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# 2018 PPTA Spring Conference Schedule



## MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018

- 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**    **PennTRAIN Meeting** *[Independence Room, Level 2]*
- 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**    **Registration Open** *[Freedom Foyer, Level 1]*
- 4:30 PM**                **PPTA Board of Directors Meeting**  
*[Founders Room, Montgomery House]*
- Open Evening**

## TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018

- 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM**    **Registration Open** *[Freedom Foyer, Level 1]*
- 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM**    **Breakfast** *[Commonwealth Ballroom, Level 2]*
- 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM**    **Committee Meetings, Round 1: Level 3**
- Planning** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon D]*
- Safety** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon AB]*
- Community Transportation** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon E]*
- Human Resources** *[Hickory Room]*
- 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**    **PennDOT Agency Visits** *[Freedom Foyer, Level 1]*
- 10:00 AM**                **Vehicle Move in – Expo**
- 10:15 AM – 11:15 AM**    **Committee Meetings, Round 2: Level 3**
- Operations** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon D]*
- Ride Share** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon E]*
- Government Affairs** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon AB]*

- 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM** **Committee Meetings, Round 3:** *Level 3*
- Maintenance** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon AB]*
  - Financial Officers** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon E]*
  - Marketing & Communications** *[Heritage Ballroom Salon D]*
- 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM** **PennDOT Update, PennTRAIN Graduation, and Ecolane Project Celebration Luncheon** *[Commonwealth Ballroom]*
- 2:00 PM** **Vendor Move in – Expo** *[Freedom Hall B, L1]*
- 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM** **The Significance of Public Transportation: The State and National View** *[Heritage Ballroom C, L3]*  
*Jeff Knuettel, SEPTA GM*  
*Paul Skoutelas, APTA President and CEO*
- 3:15 PM – 3:30 PM** **Afternoon Break** *[Heritage Foyer, L3]*
- 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM** **Keystone Keynote: Women in Transportation – How Industry Leaders are Moving PA Forward**  
*[Heritage Ballroom C, L3]*  
*Terry Garcia Crews, FTA Region 3 Administrator*  
*Karen Michael, P.E., PennDOT District Executive, District 2*  
*Katharine Eagan Kelleman, Port Authority CEO*
- 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM** **Sponsor Pre-Reception with Transit CEOs and GMs**  
*[State Room, Montgomery House]*
- 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM** **Expo Grand Opening, Ribbon Cutting & Reception, Hosted by United States Seating**  
*[Freedom Hall B, L1]*
- 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM** **“PPTA Pub Crawl” hosted by Wolfington Body Company, Inc. at Federal Taphouse** *[201 N. Queen Street]*  
*For registered attendees.*  
*Conference badge required to enter hosted portion of venue.*
- 9:00 PM** **Informal Networking Opportunities** *[Marriott Lobby]*

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## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

**7:00 AM – 5:00 PM**    **Registration Open** [*Freedom Foyer, L1*]

**7:30 AM – 8:30 AM**    **Breakfast in Expo** [*Freedom Hall B, L1*]

**8:45 AM – 10:00 AM**    **Breakout Sessions, Round 1**

### **Autonomous Vehicles- The Role of Transit and the Path Forward: Perspectives from the Private Sector and State & Local Partners**

[*Heritage Hall A&B, L3*]

*Roger Cohen, PennDOT*

*Katharine Kelleman, Port Authority of Allegheny County*

*Steve Buckley, WSP*

### **Industry Round Robin: Hands-on Industry Updates (Rotation through a Series of Technical Presentation Stations with National Industry Experts)** [*Freedom Hall B, L1*]

