

# CHESAPEAKE CURRENT

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## STAND DOWN: SUPPORTING OUR RETURNING VETS THE ROLE OF THE EAP

### Are You Ready for Denver?!

EAPA's 2011 Annual World EAP Conference

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Annual World  
EAP Conference  
Denver, Colorado  
OCTOBER 26-29, 2011

Maybe the question should be: Is Denver ready for us?! This is EAPA's 40th Birthday. The party will take place in the Mile-High City on October 26-29 at the Colorado Convention Center.

Some of the highlights of the conference include keynote speakers Dr. John Dillon Riley who will speak about "Building

a Workplace Culture of Health: Mapping the EA Path." On Friday, Bruce Blyth, the Owner of Crisis Care Network, and Terri Stivarius, J.D. Attorney, will discuss "Threats of Violence in the Workplace: EAP Consultation Guidelines." And last but certainly not least Dr. Eric Goplerud and Dr. Tracy McPherson of the University of Chicago will present on "Every EAP Purchaser's Dream: Evidence-Based SBIRT Value."

It's going to be a great conference that will set the bar high for us when Baltimore hosts EAPA's 2012 Annual World EAP Conference! For more information or registration visit [www.eapassn.org](http://www.eapassn.org)

### What Do You Mean It's Too Early to Talk About the Holidays?

The weather is turning cold and our annual holiday party is sneaking up on us. We will hold this year's party on **Thursday, December 1st, from 1pm-4pm.**

We are still in the planning stages and that is where you come in. We need a rough headcount of those who want to attend so we can plan accordingly. There will be a small cost of \$15-\$25 for those in attendance. We have not secured a location as of yet but it will possibly be held at our regular meeting place at NSA or in the Catonsville area.

**Please email Mike Dvorak at [madvora@nsa.gov](mailto:madvora@nsa.gov) ASAP if you plan to attend.**

Thank You!



The EAPA – Chesapeake Chapter in an effort to showcase their technological expertise has revamped its Website to reveal a resource filled with valuable information for members. This article highlights

**ReEntry**  
October 18-30.2011  
Round House Theatre Bethesda  
"...an unflinching look at the lives of Marines returning from Iraq and Afghanistan."  
Purchase tickets  
[www.roundhousetheatre.org](http://www.roundhousetheatre.org)

lights some important features of the Website.

The home page provides essential information such as directions, meeting locations and times. The chapter's mission and history can be found under the "About Us" tab. Any

questions one may have can be easily answered in "FAQs". This year's EAPA chapter officers can be found under "Officers". A profile of each officer is in-



November's meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 3rd.** This is an all day event starting promptly at 8:30am-3:30pm. We will begin the day with our keynote speaker, Dr. Kathleen Beauchesne, who comes to us from the University of Pennsylvania and has done extensive research on "Reintegration to the Workplace" for our returning vets. Following Dr. Beauchesne, we will have a panel of veterans who have served overseas and will share their experiences of returning to the workplace after their tours of duty were over. Lunch will be on your own so you can enjoy the variety of food options in our area. The afternoon will consist of a panel of representatives from the VA to discuss the VA Benefit Programs and services for homeless veterans.

Please note there is a \$40 charge for non-members. There is no charge for EAPA-Chesapeake members or students (donations will be accepted). 6 CEUs & PDHs available. **RSVP's are required** as there is a limited number of seats available. Please **RSVP to Mike Dvorak at [madvora@nsa.gov](mailto:madvora@nsa.gov) or 410-917-9026**

## TECHNO SAVY NEWS

Chapter offers new and improved Website  
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cluded reflecting their education and experience. All meeting dates and topics can be located under the "Calendar and Recent professional development hours (PDHs)" tab.

The most significant feature of the website is the "Resource Materials" tab. Past presentations, workshops and PowerPoints can be viewed addressing work-life and policy topics.

Lastly the "Chapter in Action" tab reflects an association that works hard and knows how to have fun, too. If any questions may arise the chapter officers' emails and contact information can be retrieved under the "Contact Us" tab.

