



CRCA ENewsletter – May 30, 2006

CRCA Contractor Insurance Survey, Safety Seminars, Scholarship, FM Info, CRCA Show Call for Topics, MRCA, etc.

~CRCA Contractor Insurance Survey – While renewal information is fresh in your mind, CRCA is seeking contractor insurance information. CRCA's Contractor Insurance Survey was mailed recently. Please take a few minutes to answer the 13 questions, administered by Perception Solutions, Inc., CRCA's professional survey consultant. If you haven't received a survey, contact the office. Look for the results late summer, with a CRCA Meeting devoted to insurance in November, 2006.



~CRCA Scholarship Program – CRCA offers a \$3000 yearly renewable scholarship to members and the general public. This year's winner, Jeff Bailin, Hinsdale Central High School, thanked CRCA and those who helped with his education, as he heads to Georgetown University to study Finance. CRCA's 2005 Winner Heather Volkhamer, currently a freshman at DePaul University, updated us on her progress as she continues pursuit of pre-medicine. Heather Boyle, 2003's winner was in Denmark on a student exchange, Marcus Moreno, 2004, was taking final exams at Harvard, while Jennifer Tietz finished her senior year at Purdue.



2006 Scholarship Recipient Jeff Bailin with his family and CRCA Committee



Mentalist Chris Carter entertaining Roofs Inc.

CRCA thanks the committee, Chuck Dessent, Patty Keating, Jim Mansfield, Chris Cronin and John Lanzendorf for taking time to participate in this award. The committee receives many hundreds of applications of very qualified students seeking the scholarship. The application is posted to CRCA's website, and is available to all who qualify. To view the 2006 application, and learn more about the program, visit http://crca.org/crca_scholarship/index.htm

~CRCA Leaders meet new Intl. Union President –

CRCA's union contractor leadership met with Kinsey Robinson, new United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers President on April 18, 2006. The meeting featured a great exchange of ideas and the start of a new relationship. We look forward to a long future working with Kinsey at CRCA, Local 11 and the other local associations around the country.



CRCA Pres. Joe McDevitt with Kinsey Robinson



Bill Coulehan (OSHA) speaks on Safety & Recordkeeping

~Safety Seminars for CRCA Members

CRCA's Safety Committee held its first seminar "The Importance of Recordkeeping" for OSHA 300 Forms, April 19. OSHA's Bill Coulehan, Calumet City office, moderated a great session, with attendees taking tips to their businesses. CRCA may repeat the seminar this winter. CRCA hosts another seminar on "Accident Investigation" Wednesday July 19, 9am – 11 am, at Aramark, in Downers Grove. October's topic is Fire Safety, and January '07 features more on Fall Protection. To download the registration form, visit <http://cra.org/documents/JulyCRSPflyer.pdf> .

~CRCA Contributes to St. Mary of the Angels School, New Orleans – CRCA President, Joe McDevitt, asked Past-President Joe Adler to research a worthy place for CRCA to help in the New Orleans disaster from last summer. CRCA waited until after the big rush of money went into Red Cross, and other places, figuring the funding would dry up after time passed. Zach Ellis, friend of CRCA Past President, Joe Adler, of Ellis Roofing, put us in touch with Fr. Bart Pax last September. CRCA's donation of \$50,000 was sent in January, 2006. Individually, Adler Roofing also contributed. St. Mary of the Angels services the New Orleans lower 7th Ward low income community with programs for homeless to work, a shelter, counseling, etc. to people of all faiths.

~MRCA coming to Schaumburg Convention Center - Mark your calendars now. The MRCA Show features very timely and informative Technical Programs and a first class trade show, a Golf Outing at Ruffled Feathers or Sporting Clay Tournament, cutting edge Technical and Business Programs plus great industry exchange from contractors, architects, engineers and specifiers. Look for seminars on Ventilation, Photovoltaics, Code info, Steep Roofing Products. Plus, CRCA Leaders are also leaders at MRCA...current MRCA President is Jim Brosseau...with Rod Petrick, Joe McDevitt, and Jay Refieuna very active on committees and the board. For info about seminar fees, or free trade show floor passes, and other info, visit <http://mrca.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3572> .



Schaumburg Marriott



Ruffled Feathers Golf Club



~CRCA Members Lead after they move on – Past CRCA Member, Cleve Carney, formerly of Olsson Roofing Company, Inc., was named Philanthropist of the Year from the West

Suburban Philanthropic Network. Mary Keating, DuPage Dept. of Human Services (daughter of retired CRCA Executive Director Pat Keating) received the grant writer of the year award. Mary's comment, "I'm from the government and I'm here to help!" was well recognized with both humor and sincere appreciation for her efforts to gain grant money for charitable organizations. Both were honored along with others at the May 24 banquet at the Abbington in Glen Ellyn.