*Ryan Harshbarger and Kaitlyn Weaver, Avail Technologies, Inc.*

*Dave Herman, Cummins*

*Jerry Sheehan, Gillig*

*Joe Boyko, Q'Straint/Sure-Lok*

### **When Legal, HR and Other Areas Intertwine: Fraud, Harassment, and Right to Know** [*Commonwealth 1&2, L2*]

*Danielle J. Hoffer, RKL LLP*

*Jill Nagy, Summers Nagy Law Firm*

**10:00 AM – 10:30 AM**    **Networking Break in Expo** [*Freedom Hall B, L1*]

**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**    **PennDOT Agency Visits** [*Freedom Foyer, L1*]

**10:30 AM – 11:30 AM**    **Breakout Sessions, Round 2**

### **Powerful Partnerships: How SEPTA Works with Public and Private Sector Partners to Plan, Communicate, and Execute any Size Event**

[*Heritage D, L3*]

*Elizabeth R. Bradford and Brian C. Naldzin, SEPTA*

### **Update from FTA Regional Representatives** [*Heritage A&B, L3*]

*Terry Garcia Crews, Regional Administrator*

*Tony Cho, Director, Office of Program Management & Oversight*

*Kathleen Zubrzycki, Director, Office of Planning & Program Development*

*Anne Marie Resnick, Financial Analyst*

*Brian Gallagher, Assistant Special Agent-In-Charge, Office of Investigations,*

*Region 2, USDOT OIG*

*Lynn Bailey, Regional Civil Rights Officer*

### **Maximizing Ecolane: An Interactive Session on Tricks and Tips for Making the Most of this Transit Software** [*Heritage E, L3*]

*Jason Ellis and Matthew Taylor, Ecolane*



**TSA/Homeland Security Update  
Exercises and Drills; Security Assessments and Awareness;  
Active-Shooter Response; Security Explosive Awareness;  
and Inspection Processes** *[Commonwealth 1&2, L2]*

*Joseph Larkin and John Yimin, Transportation Security Administration*

**11:45 AM – 1:00 PM Networking Lunch with Exhibitors in Expo**  
*[Freedom Hall B, L1]*

**1:00 PM – 3:00 PM FTA Grantee Visits** *[Freedom Foyer, L1]*

**1:15 PM – 2:15 PM Breakout Sessions, Round 3**

**Getting to Yes, Together: Insights and Experiences from Union  
Negotiations Across PA** *[Commonwealth 1&2, L2]*

*Susan R. Friedman, Stevens & Lee  
Rose Lucey-Noll, CamTran  
Dwight Huntingdon, rabbit transit*

**Regional Ridership Roundtable: Creating Ridership, Revenue and  
Opportunities by Working with Major Employers; Marketing's Role  
in Growing Ridership; and Regional Economic Partnerships and the  
Importance of Coordinating and Collaborating** *[Heritage A&B, L3]*

*Joshua Yoder, CamTran  
Lorri Vandermark, Luzerne County Transportation Authority  
Michael Bernhardt and Mike Devaney, rabbit transit*

**Progressive Practices and Operational Considerations, Featuring  
Local Host Agency SCTA** *[Heritage D, L3]*

*David W. Kilmer, South Central Transit Authority*

**Everyday ADA: Getting the Right Answer for the Right Reason**  
*[Heritage E, L3]*

*Karen Hoesch, ACCESS Transportation Systems, Inc.*

**2:15 PM – 2:45 PM Afternoon Break** *[Heritage Foyer, L3]*

**2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Breakout Sessions, Round 4**

**State of the Industry Update: Transit CEOs and GMs Briefing and  
Discussion (by invitation)** *[Commonwealth 1&2, L2]*

*Hon. Peter Schweyer, PA House of Representatives  
Sarah A. Copley, Greenwood Partners  
Jill Nagy, Summers Nagy Law Firm*

**A Conversation with PennDOT: Capital Planning Tool,  
Transit Asset Management Plans, and Maximizing Resources  
Available to Transit Agencies** *[Heritage E, L3]*

*John Levitsky, Kyle Eckert, and Rick Dolbin, PennDOT*

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**2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Breakout Sessions, Round 4 (continued)**

