



**AGC Building Contractors Conference  
The Homestead  
Hot Springs, VA  
June 10-13, 2009**

**Conference Program**

*All meetings and functions are open to all attendees unless otherwise noted.*

**Wednesday, June 10, 2009**

- 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM      **Registration—Grand Ballroom Foyer**
- 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM      **Building Division Coordinating Committee—Stratford**  
The Coordinating Committee is composed of Building Division leaders and other active Division members. This meeting provides an opportunity for the Division leadership to discuss key issues of importance to the industry and the Division. All those who are interested in the work of the Division are encouraged to attend.
- 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM      **Welcome Reception—Sponsored by the National Association of Surety Bond Producers (NASBP)—Crystal**  
All attendees are invited to mingle at this reception before heading to dinner.
- 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM      **Service & Supply Council and Specialty Contractors Council Dinner (SSC and SCC Executive Committee Members Only)—Dominion**

**Thursday, June 11, 2009**

- 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM      **Registration—Grand Ballroom Foyer**
- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM      **Continental Breakfast—Grand Ballroom West**
- 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM      **Building Division Business Meeting—Grand Ballroom West**  
AGC Building Division Chairman Mike Kenig and other Division leaders will provide updates and lead discussions on Building Division activities.
- 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM      **Spouse/Guest Continental Breakfast—Dominion**  
All spouses and guests of registered attendees are welcome to attend this continental breakfast.

8:45 AM – 11:30 AM

### **General Session—Grand Ballroom West**

- **The Current State of the Surety Industry**  
Todd Loehnert of Wells Fargo Insurance Services and president of the National Association of Surety Bond Producers (NASBP) will address the current surety market in this down economy.
- **Prepared for the Worst: Contingency Planning for a Project Shutdown and/or an Owner Default**  
Milton Smith of McGriff Seibels & Williams, Inc. will address some of the issues related to owner default including how to spot warning signs of potential problems, considerations to take in to account from an insurance perspective, and measures to take in the event of a default. The presentation is intended to take place at a 50,000 foot level to get people to begin thinking about developing and formalizing an action plan for when disaster strikes, as well as what to do on the front end to help best avoid the exposure to default.
- **Tools for Tough Times**  
Moderated by Construction Marketing Committee Chairman Rick Andritsch of VJS Construction Services, this panel discussion will highlight what firms are doing to survive in this economy, share creative ways in which firms are trying to get business, and outline what new opportunities exist in this challenging market. All attendees will be encouraged to share their experiences and participate in the discussion.

11:45 AM – 1:15 PM

### **Keynote Luncheon—“The Current Health and Future Outlook of the Capital and Credit Markets”—Grand Ballroom East**

Rob Nichols, President & COO of The Financial Services Forum, will be the keynote speaker. Mr. Nichols will discuss the turmoil in the capital and credit markets, initiatives in Congress, the Executive branch, and in the independent agencies to reform regulation of the financial markets, the health of U.S. financial institutions, and the importance of restarting markets critical to financing American households and businesses.

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

### **Chapter Subcommittee—Mt. Vernon**

This Subcommittee is focused on ensuring that an open dialogue exists between the Building Division and AGC Chapters. Subcommittee members and Chapter Executives will discuss issues of mutual interest.

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

### **PIAC Contract Documents Work Group/Contract Documents Committee Joint Meeting—Empire**

Participate in the creation and discussion of draft ConsensusDOCS standard documents, including how to address legal risks involved with green building construction. The AGC Contract Documents Committee’s mission is to continue to be recognized as the leader in providing and continually improving balanced contract documents for the construction industry by: being aware of the needs and concerns of all AGC members and chapters; advocating equitable risk allocation between Owners, Architects and

Engineers, and Contractors; and creating and endorsing a comprehensive family of documents and educating all parties in their use.

1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

**Specialty Contractors Council Executive Committee (SCC Executive Committee Members Only)—Chesapeake**

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**Project Delivery Committee—Piedmont**

Join one of AGC's most active committees as initiatives and topics such as Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) and Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) are discussed.

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**Service & Supply Council Executive Committee (SSC Executive Committee Members Only)—Lexington**

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

**Networking Reception—Casino Lawn (back-up Crystal)**

All attendees and their guests are welcome to join their colleagues at this reception for hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and networking.

### **Friday, June 12, 2009**

7:00 AM – Noon

**Registration—Grand Ballroom Foyer**

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM

**Continental Breakfast—*Sponsored by CMiC*—Grand Ballroom West**

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**Private/Public Industry Advisory Council (PIAC)—Grand Ballroom West**

The PIAC is composed of representatives from major U.S. commercial and manufacturing firms, public owners, and AGC contractor members. This meeting, which is **open to all attendees**, focuses on presentations and discussions of interest to both building contractors and owners.

- **Opening Remarks**  
PIAC Chairman Eric Hedlund, Sundt Construction
- **Self Introductions & Market Reports**  
PIAC members will be asked to introduce themselves and briefly comment on the current condition of the building construction market in their region or industry sector.
- **PIAC Contract Documents Work Group Report**  
AGC Contract Documents Committee and PIAC Contract Documents Work Group Chairman Eric Wilson will report on the Committee's activities and provide an update on ConsensusDOCS.

