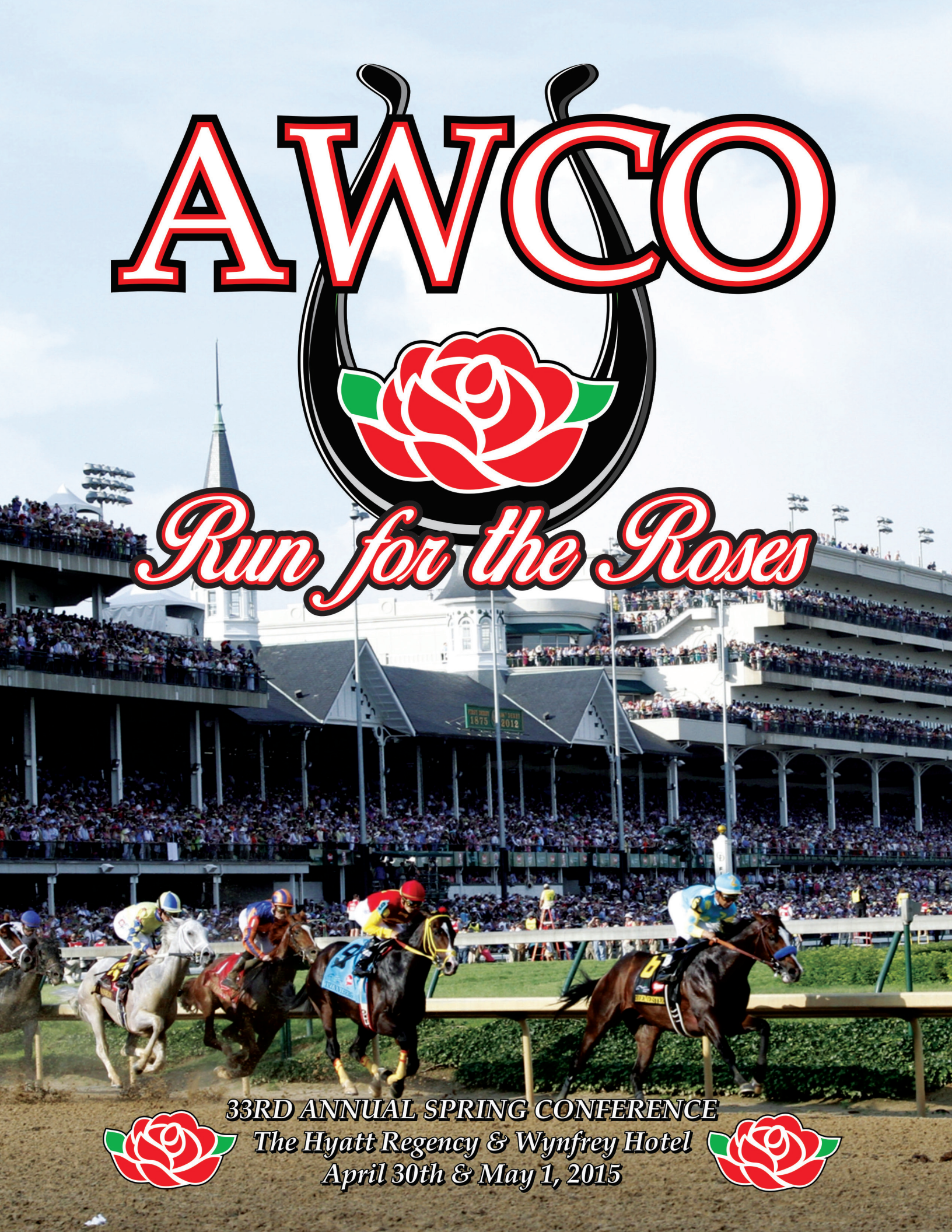


AWCO



Run for the Roses



33RD ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

The Hyatt Regency & Wynfrey Hotel

April 30th & May 1, 2015



Welcome to the 33rd Annual AWCO Spring Conference

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, we would like to invite you to the **34th Annual Spring Educational Conference**. AWCO is an organization that assists each person within our professional network, to achieve their goals through education. We have planned an informative program designed to cover the current issues in Workers' Compensation for Alabama and have an outstanding slate of speakers, who are foremost experts in their respective fields. There will be topics of interest for everyone. So let us help you finish first in the race of Workers' Compensation. We are changing up the format for the Conference this year to try and make it easier for attendees. We will have a short session on Thursday afternoon then finish up by 1:00 p.m. on Friday.

On Thursday, April 30, registration will begin at 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. During this time, the trade show of vendors will also be open. The conference will begin at 3:00 p.m. and go until 6:00 p.m. We will have one combined session for all to attend. The reception will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the exhibit hall and registration area. There will be cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, casino games, live DJ and more! We will continue our tradition of raising money for a worthy cause with silent and live auctions and the 50/50 drawing will also be conducted during the reception. For donations please contact David Palmer: dpalmer@siucorp.com or 205-621-3322. AWCO will be ready to accept cash, a check, or a credit card as method of payment for the auction items.

