



Bulletin

Serving Professional Union Finishing Contractors in the Midwest

January 2010

Conference Speakers to Cover Variety of Topics

The Third Annual Midwest Regional Union Finishing Contractors Conference will soon be upon us. Taking place at The Westin Yorktown Center in Lombard, Illinois February 5th and 6th, FCAI's annual conference will offer something for every member of your team through its four tracts: Future of Marketing, Safety First, Leadership & Management Trends and Emerging Technologies. The tracts were conceived from the conference theme, "Learn to Thrive - Right Here, Right Now". The economy has been tough but you have to learn to thrive to survive.

The conference kicks off with a high profile keynote speaker--IUPAT's General President **James Williams**. General President Williams began his apprenticeship with Glaziers, Architectural Metal and Glass Workers Local Union 252, Philadelphia, after graduating from Northeast Catholic High School in 1968. In 1969 he enlisted in the Army, serving as an Infantryman in Vietnam. He was awarded two Bronze Stars, the Army Accommodation Medal, and an Air Medal. Returning home in 1971, he completed his apprenticeship and worked as a journeyman glazier. In 1975, he was elected president and business manager of Local Union 252. In 1978, he was elected business manager/ secretary-treasurer of the district council and served on numerous boards. In August of 1994 he was elected the Allied Region General Vice President of IUPAT. He held this position until September 1995, when he was appointed General Secretary-Treasurer elect of the IUPAT. In August 1999 he was elected General Secretary-Treasurer. In April 2003, Mr. Williams was unanimously elected General President by the Union's General Executive Board. In a unanimous vote of the 2009 IUPAT General Convention, James A. Williams was reelected to a five-year term.



There will be two educational session time slots on Friday with four sessions each slot for a total of eight sessions. Each session will last between 75 - 90 minutes. The first session includes information on how to collect money owed to you, what BIM is, how to make the most of what the Union can offer you and how to lead your team through these tough

times. The second session will offer the Union information again, information on how to coordinate a respiratory program in your company, how to use GPS to improve your workers' productivity and how to utilize social media for free marketing.

Saturday brings the third and final round of educational sessions with four slots offered. These will last 90 minutes and will cover how to increase your own productivity, why you should add digital takeoff to your company, what the EPA certification on renovation when there is lead involved is all about and 10 business practices you can implement to improve your company.

Saturday will close with a keynote speaker who will discuss how to lead your team through the inevitable change the touch economy has brought upon us. The closing keynote speaker is **Rick Wright** who is co-founder and CEO of DRW Partners, Inc., a Dallas-based practice specializing in the following areas: Leadership Development, Strategic Planning, Change Management, Merger and Acquisition Integration, Assessments and Coaching for Selection and Development of Talent. During his fifteen years with Pritchett Rummel-Brache, Deloitte & Touche, and Arthur D. Little, Rick held senior positions in consulting and training delivery, product and methodology development, project management, and client acquisition. Rick has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the United States Air Force Academy, 3500 hours as a Master Navigator in the U.S. Air Force and Air National Guard, including over 200 sorties during his activation for the Persian Gulf War.



Additional events of the conference include a pre-conference seminar on Thursday, February 4th for those interested in getting their LEED Green Associate, a panel discussion with FCAI President Rick Vandegrift and Painters District Council No. 30 Secretary-Treasurer Chuck Anderson, a cocktail reception and a roundtable breakfast.

To download the full conference brochure go to www.FCAofIllinois.com or call 630-264-7880 to have it faxed to you.

Conference Registration

There are 4 easy ways to register: 1) Fax this page to 630-264-7988. 2) Mail this page to FCAI, 1991 W Downer Pl, Aurora, IL 60506. 3) Email Kelly@NiPDi.com and tell her who is attending. 4) Call 630-264-7880 and tell us who is attending.

Company _____ Person Filling Out Form _____

Email of Person Filling Out Form _____

Address _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Credit Card (circle one) MC Visa Discover Number _____

Signature _____ Exp Date _____

| | Attendee Name | Email of Attendee | Circle Your Choices | | | Sub Total |
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| | | | By 1/8/2010 | After 1/8/2010 | Pre-Conf Seminar | |
| FCAI / FCAC 1st Attendee | | | FREE | \$79 | \$99 | |
| FCAI / FCAC Addtl Attendee | | | \$99 | \$119 | \$99 | |
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| NiPDi Contributor* | | | \$139 | \$159 | \$149 | |
| Non-Member | | | \$179 | \$199 | \$199 | |
| | | | | | Total \$ _____ | |

***NiPDi Contributors: Join FCAI for FREE then register by January 8th and your first attendee is FREE! Call 630-264-7880 to find out how to join.**

Cancellation Policy - You must cancel before January 27, 2010 to obtain a refund. Free registrations that are no-shows will be charged \$175. Please photocopy this page for additional attendees.

Make checks payable to FCA of Illinois.

**Download the conference
brochure at
www.FCAofIllinois.com**

Official Notice of Annual Meeting



FCAI's Annual Meeting

For FCAI Members & NiPDi Contributors

CityGate Grill (formerly Riva)

2020 Calamos Ct, Naperville, IL

Restaurant is located North of I-88 off Rt 59 in the CityGate complex.

Banquet room is located in the basement.

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday, January 14, 2010

5:30 pm Open Bar & Hors d'oeuvres

Ahi Tartare, Smoked Pork, Sirloin Bouquets and
Forest Mushroom Canapes

Tabletop Exhibits

Sherwin-Williams
3M

6:30 pm Dinner

House Salad (arugula, grilled vegetables, citrus vinaigrette),
Onion Bisque soup, Filet Mignon or Pan Seared Salmon (tangerine &
shallot dressing), Sweet Potato Gratin, Asparagus Pecorino and
Lemon Cheesecake (with blackberry coulis)

7:30 pm Committee Reports & Elections of FCAI Officers

The FCAI Board of Directors has approved the following slate of
candidates to be considered for the position of FCAI Director (term
ending January 1, 2013):

Joe Maring, Karl Schoening & Sons, Inc, Rockford
Doris Procaccio, Procaccio Painting, St Charles

RSVP by Thursday, January 7

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FCAI Contractors Members/NiPDi Contributors receive 2 complimentary passes. FCAI Associate Members receive 1 complimentary pass. Each additional attendee will be \$25. Cancellations received within 72 hours of the event and no-shows may be subject to a \$25 cancellation fee.



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February 5 & 6, 2010

**FCAI 3rd Annual Conference
The Westin, Lombard**