99TH ANNUAL MEETING
HOLLYWOOD, FL

The 99th annual National Slag Association meeting was held in Hollywood, Florida at the Diplomat Resort and Spa.

The committee meetings took the lead giving an update to the group on the progress they had achieved throughout 2017 and began to plan the 2018 goals.

Keynote speaker Charles Schmitt, President SSAB Americas, captivated the crowd with his remarkable story.

With mixed feelings, we bid Karen Kiggins a happy retirement and continued success in her future endeavors.

A special thank you to all of the allied members and guest speakers for their time, dedication, and informative presentations.
With the retirement of Karen Kiggins, the NSA wishes to give a warm welcome to Dr. Charles Ochola.

Dr. Charles Ochola is a licensed Professional Engineer with over 10 years experience in environmental protection measures, human health and risk assessment, environmental policy, and environmental regulations.

He possesses a strong technical and management background and a proven ability to quickly build effective result-oriented teams, with focused business objectives. Strengths include leadership, simultaneous management of multiple responsibilities, people networking, superior technical ability, program and resource management, and an extensive knowledge of environmental affairs.

Dr. Ochola and his wife, Dr. Christine Martey-Ochola have two sons and reside in Chester County, PA.

Dr. Ochola previously served as the Environmental Committee Co-Chairman for the National Slag Association. He has provided leadership in the implementation of environmental policy and environmental protection measures that affect the industry, and directly interfaces with regulatory agencies at the federal, local, and state levels.

As a Research Professor he managed, supervised, and mentored individuals and research groups including postgraduate, graduate, and undergraduate students. He was responsible for writing proposals to government and private organizations for the funding of various engineering research projects. He has consulted on various projects for the United States Environmental Protection Agency, United States Department of Energy, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Technology Alliance.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Dr. Charles Ochola.
The 2018 National Slag Association Annual Leadership meeting will be held on January 29 & 30, 2018 at Edw. C. Levy Co. Technical Services Building in Dearborn, MI.

The committee chairmen and guests will present their 2018 goals and objectives for discussion with the group. We look forward to greeting Charles Ochola, as new National Slag Association President in 2018. There are many important, exciting changes planned moving forward. Plans for the celebration of the NSA’s 100th Anniversary will also be discussed.
The 2018 NSA Spring Meeting will be hosted by Kenco Engineering, Inc. in Roseville, California. They will host a welcome dinner Wednesday March 14th. On Thursday, March 15th, we will visit Kenco’s operations and see some of their products.

This Spring agenda includes the Operator, Safety and Purchasing Committee meetings plus an excellent opportunity for networking and chance to catch up on industry news.

Kenco started in 1957 but was not introduced to slag operations until the late 1970’s. A number of trials with several member companies got them started, but it was not a slam dunk. Several years, edge components, configurations and materials were tried before their manufactured cutting edges and other TCI (Tungsten Carbide Impregnated) products demonstrated longer life and value in our severe operating conditions.
Today Kenco continues to supply many of our members with their TCI blades and edges as well as a growing list of other applications. Kenco’s unique Tungsten Carbide process and material specification knowledge are being used in the slag processing and handling areas. Some examples include slag impact and sliding areas, grader blades, heel plates, HSI crusher liners and components, grapple points, and other abrasive areas in slag and scrap operations.

Kenco Engineering is proud to welcome the NSA members to California for the 2018 Spring Meeting.

- Members will tour Kenco’s manufacturing facility
- Meeting off-site at The Falls Event Center, Roseville, California
- Roseville is conveniently located close to the Sacramento International Airport.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

1. Below is a link for reservations. Input your arrival and departure dates. The group code should already be populated and the next page will display the group name, room type available and rates. Proceed with confirming the reservation.


2) Call Reservations either at the Hyatt Place Sacramento Roseville, 916-781-6400 or toll free 1-888-HYATT HP (492-8847) and ask for the ‘Kenco NSA Annual Meeting’ group block for March 14-16, 2018. You will need a credit card to guarantee the reservation, but no charges will be applied until you check-in.

Kenco Engineering manufactures longer wearlife parts for your slag handling and process equipment.

Kenco's unique Tungsten Carbide Impregnated (TCI) process not only will help armor your slag loader buckets but will protect and extend the wear life on: crushers, grapples, chutes, impact points and other equipment.
A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

2018

LOOKING FORWARD

Happy New Year! I hope that this holiday season was a great one and that 2018 is an even better year! I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. I am Erica Sandefur of TMS International and have taken over the role of the Slag Runner editor. I have listed the publication dates below and will be reaching out to everyone seeking articles throughout the year. Looking forward to a successful 2018!

-Slag Runner Submission Deadlines-

March 30, 2018 - Harsco Submission
July 31, 2018 - TMS Submission
November 30, 2018 - Levy Submission

I would like to extend an invitation to Stein and Phoenix to join the rotation as well. If interested, please contact Michael Howarth to be added to the rotation.

If you are interested in submitting for an upcoming newsletter, please email me at ESandefur@TMSInternational.com