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CCAA NEWSLETTER

The Crane Certification Association of America Annual Educational Conference
Royal Palms Resort and Spa in Phoenix
April 28th -April 30th





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2024 Annual Conference

The Orange Grove Courtyard was a stunning setting to reconnect and meet new members during the Opening Reception on Sunday. We were happy to welcome first time attendees Kenny Dunlow from Doc Bailey Equipment, Ed Wilmot from International Cargo Gear Bureau, Ed Milbauer from All Ship & Cargo Surveys and Michele Hartbarger from Doc Bailey Equipment.



Breakfast sponsored by Doc Bailey Construction Equipment with a view of the reflecting pool on the Palmera Patio kicked off a day of informative discussions. Bono Salas, CCAA President set the stage sharing his vision for the association. The association recognized Owen Follette with a service award for his dedication as the Treasurer and Director. Ed Shapiro was recognized for his service as Immediate Past President.



The group took time during the break sponsored by Crane Certification Enterprises II to continue the discussions.



Art Wood from ADOSH provided insights from ADOSH's perspective to help us as inspectors understand their process and how their agency operates. A delicious lunch was sponsored by Stephenson Equipment. David Raraigh from Integrated Equipment Services lead a very informative discussion about overhead cranes followed by Bill Williams from Prime Tech.



Our members participated in an industry round table facilitated by Bono Salas which provided an open forum to discuss standards and key issues facing our members.



On Tuesday our members participated in Mobile, Overhead and Tower CCS testing.



John Milbauer and Bono Salas were the champions of our first Annual CCAA Cornhole Tournament!



Our next conference will be held in April 2025 in Las Vegas. Mark your calendars!





Doc Bailey from Doc Bailey Equipment has been nominated for the Office of Treasurer of the CCAA Board of Directors. Doc currently serves as Director and Chair of the Conference Committee. Marcial Marquez from Inter American Inspection & Certification Bureau has been nominated as Director of the CCAA Board. Marcial translated the CCS manual from English to Spanish and is an active CCAA member. Michelle Hartbarger has been nominated as Director of the CCAA

Board. Michelle is an active member of CCAA and currently manages the Doc Bailey office in Las Vegas. You will receive a ballot through email in the next few weeks to cast your vote.



PRESIDENTS CORNER

Bono Salas

Our Annual Conference brought to life the value of networking, learning about our business models, challenges and best practices through shared expertise together. The training and presentations provided solid information to help us with continued professional development. The time we spent together helped foster our mutual trust with fellow members of the association. And, we enjoyed great food, lots of laughs and our first Corn Hole Tournament!

I look forward to our first virtual Member Round Table planned for October 3, 2024 at 1:00 PM EST – 2:00 PM EST. Please save the date in your calendars! Suggested topics so far include: Developing a consensus on our practices in the industry and Rotating Telehandlers.

If there is a topic you wish to bring to the table please email Maureen Grillo:
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CCS TESTING

Certifying Crane Surveyor Program

Ed Shapiro, Past President

This program was developed by CCAA to provide proper credentials, for members. Successful passage of these tests proves the holder's ability to inspect Mobile, Tower, and Overhead devices to Federal OSHA and other agencies Codes and Standards.

The actual testing for the program was originally offered at CCAA at national meetings. It became apparent that the expense for the member companies was high and limited to Semi Annual or Annual meetings of the Association. The next addition to the program was appointing regional members to provide local testing as needed. It soon became apparent that a better method of testing was needed to properly serve the CCAA membership.

THE NEXT STEP BECAME AVAILABLE IN 2021 - ONLINE TESTING VIA TESTRAC. TESTING IS NOW ON DEMAND TO ANY MEMBER OF THE CCAA. SIMPLY GO TO THE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE, CLICK ON CERTIFYING CRANE SURVEYOR SYMBOL ON THE HOME PAGE. THAT WILL TAKE YOU THROUGH THE APPLICATION STEPS FOR TESTING.

Having the CCS Credential is key to showing capability to major clients. The cost for each discipline is \$300.00 plus a \$20.00 registration fee and a \$28.00 proctoring fee. The credential is valid for 5 years, as long as CCAA membership remains active bringing the cost per year to \$69.60 per discipline. Well worth the expense and able to be accomplished in a weeks' time.

WE ARE CONSTANTLY ASKED FOR PROOF OF ABILITY TO PERFORM THE ANNUAL INSPECTIONS. THE CCS CREDENTIAL IS A MAJOR STEP IN MEETING THAT NEED. HAVE YOUR INSPECTORS SIGN UP TODAY. SECURE THE CREDENTIALS AND ADVERTISING ABILITY THE CCS PROGRAM PROVIDES.



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