

- **Sonny Merryman Family Night at Oceana Naval Officers Club** – Shuttle buses will depart from the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree and the Convention Center, then on to Oceana Naval Officer's Club, starting at 5:00 pm, and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the officer's club at 11:00 pm.

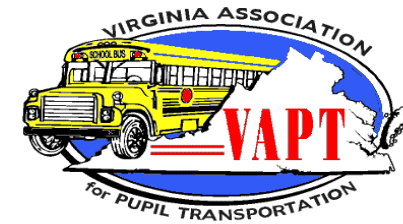
*Wednesday, June 18*

- Shuttle buses will depart from the Cavalier, stopping at the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, then on to the Convention Center, starting at 6:30 am and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the Convention Center at midnight.
- **Technicians Session** – See Technician Program for bus service schedule.
- **Kingmor Reception/Banquet/Kingmor Dance** – Shuttle buses will depart from the Cavalier, stopping at the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, then on to the Convention Center, starting at 5:30 pm, and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the Convention Center at midnight.

*Thursday, June 19*

- Shuttle buses will depart from the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, then on to the Convention Center, starting at 6:30 am, and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the Convention Center at 12 noon.

**NOTE: Attendees staying at the Quality Inn or Cavalier Hotels needing school bus shuttle service should inform the driver and you will be picked up and delivered as requested.**



## 2008 ANNUAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

**Virginia Beach Conference and Convention Center  
Virginia Beach, VA**

**June 16-19, 2008**



*Shuttle bus schedule at the back of program*

**Monday, June 16, 2008**

8:00 AM –

Noon

**VAPT Fishing Trip**

Rudee Tours  
200 Winston Salem Ave.  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Coordinator: Bob Clinebell

8:30 AM

**Exhibitors Setup**

Hall A

Coordinators: Fred S. Valentine, Michael Brown,  
Gail Putze, R. A. “Buster” Bynum

8:30 AM

**Bryan W. Morris, Sr. Memorial Golf  
Tournament**

Red Wing Golf Course – Shotgun start 9 a.m.  
1080 Prosperity Road, Virginia Beach, VA  
Coordinator: Dennis Lewis  
Lunch sponsored by KINGMOR SUPPLY

Noon –

5:00 PM

**Conference Registration/VAPT Shirt  
Sales**

Hall A Box Office

Coordinator – Registration: Alice Matthews, June  
Eanes, Barbara Goodman  
Coordinator – Shirt Sales: Michael Ashby

Noon –

4:00 PM

**NAPT Professional Development Course  
No. 208 “Parent/Public Outreach”**

(Pre-registration required - \$50 fee without  
premium registration)  
Meeting Room 1 D  
Instructor: Barry Sudduth, Westmoreland County

**Shuttle Bus Schedule for Conference**

*Monday, June 16*

- **Fishing trip** – See Technician Program for bus service schedule.
- Shuttle buses will depart from the Cavalier, stopping at the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, then on to the Convention Center, starting at 11:30 am, and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the Convention Center at 9:30 pm.

*Tuesday, June 17*

- Shuttle buses will depart from the Cavalier, stopping at the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, then on to the Convention Center, starting at 6:30 am, and will run on 15 minute intervals. The last shuttle bus will depart from the Convention Center at 11:30 pm.
- **Technicians Session** – See Technician Program for bus service schedule.
- **Road-e-o**
  1. **Contestants and Judges Only** – Shuttle buses will depart from the Wyndham, stopping at the Double Tree, and the Convention Center, then on to the Road-e-o site, starting at 7:00 am, and will run on 15 minute intervals.
  2. **All Other Attendees** – Shuttle buses will depart from the Convention Center every 15 minutes to hotels and Road-e-o site, starting at the conclusion of the Keynote Address by Dr. Billy Cannaday.

## NOTES

(This 4 hour class gives tips on working with the media, school staff, community groups and parents to promote understanding of student transportation issues and needs. Learn how to identify problems and develop appropriate messaging using both time-tested and innovative mediums. This is a valuable course for transportation managers who want to strengthen community relations.)

