

FALL SEMINAR SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2009

THE RIDGES RESORT & CLUB

HIAWASSEE, GEORGIA

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2009 (OPTIONAL EVENT)

- 6:00 p.m. **Crane Creek Vineyards: Tour, Tasting & Light Dinner in the Vineyards with Georgia Historian Jerry Taylor**
Georgia mountains combine the perfect terrain, soil, drainage, and elevation necessary for vineyards to produce wines that reveal the terroir, or "sense of place," which separates Georgia wines from those made in other geographically diverse regions. Our soil composition is very much like that of Italy's Piedmont region which produces some of the most prestigious wines in the world. Jerry Taylor is the appointed Towns County Historical Society historian. He'll be discussing the preservation, protection and understanding of the North Georgia heritage. Jerry promotes the study, appreciation and interpretation of local and regional history, including both Appalachian and Native American history.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

- 8:00 - 9:00 **Breakfast, Registration and Vendor Exposition in the Lodge Lobby**
- 9:00 - 10:30 **NCRA Representative Town Hall Meeting With Tammie Shedd, FAPR, RPR, CMRS**
Tammie Shedd worked as both an official and freelance reporter before moving to the captioning industry in 1983. She is the president of Visual Audio Captioning in Fairfax, Virginia, and presently sits on the board for NCRA in the capacity as Director. Tammie will be talking about issues that affect Georgia reporters. She'll provide statistical information and national trends in our industry.
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Break & Vendor Exposition**
- 11:00 - 12:00 **DEATH PENALTY TRIAL PROCEDURE: Honorable James Bodiford**
Judge James Bodiford is no novice when it comes to high-profile death penalty trials. He has presided over at least three within the last ten-plus years: Fred Tokars, Lynn Turner and Brian Nichols. In cases such as these, the stakes are higher and the possibility of appellate issues increase which could ultimately lead to a verdict being overturned on technicalities. Judges assume a much higher level of responsibility during capital cases. For example, the mere constitution of voters called in for jury service during the term of trial is heavily scrutinized. You'll understand how painstaking measures are taken to protect each side in capital cases. It is the task of our jurists on the bench to ensure that both sides are represented fairly and the case is properly tried under the Unified Appeals Procedure.
- 12:00 - 1:30 **Lunch with Brian Nichols Trial Team Member Cheryl Gilliam**
Cheryl Gilliam serves on the board of GSRA. She endured this most protracted trial in its entirety. You'll learn what happens behind the scene regarding daily copy, how to manage a voluminous exhibit library as well as personal observations in the courtroom and logistical issues during trial.
- 1:30 - 1:45 **Break & Vendor Exposition**
- 1:45 - 3:15 **Brian Nichols Trial Team Member Clint Rucker**
ADA Clint Rucker will present facts leading up to Brian Nichols' arrest as well as how the prosecution handled its presentation of the case. Our attendees will view a poignant video tribute to our fallen colleagues that the State utilized during its closing argument. Trial Team members will assemble for a question-and-answer panel to answer audience questions.
- 3:15 - 3:30 **Break & Vendor Exposition**
- 3:30 - 4:30 **GSRA Business Meeting: Officer Installation & Association Awards**
- 4:30 - 5:30 **BREAKOUT SESSION FOR MACHINE WRITERS: Realtime With Mark Kislingbury**
Mark will spend the last hour sharing his training and knowledge base that's been utilized to secure his spot in the "Guinness Book of World Records" as the fastest machine writer in the world. His presence is guaranteed to help realtime writers hone their skill.
- 4:30 - 5:30 **BREAKOUT SESSION FOR VOICE WRITERS: Realtime With Chris Ales**
If you've never taken a class from Chris, her instruction is dedicated solely to help professional voice writers perfect their realtime skill.
- 6:00 - 7:00 **FIRM OWNERS' COCKTAIL RECEPTION/MIXER**
- 6:45 - 10:00 **(1) (ONE-HOUR OPTIONAL EVENT) LAKE CHATUGE BOAT EXCURSION, 6:45 p.m.; (2) BARBEQUE when the boats return or 7:30 p.m. for those left ashore; (3) BONFIRE and BLUE RIDGE GRASS BAND, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.**
- ### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2009
- 7:30 - 8:30 **Breakfast & Vendor Exposition In the Lodge Lobby**
- 8:30 - 10:30 **HANDS-ON BREAKOUT SESSION FOR MACHINE WRITERS: Realtime With Mark Kislingbury**
Don't forget your equipment. Mark's presentation is geared to assist reporters in making themselves indispensable in our industry. His knowledge inspires the novice to step off and join the rest of the realtime professionals.
- 8:30 - 10:30 **HANDS-ON BREAKOUT SESSION FOR VOICE WRITERS: Realtime With Chris Ales**
Don't forget your equipment. Chris's instruction is universal in nature and not software or search engine specific. It's devoted solely to master and command a better translation rate using streamlined vocal skills.
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Break & Vendor Exposition**
- 11:00 - 1:00 **HANDS-ON BREAKOUT SESSION FOR MACHINE WRITERS: Realtime With Mark Kislingbury, Resumed**
- 11:00 - 1:00 **HANDS-ON BREAKOUT SESSION FOR VOICE WRITERS: Realtime With Chris Ales, Resumed**