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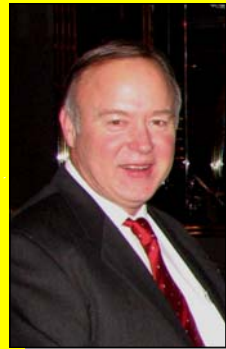
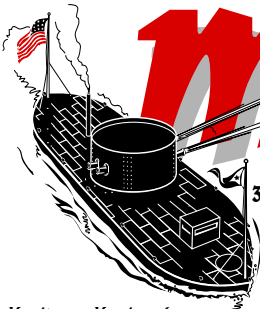
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A Few
Words
From . . .

TOM TYRAKOWSKI
President, FCA of Chicago

THE ACTION IS IN CHICAGO THIS SUMMER!

My hat is off to National PDCA for sweetening the pot for our Golf Classic on June 17th by sponsoring a \$10,000.00 Hole-In-One Contest at Ruffled Feathers. Now I know we will play that day...who couldn't use an extra 10 G's? And anyone can get lucky....

This year's event will be imbedded in the National FCA Annual Council being held here in Chicago that same week, and I urge you all to sign up before both of these great events become completely booked up. If you have a smart phone (and attended our February Technology Seminar), just click on those two funny-looking little square bar codes in this issue of the *Monitor* and you can take care of business right on your cellphone. If you did not attend the Technology Seminar, those things are called "QR" codes, and they're among the hottest things going for fast and efficient on-line work.

This is the very first time National FCA has visited Chicago with its prestigious Annual Council, and our Golf Outing is imbedded in their program. This is a truly unique opportunity to attend some fine educational sessions and rub shoulders with fellow Painting Contractors from all over our country and Canada. Don't get left out!

If you're not geared to

More...



\$10,000 HOLE-IN-ONE HIGHLIGHTS JUNE 17th PDCA-FCA GOLF CLASSIC!

Many thanks to National PDCA for stepping up to the tee box to enhance our day of sun & fun on June 17th with a great Par 3 Hole-In-One Contest! Now, not only can you have a great time on a challenging course, but also pocket some real cash with just the right shot!

Ruffled Feathers is one of the finest golf courses to be found in all of Greater Chicago.

Designed by the legendary Pete Dye, Ruffled Feathers offers 18 unique holes in a superbly-crafted, gorgeous setting, and was hailed as "Best New Course" by both *Golf*



Digest and *Golfweek* back in 1991. A challenging course featuring exquisite fairways, strategically-located bunkers, challenging water hazards, and manicured greens, it has many tranquil

amenities that lend it the look and feel of a private country club.

Join us this year on June 17th for a truly special day on a fabulous course... topped with great prizes, good food, ample refreshments,

and camaraderie with your peers in the industry!

PROCEEDS FROM THE 2011 CHICAGO PDCA-FCA GOLF CLASSIC WILL BE SHARED WITH A NEW CHARITABLE PAINTING PROJECT.

WELFARE FUND REPORT

The Health & Welfare Fund for March, 2011 indicated that Ordinary Income of \$2,830,667.48 plus Investment Income of \$604,885.54 minus Expenses of \$3,174,422.93 yielded a Net Income of \$261,130.09.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$32,374,658.56 plus Investment Income of \$7,414,629.08 minus Expenses of \$32,775,590.58 yielded a Net Income of \$7,013,697.06.

The Fund Value as of 03/31/11 was \$94,482,661.30.

PENSION FUND REPORT

The Pension Fund indicated for March, 2011 that Ordinary Income of \$2,418,233.81 plus Investment Income of \$5,651,265.84 minus Expenses of \$3,058,142.84 yielded a Net Income of \$5,011,356.81.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$31,744,118.91 plus Investment Income of \$56,352,423.19 minus Expenses of \$35,064,590.15 yielded a Net Income of \$53,031,951.95.

The Fund Value as of 03/31/11 was \$543,019,425.04.

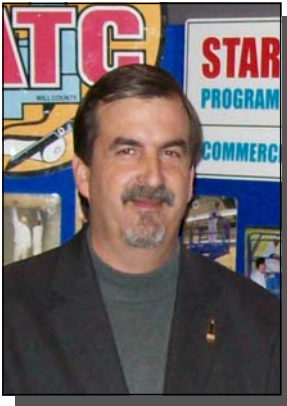


CHICAGO PDCA-FCAC GOLF CLASSIC

JUNE 17, 2011
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News From The Apprentice School...

By **ED BOGDAN**, *Apprentice Training Coordinator*

Financial Reports for March, 2011, indicate that Ordinary Income of \$121,481.95 plus Investment Income of (\$1,408.64) minus Expenses of \$113,622.00 yielded a Net Income of \$6,451.31.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$346,570.66 plus Investment Income of \$65,364.83 minus Expenses of \$628,366.36 yielded a Total Net Income of (\$216,430.87). The JATC Fund Value as of 03/31/11 was \$4,480,883.71.

On September 24th here at the school we will be holding a trade show with several vendors hosting tables featuring their new products. We have received a great response from them on participating with this new event. All PDCA-FCAC vendors are welcome to become part of this show...please contact Mike Krawiec at the school (708/449-5282) if you are interested. This show will be open to all Union painting and drywall finishing contractors, owners, superintendants, and PDC14 members.

Several MWCC (Midwest Wall and Ceiling Contractors Association) vendors also display their products. Participants so far include Ames Tools, Columbia Tools, USG, National Gypsum, Trim-Tex, Structos, Strait flex, Diamond Wall, Tilts, Tobias, Phillips, ICI, 3M, Wooster, Sherwin-Williams, Purdy Brush, JFB HART Coatings, and Faux Effects Studio.

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National FCA Annual Council
June 14-18, 2011 at the Doubletree Hotel
300 East Ohio Street, Chicago, IL 60611



use the QR codes, you can still register for the National FCA Annual Council on-line at: <http://www.finishingcontractors.org/events-education/2011-annual-council>.

To sign up for the Chicago PDCA-FCA Golf Classic, visit our web site at: www.chicagopdca.org.

One of the best things about this year's golf event is that the Associates Group are pledging to share the proceeds with a new Charitable Painting Project.

This is where I need to ask for your input. At our last Board Meeting, we decided to ask our members for leads on just what project we should tackle. We have sponsored many charity projects over the years...the Olive Branch Mission and St. Anthony's Hospital projects come to mind as having been particularly successful. But this

time, we'd like to gather some ideas from our members and Painters District Council No. 14 before we make any decisions about which project to tackle. Call me at 815/485-3731 if you have any ideas, or talk to the FCAC office at 630/393-1313. We really want your input this time, and it will surely be an even better project for that reason.

Meanwhile, the latest two efforts in our series of new educational seminars are now coming to a boil with plans for hosting the noted construction industry expert and McGraw-Hill author Matt Stevens shaping up for August 2nd and the feisty Mark Breslin queuing up for his appearance in mid-to-late September. You're going to like these guys, they have a ton of good information and ideas for

contractors. They are savvy about our business, and we are keeping attendance fees low. For later in the year, we may enjoy a presentation by another well-known construction expert, Norb Slowikowski. Norb has conducted seminars for us in years past...always great stuff.

As I mentioned in March, these terrific Seminars are being made possible through a new \$20,000.00 grant from "LMCI" (Labor-Management Cooperation Initiative) which matches an equal amount dedicated by your Board from our Industry Advancement Fund.

Yes, the action is in Chicago this year...

All the Best,

Tom