Cleve Carney was honored for giving a total of \$1.5 million to the DuPage Community Foundation, B.R. Ryall YMCA, the Morton Arboretum and Hyde Park Arts Center. Cleve is on countless charity and not-for-profit boards, giving back to the community in both time and financial resources. Visit <http://www.wspnonline.com/> for info about the award.

~CRCA Golf Outing – Join over 250 CRCA Contractors, Distributors, Manufacturers and Manufacturers Representatives for a day of fun, fellowship and good golf for the 2006 Industry Golf Outing, Thursday, July 13th. If you haven't experienced a CRCA Golf Outing and Dinner, you are missing a great event with several golf awards and really great door prizes. Silver Lakes Country Club is the venue, all we need is you! Visit the CRCA Website for up to date information and registration.



Great Friends, Great Golf



CRCA Reception & Dinner



2005 Winners!

~CRCA 2007 Trade Show – It's never too early to talk about the CRCA Trade Show & Seminars. The call for presentations is currently posted at the CRCA Website, http://crca.org/crca_events/trade.htm. Email Bill McHugh at bill@crca.org if you have any questions. Additionally, there is a list of exhibitors, an exhibitor application, and archives of activities from last years' successful show.



Steve Mulvihill, 2006 Trade Show speaker explains Roof Life Chart to attendees



CRCA Trade Show Committee welcomes attendees

~CRCA & Illinois Code Info - In the state of Illinois, there are basically two codes. The City of Chicago Municipal Code covers the city by the lake. The municipalities of Illinois all adopt the code that they feel best fits the community through home rule governance. Communities have adapted the many versions of the BOCA National Building Code or ICC's International Building Code, versions 2000, 2003, or 2006.

CRCA is currently updating the database of which communities have adopted which code, a short schedule of fees, etc., for distribution to CRCA members this summer.



~CRCA Member FM Technical Advisory – The CRCA office and many CRCA Contractor & Associate Members have recently heard of or seen new requirements for Factory Mutual Approvals' (FM) 1-29 Data Sheet unveil in specifications. In situations where the specifier requires a 1-90 wind, hail and fire resistance rating, the FM 1-29 Data Sheet requirements become part of the FM 1-90 specification.

To assemble a 1-90 assembly now requires significantly more fastening of insulation at perimeters (increased by double in some cases), and in the field. Additionally, verification of welding attachment for the metal deck to the joists below and additional mechanical attachment is required. This could put the contractor at risk, if the construction documents and proposals are 'per plans and specs' and new changes are not reflected in bids. Most important, verify with manufacturers for appropriate fastening patterns for membrane and insulation, plus decking to structural elements that meet FM's new requirements.

CRCA expects information from FM about these changes plus a position statement from FM when it is released in the near future. MRCA published a technical position paper about the new changes to the FM Data Sheets. Visit http://crca.org/Resources/architect_resources%20.htm , (Architect / Consultant Resources), for information.



~**CRCA Members Enjoy the White Sox Game** – Over 250 members of CRCA attended the White Sox’ Construction Night at US Cellular Field April 28, 2006. If the Sox hold another Construction Night in the fall, look for CRCA to pack the house.



~**MRCA Programs Available through NRCA** – Need CERTA Training? There’s a CERTA Training Program June 16th, at Triton College, by O’Hare Airport. Here’s the link to info: <http://www.nrca.net/rp/education/nrca/courses/riei/certatrain.aspx>



Certified Roofing Torch
Applicator Program

Mark Your Calendars!

July 13, 2006	CRCA Industry Golf Outing, Silver Lakes Country Club, Orland Park
September 12, 2006	CRCA Membership Luncheon, Maggiano’s-Schaumburg
October 11-12	MRCA Annual Convention, Schaumburg
November 14, 2006	CRCA Membership Luncheon, Maggiano’s-Oak Brook
December 1, 2006	CRCA Annual Awards Dinner, Pheasant Run, St. Charles

“.....at some point in our lives we need to think beyond ourselves. The community has given me a lifetime, it makes sense to reciprocate.” Cleve Carney ... upon receiving Philanthropist of the Year Award, West Suburban Philanthropic Network, May 24, 2006



Bill McHugh, CRCA Executive Director

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