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2021 NLLEA Training Symposium Registration

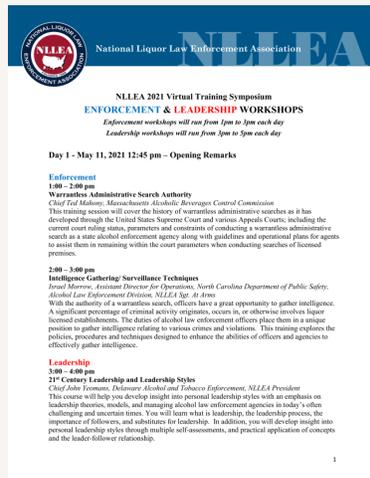
You can choose to attend one or more of the following webinars. Time shows in Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Day 1 - May 11, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops

Day 2 - May 18, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops

Day 3 - May 25, 2021 12:45 pm Opening Remarks - 1-5 pm Workshops

The 2021 NLLEA Training Symposium will be held May 11th, 18th and 25th from 1pm to 5pm EST in a webinar format, and is **FREE** to all paid NLLEA memberships. Click on the agenda for more information on the enforcement and leadership workshop schedules. If you are not yet a member please visit <https://nllea.org/Registration> to create an account or contact Carrie Christofes at carrie.christofes@nllea.org. We encourage all law enforcement and regulatory agencies to take advantage of this training, so please share with your partner agencies and encourage them to sign up for a membership.



Save the Date for the 2021 Annual Conference, **November 15-17** in Montgomery, Alabama at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center, in collaboration with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) State Bureau of Investigation. Conference registration and hotel accommodations will be available in April. Thank you for your extraordinary efforts to keep your communities safe and we can't wait to see all of you in November!

AR-ABC agents involved in gambling raid

Agents from the Arkansas Alcoholic Beverage Control worked with local law enforcement **during the March 3 gambling raid in Blytheville and Osceola**. According to Scott Hardin—spokesperson for the ABC-- they played a small but significant role in the raid because 4 out of 9 businesses hit had liquor licenses. The agents inspected the businesses to see if they were following rules set by the board.

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GA-Police probe more shootings in Atlanta after responding to 5 in 6 hours

“The number of people who lack conflict management skills, and who opt to take a life, risk going to prison and abandoning their family and their freedom, too often over trivial things, is shocking,” Atlanta police said in a statement following last weekend’s shootings. “The Atlanta Police Department has always been committed to reducing crime and keeping our streets safe, but police cannot be arbitrators for every argument.”

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Talk It Out NC concerned about impacts of pandemic on underage drinking

Isolation, anxiety and depression are all things the pandemic has managed to increase. They are also factors alcohol abuse experts say lead to an increase in drinking. Dr. Donita Robinson, professor of psychiatry at UNC-Chapel Hill said poor school performance and mood changes are the biggest indicators of alcohol abuse in teenagers. “It’s really hard right now because guess what the pandemic is doing? It’s causing poor school performance when your doing online learning and it’s causing mood changes when students are isolated from their peers,” said Robinson. It’s why she said parents need to be especially mindful of underage drinking in their teens. “They’re doing school from home and if there’s alcohol in the home that’s accessible to them, they may have access to that and experiment with drinking alcohol without their parents knowing about,” said Robinson.

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NJ-Morris County Sheriff's Office Weighs In on Cannabis Decriminalization Law

Police departments across New Jersey have made statements on the new cannabis law that was enacted on February 22, 2021, Now the Morris County Sheriff's Office has weighed in and has announced that the newly enacted cannabis decriminalization law needs reform already. The Sheriff's Association of New Jersey is urging the Governor and state legislature to quickly pass legislation that would amend the decriminalization statute. "The voters decided that cannabis should be legal. However, for the safety and well-being of our children, intervention strategies should never be halted", said Morris County Sheriff James M. Gannon. "The threat of criminal charges against police if they intervene is extremely disturbing".

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OH-After death of Bowling Green sophomore Stone Foltz, students plan moment of silence, demand Greek life reform

Stone Foltz, a 2019 graduate of Buckeye Valley High School in Delaware County, died Sunday night after he was given "a copious amount of alcohol" at an off-campus event Thursday evening organized by the BGSU chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and then dropped off at his apartment by fraternity members, according to Sean Alto, an attorney for the family.

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The Next Draft: Sip, Sip, Pass: Breweries should explore cannabis-infused beverages

The global cannabis beverage market could reach nearly \$3 billion by 2025, according to the San Francisco-based market research and consulting firm Grand View Research, and the Goliaths of the beer industry have already made their move to capture a piece of it. Anheuser-Busch has partnered with the cannabis company Tilray Inc., while Constellation Brands – owner of Corona and Modelo – has invested billions of dollars in the Canadian cannabis company Canopy Growth.

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Preventing Violence in American Cities with Safer Alcohol Sales

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, sales from off-premises alcohol outlets — such as from liquor and convenience stores — have risen dramatically across the country. The report analyzes the relationship between alcohol outlet density and violent crime and provides **safer alcohol sales** policy options to help cities reduce violent crime while improving the health and well-being of residents.

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US suspends tariff on single malt Scotch

The tariffs on Scotch whisky were introduced due to an ongoing dispute between the US and the EU regarding plane manufacturers Airbus and Boeing. **Since single malts were subjected to the tariffs**, exports of Scotch to the US have **plummeted by 35%**. The two nations have agreed a new ‘joint approach’ to the trade conflict, with the US dropping tariffs for four months in a bid to reach a ‘negotiated solution’ to the 16-year spat. The measure will come into force on Monday 8 March, backdated to today (4 March). UK prime minister Boris Johnson said: “From Scotch whisky distillers to Stilton makers, businesses across the UK will benefit from the US decision today to suspend tariffs in this dispute.

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The Vape Landscape In Wake Of Lung Injury Outbreak

The scary news about vaping just keeps coming. The latest was delivered this week by the Center for the Study of Drugs, Alcohol, Smoking & Health at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. It indicated that teens are about twice as likely to report “wheezing or whistling” of the chest after vaping marijuana than after smoking cigarettes or using e-cigarettes. “Without a doubt, cigarettes and e-cigarettes are unhealthy and not good for lungs,” the Center’s co-director, Carol Boyd, told CNN. “However, vaping marijuana appears even worse.”

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Puff Bar Defies FDA Crackdown on Fruity E-Cigarettes by Ditching the Tobacco

Fancy a mango, watermelon or lemon-ice flavored vape? You are in luck. They are being sold online by Puff Bar, a brand that last year was ordered to take its e-cigarettes off the U.S. market.

The Food and Drug Administration told the e-cigarette maker to stop selling its fruity, disposable vaporizers, as part of **a broader crackdown on underage vaping**. The brand resumed sales on its website last month and introduced a change that may allow it to sidestep the FDA: Puff Bar says it is using nicotine that isn’t derived from tobacco.

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Best Practice Guidance Document for Alcohol Sales and Deliveries During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic:



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