The Texas Lathing & Plastering Contractors Association (TLPCA) Annual Convention is returning to the Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center (1501 Gaylord Trail, Grapevine, TX) after 15 years when the resort first opened in Grapevine.

Join us June 12—14, 2019 for a fun and educational conference. In addition to spacious rooms and suites, the resort amenities include indoor gardens and riverwalk, ten restaurants, Relâche Spa, Fitness Center, Texan Station Sports Bar & Grill, Glass Cactus nightclub, and a 10-acre resort pool and lazy river at Paradise Springs Waterpark or indoor and outdoor pools.

Registration forms are available from the TLPCA website, www.tlpca.org, or call the Association Office at (817) 461-0676 for more information. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

The resort rate is $199.00 plus $20 resort fee and taxes. Room reservations deadline is May 21st. Any reservations made past the cut-off date will be based on hotel availability and the group rate will not be guaranteed. Please mention Texas Lathing & Plastering Contractors Association (TLPCA) to be included in the TLPCA room block.

Conference Schedule of Events:

Wednesday, June 12, 2019
President’s Welcome Reception hosted by President Andy Boyd (Galindo & Boyd Wall Systems)

Thursday, June 13, 2019
Golf Tournament (Grapevine Golf Course)
Board of Director’s Meeting
Annual Business Meeting
Opening of the Trade Show & Welcome Reception
Manufacturer’s Reception and Dinner

Friday, June 14, 2019
Breakfast with Exhibitors
Ladies Program
Educational Classes
Past President’s Reception
50-50 Raffle and Silent Auction
Dinner & Awards Banquet
Annual Design Awards Competition
2019 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient
Casino Night Entertainment
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Trade Show Hours:

Thursday, June 13th     5:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.
Friday, June 14th     7:30 a.m. — 9:30 a.m.
Friday, June 14th     11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Spring is upon us and Summer is right around the corner. I’m pleased to report that we had a great Spring fundraiser and golf tournament at Coyote Ridge. We had an excellent turnout for the golf tournament and plenty of fun was had by all. I would like to say “Thank You” to everyone who came to the lunch-eon, and a salute to all those that generously donated for the upcoming convention.

Speaking of the convention, June 12th is rapidly approaching. I know it’s hard to resist the easy commute for the DFW crowd, but we need to fill our block of rooms. The Gaylord is very family friendly with lots to do, so pack up the family and come have some fun for a few days.

One of our guest speakers this year will be Scott Robinson. Scott is the Director of Public Affairs for EIMA. Earlier this year, EIMA began an effort in Texas to pushback against the current 200+ ordinances and codes that restrict EIFS. Along with EIMA’s effort, HB2439 has been created for the same purpose. HB2439’s main function is to prohibit a local ban of building materials that are approved for use by a national model code. In other words, this would over-turn all of the EIFS “bans” around the state.

EIMA has asked for the TLPCA’s support in this matter, and we couldn’t say “yes” fast enough. We aren’t the only organization behind this. The National Association of Home Builders is where this legislation originated. The TLPCA will be signing a letter in support of this and we are open to supporting this measure however we can. This movement has been a long time coming. More EIFS drawn, more wall space, and more projects, benefits us all, from manufacturer to applicator.

I’m very excited about these developments. There will be a lot to discuss in June at the Convention. Get signed up and come be a part of what’s happening. As a member, your input is greatly valued. Don’t miss an opportunity to let your opinion be heard. I will see you all in June!

Respectfully,

Andy Boyd (Galindo & Boyd Wall Systems)
TLPCA President 2018—2019

Education Sessions June 14th

9:30—10:30 a.m.
“Public Affairs in Texas: Where We’re Going”
-Scott Robinson
Director of Public Affairs
EIFS Industry members Association (EIMA)
Falls Church, VA

10:30—11:30 a.m.
“Troubleshooting Stucco”
-Mark Fowler
Executive Director, Stucco Manufacturers
Association
Anaheim, CA

AIA-Credited: 1 Hour HSW credits (Health, Safety, Well-being /Open) are offered. Free to architects and the design community. Architects are asked to R.S.V.P. to info@tlpca.org or Yvonne@tlpca.org.

12:45—1:45 p.m.
“Lath Selection and Specifications to Enhance Stucco Performance”
-Chris Little,
Clark Dietrich Building Systems
Senior Product Manager, Dallas, TX

2:00—3:00 p.m.
“Factory Preblended Stucco, Building Stucco Walls with Material Quality Control”
-Joe Kerlee,
Quikrete Companies
Regional Mgr.—TX, OK, LA, AR, MO, KS
The 2019 Annual Spring Golf Tournament was held April 11th at the Coyote Ridge Golf Club. Fifty four (54) golfers participated in the tournament. Thank you to David Long (Baker Triangle) chairman of the golf tournament for a job well done.


Prizes and awards were presented after the tournament:
1st Place team—Thermafoam
2nd Place team—Texas Stucco Supply/BASF Corp.
Jad Soufan—Longest Drive
Kevin Owens—Closest to the Pin
Tonya Owen (Coronado Stone Products) was the winner of the annual luncheon raffle drawing.

Robert Housewright (Texas Stucco Supply) won the 50-50 raffle drawing held during the April 11th Annual Luncheon and donated his cash back to the TLPCA Scholarship program. Thank you Mr. Housewright. Total funds raised, $920.00.

The Association thanks Joe Kerlee (The Quikete Companies) for donating his time over the last few years in spearheading the 50-50 raffle and silent auction which benefits the TLPCA scholarship program.

