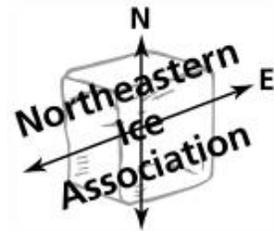


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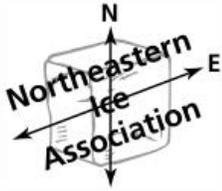
ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Providence Biltmore Hotel

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

October 22- 25, 2017

**CONVENTION
REGISTRATION**



NORTHEASTERN ICE ASSOCIATION

Dear Association Members,

It's that time again, time to take a break and look forward to relaxing from a very busy summer in the northeast. I'm writing to remind everyone that this fall's Northeastern Ice Association Convention will be held at the beautiful award winning **PROVIDENCE BILTMORE HOTEL**, located right in the heart of Providence, Rhode Island. This is the perfect location for a fall convention. We have done everything possible to keep costs low, while providing excellent accommodations in a prime location that will allow you to enjoy all this area has to offer.

One of the exciting highlights of this year's meeting is the chance to visit the Eastern Ice Fall River Ice Plant and enjoy networking time with fellow ice manufacturers. Our annual business meeting, along with fun filled afternoon and evening events will round out our convention. Combine this with time with our suppliers and other industry friends and you have a great meeting to look forward to.

This is a great time to learn more about your association. After the great summer season we have had what better way to relax than at one of the most diverse cities in New England, at a hotel within walking distance of great shopping and ethnic neighborhoods! Great Italian food and fun is the name of the game here.

Again, please do not miss this opportunity to meet old friends, make new ones and visit with your suppliers. **Don't forget to block out October 22- 25, 2017 on your calendars and send in your registration immediately. ROOMS ARE LIMITED. We need to confirm all hotel reservations by September 29th.**

We look forward to seeing you at the **Providence Biltmore Hotel** in exciting Providence, Rhode Island this fall. **Get your registration in NOW!**

Warmest Regards,

Craig Rossi
President, NIA

Convention Highlights



PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Providence will be a wonderful host for our group as we sample all this wonderful city has to offer. Providence delights in its sobriquet, "Renaissance City." No question, the city is moving on up, counter to the trend of so many small and midsize New England cities.

Prosperity is evident in the resurgent downtown city business center and the emerging adjacent neighborhoods dubbed the Arts & Entertainment and Jewelry districts. More recently on the rise is the West Side, a former industrial enclave adjoining Federal Hill, the city's "Little Italy." All are attracting creative young people and the eating places, shops, bars, and various entertainments they crave. Providence has so much to offer and fall is the perfect time to visit.

Highlights of this year's convention will include a welcome cocktail reception with our suppliers. As usual, a highlight will be a plant tour with typical New England style lunch. Our program will also include a very special visit to Paul Hendler's sons micro-brewery, Jack's Abbey! In addition we will have plenty of time to talk to vendors about their products and services and will hear updates on our association for the past year at our annual business session. Evenings will give time for visiting some of the top local pubs and restaurants.

Our optional tours will highlight the best of the area. Most of all you will have lots of time to network with other ice industry friends throughout our three nights in Providence. Craig Rossi promises one of the best "pub crawls" ever!

Hotel: **The Providence Biltmore Hotel**

A majestic old dame, this downtown 1922 hotel was designed by the architectural firm of Warren and Wetmore, the same team responsible for Grand Central Station in New York City. It still awes with its sweeping stairway, crystal chandeliers, bronze ceiling, and distinctive glass elevator. Rooms, all with king beds, retain much of the same old-world charm without feeling even the slightest bit fusty, while the spa is a nice up-to-date touch.

Getting There:

I-95, which connects Boston and New York, runs right through the city. From Cape Cod, pick up I-95 west.

T. F. Green/Providence Airport in Warwick, south of Providence (exit 13, I-95), is served by feeder and major airlines, including American (tel. 800/433-7300), Continental (tel. 800/525-3273), Delta (tel. 800/221-1212), Northwest (tel. 800/225-2525), Southwest (tel. 800/435-9792), United (tel. 800/864-8331), and US Airways (tel. 800/428-4322).

The Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA) provides transportation between the airport and the city center. Taxis are also available, costing about \$20 for the 20-minute trip.

Amtrak (tel. 800/USA-RAIL; www.amtrak.com) runs several trains daily between Boston and New York that stop at the attractive new station at 100 Gaspee St., near the State House.

