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#### **Enter the Roster Contest**

It's that time of year again - update your roster to win a gift card! To enter our roster contest, update the roster that was included in your membership mailing. Once we receive the updated version, the prime contact will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a gift card! Sites that have returned their rosters are already entered into the contest.

Return your updated roster by fax at (703) 761-1148 or email it to <a href="mailto:membership@vpppa.org">membership@vpppa.org</a> by **July 1, 2017**. If you need an additional copy of your roster, please contact our Membership Department via the email address above or call (703) 761-1146.

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#### H.R. 1444, the VPP Act

On March 9, 2017, Representative Todd Rokita (R-IN), along with Representatives Gene Green (D-TX) and Martha Roby (R-AL), re-introduced H.R. 1444, the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Act. The VPP Act is legislation to make permanent a key voluntary workplace safety program. This is the second consecutive Congress in which Rep. Rokita, Rep.

Green, and Rep. Roby have introduced this bipartisan legislation. The Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Act would codify the VPP program, a successful partnership between private industry and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), which was created in 1982 but never authorized in law. The program requires implementation of comprehensive health and safety worksite protocols, which when certified compliant by OSHA, yields fewer injuries and illnesses and allows agency officials to focus on higher risk workplaces.

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#### Advertise or Become a Sponsor at Safety+

Publicize your company and increase brand awareness during our 2017 annual event, Safety+! VPPPA provides advertising opportunities within several publications to help you share the newest innovations with members and establish a network of contacts. We also offer a variety of sponsorship opportunities that can fit any budget. Packages range from \$100 to \$20,000 and above - generate business by getting in front of prospects that fit your niche! For more information about Safety+ advertising and sponsorship opportunities, contact <a href="mailto:advertising@vpppa.org">advertising@vpppa.org</a> or check out our <a href="mailto:2017">2017 Marketing Guide</a>.

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## Safety+ Partnership with Louisiana Governor's Safety & Health Conference

VPPPA and the Louisiana Governor's Safety & Health Conference are teaming up this year to present the joint safety and health event, Safety+, an Integrated Safety & Health Management Systems Symposium. The event will take place in New Orleans, LA, Aug. 29 - Sept. 1, 2017. The two events will join thousands of safety and health professionals from across the country and expose both sides to new best practices, training, safety equipment, ideas and safety and health vendors.

<u>Early bird registration</u> for Safety+ is still available! Register by **April 24** to receive the discounted rate.

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#### **Contribute to the VPPPA Blog**

We want to thank everyone for their wonderful submissions to the VPPPA blog since its launch in June! If you, or a colleague, are interested in submitting an article on any safety and health topic, please contact **communications@vpppa.org** and we will place you on the schedule. You can check out all of our previous blog posts **here.** 

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