



## 2016 OPI/MTEA Conference

### Speakers and Workshop Presenters

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#### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**Harriet Turk** is a parent and professional from Tennessee who has worked as a probation officer, youth programs coordinator, flight attendant, pharmaceutical sales rep, college-level instructor, and nationally-known professional speaker, trainer, and consultant. She has developed and implemented youth programs as a coordinator for the Mississippi Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

Turk's life experiences have taught her that success and happiness come from celebrating who you are and pursuing a life that honors your strengths and abilities. Because her stories and experiences come from real life, Turk's message is authentic, relatable, and compelling. Her presentations are interactive, entertaining and thought-provoking.

On Sunday, Turk will give the opening keynote *Just Be Unforgettable* and wrap up the morning with an open discussion following the Roundup Breakout Sessions.



**Rich Hanson** spent 32 years in the classroom as a high school teacher and is now enjoying traveling to different states and countries to deliver the message of quality driver education. He is an adjunct instructor for Western Oregon University's Traffic Safety Education program. Hanson has been a driver education instructor since 2002 and has been highly involved in developing quality driver education programs throughout Oregon. He was named 2006 Teacher of the Year by ADTSEA and the American Automobile Association. From 2012 to 2014, Hanson worked closely with the Montana Office of Public Instruction and a curriculum committee of traffic educators to revise and update the

Montana Teen Driver Education and Training curriculum modules.

Hanson will lead the *Reference Point Roundup* workshop and give the closing keynote.



**Suzanne Hill** is the Program Director of Outreach and Advocacy at the Center for Injury Research and Prevention (CIRP) at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). She and her team work directly with the Center's interdisciplinary researchers to translate child and youth injury prevention research into action through health promotion strategies that involve public policy advocacy, public relations, social marketing, and digital communications. Among her many areas of expertise, she directed communications for the Young Driver Research Initiative (YDRI) and Partners for Child Passenger Safety (PCPS),

both multi-year research partnerships between CHOP and State Farm. She currently serves on the Lifesavers Conference Planning Committee and co-chairs the Teen Driver Track Planning Committee Member. She has been a workgroup member for the National Action Plan for Child Injury Prevention for Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, an expert panel member for the Governor's Highway Safety Association reports: *Protecting Teen Drivers: A Guidebook for State Highway Safety Offices* (2010) and *Occupant Protection for Children* (2008).

On Monday morning, Hill will present *Teen Driver Errors and Parent Practice*.

## HUFF SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

The Monday morning *Coping after a Crash* panel discussion will focus on a community's response after a tragic loss. The panel includes **Kim Koenig**, counselor and traffic education teacher at Huntley Project Schools in Worden; **Allen Sevareid**, traffic education teacher in Townsend; and **Harold Lair**, retired Polson traffic educator and Montana DRIVE instructor, who will moderate the panel discussion.

In 2015, the number of fatal and serious injury-related crashes involving 14- to 18-year-olds in Montana was 85. Eighty-five lives impacted or cut short with hundreds of friends, family members and school personnel deeply affected by the tragedy. There are strategies and resources for school staff to work together to help students get the support and understanding they need. This symposium will address the ways two school communities handled the aftermath of their recent teen crashes and discuss the challenges of coping after a crash.

## WORKSHOP LEADERS

**Andrew Goss** is the Injury Prevention Coordinator for Billings Clinic and provides trauma prevention education to all ages throughout the region. Andrew graduated with a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing from Montana State University and became a Registered Nurse in 2006. He began his career working as a Pediatric and Pediatric ICU nurse before coming to work for the Billings Clinic Trauma Department in 2010. Since 2010 he has presented Billings Clinic's young driver program, *Life is Hard Play Safe*, to over 8,000 new drivers. This program presents the dangers of intoxicated driving, distracted driving, speeding, fatigue, and inexperience through data and personal stories. Andrew also helped to procure the One Simple Decision virtual driving simulator which simulates the difficulty and consequences of intoxicated and distracted driving.

On Monday, he and Jodi Stugelmeyer will co-lead the *Distracted Driving Prevention* workshop, focusing on the evolution of trauma prevention programming for young drivers and the implementation of simulation.

**Johnelle Sedlock** is the lead Benefits Officer for the Montana Teachers' Retirement System (TRS). She has worked at TRS for the past 15 years. Sedlock works with the active membership from the beginning of their career to when they decide to retire.

On Tuesday, she will present an overview of retirement benefits and procedures and answer questions about the Montana TRS *defined benefit pension program*.