Meeting Highlights: Sunday, October 22 – Wednesday, October 25

This year our convention will kick off on **Sunday, October 22nd** with our **welcome reception with our suppliers**. Monday, October 23rd sessions will include our annual NIA business meeting, where you will be updated on the business of the association for 2016-2017, followed by our special plant tour to the **Eastern Ice Fall River Plant**. Tuesday will bring opportunities for you to enjoy time with our suppliers followed by a special visit to the micro-brewery, Jack's Abbey Brewery, already winner of several awards and the business venture of Paul Hendler's family. Add to this a wonderful optional evening with a "murder mystery dinner", a great pub crawl and farewell banquet and you have an NIA meeting you just can't miss!

Optional Activities: Monday, October 23

NIA Murder Mystery Dinner

JURY SUMMONS **The state of Rhode Island summons you to report for jury service on Monday, October 23, 2017 @ 7:00 pm in the case of:**

**PEOPLE V. CANNIBAL A. RECTOR
Charged with Murder in the First Degree**



Please report to the courtroom at: Bravo Brasserie, 123 Empire St., Providence, RI (OR ELSE!)

At **Murder On Us** the action happens all around you, not on a stage. Since the action takes place amongst the tables, all seats are great! Audience members are often caught in the middle as gunshots are fired, switch-blades are snapped open, or characters break into song.

The scenes of the play are alternated with the courses of the meal. During the dinner breaks, the actors mingle with the audience and entertain on a one to one basis. The dinner/performance takes place at one of Rhode Island's finest restaurants, **Bravo**, located in the heart of Providence's theater district.

NIA Pub Crawl: Monday, October 23

What NIA Convention would be complete without an "afternoon networking event" enjoying a favorite NIA activity, our signature "**pub crawl**" in memory of **Rob Bould**! Providence will not disappoint as a great location to visit some of the top pubs in the city, following Craig Rossi every step of the way!

Included In Your Registration

Plant Tour: Eastern Ice Fall River Plant Monday, October 23

This year our plant tour will be of the Eastern Ice Fall River plant, a 50,00 square feet, 220 ton turbo per day capacity with 4 bagging lines, two robotic palletizers and 2500 pallet locations for cold storage facility. Following the plant tour enjoy a typical New England style lunch! The plant tour, transportation and lunch are included in your conference registration.

Micro-Brewery Tour: Tuesday, October 24

Today you are in for a real treat as we visit Jack's Abby Brewery. Enjoy a tour of the brewery, sample some of their outstanding beers and hear details of the company and the processing from a brew master.

Founded in 2011 by three brothers, Jack, Eric, and Sam Hendler, Jack's Abby has become a mainstay of the craft brewing scene in the Northeast and nationwide. Jack's Abby brews lagers, and only lagers. Born in the high alps of Bavaria over 200 years ago, lagers became a beloved brew all across Europe. Lagers feature a distinctive smoothness and fullness that no other beer has and we think everyone deserves.

Their mission is to create truly distinctive lagers featuring locally grown ingredients, traditional German brewing standards, and American innovation.

Following the tour you will enjoy lunch at the brewery. This activity and lunch are included in your convention registration!

Farewell Dinner: Tuesday, October 24

Our final evening will be a wonderful one as we enjoy a great meal together. Support the association and our officers and board as we celebrate with a closing convention dinner at the Providence Biltmore.

Tonight you will feast on some of the area's best food! Two drink coupons are included to top off the enjoyment!

AGENDA

Sunday, October 22:

2:30 – 5:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
2:30 – 5:00 PM	Supplier Set up
5:00 – 6:30 PM	Registration
5:30 – 8:30 PM	Welcome Reception with Suppliers (2 drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres included)

Monday, October 23:

7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast with the Suppliers
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Supplier Presentations
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Annual Business Meeting
10:00 AM	Depart for Fall River Plant Tour
10:45-1:30 PM	Plant Tour & Lunch
4:00 – 5:30 PM	Pub crawl (Murphy's Irish pub, Trinity Brew house)
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Optional Murder Mystery Dinner or Providence on your own

Tuesday, October 24:

8:30 – 9:00 AM	Coffee Time
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Supplier Time
10:15 AM	Depart for Jack's Abby Brewery
11:15 – 1:30 PM	Brewery Tour & Lunch in the Beer Garden
2:30 – 6:30 PM	Providence on Your Own
7:00 PM	NIA Cocktail Reception
7:30 – 9:30 PM	NIA Farewell Dinner

Wednesday, October 25:

Departures

Northeastern Ice Association

The Providence Biltmore Hotel, Providence, Rhode Island
October 22-25, 2017

Conference Registration

To ensure proper registration, please fill out separate registration, hotel and optional activity forms for each person planning to attend. We thank you for your attention to this matter.