Members can make a donation or convention attendees can donate items for the silent auction Friday, June 14th during the Dinner and Awards Banquet. Items for the silent auction should be checked in by Noon Friday, June 14th. Some suggested items to donate are professional sports tickets, power tools, e-tablet devices, jewelry, Gift Cards or a one-night stay at a hotel.

The Spouses Program is set Friday, June 14th from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., at the Gaylord Texan Resort. Participants will learn the power of Aromatherapy, create spa products, chair massage and a luncheon buffet plus several prize drawings.

Participants will experience an innovative and hands-on program that will teach them to create their own spa products with common ingredients found in most homes. They will create their own take away products and each blend will be personalized with the specific aromas and ingredients of their preference. They will follow recipes and make a sugar scrub exfoliation, a body oil, and a facial cleanser and mask to take home.

The program will end with a luncheon buffet. Participants are asked to sign in for the program at the registration desk.

Funds raised benefits the TLPCA Scholarship program.
STUCCO WATERING CURING

In my opinion, proper water curing of stucco is the most important aspect of stucco performance when it comes to cracking. Yes, the proper lath attachment, the cement plaster mix, the embedment into the lath, the densification of the brown coat are all important factors. But it has been my observation and experience, all of those factors are not as important as PROPER WATER CURING when it comes to performance and cracking.


ASTM C926, which is most familiar to plaster contractors, states in Article 7.8.1

> Provide sufficient moisture in the plaster mix or by moist or fog curing to permit continuous hydration of the cementitious materials. The most effective procedure for curing and time between coats will depend on climatic and job conditions.

In my opinion this language is too vague for all to understand what is required.

INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE – Chapter 25

This language is very detailed and given the “pecking order” of documents supersedes the ASTM C926 language.

IBC Code language is mandatory not optional.

- Table 2512.6 states “MINIMUM PERIOD MOIST CURING”
  - First Coat 48 hours
  - Second Coat 48 hours
  - The table also states there is a minimum 7-day wait required between brown coat and finish coat.

- Curing should be documented and noted in daily reports as proof of completion if ever needed.

- Curing times should not be modified. If a General Contractor wants you to “speed up the schedule”, notify him of the IBC Chapter 25 requirement. Make him put the directive to violate the building code and shorten the time between coats in writing.

Again, proper water curing of stucco is the single most important aspect of applying cement plaster to prevent cracking. The extended curing and wait time allows for the cement plaster to get through the majority of the initial shrinkage and allows the structure to adjust to the added weight to the building.

— Mike Boyd
Boyd Consulting Group
19th ANNUAL DESIGN AWARDS COMPETITION

It’s time to enter your winning project in the 19th Annual Design Awards Competition to be held, Friday, June 14th at the Gaylord Texan Resort, Grapevine, TX.

Any plaster, stucco, EIFS or drywall/acoustical or scaffolding project completed between December 2017 and January 2019 and submitted by a TLPCA member in good standing is eligible for the awards competition. This competition honors architects and designers of outstanding TLPCA Contractor members in the following categories:

Scaffolding and Access

- Residential Multi-Family: Exterior Stucco or EIFS
- Residential Single Family: Exterior Stucco or EIFS

Commercial:
- Exterior Stucco
- Exterior EIFS
- Veneer Stone

Interior:
- Plaster-Commercial or Residential
- Drywall—Commercial or Residential

Pinnacle: “Best of the Best”

The Home 2 Suites Project, in the Commercial: Exterior EIFS / Veneer Stone. M T C S, Inc., is the contractor. Shinn Gateway Hospitality, Ltd., architect / designer. Manufacturer(s) used: Senergy 33,000 sf | Jewell 14,000 sf
January 9, 2019

ASTM Standards

ASTM standards are constantly changing. ASTM conducts two committee weeks each year, filled with meetings to discuss changes. In addition to these semiannual meetings, most committees have conference calls monthly to discuss revisions to standards.

The process is not simple by any means. Proposed revisions are discussed during work group meetings, sent out to ballot, and voted on by voting members. If it passes the ballot it is sent to a higher committee that may approve or reject it. If it is approved, it is written into the standard the next year.

I attended Committee Week in November of 2018 and I was surprised with what I experienced. There were some manufacturers, but not as many as to be expected. There were even fewer contractors. The majority of those present were engineers, architects, and third-party inspectors. These inspectors earn a living in most cases by offering observations and litigation support, many times on the side of the plaintiff. Not all of them are bad, and I felt a few of them have good intentions for our industry. Others clearly have an agenda to keep certain parts of the standard intact, so they have a way to make a decent application appear to be insufficient. This is how they make their money, and cause problems for our manufacturers, contractors, and industry.

These are not the people who should be making the rules regarding how our work is done. Many of them have never held a tool. They simply know how to work the system, find a small error in an application, and make the contractor pay to fix it; regardless of the actual cause, related or not.

It costs $75.00, and a little bit of time each year to join ASTM and become a voting member. You also receive a copy of the standards book for the year. This is cheaper than buying just one standard online. I encourage everyone involved in our industry to join and participate. The only way to keep up with the standards and have a say in changes made is to join and vote. If you do decide to join, ask to be added to the Cu Committee and any other committees that pertain to work you perform. Cu also has a stucco work group that meets every month to discuss revisions. It would show we care about our livelihood if we had more participation from contractors and manufacturers. If you have any questions or need assistance joining any of these groups, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,
Rick Durham
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