

AAMA Announces Schedule of Events

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. -- American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA) will host its 71st Annual Conference for fenestration industry leaders and decision-makers, Feb. 24-27, at the Renaissance Esmeralda in Indian Wells, Calif. The conference will feature key note presenter Stuart Varney, a financial and economic journalist and TV host; luncheon speaker Ron Jones, founder of GREEN BUILDER® magazine; and AAMA's Annual Awards Banquet.

In conjunction with this event, the Association will also hold its Executive Leadership Conference on Feb. 24-25. With its theme of "Planning Today for a Brighter Tomorrow," this event is tailored to provide fenestration industry executives with fresh insights into market forces and management trends at work during a time of international tension, a balky economy and volatile politics. Noteworthy speakers include FBI consultant Frank Abagnale on business fraud, author and *Inc.* magazine columnist Jack Stack on what it takes to succeed in business, National Association of Manufacturers senior vice president of communications Mike Hambrick on reducing production costs, and Fox News Channel business anchor Stuart Varney on the global economy. A provocative round table discussion will follow to gather views on the state of the industry and where it needs to go over the coming years.

Two additional national conferences and four regional meetings also are planned for 2008.

AAMA's complete 2008 schedule of events includes:

Feb. 24-27, 71st Annual Conference at the Renaissance Esmeralda in Indian Wells, Calif.

Feb 24-25, Executive Leadership Conference at the Renaissance Esmeralda in Indian Wells, Calif.

March 25-26, Southeast Region Spring Meeting at Sea Pines Resort / Inn at Harbor Town in Hilton Head, S.C.

April 1-2, Western Region Spring Meeting at the Marriott Ontario Airport Hotel in Ontario, Calif.

June 1-4, National Summer Conference at The Hotel Hershey in Hershey, Pa.

Aug. 27-28, Western Region Fall Meeting at the Marriott Portland City Center in Portland, Ore.

Sept. 21-24, National Fall Conference at the Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort and Spa in San Antonio, Texas

Oct. 29-30, Southeast Region Fall Meeting at Renaissance Resort at World Golf Village in St. Augustine, Fla.

In addition to the 2008 dates listed above, 2009 and 2010 events are also available on the AAMA Web site: <http://www.aamanet.org/general.asp?sect=1&id=192>
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"Every year, AAMA proactively and effectively influences codes, construction and

specification issues,” says Rich Walker, AAMA president and CEO. “These conferences and meetings are essential to establishing and maintaining association-wide initiatives that carry member voices to Washington regulatory agencies and other industry organizations.”

The conferences and regional meetings address issues of critical importance to AAMA’s member companies, both large and small, domestic and international, that manufacture architectural and residential fenestration products such as windows, doors, skylights, curtain walls, and storefronts. As a material-neutral organization, AAMA’s councils and committees represent aluminum, fiberglass, glass, vinyl, and wood and cellulosic composite products.

For more information on AAMA’s events, please visit www.aamanet.org <<http://www.aamanet.org>>, call 847-303-5664, or e-mail Florence Nicolici at fnicolici@aamanet.org.

AAMA is the source of performance standards, product certification, and educational programs for the fenestration industry. (SM)

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