- **Utilization of the JA Biz Town to Enhance the Construction Industry’s Education Alternatives**

Tom Weise, Intel (Retired) & Joyce Richards, Junior Achievement, Arizona will provide the audience with an overview on the intent to establish a focused section of JA Biz Town for construction, design and related services to enhance student, teacher and parent awareness of the numerous potentials for a career in the construction industry. The classroom and hands-on experience has been carefully coordinated to develop a structured learning experience that can be emulated throughout the Junior Achievement infrastructure in numerous locations. Children in grades 4, 5 and 6 are receiving an introduction to the construction process training that will excite them about a career in this field and enable them to make an educated choice on future career paths within the construction industry. This program will also increase awareness to the immediate support groups of parents, teachers and counselors that will act as stewards to students that wish to seek the construction industry alternatives.

- **Strategy in the Eye of the Storm—How Contractors Can Weather the Storm**

Scott Winstead from FMI Corporation will shed light on the major issues affecting the construction industry, how contractors are handling them, and discuss ways for firms to win during these difficult times.

- **Economic Stimulus: Impact and Implementation**

Hear directly from owners about the impact of economic stimulus funding, how it is being distributed, and what type of work building contractors can expect to see in the coming months. Speakers include: Chuck Hardy (U.S. General Services Administration), Deborah Mastin (Miami-Dade Airport), and Paul Parsonault (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers).

- **Good News—The Recession Is Over! (except for construction)**

Consumer spending and federal government purchases appear to have increased enough this quarter to stop the plunge in GDP. Stimulus spending, military base work and power projects are keeping some contractors afloat, but others are looking at ever-emptier order books. How long until recovery includes construction? AGC Chief Economist Ken Simonson will fearlessly forecast the answer.

12:30 PM – 5:30 PM

- **Golf Tournament (Additional Fee)—Box Lunch Included—The Old Course**

Come join your colleagues on the links at the AGC Building Contractors Conference Golf Tournament. There will be a 1:00 PM shotgun start on The Old Course at The Homestead. **The fee to play is \$225.00 per person.** This covers a box lunch (available at Noon), greens fees, shared cart, range balls, and tournament services. Clubs may be rented on-site for \$70.00/set. Golf prizes include longest drive, closest to the pin, top team - male and female, and others.

- 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM **AIA-AGC Joint Committee Reception (Committee Members Only)—  
Lexington**
- 8:00 PM – 9:30 PM **AIA-AGC Joint Committee Dinner (Committee Members Only)—  
Chesapeake**

**Saturday, June 13, 2009**

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM **Continental Breakfast—Grand Ballroom West**

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Private/Public Industry Advisory Council (PIAC)—Grand Ballroom  
West**

- **AGC BIMForum Report**  
Updates will be provided on numerous BIMForum activities including the 2009 BIMForum meetings, BIMForum strategic planning, horizontal BIM, Contractors Guide to BIM (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition), and the MEP coordination requirements guide.
- **3xPT Report**  
Leaders of the 3xPT Strategy Group, an AGC, AIA, and CURT coalition, will provide an update on the group's recent activities.
- **Building Information Modeling—An Owner's Perspective**  
Allen Ware, Intel Corporation and Mike Pape, University Mechanical & Engineering Contractor (UMEC) will share what a major owner thinks about BIM, how they use it, challenges they have encountered, and their expectations for BIM technology now and in the future.
- **What Contractors Can Do To Reduce Their Carbon Footprint**  
Attendees will hear a brief update about the impact of buildings on climate change and the related legislative and regulatory policy currently being debated. A general contractor will then provide information on how construction firms can reduce emissions from their operations and contribute to the reduction of emissions in the built environment, followed by a case study on how one firm has taken a leadership role on this issue. Christopher Gorthy with DPR Construction, Inc. will present.
- **Not Business as Usual—Changes to Labor Laws are Here...With More on the Way**  
With the new Administration at the White House and a charged 111<sup>th</sup> Congress, changes to labor laws and regulations are front and center on the agenda. Already, several Executive Orders focused on labor issues that will have an impact on the construction industry have been issued from the White House. Congress is currently debating the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA) or Card Check, which is already shaping up to be a major legislative and political battle. Immigration reform legislation in this Congress is certain to contain numerous labor-related

provisions. Hear the latest on these important labor issues from Attorneys Steve Shapiro and Dirk Haire of Holland & Knight.

- 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM      **AIA Caucus (AIA Joint Committee Members Only)—Monroe**
- 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM      **AGC Caucus (AGC Joint Committee Members Only)—Dominion**
- 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM      **AIA-AGC Joint Committee Lunch & Meeting (Committee Members Only)—Dominion**

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- **Attire for the Conference is business casual. However, jackets are required in the Main Dining Room & 1766 Grille at all meals for dinner.**

### **Future AGC Meetings**

**October 8-9, 2009**

AGC BIMForum Meeting  
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Philadelphia, PA

**January 20-23, 2010**

AGC Building Contractors Conference  
Caribe Hilton, San Juan, PR

**March 17-20, 2010**

AGC Annual Convention  
Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, FL

**June 9-12, 2010**

AGC Building Contractors Conference  
Zermatt Resort, Midway, Utah