

# Dallas Quarterly

Dallas Chapter PDCA Newsletter, June, 2004

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# Letter from the President

Thanks to our membership for the last four months. We started off the year with a bang. There were 60 in attendance at the January meeting. Great job to all of us. I would like to give a special thank you to the Sherwin Williams Co. for the last minute push in sending a large delegation from their company.

February just got better with 75 in attendance and a great speaker (Amy Holmes). This was a great meeting. I would like to give a special thanks to the Kelly-Moore Co. I asked Don @ Kelly-Moore to please send as many employees from his company and to have them all bring guests and Don really came thru with 38 total WOW.....

March was great and very informative with Liz Dykes giving us a wealth of knowledge and information that she had acquired from the National PDCA Convention in Las Vegas. We had 62 in attendance. I would like to give a special thanks to ICI they were the featured company for March.

April we had a great speaker Lynn Fife (Target Profits) Lynn is a national speaker for PDCA. We were trying to use this meeting as a membership drive. Unfortunately we only had 1 non-member (JTB Painting). We had really good commitments for attendance but we had a low attendance of 40. I had 56 committed to attend so we committed 60 to the hotel for food and seating which the chapter has to pay for. I know that we are going thru growing pains but it costs us (Dallas PDCA Chapter) if we don't fully commit to making the meetings work. I would like to give a special thanks to the April featured companies Stellar Kwal & Kenmark.

I have made it my personal goal to grow PDCA this year and I think great things are yet to come. I am asking for as much help from our membership as possible. Let me know when or where you can help us.

I am making personal calls each month to contractor members encouraging them to come to meetings and getting commitments from them as to how many are going to attend from their company. This approach seems to be working well so far.

I would like to encourage all members, contractors & associates alike to bring a guest to each meeting. This will help grow our organization much quicker than membership drives and would benefit us all.

Thanks Again. S. Doug Harms Dallas Chapter President PDCA



# Spring Golf Tournament – Blowin' in the Wind

The wind was blowing, but the rain held off, as 68 golfers took to the course at Riverchase Golf Club in Coppell on April 22nd. Terry Grimes and his team of supporters put on a great tournament and it appeared that everyone had a good time. Winners for the day were:

1st Place – Kyle Cox (ICI/Dulux Paints), Bret Doty (Degussa), Tom Sedaker and Keith Watkins (The Sedaker Group)
2nd Place – David Reavis and Dennis Smith (Kwal Paints), John Shepperson (Kirand Homes), and Jeff Adkinson (United Renovations)
3rd Place – McSweeney Commercial Team of John McSweeney, Jody Favia, Walt Barnes, and George Maher
Longest Drive – Kevin Gilster
Closest to the Pin – Dennis Smith

Special Thanks to our Sponsors: American Wallcovering, Inc., Ames Taping Tool Systems, Benjamin-Moore Co., R. L. Harkins, Inc., ICI/Dulux Paint Centers, Jonsco, Inc., Kelly-Moore Paint, Kenmark, Inc., Keystone Southwest General Insurance Agency, Koroseal Wallcovering, Kwal Paints, McSweeney Commercial Painting, Inc., Sherwin-Williams Co., SprayTech, Tri-Kes Wallcovering, United Rentals, Walltalkers, and Zinsser Co., Inc.

#### Hot Off the Press!

The 2004 Dallas Chapter PDCA Membership Roster and Information Guide are complete and available for your use. The roster this year is unique in that, for the first time, the cover features the work of our some of our members. If you need additional copies of the roster they will be available at the monthly meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>, or you can call Liz at 214/421-2584. If you belong to an association who's members include designers, architects, and/or general contractors, please take extra to distribute to those members. These books are of no benefit to our membership if they are sitting in a warehouse. We appreciate any help you can provide in getting them into the hands of those persons who would benefit from the information they provide.

2004 State Convention - October 7-9, 2004

The Texas Council PDCA State Convention will be held in Austin at the Radisson Hotel Town Lake. There will be technical seminars, "Your Partner in Profit" seminars, table top exhibits, networking, and evening at the "Story of Texas" History Museum, golf tournament, and a dinner cruise on Town Lake. Visit www.pdcatexas.org for more information as it is made available.

## We need your help!

Be a roving reporter for the Dallas Chapter PDCA. Our newsletter is printed quarterly. If you have news, articles, personal greetings, company profiles, etc. we would love to have them for the newsletter. Fax your info to Liz at 214/428-0124, or e-mail to ameriliz@aol. Com.