**Sleepless in Transit: The Impact of Sleepiness in the Workplace**

[Heritage A&B, L3]

Carl Pysner, Lebanon Transit

Maria Church, Suburban Transit Network, Inc

**HIPAA Considerations: What You Need to Know** [Heritage D, L3]

Karin Sherman, RKL LLP

**4:00 PM – 4:45 PM Breakout Sessions, Round 5**

**Safety Inspections: What is Being Looked for in Inspections and Annual Reviews** [Commonwealth 1&2, L2]

Jeffrey Petrunak, Daecher Consulting Group

**Connecting Communities: Innovations in Shared Ride, Microtransit, and Rural Partnerships** [Heritage A&B, L3]

Rich Farr, rabbit transit

Dennis Wisor, Blair Senior Services

**Maximizing PennTRAIN Benefits for your Agency/Employees and PennTRAIN Future Topics Roundtable** [Heritage D, L3]

Eric Wolf, AMTRAN

Tim Geibel, Crawford Area Transportation Authority

**Industry Innovations: Session on ERP, a Discussion led by Avail Technologies** [Heritage E, L3]

Rick Spangler, Avail Technologies, Inc.

**5:30 PM – 7:00 PM Pride of Pennsylvania Reception**

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Annie Bailey's Irish Public House [28 E. King St. #30]



**THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018**

- 8:00 AM – 9:15 AM**    **Breakfast and PPTA Membership Meeting**  
*[Commonwealth Ballroom, L2]*
- 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM**    **FRITS Rollout: Panel Discussion with PennDOT & Avail Technologies** *[Heritage Ballroom C, L3]*  
*Anthony Stever and Sam Plocinski, PennDOT*  
*Dorsey Houtz, Avail Technologies, Inc.*
- 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM**    **Break** *[Heritage Prefunction]*
- 10:15 AM – 11:15 AM**    **Talking Transit: A Conversation on the Industry, Funding, and the Future with CTAA Executive Director Scott Bogren**  
*[Heritage Ballroom C, L3]*
- 11:15 AM – 12:00 PM**    **Legal Update** *[Heritage Ballroom C, L3]*  
*Jill Nagy, Summers Nagy Law Firm*
- 12:00 PM**                    **Adjourn**

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**July 20-23, 2018**

Registration information and details coming mid-May

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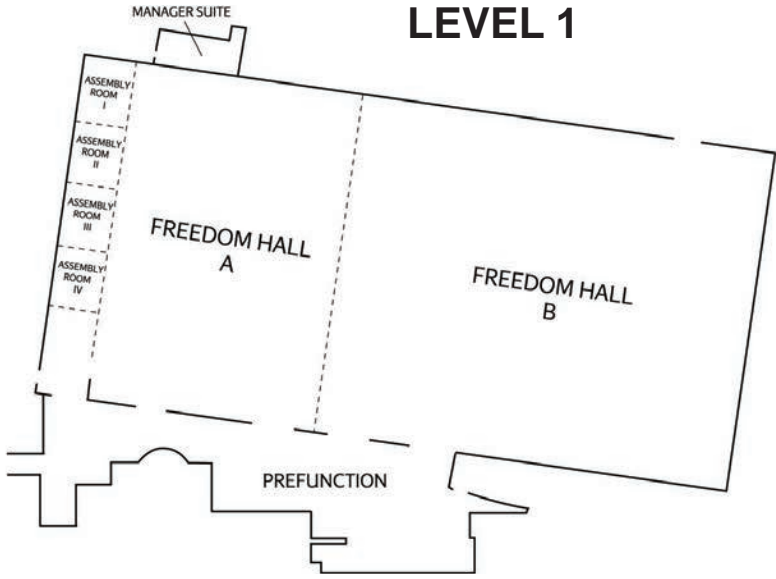
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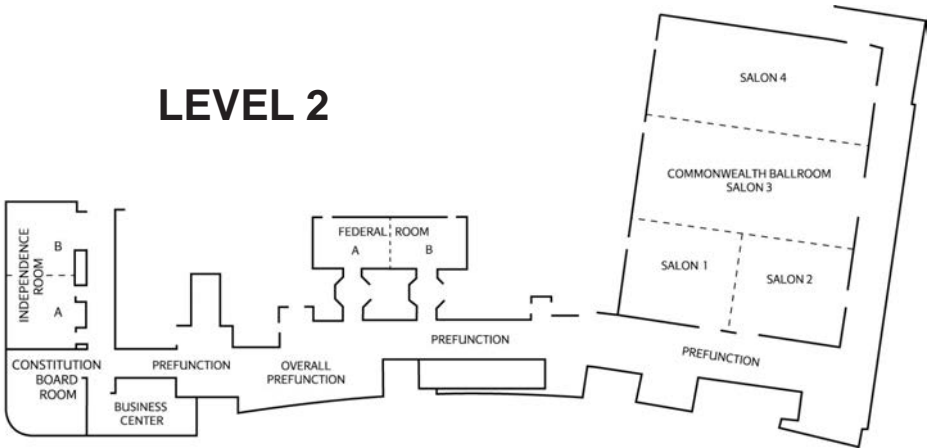


