisa Ryan on Attracting and Retaining Top Talent. During the Paul M Miller Welcome Reception you can network with friends, new members and guests so everyone can get to know each other right away.

Attend the Thursday morning business session, where you can meet our new members, our prospective members, guests, and many of your friends again. We will also use this time to bring you up to speed on new Association activities and events of the past year. Immediately following the business session we will present this year's Vision 2020 Strategic Planning Session. I am certain this presentation will be meaningful to your business and our industry. After lunch enjoy the always popular golf tournament. The scramble format allows golfers of all abilities to have fun and to make new friends.

On Thursday evening please collect to meet your friends at our One Hour Reception, followed by dinner on your own for some valuable networking time. New for 2020 is a Networking Dinner that follows the reception in a nearby restaurant. Proceeds from the dinner support the ABMA Foundation.

Friday starts off with the Face 2 Face Suppliers Display, another "can't miss" opportunity where you will be able to meet with many of your current suppliers and many suppliers new to the Association. After lunch feel free to participate in the Teambuilding Electric Boat Scavenger Hunt or use the time for networking, business discussions or alternative diversions. Friday night come join us for our Suppliers Reception. Enjoy the evening dressed in your nice casual resort wear and enjoy the surroundings, fellowship and dance the night away.

On behalf of all of the Directors, I thank you for your support of ABMA. I trust that you will have ample opportunities for networking and I am sure you will enjoy your stay in St Petersburg.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Scott Enchelmaier". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

D Scott Enchelmaier
ABMA President