4:00 –

8:30 PM **Exhibits & President's Reception**  
Hall A  
Sponsored by VAPT and Q'STRAIT

8:30 PM **VAPT Executive Board Meeting**  
Meeting Room 2 E

## TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2008

(Doors open at 6:30 am)

7:00 – 11 AM **Conference Registration/VAPT Shirt Sales**  
Hall A Box Office  
Coordinator – Registration – June Eanes, Alice Matthews, Barbara Goodman  
Coordinator – Shirt Sales – Michael Ashby

7:00 –

8:30 AM **Exhibits**  
Hall A

7:30–8:30 AM **Continental Breakfast**  
Sponsored by SURE-LOK, EDUCATION LOGISTICS, INC., & VAPT

7:30 – 8 AM **Welcome NEW VAPT Members**  
Meeting Room 2 B  
Presiding: VAPT Executive Board

8:30 AM **Spouses, Guests, and Children**  
“Meet and Greet”  
Tower VIP Lounge – Third Floor  
Coordinator: Linda Shaffer

8:30 – 9:30 AM **VAPT First Business Meeting**  
Meeting Rooms 1 A-C  
Presiding: David L. Pace, VAPT President

9:00 – 11 AM **Technician’s General Session**  
(See Separate Agenda)  
Coordinator: Bob Clinebell

9:30 – 11:30 AM **First Opening General Session**  
Meeting Rooms 1 A-C  
Presiding: David L. Pace, VAPT President

**Presentation of Colors:** Salem High School  
NJROTC – Under director of SCPO Rodriguez

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Invocation:** Sam Musick,  
Smyth County Public Schools

**Welcome:** Dr. James G. Merrill  
Superintendent, Virginia Beach City  
Public Schools

**Roll Call of Vendors:** John W. Hazelette  
& Fred S. Valentine

**Opening Remarks/Keynote:**  
Dr. Billy Cannaday, Jr., Superintendent of Public  
Instruction

Noon **Road-e-o – Regular and Special Needs**  
Birdneck Elementary School  
957 South Birdneck Road  
(Shuttle schedule on back of program)  
Lunch sponsored by COMMONWEALTH BUS  
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Noon –

4:00 PM

### **NAPT Professional Development Course No. 901 – “Security Assessment”**

(Pre-registration required - \$50 fee without premium registration)

Meeting Room 1 D

Instructor: Michael J. Martin, Executive Director,  
NAPT

(This 4 hour class will teach you how to use a security assessment that has been specially created for school transportation service providers to evaluate all critical areas of your operation including your transportation facility, buses, operational procedures, staff and communication systems, as well as your school/community planning and cooperation.)

3:00 –

4:30 PM

### **Conference Registration**

Hall A Box Office

Coordinators – Registration – June Eanes, Alice,  
Matthews, Barbara Goodman

6:00 PM

### **Family Night Dinner**

Oceana Naval Air Station Officers Club

Sponsored by SONNY MERRYMAN, INC &  
THOMAS BUILT BUSES

(Shuttle schedule on back of program)

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2008**

(Doors open at 6:30 am)

6:30 – 7 AM

### **Technicians' Workshops**

(See Separate Agenda)

Coordinator: Bob Clinebell

7 AM – Noon

### **Conference Registration/VAPT Shirt Sales**

Hall A Office Box

Coordinators – Registration – June Eanes, Alice  
Matthews, Barbara Goodman

Coordinator – Shirt Sales – Michael Ashby

7:00 – 7:30 AM **Continental Breakfast**

Foyer Meeting Room 1 A-C  
Sponsored by VAPT

7:30 – 8:15 AM **Second VAPT Business Meeting**

Meeting Room 1 A-C  
Presiding: David L. Pace, VAPT President

8:15 – 9:45 AM **Second General Session - Supervisors**

Meeting Room 1 A-C  
**“Prepared, Not Scared”**  
Nancy Blackwelder

(Educators and bus drivers need to know where students hide weapons and drugs. They need to know what they should do if there is a *hidden or displayed weapon*. Knowledge of *gang signs* and paraphernalia are essential to avoiding potential problems. How should drivers and assistants *break up fights* on the bus? What are the *key warning signs* of students who may become violent? Key elements of this presentation are awareness and preparedness.)

