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## **Celebrating 30 Years: RCA 2020 Annual Conference**

# 30TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## March 13-15, 2020 | Gaylord Texan

**The Retail Contractors Association's 30th Annual Meeting will be held** Friday, March 13 through Sunday, March 15, 2020 at the Gaylord Texan in Grapevine, TX (prior to SPECS 2020).

Highlights of this year's program include keynote remarks by Jay Papasan, bestselling author and Vice President of Learning, Keller Williams Realty International, an economic update Anirban Basu, Chairman & CEO, Sage Policy Group, Inc, a topical GC panel discussion, and breakout sessions for owners and project executives/project managers. We will also host our 4th Annual Golf Tournament on March 15.

The conference kicks off with a welcome reception on March 13, followed by conference sessions on March 14.



Jay Papasan is a bestselling author and Vice President of Learning, Keller Williams Realty International, the world's largest real estate company. He co-wrote *The ONE Thing* with Gary Keller. The book describes that behind every successful person is their ONE Thing. No matter how success is measured, personal or professional, only the ability to dismiss distractions and concentrate on your ONE Thing stands between you and your goals. The ONE Thing is about getting

extraordinary results in every situation. ONE Thing stands between you and your goals. The ONE Thing is about getting extraordinary results in every situation.

Jay is also vice president of KellerlNK, co-owner of Keller Capital, and co-owner, alongside his wife Wendy, of Papasan Properties Group with Keller Williams Realty in Austin, TX. He also co-authored *The Millionaire Real Estate Agent* alongside Gary Keller and Dave Jenks. The resounding success of the book, which focused on the systems, models and tactics used by the nation's top real estate sales agents, brought him his first experience as an acclaimed author when the book became a national bestseller in 2004. Having landed on a formula for providing insight and easy to follow strategies for success, the group maintained their momentum and strung together a series of books that found their way on to numerous bestselling lists, including those found on *The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, and The New York Times*.

The books Jay has helped craft have collectively sold over 8 million copies. The ONE Thing has sold over 1.5 million copies worldwide and garnered more than 500 appearances on national bestseller lists, including #1 on *The Wall Street Journal*'s hardcover business list and has been translated into 34 different languages. In an article posted on the Huffington Post, Jay was named as one of The Top 5 Entrepreneurs to Watch in 2017.

In addition to keynote remarks, Jay will moderate a breakout session addressing the leadership challenges faced by project executives and project managers.



We are pleased to welcome back **Anirban Basu**, Chairman & CEO of Sage Policy Group, Inc., for his always popular and always enlightening economic update. Anirban's firm provides strategic analytical services to energy suppliers, law firms, medical systems, government agencies, and real estate developers among others.

In 2014, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan appointed him Chair of the Maryland Economic

Development Commission. He also serves as chairman of the Baltimore County Economic Advisory Committee and is the Chief Economist to Associated Builders and Contractors and Chief Economic Advisor to the Construction Financial Management Association. He serves or has served similar functions for Visit Baltimore, Maryland Realtors, and Marcum, LLC.

Anirban lectures at Johns Hopkins University in Global Strategy and has also taught international economics, urban economics, micro- and macroeconomics at Hopkins. His radio show can be heard weekdays on 88.1FM, WYPR, Baltimore.

The conference will also include an owner's session, a GC panel discussion reflecting on 30 Years of Retail Construction, and RCA's business meeting.



The evening of March 14 will feature a special dinner celebrating RCA's 30th Anniversary. We will recognize the founding companies of the organization and be treated to the musings of **Carmine Ciricillo**, **The Construction Comic**®. Carmine has performed for The National Association of Home Builders, Associated Builders and Contractors, Associated General Contractors, The American Subcontractors Association, and more.

The weekend concludes on March 15 with our 4th Annual Golf Tournament, to be held at Cowboy's Golf Club. The tournament is a scramble format with prizes for top foursome, closest to the pin, longest drive, and more. Foursome and individual registration are available.

Retailers can register for all events at no charge.

The full agenda and registration can be found at retailcontractors.org/annual-conference.



RCA's mission is to promote professionalism and integrity in retail construction through industry leadership in education, information exchange, and jobsite safety.

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### **Upcoming Events**

We are planning a great slate of events for 2020.

