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TARC Newsletter

Thank you to our Sponsors



President's Corner

Dear TARC Members,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone's business in full swing, and having a busy and productive year. From all indications and from the contractors and suppliers I have spoken with, work seems to have improved across the state. Our association has been extremely busy this year, working to strengthen the association and provide more value to our members.

We just returned from our Summer Convention, that was held June 4th -7th in Orange Beach, Alabama at the Perdido Beach Resort. Attendance was very good this year. We had a tremendous amount of support from our sponsors. The educational and training programs were informative and I hope every-

one was able to take something away from the meetings that will improve their business.

We awarded scholarships for the upcoming fall semester to four very deserving applicants. Their names were announced at our farewell dinner on Saturday night and can be seen in the newsletter. This brings a total of fifty five scholarships our association has awarded since the scholarship program began, about fifteen years ago.

One of our organization's finest achievements was getting our Roofing License Law HB480 passed last year. It was passed and signed by Governor Haslam on April 19th, 2013, and went into effect January 1st of this year. I think this will improve



our industry and help all members across the state.

Last, I would like to thank all of our sponsors. Please take a minute to look through the newsletter and take notice of the organizations that support our association, without their dedication and support our association would not be so successful.

Sincerely,

Rick Ragan
TARC President



Thank You for a Great Convention!

Thank you to all of our 2014 Convention Sponsors! We could not have put on such a great convention without your generosity and support!

For those who attended TARC convention please

be sure to take a look at all of our great photos on the TARC website,

www.tarcroof.com.



NRCA Action Alert: Commercial Roof Systems Depreciation Reform Introduced in Congress



New legislation has been introduced in Congress to reform the depreciation schedule for certain commercial roof systems to help unleash greater economic growth in the roofing industry. This bipartisan legislation will help create 40,000 new construction industry jobs, benefit millions of small businesses nationwide and advance energy efficiency in the commercial building sector. **NRCA urges members to contact their senators and representative in Congress in support of this legislation to broaden its support and in-**

crease the chances for enactment into law.

Background

Depreciation reform is needed because between 1981 and 1993, the depreciation schedule for all non-residential property was increased from 15 to 39 years. However, according to an independent study commissioned by NRCA, the average life of most commercial roof systems is only 17 years. This causes building owners to delay the full replacement of older, failing roof systems in favor of limited, piecemeal repairs. Reforming the outdated 39-year depreciation schedule for commercial roof systems will

remove an obstacle in the tax code to greater economic activity in the roofing industry.

To rectify this problem, Reps. Tom Reed (R-N.Y.) and Bill Pascrell (D-N.J.) have introduced H.R. 4740 in the House and Sens. Ben Cardin (D-Md.) and Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) have introduced S. 2388 in the Senate. These companion bills, if enacted, would create a new 20-year depreciation schedule for commercial roof system retrofits that meet requirements of ASHRAE 189.1—2011, "Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings."

Read More at www.nrca.net

Scholarship Winners Announced

We are happy to announce that the TARC Scholarship Fund has awarded four, \$1,000.00 Scholarships for the 2014– 2015 academic year.

Read about our scholarship recipients on the new TARC website at www.tarcroof.com.

Our 2014 Scholarship Recipients are Riley Powell, Grace Tyrrell, Haley Sanders, and McKenzie Mullins.

Congratulations ladies! TARC wishes you nothing but the best in your continued studies.



Summer Convention 2015 Location Revealed

Get ready for Summer Convention 2015! We will be hosting our annual convention at the Perdido Beach Resort in Beautiful Orange Beach, Alabama.

Join TARC at the beach for a fun-filled educational conference with networking opportunities,

informative educational sessions, and special events.

For those wanting condos, we will be blocking rooms at the Phoenix East II and Phoenix East, directly next door to Perdido Beach Resort.

Watch your e-mail for more details!



Top 8 Reasons to be a TARC Member

- 1. Develop Professional Contacts.** Meet others in the same profession who have the same successes, problems, and challenges as you do!
- 2. Improve Your Technical Expertise.** You will have several opportunities to attend our highly professional Technical and Educational Sessions.
- 3. Improve Your Professional Image.**
- 4. Develop Profitable Relationships with Suppliers and Manufacturers.** Meet and develop lasting friendships with people who supply for your business.
- 5. Have a Voice on Capital Hill.** TARC suppliers and contractors are kept up to date on of recent court decisions affecting our industry.
- 6. Size Doesn't Matter.** Whether our members are large or small, we provide the same service to everyone. You won't get lost in the crowd.
- 7. Statewide Referral Service.** The Association Staff receives numerous inquiries from throughout the state requesting names of contractors and suppliers.
- 8. Mix Business With Pleasure.** By attending our annual convention you will be exposed to the latest technology available. Normally lasting 3-4 days, convention is filled with educational sessions, networking opportunities, and family friendly fun! There's something for everyone and plenty of time to relax and get acquainted

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Upcoming events

July 30 - 31: AIATN Convention

This year's AIATN Convention will be held at the Nashville Music City Center. Join us at the TARC booth to help us spread the word about our association and the new law!



October 9: Fall Golf Tournament

The Fall Golf Tournament will be held at the Greystone Golf Club in Dickson, TN. Watch your mail for more information shortly!



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