PLEASE MAIL FORMS AND PAYMENT TO:

Meeting Expectations, Ltd.

112 Livingstone Drive, Cary, NC 27513

Questions Call: Jacquie's cell: 919-244-9459 or 919-851-5555

E-mail: jacquie@meetexpect.com

Company Name _____

Company Address _____

City _____ State _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

E-Mail _____

REGISTRATION FEES: \$350.00 PER PERSON. \$425.00 AFTER September 30, 2017

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NORTHEASTERN ICE ASSOCIATION.

**** Please support the association by your attendance.**

Registration includes: Welcome Reception with Suppliers, including 2 cocktails and heavy hors d'oeuvres, one breakfast, "coffee Time", Plant tour with lunch, Jack's Abbey Brewery Tour and Lunch and final night reception & dinner with two drink coupons, all meetings and exhibits.

Name _____ Spouse _____

Form Of Payment Check Credit Card

Credit Card Type _____ Number _____

Expiration _____ Security Code: _____

Signature of Card Holder _____

**** There is an addition fee of 5% for use of credit card for payment of registration and optional pub crawl. No additional fee is required for the hotel booking.**

REGISTRATION GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

****All cancellations must be received in writing in our office via mail, fax, or e-mail before October 5, 2017. After this date the registration fee is fully non-refundable.**

SUPPLIER REGISTRATION:

**** SUPPLIERS ADD \$175.00 FOR YOUR EXHIBIT SET UP TO THE TOTAL REGISTRATION. (ONLY ONE PER COMPANY, NOT PER SUPPLIER FROM THAT COMPANY.)**

I am a supplier and need an exhibit table

The Supplier/Exhibitor is provided with an 6-foot exhibit table at a charge of **\$175.00**, to cover the cost of the exhibit area. Please note, there is no pipe and drape to accommodate the table area. The Supplier/Exhibitor is responsible for any additional cost, if bringing in special equipment. **Suppliers attending must pay the supplier fee even if not requesting a table, one charge per company.**

HOTEL & OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES REGISTRATION

**HOTEL: PROVIDENCE BILTMORE HOTEL
OCTOBER 22-25, 2017 Providence, Rhode Island**

**Room Rates: \$179.00 per night, single or double occupancy in King rooms
(WE HAVE 20 OF THESE ROOMS- FIRST COME FIRST SERVED FOR THIS RATE)**

**\$199.00 per night, single or double occupancy in 2 King Bed Junior Suites
(MAY REQUEST THIS TYPE OF ROOM OR WILL BE ASSIGNED WHEN KING ROOMS
ABOVE ARE FULL)**

Tax is additional at 13%. Parking is additional.

Name _____ Spouse _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Smoking Nonsmoking SUITE request _____

Form Of Payment Check Credit Card

Credit Card Type _____ Number _____

Expiration _____ Signature of Card Holder _____

A one-night room deposit, including tax will be retained if the room is cancelled after September 30, 2017.

OPTIONAL PUB CRAWL: Monday, October 23 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

This annual NIA event will take you to two of the areas' best pubs on the Rob Bould Memorial Pub event.

COST OF PUB CRAWL: \$ 45.00 per person

I want to join the Pub Crawl Tour ____ **Number of people attending**

Name_____ Name _____

Name_____ Name _____

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Expiration_____ Signature of Card Holder_____

**** There is an addition fee of 5% for use of credit card for payment of registration and optional pub crawl. No additional fee is required for the hotel booking.**

OPTIONAL MURDER MYSTERY Dinner: Monday, October 23 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Join fellow NIA members for a "courtroom" drama not to be missed. The fun is accompanied by dinner at one of the top restaurants in the area.

COST OF MURDER MYSTERY DINNER: \$ 55.00 per person

I want to join the Murder Mystery Dinner ____ **Number of people attending**

Name_____ Name _____

Name_____ Name _____

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Credit Card Type_____ Number_____

Expiration_____ Signature of Card Holder_____

**** There is an addition fee of 5% for use of credit card for payment of registration and optional pub crawl. No additional fee is required for the hotel booking.**

**** GETTING REGISTRATION IN BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 IS CRITICAL TO AVOID LOSSES TO THE ASSOCIATION ON HOTEL ROOMS RESERVED FOR THIS MEETING.**