# Fishing Tournament is "All Wet"!

The rain poured, but that didn't stop 40 fishermen from taking their boats out on Lake Fork on May  $1^{st}$ . Bad weather set in at 11:00 p.m. Friday night and did not quit until Saturday afternoon around 2 p.m. – just in time for the weigh-in. Tournament chairman, Patrick Jorski, presented awards to the following winners:

 $1^{st}$  place with 9.26 lbs. – Thomas Welch and Chris Muse  $2^{nd}$  place with 8.08 lbs. – Patrick Jorski and Scott Taylor  $3^{rd}$  place with 7.88 lbs. – Tony Dougherty and Tariq Kobty Big Bass – 2.26 lbs. – Eddie Stephens and Jeff Lutz

To our tournament sponsors a bit *THANK YOU!* – American Wallcovering, Inc., Ames Taping Tool Systems, Benjamin-Moore Co., ICI/Dulux Paint Centers, Kelly-Moore Paint, Kwal Paints, PPG Coatings, Sherwin-Williams Co., Tri-Kes Wallcovering, United Rentals, and Zinsser & Co. Inc.

<u>How would you like to have your dues paid in 2005?</u> Just have someone from your company attend at least 6 meetings this year and be entered into a drawing to have your dues paid in 2004. One associate and one contractor member will be chosen.

# 2004/2005 Scholarships Awarded

Only two applications were submitted for scholarships this year, so the committee decided to award both. We have another first – a mother/daughter combination.



Liz Dykes is a junior at University of Texas in Arlington. Kayla Dykes is a sophomore at Texas Tech University who will be transferring to UTA in the fall. Both are pursuing a degree in interdisciplinary studies with a focus on Early Childhood –  $4^{th}$  grade (although Liz really wants to teach middle school!).

## 2004 Officers

*President* Doug Harms – Electro Painters, - 972/620-9606 (dougharms@aol.com)

*Vice President/President-Elect* John McSweeney – McSweeney Commercial Painting, Inc. – 817/283-4244 (john@mcsweeneycommerial.com)

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### Tricks of the Trade

The Dallas Chapter PDCA is looking for Tricks of the Trade and we need your help. Please write your trick of the trade on the enclosed postcard and drop it in the mail to us or bring it to the next meeting. We will be using these for a variety of purposes, including meetings and newsletter articles. Feel free to send as many as you like. If your trick will not fit onto the postcard, you can send it to us by fax at 214/428-0124 or by e-mail to ameriliz@aol.com. We can also provide you with additional postcards. Every trick you send will enter you into a drawing for a digital camera. The camera will be awarded to the individual, not the company, submitting the trick.

In case the term "Trick of the Trade" is not familiar to you, the term applies to those special "tricks" gained from working in the industry allowing a painter to work more efficiently or easier. For example, the easiest way to measure the interior height of a silo is to raise a helium balloon with fishing line attached. The fishing line is light enough to weigh down the balloon. Once the balloon reaches the top of the silo you then mark the point on the fishing line at ground level. You can then measure the length of the fishing line and you will now the height of the silo.

We look forward to receiving your Trick of the Trade. Thank you in advance for sharing your knowledge with us. Please send your tricks and enter the drawing by June 18<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be announced at our June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

### 2004 Calendar

MAY	
25	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas Table Top: Walnut Hill Paint and Kenmark, Inc.
JUNE	
22	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas Table Top: National Gypsum
JULY	
10	Lone Star Park – Horse Racing
27	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas <i>Table Top: Kwal Paints</i>
AUGUST	
24	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas Table Top: Kelly-Moore Paints and Go with the Faux
SEPTEMBER	
28	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas
	Table Top: Zinsser Co., Inc.
OCTOBER	
9-Jul	State PDCA Convention, Radisson Hotel Town Lake, Austin, TX
26	Monthly Meeting 11:30 a.m. – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas Installation of 2005 Officers
NOVEMBER – No meeting this month	
DECEMBER	
4	Christmas Casino Party – Holiday Inn Select, 2645 LBJ Frwy., Dallas

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We are still looking for contractor responses to our questionnaire - What do you get from PDCA?

Have your visited the websites lately: www.pdca.org www.pdcatexas.org www.pdcadallas.org