



Doug Ruggles (left)

Doug Ruggles of Martin Fastening Solutions (Florence, Alabama) has been elected as the 2019-2020 president of the National Fastener Distributors Association. Adam Derry of Field (Machesney Park, Illinois) will serve as vice president, Kelly Charles of Sems & Specials (Rockford, Illinois) as associate chair, and Kelly Cole of Hayes Bolt & Supply (San Diego, California) will remain on the Board as immediate past president.

Three new Board members have been elected to serve on the NFDA Board: Don Haggerty of Lindstrom/Stelfast (Edison, New Jersey), Craig Penland of Eurolink FSS (Greer, South Carolina), and Jodie Thinnies of Copper State Bolt & Nut (Phoenix, Arizona).

Continuing on the NFDA Board are Keven Simmer of Wurth DMB Supply (Des Moines, Iowa), Scott Somers of Mid-States Bolt & Screw Company (Flint, Michigan), and Bryan Wheeler of Star Stainless Screw (Wood Dale, Illinois).

The new Board was introduced at the NFDA 2019 Annual Meeting, held June 10-11, in Cincinnati, Ohio. The annual meeting also included programs on data analytics by Brian Friedle of MITS, supply chain transparency by Heather Stewart of Wurth Industry North America, industrial marketing by Matt Johnson of Spinstak Growth Agency, and an economic update presented by Alan Beaulieu of ITR Economics.

Tribute was paid during the NFDA annual meeting to retiring Board members Rich Megliola of Vertex Distribution (Saint Charles, Illinois), Kevin Miller of Bamal Corporation (Charlotte, North Carolina), Dan Zehnder of Trinity Logistics Corporation (Waukehsa, Wisconsin), and Jun Xu of Brighton-Best International (Santa Fe Springs, California).

Doug Ruggles Elected NFDA President for 2019-2020



Upcoming NFDA events include:

- **Executive Summit**
November 3-5, 2019
Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort, Naples, Florida
- **Joint Conference and Tabletop Show with the Pacific-West Fastener Association**
March 4-7, 2020
Westin Hotel, Long Beach, California
- **Executive Sales Planning Sessions®**
June 23-24, 2020
Embassy Suites Downtown, Minneapolis, Minnesota

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