

Speaker Bios

Mike Patterson has been a remodeling contractor since 1996, and has been a working carpenter in the industry for almost 30 years. He has written several articles for Fine Homebuilding Magazine, and has taught seminars for the last several years at both the Remodeler's Show, in Baltimore, and at JLC Live, in Providence, RI. He has been actively involved in NARI for almost 20 years; having acted for several years as an instructor for CR and CLC certification classes, and in service on its education committee. He has served on the Board of Directors since 2012, the Executive Committee since 2014, and in 2015 began a two year term as president of the Metro DC chapter.

David Lupberger draws on more than two decades of experience in the residential remodeling field to work with remodelers in developing proven business systems. Through his work in the remodeling industry, he hopes to redefine the way the remodeling industry operates so that the trust between quality Remodelers, their customers, suppliers, and trade contractors can be leveraged and improved. Lupberger has been involved with custom home building and remodeling for over 20 years. After moving to the Washington DC area in 1988, he practiced high-end residential remodeling and focused on delivering the highest quality service to his clients. Over 90 percent of his work came from repeat and referral business, demonstrating the trust he developed with clients.

Joe Nebbia is an National Codes expert who has worked for over a decade on building code development and education, and has worked for over 14 years in various regulatory and policy topics. Joe currently offers training and technical support throughout the state of Maryland related to the energy code. He also has the privilege to serve as the Operations Director for the DOE Zero Energy Ready Home program.

Chris Landis is a registered architect in four states (MD, DC, VA & NY). He graduated with a B.A. from Vassar College and a M.A. in Architecture from Columbia Architectural School (1977-1980). He is a member of AIA, and has 24 years of experience in residential architectural. He is a past board member of the DC Historic Preservation Review Board and Past President of the DC Metro area chapter of NARI (National Association of the Remodeling Industry).

Ken Clark's career of specialty building products, focused in fenestration; spans over 30 years, making him uniquely qualified as an architectural consultant and business development advisor. Ken's experience in all segments of the building supply industry, from manufacturing to dealer distribution has afforded him broad base insight ability to servicing discerning clientele. Ken has provided consulting services and appeared on segments of "This Old House" with Tom Silva, and "Home Again" with Bob Vila. Ken's current role with TW Perry allows him the opportunity to share his knowledge, experience and expertise as a consultant to our valued clientele. Ken is also a certified AIA continuing education provider, and leads TW Perry's architectural support services. Ken's efforts in evaluating the ever changing business landscape, and adjusting TW Perry's window products and services to meet the needs of our customer base and exceeding their expectations, adds an additional dimension to the TW Perry value proposition.

Kris Kaymenesh, founder and President of Sight & Sound Systems, Inc (SASSI). Kris has been in the Integration and Automation for the past 30+ years, and started SASSI in 1994 serving the DMV area. SASSI works with several of the local and national builders. Kris has a very simple principle when it comes to customers; They call you only for one of two reasons, 1) When they are interested to purchase something and 2) when they need a service. The first one keeps your doors open and the second one makes a good story to tell to others.

David Rushton has been a full time home inspector since 1993 and a certified ASHI inspector since 1996. He is certified in Virginia and licensed in Maryland and West Virginia. He owned and operated Rushton Construction and Rushton Electric for 17 years prior to becoming an inspector. He received a BSAD degree in architectural design and construction technology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1976. He performs home and commercial building inspections throughout Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and DC. Contact him to schedule your inspection.

George Weissgerber is the Senior Vice President for Case Design. George said he has always loved working with his hands as an artist and fixing things as a mechanic. Motto: "If I can't fix it, it ain't broke." As his career moved out of the field and into management he engaged that same acumen to eliminate unnecessary repetition to ensure efficiencies in processes and systems such as the Case Job Estimating System. George has a BFA from West Virginia University, graduating Magna Cum Laude. He is a Master Certified Remodeler and Certified Kitchen and Bath Remodeler.

Jennifer Purdy is the Marketing Manager of TW Perry based in Gaithersburg, MD. Jennifer started at TW Perry as a Marketing Assistant in 2005 working her way to managing the department. Jennifer oversees the overall TW Perry corporate branding and customer related events. She is responsible for managing the yearly marketing budget and creating the overall marketing plan. Jennifer is responsible for marketing pieces and press releases, and manages the creative design process. In addition, Jennifer and her team build the comprehensive marketing campaign for over 40 customer events each year. She attends many industry association events and is on the Board and Education Chair for NARI Metro DC Chapter.