A tentative schedule includes:

**February** Regional Member Event in Miami **March** Annual Conference in Dallas

May CCRP Networking Reception, sponsored by RCA, in Minnesota

June RCA reception at Retail X/Global Shop in Chicago July Regional Member Event in Denver (location TBD)

August RCA reception at ICSC Conference

in Orlando

September CCRP Networking Reception in NYC

October RCA reception at Procore BootCamp in New Orleans

November Regional Member

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## **President's Message**

Steve Bachman, President, Retail Construction Services



#### **ENOUGH ALREADY!**

The President of ICSC, Tom McGhee, made an announcement during his speech in 2018 at the New York Deal Making conference that has stayed with me. He said he was taking to task all of the major news outlets that had been-and would likely continue to-talking about the "retail apocalypse" and all of the store closings (which he did by the way).

Fast forward to 2020, and we can tally up the net number of stores that have continued to be added across the U.S. Then, as today, we continue to stay in net-positive territory. It is difficult to find the true numbers from year to year, because like our press in general, "the facts" all tend to be based on various news sources. However, what they all do conclude is:

- 1) we continue to have a net add:
- 2) certain retail sectors continue to struggle; and
- 3) many continue to flourish and expand.

Knowing that the pundits say retail is challenged, (of which any U.S. person is aware), what really matters is this: Who do you work for today and will they still be here tomorrow?

I would offer that the leaders in our companies should continue to be prudent in their business decisions. Do we stick with simply retail? Do we pursue more restaurants? Who is the next digital native? Do we stretch ourselves outside of our comfort zone and consider other commercial construction opportunities?

As in any industry, there are always the naysayers crying that the sky is falling. But let us conclude by saying that retail isn't dead, just different, and let's go build a stronger roof.



If you have any feedback or ideas for the organization, please contact me. We are always looking for ways to continue strengthening the organization: SBACHMAN@retailconstruction.com

### **Milestone Memberships**

Congratulations to our members celebrating milestone membership anniversaries! We appreciate your ongoing support of the RCA!

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## **RCA Membership**

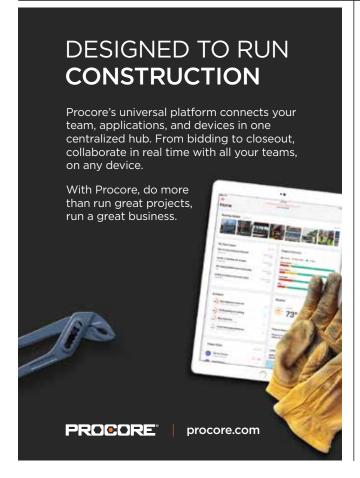
RCA members must meet and maintain a series of qualifications and are approved by the Board of Directors for membership. They have been in the retail construction business as general contractors for at least five years; agree to comply with the Association's Code of Ethics and Bylaws; are properly insured and bonded; are licensed in the states in which they do business; and have submitted letters of recommendation.

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#### RCA's Advisory Board is comprised of

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Jeff Montang currently serves as the President of JLM Retail, where he supports numerous brands in site selection for all retail site types. He previously supported AM Retail Group, a subsidiary of G-III. At AM Retail Group, he worked with Wilson Leather Outlets, Andrew Marc, Calvin Klein Performance, DKNY, and Vilebrequin concepts.



During his 40-plus years in retail, Jeff has participated in launching brands in outlets, malls, airports, and many other venues in the U.S., Canada, and England. His career started in the store operations area where he held various positions including VP of stores over different retail groups.

Jeff has presented for the VRN,
National Retail Federation, and the
American Society for Industrial Security.
He served as the Treasurer of the
Developers of Outlets and Retailers
(DOC&R). He has taught at the local college
and international level and has also served
on his community's city council.

Jeff is a graduate of Drake University with a BA in Public Relations. He has been married to his wife and best friend Deanna for 43 years and is the proud father of two: a son living on an adjoining hobby farm and a daughter living in Australia.





### **Advisory Board Speaker Series**

#### The RCA Advisory Board Speaker Series

provides members with relevant and timely industry content and insights from thought leaders pertinent to our industry. Speakers address critical topics in areas of retail trends, business operations, growth, culture, strategy,

We have hosted two webinars to date. The recordings for both are available on our website.

Our first webinar, "The Future of Retail", went beyond the headlines and discuss myths vs. reality in the retail marketplace. The session addressed the impact of the consumer, retailers and retailing, and real estate. Session speakers were Melina Cordero, Managing Director, Retail, Capital Markets, CBRE, and Brad Sanders, Senior Managing Director, CBREISkye Group.

Our second webinar, "Mastering Succession: Key Points to Successful **Ownership Transfer and Leadership** Succession." addressed the three components of succession planning: ownership transfer



plan, management succession plan, and contingency plan. The session speaker was Jake Appelman, Principal, FMI.

Future webinars will address trends in restaurants and trends in development. Visit retailcontractors. org/advisory-board-speaker-series to watch the webinars and download supplementary materials.





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