



2015 Conference Speaker Bios

Thursday, November 12, 2015 2:00pm-4:00pm
Educational Workshop – P.I.L.O.T Leadership Training
Elizabeth McCormick



As a US Army Black Hawk Pilot, Elizabeth McCormick flew command and control, air assault, rappelling, top-secret intelligence missions, and also transported high level government VIPs including the Secretary of Defense. You will be on the edge of your seat throughout then Elizabeth will sneak attack relatable lessons you can put into immediate action.

She has received many awards in the Army, and supported United Nations peacekeeping operations in Kosovo, receiving the Meritorious Service Medal for her excellence in service. In 2011 Elizabeth was awarded the US Congressional Veteran Commendation for her commitment to serving her country and community as a disabled veteran.

An authority on Leadership and Veterans Issues with the media, Elizabeth has been seen on ABC, CBS, FOX, CW, MSNBC, in the Wall Street Journal, and more you can see at PilotSpeaker.com. A #1 best-selling author, her personal development book, *The P.I.L.O.T. Method; the 5 Elemental Truths to Leading Yourself in Life*, is a "must read"! Elizabeth also has more than 10 books out; a series of small format business success tip books: Soar 2 Success.

Elizabeth has averaged 100+ booked engagements per year, and has spoken to a variety of audiences including Coca-Cola, Sherwin Williams, Boston Scientific, Rockwell Collins, Lockheed Martin, Raytheon, Convenc, Prudential, Mass Mutual, Old National Bank, Charles Schwab, and more.

As an in-demand renowned motivational business success speaker, Elizabeth will inspire YOU with her pioneering aviation experiences and lessons learned in a dramatically memorable keynote presentation. As a premier leadership trainer and top performing founding member of the John Maxwell Team of speakers, she is a dynamic and energizing entertainer sought after for events around the world. You will discover how to Soar 2 Success!

Thursday, November 12, 2015 6:30pm-8:30pm

Dinner with Keynote Speaker

Amanda van Dyke, Chairman, Women in Mining



Amanda van dyke is a Partner with Jermyn Street Partners, a London based consultancy that assists with the strategic business development of natural resource companies. Amanda worked as a professional gemologist before obtaining an MBA and a Masters in international Economics from SDA Bocconi in Milan, and China Europe International Business School in Shanghai. She began her career in mining investment banking, having working for GMP securities, Pareto Securities, and Dundee Securities. As Chairman of WIM UK for the last 3 years Amanda's focus has been establishing and promoting the business case for women in the mining industry. She co-authored the 3 part report Mining for Talent, 2013-2015 published by PWC, a series of reports looking at women on boards in the mining industry. The research highlighted that women continue to be significantly under-represented in senior management and boards roles within the mining and metals industry; and that mining companies with more diverse boards have significantly better overall business performance.

Friday, November 13, 2015 8:30am-9:30am

Keynote Session

Tony Taccone, Economist and Partner, First River Consulting



Tony has over 25 years of strategy consulting experience, mostly in the steel industry. He works with senior management teams, chief executive officers, and boards of directors to improve business performance through the development and implementation of competitive strategy, both at the business unit and corporate level. Although his client base is predominately North American, he has worked with companies in Europe, South America and Asia. In addition to working with senior managers of operating companies, Tony has acted as a strategic advisor to private equity funds, hedge funds, unions, and governments.

Tony Taccone - Continued

Work Experience

1998-Present

First River Consulting, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Founding partner of First River Consulting, a strategy consulting firm focused on steel and other capital intensive manufacturing industries.

1988 – 1998

Beddows & Company, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Principal Consultant, Co-Manager of Pittsburgh Office, Member Board of Directors

1985 – 1988

Mellon Bank, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

International Economist

Education

1985 MA (Economics), Duke University, Durham, NC, USA

1983 BA (Economics), Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, PA, USA

Other

- Speaker on topics of business unit & corporate strategy to industry & management conferences sponsored by American Metal Market, Metal Bulletin, Steel Business Briefing, and the Steel Manufacturers' Association. A noted steel industry expert, Tony has been quoted in the Wall Street Journal and the Financial Times, and has appeared on CNBC.

Friday, November 13, 2015 9:45 am-11:45 am

New Advancements in Metallurgy Panel

Aluminum: David A. Lukasak, Director of Metallurgy, Sapa Americas



David Lukasak, PhD is the Director of Metallurgy for Sapa Extrusions Americas. Lukasak is responsible for metallurgical practices and alloy development across Sapa's 23 plants in the Americas. Lukasak has over 25 years of experience in the aluminum industry ranging from R&D to production management. His primary expertise lies within the physical metallurgy of aluminum alloys and understanding the effects of microstructure on mechanical and corrosion behavior. Specific areas of experience include alloy development for automotive, aerospace and machining alloys where Lukasak holds several patents.

Lukasak holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Metallurgical Engineering from Michigan Technology University, a Masters of Science degree in Materials Science and Engineering from the Pennsylvania State University and a PhD in Materials Science and Engineering from the Pennsylvania State University.

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New Advancements in Metallurgy Panel

Carbon: Jackie Stachowski, Technical Services/Applications Metallurgist, Nucor Steel



Jackie has a Bachelor of Science in Metallurgical Engineering from Michigan Technological University. She began her career with LTV Steel's Indiana Harbor Works and progressed from Product Metallurgist to Metallurgical Service Engineer to Technical Account Manager. After LTV closed in 2001, Jackie worked as a Supplier Quality Engineer for General Motors. In 2007, Jackie joined Nucor Steel as a Technical Services – Automotive Applications Metallurgist, the position she currently holds. Shortly after joining Nucor Steel, Jackie joined the AWMI and is active on the chapter, regional, and international boards.

Friday, November 13, 2015 / 1:45pm-3:15pm

Keynote Session “From Backpacks to Briefcases Workforce 5.0”

Diane Thielfoldt, The Learning Café



Diane Thielfoldt is a woman of many talents. She acquired them during her corporate career with McGraw-Hill, TRW, Bausch & Lomb and Xerox, where she held leadership roles in sales, marketing, communications, and learning design, development and delivery. Those talents were further honed after she co-founded The Learning Café, where she specializes in designing and developing training on the four-generation workforce, leadership, learning and building personal brand.

An accomplished workshop facilitator and engaging speaker, Diane has educated hundreds of managers on practical, everyday actions that contribute to a motivated, engaged workforce. She has also helped hundreds more start to bridge the generation gaps in their workplace. Along with co-founder Devon Scheef, Diane has co-authored a wealth of articles, book chapters, white papers and podcasts.

Diane holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Pennsylvania State University. She is qualified in the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and a wide variety of testing and assessment tools, including 360 degree feedback.

Friday, November 13, 2015 / 3:45pm-4:45 pm

Keynote Session “Changes in Power/Energy in the US”

Elizabeth Loveland, Service Frame Owner, Siemens Energy, Inc.



Elizabeth Loveland is a Service Frame Owner in the Siemens Energy Service division focusing on the Westinghouse GT product line.

She started her career at Pratt & Whitney where she worked F22 and JSF jet engine development testing and SSME turbopump performance. She joined Siemens in 1999 developing the gFACTS application and evaluating reliability / availability statistics for the fleet. She moved to Power Diagnostics[®], building up tools and capabilities and monitoring units from 2001 to 2009. She joined the frame owner organization in 2010, leading the 501F, focusing on the commercial aspects of product development and issue resolution.

In June 2014 Elizabeth increased responsibility to include all the Westinghouse GT product line.

Elizabeth earned a BS in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Florida.