

MPEA MEMORANDUM

Date: February 1, 2017
To: MPEA Active Members
From: Val Flansaas, Office Manager
RE: Annual Convention

MPEA's 2017 convention will be held May 5 & 6, 2017 in Helena at the Radisson Colonial Hotel, 2301 Colonial Drive. As in the past the meeting will tentatively start at 2:00 on Friday. This gives out of town members travel time.

MPEA provides one room (Friday night) per Collective Bargaining Agreement for out of town members attending, on a first come, first serve basis. We would like to get as many members as possible involved so please mark this date on your calendar. This meeting is open to all members.

MPEA will provide the following meals at the convention: Friday night banquet, continental breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

As of this mailing the agenda is still in the works. As soon as the tentative agenda is available it will be mailed to those registered and posted on line.

If you are interested in attending please give me a call at 1-800-221-3468, 442-4600, or my email is val@mympea.org. You may also go on to our website www.mympea.org and register under the convention tab. All reservations will be confirmed by me. **Anyone interested in attending (room or no room) must register so a packet is available and you are on the meal count. If I have to put you on a waiting list for a room I will let you know by email provided through your registration.**

Morey-Bukvich Award

In 1987 MPEA established its first award for excellence in service to MPEA and its members. Originally called the Dan Bukvich award in honor of long time MPEA board member Dan Bukvich who passed away on the operating table shortly after he left the board of directors. In 1995 Betty Morey was added to the award to honor the MPEA staffer who was murdered in front of MPEA headquarters in 1994. In honor of Dan Bukvich and Betty Morey this award recognizes MPEA members who have been nominated by their peers for outstanding service to their chapter and MPEA.

The Morey-Bukvich award is given each year at the convention to an outstanding MPEA member (submitted by you or your unit). I'm sure your unit has a member who has helped to better your unit, been there for another member or just been an outstanding MPEA member.

MPEA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

MPEA Scholarship forms are available either on-line at www.mympea.org or by calling the MPEA office. **They are due back to MPEA by March 15, 2016.** (MPEA offers two, \$1500.00 scholarships available to you, your spouse or your children). The scholarship committee will review the applications at the convention and announce the two winners. Notification will be sent to the winners following the meeting.

Both forms can be printed off the MPEA website - www.mympea.org