After over a year of planning, the 17th annual CFMA Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference was finally here! The committees had put their heart and soul into bringing our 253 attendees a great event, and they did not disappoint!

SUNDAY EVENTS

Sunday would begin with some members sitting for the CCIFP Exam. It was a beautiful day at the Jersey Shore, yet they sat for a four and one-half hour test. Receiving this certification is an indicator of ones dedication to the construction industry.

Following the exam, for the first time in many years, the programming committee decided to host a CPE Session on “Mystery Fraud Training.” Attendees enjoyed a fun afternoon, interviewing CFMA “actors” who had been pre-assigned roles: employees at a fictional company, whose client had alerted one of the owners to overbilling issues. The audience played the part of auditors, interviewing the employees, reviewing documents, and much like the game Clue, finding the Who, What, How and Where!

The session was presented by Timothy Hungerford, CPA, CFE (and much more!), Owner-Hungerford Vinton, LLC. Thank you Tim for providing both a fun and informative afternoon!
Audience Playing the Auditors

Practicing Interview Techniques
After a day of Exams and CPE’s, it was time to relax, have some fun, network, and honor our history! The Reception would also bring the inaugural Hall of Fame Awards, honoring those who started the fire that is CFMA as well as those who keep the fire burning!

The reception took place in the Ocean Ballroom at Resorts, which had a balcony overlooking the boardwalk and ocean. Eleven exhibitors had tables, guests mingled, networked, watched football, and enjoyed our signature cocktail, The CFMA.
During the reception, we honored our 35 year old history with the inaugural Hall of Flame Awards. The presentation began with a recorded interview with David Casey, Founder of CFMA, and Anthony R. Stagliano, one of the founders of the Philadelphia Chapters. Nino Morello, past president of the Philadelphia Chapter, and Rick Huber, a long time CFMA member were special guests this year. Nino gave us a brief history of the Keystone State / Mid-Atlantic Conference and was the first recipient of the Trail Blazer Award, a special award for those who began this great conference and helped it become what it is today! Rick Huber was honored as the 2nd recipient of the Trail Blazer Award, for all his work on the Keystone / Mid-Atlantic Conference, and his dedication to our region.
Following the Trail Blazer Award Ceremony, it was time for the Founders and Leadership Awards. We were proud to announce the formal names of the awards: The David Casey CFMA Mid-Atlantic Founders Award and the Anthony R. Stagliano CFMA Mid-Atlantic Leadership Award. Both David and Tony were presented with special sculptured trophies, similar to the perpetual flame trophies which will have the names of all winners engraved each year. You can read more about these dedicated CFMA members as well as the award qualifications in the History PDF that was on the thumb drives distributed to all attendees, or request one of the limited printed copies. (On a side note, the history not only outlines Dave’s and Tony’s dedication and commitment to CFMA, but also traces the history of the Keystone / Mid-Atlantic Conference as well as the history of all chapters who participate in the conference, complete with pictures and quotes).

Now it was time to announce the 2016 winners of the Founders and Leadership Awards. Each participating chapter nominated one person for each award, completed a form outlining their qualifications and achievements, and then the presidents of each chapter voted for the winners. This year’s David Casey Founders Award was presented to Joseph Patti, CCIFP, member of the New Jersey Chapter, for his dedication and enthusiasm on the local, regional and national levels. The Anthony R. Staglinao Leadership award was presented to Matthew Rosenberg, member of the Philadelphia Chapter, for his leadership and dedication to the annual Barbara Mosteller Memorial Golf Classic, a very important event for Philadelphia Chapter. Congratulations to this year’s winners and honorees!

1 Hall of Flame Committee Chaired by Ryan Henigan, Immediate Past Chair of the Mid-Atlantic Conference.
After the Reception, it was on to dinner at Margaritaville! It was a great night, with Stuart Binstock giving us the current State of the CFMA address. Stuart surprised Kimberly Hullfish with a special Appreciation Award for all her work on the conference and the history. The Mid-Atlantic Conference held a special 50/50 for the CFMA members impacted by the Louisiana Floods, raising $1,000.00, 100% of which will be distributed directly to these people. Special thoughts and prayers go out to all our members suffering from this year’s storms. What a great night, on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City! Great food, great people, a Signature CFMA Margaritaville and a CCIFP Cocktail!  

Entertainment Committee Co-Chaired by Jim McGettigan and Chris Zucha
MONDAY EVENTS

Monday was a day of CPE Credits with great speakers, panelists, moderators & topics!

Networking with an Exhibitor Before the Seminar

"Look Around ... Fraud Could Be Staring You in the Face!"

Great Attendance at 8:15 after Margaritraville!

Tony Stagliano, CBIZ MHM, LLC

Maureen Henegan
Henegan Construction

Ross Myers
Allan Myers

Stephen W. Pouppirt
Clemens Construction Co.

Construction CEO Panel: "How Upper Management Sets the Tone for Risk Management and Safety"

Moderated by: Richard Anderson, New York Building Congress
Back from Lunch!

The Crowd Chants “CFMA!” for David

Enjoying Lunch while listening to the history of CFMA.

CFMA’s Founder
David Casey

Gary DeVicci introducing the speaker.

Curt Steinhorst, Thriving the Age of Distraction
Concurrent Sessions on Monday Afternoon!

Tony Ivener, Succession Planning- "The Big Boss Wants to Retire- Now What? Ownership Transfer & Management Succession Planning for the Construction Industry"

Surety Executive Panel.

Chad Rosenberg, Moderator

Michael P. Bond, Zurich

Robert Minster, IFIC

Geoff Delisio, Berkshire Hathaway
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See you next year @ the Poconos!