## MONTANA TRAFFIC EDUCATION ASSOCIATION – WORKSHOP LEADERS/SPEAKERS

**Steffani Grogan** has taught 26 years in the Forsyth Schools, currently filling the 7-8 Language arts and K-12 technology coordinator positions. She runs the Forsyth driver education program and a summer driver education program in Hysham. Grogan serves on the board as a class B representative and is MTEA's newsletter editor.

She will lead an interactive *Rev Up Your Teaching Tools* workshop on Tuesday. Steffani says: "Put that lecture technique in the backseat and jumpstart the classroom learning with a few new activities. Using information from *Mixing with Traffic*, *Sharing the Road* and the *Emergencies* curriculum modules, you will participate in speed dating, problem trail, and grudge ball. Lessons ready to take back to your classroom."

**Mike Kincaid** is a long time special education teacher in the Missoula area. He has taught driver education since 1994 in Missoula, Philipsburg, Corvallis, and Guam. Kincaid also serves on MTEA's board as a Class AA director from Missoula.

He will lead the *Intersections* workshop, showing clips from a film demonstrating safe and unsafe driving at Missoula intersections.

**Jodi Stugelmeyer** is assistant director of the Traffic Education Program in the Billings Public Schools. She is in her 31st year of teaching Business at Billings Senior High School and her 23rd year teaching traffic education. Jodi was one of the first teachers to become CDTP-certified to give the knowledge exam and issue TELL permits to novice drivers. She is an active and proud member of MTEA and is always willing to give helpful advice and support to others in the profession. In 2015, Stugelmeyer was honored to receive the MTEA Outstanding Teacher-of-the-Year Award.

On Monday, she and Andrew Goss will co-lead the *Distracted Driving Prevention* workshop.

### **MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION – WORKSHOP LEADERS/SPEAKERS**

**Jennifer Anderson** is the Regional Manager for the Northern Region of the Driver Services Bureau for the Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) at the Montana Department of Justice. She began with MVD in 2013.

Anderson will assist Tammy Stefanik on Monday with the Cooperative Driver Testing Program (CDTP) general session followed by a *CDTP Q&A* workshop later that morning.

**Tammy Stefanik** is the Deputy Bureau Chief for the Driver Services Bureau for the Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) at the Montana Department of Justice. Since she started with MVD in 1999, she has worked with every Bureau in MVD as a driver examiner, management analyst, trainer, and business process improvement specialist and has been involved with all aspects of program management for the Bureau including systems development.

Stefanik will give a presentation on Monday about the Cooperative Driver Testing Program (CDTP) with a focus on *Driver Licensing* followed by a *CDTP Q&A* workshop later that morning.

### **MONTANA OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - WORKSHOP LEADERS/SPEAKERS**

**Patti Borneman** is the Program Specialist for Traffic Education Programs at the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI). Since 2011, she has assisted school districts and traffic education teachers with the OPI's Traffic Education Data & Reporting System, registered drivers for the Montana DRIVE summer workshops in Lewistown, and helped with special projects such as the Teen Driver Education and Training curriculum update, editing the spring and fall Montana Roundabout Newsletter, and revising the *Adapted Illustrated Montana Driver Manual*. She also assists with public communications and outreach to districts and educators, and helps plan and organize the annual Montana Traffic Education Conference.

Borneman will co-lead a workshop with Fran Penner-Ray on the OPI's *Traffic Education Data and Reporting System* (TEDRS).

**Susan Court** has been with the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) since 1997 where she is the state coordinator for the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), a nationwide survey conducted by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The program also conducts the Montana School Health Profiles – a school survey assessing school health policies and health education implementation. Prior to working at OPI she taught elementary health enhancement for 18 years. Among other risk behaviors, the YRBS records the behavior of young drivers and passengers who self-report on buckling up, or driving while texting, drinking or drugged, or riding with impaired or distracted drivers.

Court will lead a workshop on the *Youth Risk Behavior Survey* Tuesday morning.

**Fran Penner-Ray** is the Director of Traffic Education at the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) where she has worked in traffic education since 2004. Her prior work experience includes positions in education and medical libraries, and as an elected town council member in Colorado. She worked for nine years in an elementary school and volunteered as a planning board member. She walks or rides a bicycle to work at the OPI, where she provides vision, support, and leadership for schools and communities to improve traffic safety education in an effort to reduce young driver crashes.

She will give the *Ten Years of the GDL* and *State of the State* presentation and co-lead the *TEDRS* workshop with Patti Borneman.

## **MOTOR CARRIERS OF MONTANA – SHARE THE ROAD**

Sunday morning parking lot demonstration

The Motor Carriers of Montana have coordinated with the Billings Driver Education program for more than 12 years to teach new drivers about the No-Zone and sharing the road with commercial trucks. For information on the *Share the Road* program and how you might become involved with bringing a semi-truck to your driver education class, contact:

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