



CRCA ENEWS – October 21, 2011

~NRCA & CRCA needs your help - NRCA continues working to get Congress to repeal the 3 percent withholding tax on government contracts, which will adversely affect many roofing contractors once implemented. The House is expected to vote on legislation to repeal the tax (H.R. 674) during the week of Oct. 24, and the Senate could vote on a similar bill (S. 1726) shortly. CRCA & NRCA urges you to contact your senators and representative now to urge support for repeal of this job-killing tax. For info, visit NRCA's website: http://www.nrca.net/rp/government/update/1011_tax.aspx

~CRCA Presents at NRCA Symposium – The NRCA held an International Roofing Symposium Sept. 7-9 in Washington DC. CRCA's Rod Petrick and Bill McHugh co-authored a paper on the research, process, and resulting Chicago Urban Heat Island Effect Ordinance and 2009 Energy Code. The paper was presented along with 27 other papers from around the world. Check out the presentation at CRCA's website.

<http://crca.org/documents/CRCAandCRCatNRCAInternationalSymposium092011FINAL.pdf>

~CRCA Visits Congress & Senate Representatives – CRCA's Executive Director Bill McHugh, as part of NRCA's Committee Meetings and Congressional Conference visited Second Deputy Whip Peter Roskam and also met with representatives from Senator Mark Kirk's Office. Both were requested to support the repeal of the 3% Withholding Tax (see above). We requested special attention to the reduction of roof depreciation time from 39 years to 17 years in the tax code, with NRCA's legislation as the base document. For info on how CRCA members can help...visit NRCA's Government Affairs Dept. update. http://www.nrca.net/rp/government/update/1011_tax.aspx .

~CRCA Trade Show - 2012

Save the date for the 29th CRCA Trade Show and Seminars, January 19-20, 2012! Online registration is open now at <http://www.crca.org> !

This year's show at Drury Lane Conference Center in Oakbrook Terrace is themed "The Dollars & Sense of Compliance". The show features over 135 exhibitors and is packed full of powerful educational programming for the roofing and waterproofing professional!

Listen to Stephen Phillips, Esq., Hendrick Phillips, and Rod Petrick speak at Thursday's Roofing Industry Breakfast about the legal implications of the Green Code. Then, Stephen expands with more detail at 2pm. Researcher Andre Desjarlais, Oak Ridge National Laboratories at 4pm brings info about energy savings of insulations and surfaces.

Friday's sessions include the International Code Council's Steve Thorsell on the International Green Construction Code; Gary Auman, Esq. Dunlevy, Mahan and Furry, on Safety, OSHA and Liability, and NRCA's Mark Graham on the new 2012 Energy Code that becomes Law in March.



CRCA President Bruce Diederich and Trade Show Co Chairman Fred Creed w/ 2011 Raffle Winner!

~Register for the November 15 CRCA Meeting! Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 11:30 am at Maggiano's – Oakbrook. Topic: Safety Updates on Residential Fall Protection and Crane Safety. Deadline: Thursday, November 10th

~CRCA Reminder – IL Roofing Contractor Licensing & the Qualifying Party – Previously, the CRCA office had suggested that those interested in updating the qualifying party during the current “grandfather period” send a letter to the state requesting this status change, without having to take the Licensing Exam.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE TO CHANGE YOUR QUALIFYING PARTY IS 12/31/11 WITHOUT NEEDING TO TAKE THE EXAM. If you are still interested in this change, complete the Qualifying party change prior to 12/31/11. Those of you who sent this letter to the state should have received a packet back of forms to complete this. If you have not received them, the forms are available from CRCA for your use. Email linda@crca.org if you need forms. The CRCA Legislative Liaison, Margaret Vaughn can also handle questions, please call the CRCA office at 708-449-3340 or Margaret Vaughn at 217-280-0206.

~Save the Date for 2011 CRCA Annual Awards Dinner, December 2nd! – We return to the Holiday Inn Mart Plaza for this great event for 201. CRCA has negotiated an extended rate for Friday & Saturday at the hotel. Stay the weekend and shop, enjoy a show and /or the City of Chicago.

~ CRCA Member Give Back! Eternabond’s Gail and Chris Margarites recently donated a handicapped-accessible van for an Elk Grove mother, who has four disabled children and is also battling cancer. The gift was especially appreciated by the 18-year old triplets with cerebral palsy and a 12-year old son with autism. CRCA thanks Gail and Chris for their generosity with the donation as well volunteering time to other charitable foundations.

~ Add a Company Logo to your CRCA.org Website Listing Send that new logo, and any text you want listed to linda@crca.org today!

~ MRCA Show in Rosemont, October 27-28th
The 62nd MRCA Conference will be at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, October 26-28, 2011. To view the schedule of events, the programming topics, the trade show exhibitors or to register, visit <http://www.mrca.org>, or call 800-497-6722

~ CRCA History Committee Needs Your Help! We are looking for photos of the following CRCA members from the past. Please contact linda@crca.org if you have any of these in an old photo album or box in the back of your closet!! Thank you!

- Robert Dessent
- Irwin Esko
- Herbert Boice
- J.W. Kerr
- Ralph Marks
- Clyde Scott
- Gene Scott

Bill McHugh - CRCA Executive Director

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