

## Frequently Asked Questions

- **What is the Young Constructors Forum?**  
The YCF is comprised of future leaders, defined as early to mid-level professionals in the construction industry. The group is committed to not only the success of the construction industry, but also to personal & professional development of members through service endeavors, industry networking, and discussion of important trends. Educational topics for 2009 will include panel based industry topics. There will be industry networking events, and community service gatherings as well. One of the most recent projects taken on by the YCF is developing a mentorship program for Phelps High School. Each volunteer will have a mentorship role with students to guide them through their high school career in the construction industry.
- **Who should participate?**  
Entry to Mid-Level professionals in the construction industry. *YCF Membership is open to AGC members, and potential AGC members alike, whether a general contractor, specialty contractor, service provider, architect or engineer.* Non-AGC member companies can have a YCF membership for 1 year before AGC-DC Chapter membership is required.
- **What benefits do YCF Members receive?**  
*Personal & professional development* gained through a community of peers within the same industry, educational programs, and group participation in service endeavors for the local community. *Events are offered at a greatly reduced price, and measurable benefits are gained.*
- **How does the YCF benefit the construction industry?**  
The YCF is an environment where mid-career construction industry professionals can build their capabilities as future leaders through service, education, and networking opportunities. Through YCF member in-



ABOVE:  
Andy Cecere, Patrick Cotter, and Brandon Russo of James G. Davis Construction Corporation enjoying the evening of the July 2008 YCF/Subcontractor Lobster Clambake out at National Harbor.

volvement, the industry gains passionate and engaged professionals focused on the sustained success of the construction world, as well as a team of people committed to attracting the next generation of professionals to the industry.

- **How do YCF member companies benefit?**  
Employees get to network with their peers, seasoned professionals, and receive education at reduced prices. Companies gain employees with enhanced leadership experience.
- **When is YCF enrollment?**  
Individuals and Companies can sign on for YCF membership from November 2008 through February 2009. Take advantage of the reduced rates by completing registration for YCF membership before February 2009. After that time frame, non-members will be permitted attendance to certain events for \$65.00 per person, per event.

## MISSION:

The AGC of DC Young Constructors' Forum is dedicated to the continued success of the Metropolitan Washington DC construction industry. It is our mission to foster a partnering relationship among the next generation of leaders.

Our key focus is on professional and personal development of individuals, advancement of AGC member-firms, and commitment to the community. Our programs will include involvement with local service, exchange of ideas, and attention to key industry trends.

**For any and all inquiries regarding YCF, please contact Laura Curtin at: 703.673.9341**

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# AGC of DC's YCF

Networking  
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# What is the AGC of DC's YCF all about?



A group of close to 90 YCF and AIA-DC members went on a project tour and then met up afterwards for networking at the District Chophouse.



2008 YCF Taskforce members Jonathan Dougherty, Todd Bagwell, and Adam Grunley.

## Community Outreach

In 2008 the YCF volunteered for SOME, So Others Might Eat, doing property beautification. For 2009, the group will be expanding its volunteer opportunities, and will also begin working on mentorship events for DC and the Montgomery County Public Schools.

## Networking Events

Part of becoming an effective leader and professional involves meeting new people. In addition to events comprised mainly of the YCF, there are also events where a mixture of people connect. Members learn informally from others through conversation in a social atmosphere.



## Education Programs

YCF members learned about legal aspects of LEED, conversational Spanish for construction, and elements of leadership in 2008. Programs for 2009 will include panels and field trips to exciting locations. They will surely be the type of important knowledge that members will not learn in a traditional training class.

## Industry Wide Connections

Many different types of people in our industry attend YCF events. We held a joint event with AIA-DC in 2008, and look forward to socializing with more groups in 2009. In addition to industry focused events, membership is open to general contractors, subcontractors, engineers, architects, and others who service the industry.



## How can I become a member?

### Membership Drive Contest

YCF members are encouraged to not only join but recruit others in the industry. The individuals who recruit the most number of new members to join will win prizes... Just ask Christian Parra of Turner Construction about how much he loves the Plasma TV he got last year!

**Individual:** \$350/year - Send up to 1 employee to 10 events

**Standard:** \$995/year - Send up to 4 employees to 10 events  
Additional tickets discounted at \$35 per person

**Enhanced:** \$1995/year - Send up to 10 employees to 10 events  
Sponsorship for 1 event - Additional tickets discounted at \$25 per person

**Non-YCF Members:** starting at \$65 per person, per event

### 2009 Taskforce Members

Todd Bagwell -- Chairperson

Christian Parra -- Education Chair

Marc Zendle -- Industry Liaison Chair

Patrick Cotter -- Social Chair

Jonathan Dougherty -- Co-Chairperson

Andy Cecere -- Community Outreach Chair

Karen Wallace -- Membership Chair

Laura Curtin -- Facilitator