

THE JOURNEYMAN ROOFER & WATERPROOFER

# FEATURE STORY

HEADLINING STORIES FOR ROOFERS AND WATERPROOFERS ACROSS THE NATION

## 27th International Convention to Assemble in Las Vegas

Every five years, the International Executive Board of the United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers & Allied Workers invites hundreds of delegates from Local Unions around the country to convene in order to map the future of our Union. On October 27, 2008, the International Convention will once again be called to order.

The last four conventions have taken place at the infamous Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas. This year, for the first time ever, it will be held at Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino in Las Vegas. Formerly the Aladdin, the property was rebranded last year and underwent a billion-dollar renovation, re-opening just last November. The new Planet Hollywood is modern and welcoming and is considered by many to be the centerpiece of the Las Vegas Strip.



*A view of the casino from the mezzanine of Planet Hollywood.*

This year's convention promises to be as exciting as ever. With an impressive list of guest speakers and workshops, attendees can expect to be inspired and motivated. Most importantly, delegates will be voting on issues that will decide the fate and direction of our organization for the next five years and beyond.



*Guest rooms at Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino feature large flat-screen televisions and marble bathrooms.*

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### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

**Rich Trumka** – Secretary-Treasurer – AFL-CIO

**Mark Ayers** – President – Building & Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO

**Cecil Roberts** – International President – United Mine Workers of America

**Mark Breslin** – Breslin Strategies, Inc. (Organizing Techniques)

**Sean George** – Sean George Presentations (Safety & Health Expert)

**Fred Myers** – TRCP/Union Sportsmen's Association

**Darrell Roberts** – Helmets to Hardhats



## 27th Convention of the United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers

### SATURDAY – OCTOBER 25th

12:00 Noon – 5:00 p.m. Registration

### SUNDAY – OCTOBER 26th

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration

12:00 Noon Exhibits Open

6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Welcome Reception

### MONDAY – OCTOBER 27th

8:30 a.m. Convention Call to Order

2:30 p.m. NRIPP/NRISPP/NATIONAL HEALTH

#### **Moderator:**

John Martini – President Emeritus

#### **Speakers:**

Diane Romans  
Zenith Administrators, Inc.

Robert Bohrer  
Ekman, Bohrer & Thulin, P.S.

Larry Weitzner  
Horizon Actuarial Services, Inc.

Paul Troup  
Callan Associates, Inc.



### TUESDAY – OCTOBER 28th

8:30 a.m. Convention Reconvenes

2:30 p.m. Marketing Workshop

#### **Moderators:**

Jim Hadel, International Vice President

Jordan Ritenour, Assistant Director of Market Development

#### **Speakers:**

Jeffrey Grabelsky, Construction Industry Program, Cornell University

Gary Menzel, Local 11, Chicago, IL

Joseph Pozzi, Local 26, Hammond-Gary, IN

Brian Brousseau, Local 33, Boston, MA

Gerardo Ferreira, Local 65, Milwaukee, WI

### WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 29th

8:30 a.m. Convention Reconvenes

12:00 Noon Scheduled Social Functions

### THURSDAY – OCTOBER 30th

8:30 a.m. Convention Reconvenes

6:30 p.m. Cocktails & Dinner Dance

### FRIDAY – OCTOBER 31st

8:30 a.m. Convention Reconvenes

