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Past Presidents' Perspective



Art Lukowski, CFBC President 2010 – 2011 (right), receiving his CFBC Leadership Award from Brian McIlwee

The Forum experience has been an important part of my life. The ability to safely share our strengths and weaknesses cannot be overrated. The diversity of members, the wisdom and support from Strategic Partners, and the personal relationships all add value to the Chicago Family Business Council as well.

I have developed wonderful friends through my Forum and at the CFBC functions. When one of my Forum members, Chris Lutz, told me that “you get out of it what you put into it,” this inspired me to do more for the CFBC.

[Read the rest of Art's Reflection](#)

Now & Then: Bone Roofing Supply



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[Bone Roofing Supply](#) was founded in 1971 by Clay Bone when he decided to finally follow his entrepreneurial dream of owning his own roofing supply business. He immediately recruited his twin

sons, Jack and Jim, who both left college in the first week of their sophomore year to join the business. Together the trio launched what has become a successful business for more than 40 years (and counting!).

Although the timing may be a bit startling, it was really no surprise that the twins would join with their father in business since when they were just nine-years-old they started a business delivering newspapers. That entrepreneurial spirit was alive in all three of them and when Bone Roofing first started, Jack and Jim drove the trucks while Clay made the sales.

CFBC's Top 20: Songs

TOP 20 SONGS



1. [Happy](#) – Pharrell Williams
2. [What a Wonderful World](#) – Louis Armstrong
3. [Wind Beneath My Wings](#) – Bette Midler
4. [Hallelujah](#) – Leonard Cohen
5. [Beethoven Symphony No. 9](#)

[Read the full list!](#)

Members' Perspective: Favorite CFBC Memory



“The first time I presented at Forum during a training session. It was great to unpack my luggage on the group and, in turn, learn later that I had a positive impact on the others that listened to my presentation.”

-Michael Jania / [Diamond Envelope Corp.](#)

“The ‘We’re In This Together’ event at Riva’s in July 2013. I brought my Dad (Sal Caldron, the founder of Cal’s Electric and Cal-Tronics). He was exposed to what I have experienced for the last three years.”

-Mary Koonce / [Cal's Electric](#)

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Right off the bat, Jack gravitated toward the mechanical side and Jim was more inclined to sales which made them a great team. As the brothers began to transition into leadership roles, their parents allowed them to make their own decisions (and mistakes) because, as their mother Hope pointed out, it was their business too. These decisions included purchasing a \$30K truck with a crane. Even though Clay thought this would be a mistake, it ended up being one of their best purchases as it greatly reduced injuries from physical labor.

[Read more about Bone Roofing](#)

Sponsor Spotlight: StandFast Packaging



Congratulations to [StandFast Packaging](#) as they enter a joint venture with [Atlantic Packaging](#)

[Products](#) to open BlackHawk Corrugated! BlackHawk will be co-owned and operated by StandFast and Atlantic and it will create 70 new jobs in the Carol Stream area. It is expected to be fully operational by the end of the year. [Click here to read more.](#)

Gala Spotlight:



How stunning were the flowers and centerpieces at the gala? They were designed and provided by [Flowers for Dreams](#) and they were the perfect touch to our "Twenty Years Deep" theme. All photos and memories from the evening can be viewed [here](#).

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