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FDCC ELECTIONS

Our annual elections will take place during the upcoming summer meeting in Banff. We have two candidates running for Secretary-Treasurer.



**Scott
Kreamer**



**Debra
Varner**

Please [click here](#) to view the candidates running for Senior Directors and Directors. The Nominating Committee will meet on Thursday, July 30th to form its recommendations for a vote by the general membership at our annual business meeting on July 31st. As you know, all members are encouraged to appear before the Nominating Committee to support candidates. To sign up for a time in Banff, [click here to reserve your appointment](#). Similarly, members who cannot attend the summer meeting are welcome to submit written comments for the committee's consideration to President Vicki Roberts in advance by email, vroberts@centurysurety.com. This input is of great assistance to the committee. All deliberations and communications will be confidential of course.



Local Meetings



Thank you to **Bob Christie** and **Joanne Blackburn** for hosting the Local Meeting in Seattle recently and to **Jim Foster** and **Rick Hammond** for hosting the July 16th meeting in Chicago.

Boot Camp Dates

--November, 12-13, 2015

Atlanta, GA

--March, 7-8, 2016

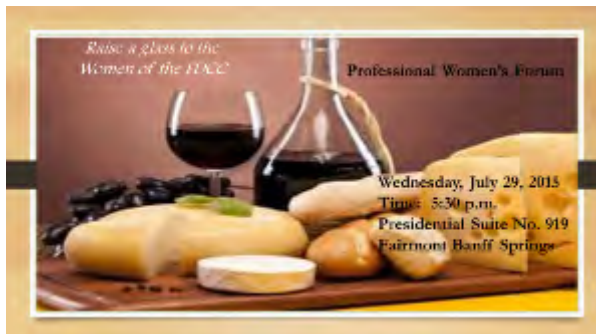
San Francisco, CA



Please join us for the Opening Session in Banff on Tuesday, July 28 at 9:00am in the Van Horne Ballroom. Besides an overview of the week, you will be introduced to the FDCC Board, Special Friends, and the winners of the John Appleman Award, Andrew C. Hecker Award, the Corporate Counsel Member Award, the Joe Olshan Award, and the FDCC Connect Award.

This year's Nominating Committee members will be announced. Vicki, Howard, Roni, Andy, and Chris look forward to seeing you all in Banff and at our Opening Session.

PROFESSIONAL WOMENS FORUM



The PWF will be having a Wine and Cheese get together on Wed. July 29th during the Annual Meeting. All PWF members are invited to attend to network and to brainstorm about issues that they would like to see the PWF address.

CORPORATE COUNSEL SYMPOSIUM



Please join us for the 12th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium, being held for the first time in the Big Easy!

Learn what in-house counsel believe are the keys to their success; ethical issues they face jointly with outside counsel, governmental investigations, employment law issues, complex insurance issues and their relationship with insurer's counsel, and changing technology needs and challenges.

Special programming by the Toxic Tort and Environmental Law

FDCC Quarterly

Thank you to Janet Brown, Bruce Celebrezze, Susan Harwood, and Deb Varner for their work in getting the Spring and Summer, 2015 editions of the FDCC Quarterly completed and sent to the membership.

New Members

(Since last newsletter)

- **Alison R. Christian,** *Christian, Dichter & Sluga, PC, Phoenix, AZ*
- **TJ England, C.R.** *England, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT*
- **Charles T. Frazier, Jr.,** *Alexander Dubose Jefferson & Townsend, LLP, Dallas, TX*
- **Ernest H. Jones II,** *Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC, Lexington, KY*
- **Walter E. Judge,** *Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC, Burlington, VT*
- **Robert L. Kaufman,** *Woodruff, Spradin & Smart, Costa Mesa, CA*
- **George E. Knox, Jr.,** *Lanier Ford Shaver & Payne PC, Huntsville, AL*
- **Maureen M. Michail,** *Daniels, Fine, Israel, Schonbuch & Lebovits, LLP, Los Angeles, CA*
- **Julie R. Murzyn,** *O'Neill McFadden & Willett LLP, Schererville, IN*
- **Lana M. Olson,** *Lightfoot, Franklin &*

Hear a preview of next year's Supreme Court docket too. And, of course, there will be plenty of great networking opportunities, social activities, and wonderful restaurants to enjoy with your Federation colleagues and friends.

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INSURANCE INDUSTRY INSTITUTE



By

bringing together a stellar line up of high profile speakers to share their insights and expertise regarding the “top burner” topics and trends that industry leaders pay close attention to, the October 21-23, 2015, Insurance Industry Institute, is certain to reinforce I-3's well-deserved reputation as the “premier” and “must attend” program for senior level insurance industry leaders and their outside counsel.

“Must attend” programs in this year's I-3 program include an opening session regarding the “*Top Ten Challenges Now Confronting the Insurance Industry*” presented by Bob Hartwig, a sought after speaker from the Insurance Information Institute, and a wrap up *CEO Roundtable* session before the program adjourns in which the Presidents and CEOs of Hamilton Re, Markel Corporation, and RiverStone Resources LLC will share their views regarding the opportunities and challenges the insurance industry will face over the next few years.

To promote opportunities for I-3 attendees to network with their counterparts in the industry, including AIG, Arch Insurance, Starr Marine, SwissRe, Hanover, Hamilton Re, and Beazley, the program agenda includes an on-site luncheon, continental breakfasts, and a welcoming reception at the New York Athletic Club Hall of Fame.

“A program designed for senior management; not another series of lectures by outside lawyers.” Samuel D. Carucci, Esq., Vice President, North American Claims Group, Allied World Assurance Company (US), Inc.

Make your plans now to join us at the New York Athletic Club

- **Frank J. Szilagyi,**
Szilagyi & Daly,
Hartford, CT
- **Paul A. Tenner,**
Fireman's Fund
Insurance Co.,
Burbank, CA
- **Natalie Vloemans,**
Ploum Lodder
Princen, Rotterdam,
The Netherlands
- **Wayne D. Walters**
III, *Ramsey & Murray,*
PC, Houston, TX



Foundation Raffle

The FDCC Foundation is offering a chance for you to upgrade to an oceanfront Jr. Suite at our run-of-house group rate for a \$100 donation. The suite will be available at our Winter Meeting, being held at the beautiful, historic Hotel Del Coronado, located on Coronado Island in California, February 28 – March 4, 2016. [Click Here to Enter Raffle](#) The winner will be announced in Banff. You do not have to be present to win.

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