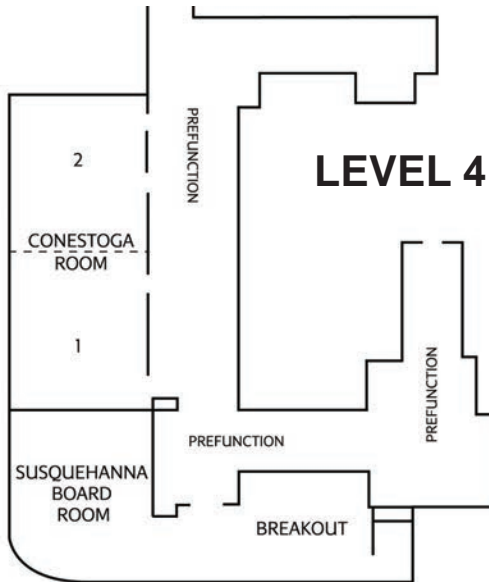
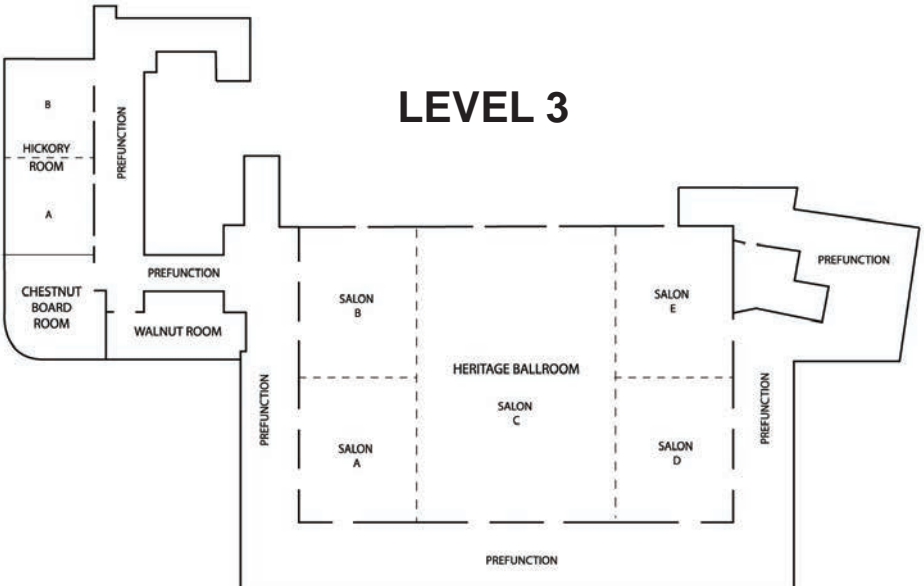
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