Longtime AWCO member and attorney Herb Sparks (most recently General Counsel for Millennium Risk Management, LLC) unexpectedly passed away on November 4, 2014. Herb is survived by 2 sons; Nathan, and Cameron Robert (whom Herb affectionately called "Cam Bob"). Cameron was born with Downs Syndrome, and received early intervention and therapy at The Bell Center. This was a great help to Cameron and Herb's family in preparing for the future. The Bell Center is dedicated to maximizing the potential of children from birth to three years who are at risk for developmental delay. In honor of Herb, all money raised at the Auction will be donated to this most worthy charity which has served more than 1,000 children and families in its 30 years of existence.

On Friday, May 1, breakfast will be provided from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. in the exhibit area. We will be offering split sessions: one session will be Legal and the other will be Medical. You may stay in one session for the entire day or move back and forth, depending on the topic that is of the most interest to you. We will also be offering the New Adjuster Training sessions this year - WC 101. Breaks during the conference will allow you to visit with our exhibitors and learn more about their services. Closing remarks and prizes will be given away before we adjourn the conference at 1:00 p.m.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Hyatt Regency - Birmingham The Wynfrey Hotel is reserving a block of rooms for our conference. The group rate is \$142 for standard guestroom/\$162 for Regency Club guestroom. To make your room reservation, please call 1-800-233-1234 and reference AWCO and the conference date. This room rate will be valid through Friday, April 10, 2015. Please discuss cancellations, early check-out and no-show policies with the hotel when you make your reservations.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Our vendor for the exhibit space is Veal Convention Services, Inc. The Hotel will not accept packages more than 3-4 days prior to the conference. Please contact the Hotel directly for arrangements and/or questions. Exhibit booths must be set-up and ready to greet attendees by 1:00 p.m. Thursday, April 30. All food and beverage events have been planned during the trade show hours in or around the exhibit areas to offer exhibitors maximum exposure. Please remember to bring an auction item (valued at \$100 or more) to be used during the silent and/or live auction. You may also give away a door prize to attendees at the conclusion of our educational session on Friday. Exhibitors must tear down their booths immediately after the 10:45 a.m. break on Friday morning. For questions regarding exhibit booth space contact Diane Johnson: diane_johnson@corvel.com or 888-784-8570.

CREDIT

We are pleased to be approved by the State of Alabama Department of Industrial Relations to provide eight (8) hours of educational credits for this conference - the required number to administer Alabama Workers' Compensation Claims. In addition, we have applied for the following continuing education credits: CLE; RN; OT; PT; CCM; CRM and CDMSC. Please be sure to complete the applicable forms at the conference in order to receive the credits for your attendance.

DRESS

Dress for the conference including all social activities is casual.

2015 AWCO "Run for the Roses" Spring Conference Schedule

Thursday, April 30:

1:00 - 2:45

2:45 - 3:00

3:00 - 3:45

3:45 - 4:45

4:45 - 5:00

5:00 - 6:00

6:00 - 7:00

7:00 - 10:00

General Session - Henry Levens

Registration and Exhibit Hall Open

President's Welcome

Case Law Update

Ask Clay and Fred

Break

Effective Communication Work Comp Style

The Bell Center

Casino Night in Exhibit Hall

Bill Austill, Esq. and

Brandon Walker, Esq.

Clay Clark, Esq. and Fred Fohrell, Esq.

Chris Dorough, Esq.; Carol Brooker; Amy

Bearden, RN, CCM

TBA

Friday, May 1:

7:00 - 7:45

7:45 - 8:00

8:00 - 8:45

8:45 - 9:15

9:15 - 9:45

9:45 - 10:15

10:15 - 10:45

10:45 - 11:30

11:30 - 12:00

12:00 - 12:45

12:45 - 1:00

Legal Forum - Tim Donahue

Registration and Breakfast in Exhibit Hall

President's Welcome

Practical Tips and Strategies When Using Surveillance.

Genex

Top 10 Medicare Myths

Break

Social Media in Litigation

Voc Rehab: The Third Pillar of Work Comp

The Pain Exception

Compounding: Science and the Law

Closing Remarks and Prizes

David Hamby, Esq. and Johnnie Munn

Nancy Miller, RN

Mark Popolizio, Esq.

Mike Cohan, Esq.

Trey Mosely, CRC; Russell DuBose, Leslie

Dawson, CRC; and Deborah Bolton, MA

Charley Drummond, Esq. and Scott Kendrick, MD

Shawn Cole, Esq. and Paige Bowling

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Medical Forum - Carol Walker

Registration and Breakfast in Exhibit Hall

President's Welcome

TBI in the Workplace

Work Related Foot Injuries

ASTYM

Break

The Pain Exception

Compounding: Science and the Law

TBD

A Collaborative Approach to Prosthetic Management of the Work Comp Amputee

Closing Remarks and Prizes

Robert Brunner, MD

Matthew D'Orion, MD

Ryan Hunt, DPT

Charley Drummond, Esq. and Scott Kendrick, MD

Shawn Cole, Esq. and Paige Bowling

Glenn Crumpton, Kim Duckett, Ernie Restivo and Jeffrey Pirofsky, MD

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New Adjuster training

Registration and Breakfast in Exhibit Hall

Break

Closing Remarks and Prizes



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