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2024 "BizCon" Save The Dates

Save the dates for Northwestern Lumber Association's largest annual events – the 2024 BizCon North and BizCon South!

Formerly known as the *Expos*, the reimagined "BizCons" will still focus on bringing our members immense value and business connections via exhibits that feature the latest building products, expert-led educational seminars, and fun networking opportunities...all while featuring *fresh, new agendas and exciting elements*.

Click [HERE](#) for a Save the Date flyer. Watch for additional information coming this fall and visit www.nlassn.org for ongoing updates throughout the planning process.



BIZCON NORTH
February 6-7, 2024
(Tues/Wed)
DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton
Bloomington, Minnesota

BIZCON SOUTH
February 21-22, 2024
(Wed/Thurs)
Prairie Meadows Hotel & Casino
Altoona, Iowa



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2023 Golf Sponsors

Thank you to the following 2023 Nebraska and Iowa Golf Outing Sponsors:

Nebraska Golf Outing - Tuesday, June 6, 2023 -Eagle Hills Golf Club, Papillion, NE



Iowa Golf Outing - Thursday, June 8, 2023 -Beaver Creek Golf Club, Grimes, IA



2023 Wine & Whiskey Event

Saturday, October 14, 2023 - 10:45 am – 4:15 pm

Join Northwestern Lumber Association for the annual Iowa Wine & Whiskey event on Saturday, October 14th! Sit back, relax, and sip as we pick you up at The Rewind Hotel in West Des Moines and chauffeur you around the greater Des Moines area with fellow LBM colleagues & friends to taste the local flavors at a distillery, cidery and brewery.

Thank you to our current sponsor, Federated Insurance.

[Click here for more information.](#)

NEW Tech Talks Webinars Start June 13th

Connecting you with the lumber and building materials industry top technology vendors.



Our NEW Tech Talks webinars offer a high-level overview of the software products utilized by today's top retail lumber dealers. This webinar series starts Tuesday, June 13th with [ToolBx](#) demonstrating their e-commerce software. Additional webinar dates and the featured companies will be listed on the NLA website. Click [HERE](#) to receive a join link for the June 13th webinar. These webinars are free of charge and will be recorded. A link will be shared with those who register.

Business Roundtables and Peer Learning Groups for Team Leaders

Roundtable groups offer the unique opportunity to establish a network of industry colleagues for peer-to-peer learning through discussion and experience sharing. This fall, NLA will be expanding the roundtables to include programs for team leaders such as Yard Foremen, HR personnel and Credit Managers. Additional roundtables are also forming for owners/managers including a new Pinnacle Leadership Roundtable and another Virtual Roundtable learning series.



Click [HERE](#) to add yourself to the interested list and an NLA team member will contact you with more information or contact the NLA office directly at (888) 544-6822. (*Groups will be formed based on interest level.*)

Who Are Your Safest Drivers?

Complimentary Risk Management Webinar – June 20, 2023 at 1:30 pm CST

Company drivers today face distractions unlike any in history, and poor driving behaviors put your company at risk. During this webinar, we'll take a look into how you can recognize and promote safe driving through the use of our Federated DriveSAFE program. Click [HERE](#) to register.

2023 Connection Conference & Golf Event

Omaha, Nebraska - Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Join us for the **Connection Conference & Top Golf Event** in Omaha, NE on Wednesday, November 8th, 2023.

This new one-day combo event is designed for lumber dealers and suppliers alike to learn and build connections, while also having *a lot of fun*.

Click [HERE](#) for details.



2023 Mill Tour

Join Northwestern Lumber Association and your LBM peers for a relaxing educational experience that allows you to immerse yourself in the beauty of our 2023 Mill Tour destination – **The Adirondacks and Upstate New York** – on Sunday, September 24th to Friday, September 29th.

Click [HERE](#) to read more.



Featured Program: Fuel Saving Programs for NLA Members Only

With the busy season ramping up, don't forget to take advantage of the fuel savings programs provided to members of Northwestern Lumber Association.

Holiday/Circle K

- Save 30¢ per gallon for the first 90 days.
- Save 7¢ per gallon on fuel after 90 days.



Kwik Trip/Kwik Star

- Save 7¢ per gallon of fuel purchased.
- 10% off in-store purchases and cars wash discounts up to 50%.
- Choice of three different fuel programs for the best fit.
- No annual or monthly fees.



For more information, contact Tony Cook, your Regional Field Manager at (763) 565-4057 or tcook@nlassn.org.

HR Question of the Month – Flirting in the Workplace? From Federated Insurance

Question

We have an employee who likes to flirt with other employees. So far, there hasn't been anything too suggestive. We don't want to ruin our laid-back, casual atmosphere, but the flirting is making some employees feel uncomfortable. Is this considered sexual harassment? What should we do?

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