CRCA’s 1st Annual Member Appreciation Casino Night

CRCA’s Membership Committees hosted its first Annual CRCA Member Appreciation Casino Night on April 11 at the Drake in Oak Brook. CRCA Members and their guests were able to try their luck at craps, roulette, blackjack and poker.

Tony Roque (MW Powell) won the contractor grand prize, which was Southwest and Marriott gift cards to take an unforgettable trip of his choosing. On the associate side, Christopher Murphy (Omni Ecosystems) won the 55” Roku TV.

Thank you to all who were able to join us. Don’t miss the photo album from the night.

CRCA @ Roofing Day in DC

NRCA organized a great day of advocacy for the Roofing Industry, “Roofing Day in DC,” April 4. With about 24 attendees from Illinois. We spoke with legislators and their staffs about three issues facing roofing industry today:

- Support Immigration Reform that meets Roofing Industry Workforce Needs
- Support for a Robust Buildings Component in Infrastructure Legislation
- Support for Expanded Workforce Training Incentives

Check out the photos!

Save the Date: Upcoming CRCA Events

May 2 – CRCA CWIR 3rd Anniversary & Networking Event, La Barra, Oak Brook
May 14 – CRCA Scholarship Dinner, Presenter Maggiano’s, Oak Brook
June 27 – CRCA Mentorship Workshop, Pinstripes Oak Brook
July 11 – CRCA Industry Day Golf Outing Silver Lakes Country Club, Orland Park
August 3 – CRCA Day at the Kane County Cougars
September 10 – CRCA Membership Meeting & Luncheon, Location TBD
November 12 – CRCA Membership Meeting & Luncheon, Location TBD
December 6 – CRCA Annual Awards Dinner, Location TBD

Stay up-to-date on all CRCA events here

CRCA Trade Show & Seminars

Another Show in the Books – CRCA’s 2019 Trade Show & Seminars had record levels of attendance at the show, seminars and also the Weds. Special Events. CRCA’s Emerging Leaders and CRCA Chicagoland Women in Roofing
CRCA's CWIR roundtable discussions brought industry issues and possible education events up to the surface. Roofing Industry Consultant Kevin Dougherty spoke on workforce recruiting and retention. CRCA’s welcome reception provided additional networking opportunities.

CRCA’s Trade Show & Seminars breakfast panel brought debate on low slope roofing industry issues on existing buildings from Roof Consultant Carole Ceja, Raths, Raths and Johnson, Kevin Froeter, Sterling Commercial Roofing, Mark Graham, NRCA, Stephen Phillips, Hendrick Phillips, Matt Dupuis, SRI, Inc. Both Nick Sabino, incoming NRCA Chairman, Deer Park Roofing, and Tony Hyatt, Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau, spoke on steep slope issues. Their follow up full length seminars were all packed with 185-300 attending each seminar. Thanks to the speakers for sharing your talent with CRCA.

Missed the programs? Check out the presentations at www.CRCA.org

CRCA Advocacy Updates

**CRCA at City of Chicago** – The City passed an ordinance on April 10 adopting a modified version of the International Building Code (IBC). There have been several task groups working to mesh the Chicago Building Code into the IBC. The city was already successful in adopting the National Electrical Code. Watch the next CRCA Enews for a report on the developments in Chicago.

**CRCA @ ICC** – The International Energy Conservation Code will be debated at ICC's Committee Action Hearings in Albuquerque, NM in early May. CRCA has proposals in focused at existing buildings. One proposal would provide relief to the building owner and manager when technical infeasibilities exist, from having to install min. R-30 continuous roof Insulation. Another aims to create a new definition and option for roof membrane replacement.

**CRCA @ ARMA** – CRCA presented the Chicago Energy Code and more at the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association Meeting downtown. ARMA Members heard how Chicago is providing options for low slope roofs to be gravel or granular surfaced too.

CRCA Committee Corner

CRCA's Committees have been quite active in the first quarter of 2019. Here are some of the updates!

**Emerging Leaders** held part 1 of 4 mentoring seminars at Pinstripes, Oak Brook on March 28th. Speaker Steve Ritter's interactive workshop focused on how everyone is a student and a teach in life and how to take the lessons learned from those experienced to make a better mentor or mentee. After the workshop attendees bowled, mingled and watched some opening day baseball. Check out pictures here. The next workshop will be help on June 27th at Pinstripes Oak Brook. Interested in joining the mentor network? Email jessica@crca.org for more information.

**Chicagoland Women in Roofing** have already held three events in 2019! On January 25th, KARNAK hosted a hands-on training on roof coatings. Pictures here. In
March the committee met to discuss goals & objectives for 2019. On April 10th UL hosted a tour of it's Building Envelope Testing Facility. Pictures here.

History Committee has started a partnership with Lewis University to interview many of our long-time members to gather information about CRCA's history along with the history of roofing labor in Chicago. Keep an eye on upcoming issues of CRCA Today to learn about their findings.

Marketing Committee...follow our new Instagram @crcaupdates

Welcome New CRCA Members

CRCA would like to welcome all of our new members since January 2018:

Contractor:
Elite Home Restoration
First Home Improvements
Foremost Improvements

Associate:
Atlantic Leak Detection
Boral Roofing
Common Sense Solutions
D.I. Roof Seamers
Greenrise Technologies
RM Biltrite
Unilock Chicago, Inc.
Windsmart

Roof Consultant:
C.E. Crowley & Associates
INSPEC, Inc.
Mac Brady Associates, Inc
Madsen, Kneppers & Associates, Inc.
Roofing Advocates
SRI Consultants Inc.