9:00 AM **“Meet and Greet”**

Spouses, Guests, Children  
Tower VIP Lounge – Third Floor  
Coordinator: Linda Shaffer

10:00 –

11:30 AM **Second General Session, Continued**

Meeting Room 1 A-C  
**“Transporting Children with Special Needs in Virginia – Navigating the Law and Regulations to Ensure a Violation Free Trip”**  
Hank Millward, Complaints Specialist, Virginia DOE Special Education

11:30 – 1:00 PM **Lunch on your Own**

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Dr. Billy K. Cannaday, Jr., Superintendent of Public Instruction  
Kent Dickey, Assistant Superintendent for Finance

8:00 – 8:30 AM **Remarks – IC Corporation**  
Ballroom 1  
**“Hybrid School Buses”**  
Ramses Banda, Product Marketing Manager

8:30 – Noon **Third General Session**  
Ballroom 1  
Department of Education Updates  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration updates  
  
Announcements and Door Prizes  
2009 Conference – Roanoke, VA

Adjournment

1:00 – 2:20 PM **Breakout Sessions (1 hour/20 min. sessions)**

**No. 1 – McKinney-Vento Act Requirements**

Meeting Room 2 C

**Keep on Rollin’! Supporting Students Experiencing Homelessness – What’s a Transportation Director to Do?**

Patricia Popp, Ph D

State Coordinator, Project Hope-VA

(Student transportation is an integral part of serving the needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness. Your efforts provide these students with the stability they need in their education that makes a difference to student success. This session will review the legal requirements related to school of origin and share resources and suggestions for implementation.)

**No. 2 – “Things Everyone Should Know About Bullying and the School Bus”**

Meeting Room 2 B

Mike Martin, Executive Director, NAPT

(Hear the important lessons the Executive Director of NAPT learned from his personal experience with bullying and the school bus.)

**No. 3 – Gangs on our buses and in our schools**

Meeting Room 2 A

Det. Gene Balance and Det. Jerry Warner,  
Norfolk Police Department, Gang Squad

(A presentation that will cover the activities and motivation of street gangs.)

## **No. 4 – Managing Special Needs Student Behavior and Managing the Bus Environment**

Meeting Room 2 D

(This breakout session will run from 1 – 4 PM)

Nancy Blackwelder

(This presentation familiarizes the participants with *characteristics of students* diagnosed with ADD/ADHD, Communication Disorders and high-end Emotional, Learning and Mental Disabilities. Students with processing deficits require special strategies and understanding. *Discipline Tips* provide concrete tools to make each student successful on the bus. Confidential records training is provided for participants.)

## **No. 5 – Establishing Guidelines for Charter Bus Service**

Meeting Room 2 E

John W. Hazelette, CDPT, Director of Transportation, Norfolk City Public Schools

(We have all experienced questions about students using charter buses (coaches) as to their safety especially after a high-profile incident. This session will provide information to assist you in preparing detailed procedures to solicit and select private motor coach carriers for student trips from your school district.)

## **2:30 – 4:00 PM Repeat Breakout Sessions**

Noon –

4:00 PM

## **NAPT Professional Development Course No. 607 – “Legal Issues in Public School Transportation”**

(Pre-registration required - \$50 fee without premium registration)

Meeting Room 1 D

Instructor: Jerry Milliken, Consultant, West Virginia

(This course provides an overview of federal laws and guidelines regarding school bus transportation, including federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS), Guideline 17, commercial vehicle license, drug and alcohol testing and much more. Obtain the broad stroke on special education laws – ADA, IDEA, Section 504, and 94-192. This information course will conclude with a look at ISO 9000.)

## **5:00 – 6:00 PM Reception**

Foyer outside Ballroom 1

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(Shuttle schedule on back of program)

6:00 PM

## **Banquet**

Ballroom 1

Presiding: David L. Pace, VAPT President

Poster Contest: Anne Pilson, Patrick County

Golf: Dennis Lewis, Chesterfield County

Road-e-o: Sharon Utley, Chesterfield County

Scholarship: Linwood Horne, Hanover County

Dean Farmer, Sonny Merryman, Inc.

Sure-Lok Above and Beyond Award: Erika

Sorvino, Northeast Product Specialist,

Hall of Fame: John W. Hazelette, Norfolk City

## **Dance**

Ballroom 1

(30 minutes following the end of banquet)

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## **THURSDAY, June 19, 2008**

(Doors open at 6:30 AM)

## **7:00 – 8:00 AM Breakfast**

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