Message from the President

I would like to give a special shout out to Gary Smith, Wade and Barb Hobbs and Triangle Fastener for all their help with 3 Southeast Chapter kick-off events. Over 400 people came to events in Nashville, TN, Montgomery, AL and Jackson, MS.

All attendees received training, complete with tests and certificates, in Fall Protection Safety. Fall Protection Training is required by OSHA and should be a crucial part of your Safety Training Plan. Participation in the MBCEA at the Chapter level is a cost-effective way to stay on top of all your training responsibilities.

Registration is now open for our May Conference, co-located with the MBMA in New Orleans! This is a great opportunity for Contractors and Erectors. You don’t want to miss out. Follow the links below to exhibit, sponsor and attend.

If you have not yet sent in your membership renewal, I urge you to do so now.

Thank you. I look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!

Regards,

Mike Reynolds
President, MBCEA
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PS Check out my column called REPUTATION in this month’s Metal Construction News

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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Chapter News

Attention MBCEA Ohio Chapter Members!!

Plan to attend the upcoming meeting on 2/23, at 3 pm. Guest Speaker and fellow MBCEA Ohio Chapter member, Marty Burns of Therm-All will be present and the following topics will be covered:

- The new Building Energy Code for Ohio (2012 IECC)
• The alternate code to the 2012 IECC (ASHRAE 90.1 2010
• Type of insulation systems needed to meet codes and how to confirm that your building meets the new codes.

Don't forget to RSVP to Larry Heckman.

• When: Thursday February 23, 2017, 3:00 PM
• Where: Der Dutchmen Restaurant
720 SR 97 West, Bellville, OH 44813
• Directions: CLICK HERE!
• Accommodations (if desired): CLICK HERE!

The Carolinas Chapter presents Construction Notebook Class #5

Date: March 9, 2017
10:00am-1:00pm (lunch is included)

Location:
jwWilson Co. office
4107 Burnwood Trail
Denver, NC 28037

The topic is: "How to Install Roof Curbs"
as presented by
Greg Smyth of Roof Curb Systems

Click the links below for:
Registration/Sponsor Form
Credit Card Authorization Form

Deadline to register is:
March 1, 2017

Please make plans to attend!

Join the New England Chapter on Thursday, March 23, for OSHA Crane Rigging and Signal Person Training.
This new standard will comprehensively address key hazards related to cranes and derricks on construction worksites, including the four main causes of worker death and injury: electrocution, crushed by parts of the equipment, struck-by the equipment/load, and falls.

This seminar will cover the requirements of OSHA concerning a qualified signal person for crane rigging and attendees will earn the certification needed to fall within the OSHA guidelines.
Space is Limited Please Register using this Form

Register now for the Mid-Atlantic Division's CPR and Basic First Aid class to be held Friday, March 31, at ATAS International, Inc. in Allentown PA.
The Southeast Chapter recently held training sessions in Nashville, TN, Montgomery, AL, and Jackson, MS. There was a tremendous turnout with about 420 certificates issued for Make the Connection, Fall Protection for Employees, Bolting and Aligning, Controlled Decking Zone, ABC's of Personal Fall Arrest System, and Connection Safety. We want to thank Triangle Fastener Corporation for hosting these meetings.

Stay tuned for a Spring event to be scheduled in Tampa, FL with Fall Protection Training!

Conference 2017
The 48th Annual MBCEA Conference will be held May 18-20, 2017, at the New Orleans Downtown Marriott at the Convention Center.

New this year, the Conference will be co-located with the MBMA Spring Meeting. This means more exhibitors, attendees, education and networking!

Attendee Registration is now open!! Early bird rates are good until March 17. Use the link to register yourself, all additional attendees from your company, and your spouse. Sign up for golf at English Turn or the National WWII Museum tour on Thursday morning, May 18. Sponsor a golf hole.

Check out the Schedule of Events and Educational Tracks taking place on Friday.

The Building of the Year competition is now under way and we look forward to highlighting all the projects at the conference.

If you or a colleague have been a contractor or erector of metal buildings for at least 25 consecutive years we want to induct you into the prestigious Pioneers Club at this conference.

The Exhibit Hall is now filled, however a few SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

Make your hotel reservations early as we anticipate peak attendance.

HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS:
New Orleans Downtown Marriott at the Convention Center
Group room rates:
5/16 - 5/20/17: $209.00 per night (plus taxes)
* Use the reservation link above to receive our special room rate.
* The deadline to receive the group room rate is 5 pm ET May 2, 2017.

Please contact the MBCEA at sgraver@mbcea.org with any questions.

Resources
Did you know the MBMA website has a whole section devoted to resources for Architects, Building Code Officials, Contractors, developers, engineers, etc.?

Did you know the MBMA had a YouTube channel? and a Twitter feed? Their content is fresh and relevant to our industry. These are all tools and resources available to help promote metal buildings.

Click for YouTube

If you are on Twitter, please follow them @LearnAboutMBMA

AC478 - Prove Your Excellence: Earn the Metal Building Assembler AC478 Accreditation

The program is now almost 2 years old and we are a little bit smarter today than we were when we wrote the program. The MBCEA has drafted revisions and modifications to improve the program. These have been formally submitted to the IAS and will be approved (or not) at an open Public Hearing on April 25. If you are in the early stages of your application process, drop Jackie Meiluta a line to discuss the proposed revisions as you may wish to wait until after 4/25.
If you have any questions about this program or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Jackie Meiluta. Jackie is available to MBCEA members for hands on assistance. A recent new member said, "I was so intimidated by the program but you made it sound so easy. I could not have done this without the MBCEA. Your time today was totally worth the price of membership."

Program information can also be found at [www.iasonline.org](http://www.iasonline.org).

Metal Construction News hosted a webinar on the program which can be [viewed here](http://viewedhere.com).

Watch a [short video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shortvideo) about the program here.

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**WEBINAR**

**Wednesday, March 1st at 2:00pm EST**

**The National Campaign to Prevent Falls in Construction: Getting Ready for the 2017 Safety Stand-Down**

Presented by:
Chris Trahan Cain, Executive Director, CPWR - The Center for Construction Research and Training
Christine Branche, Ph.D., Principal Associate Director, NIOSH, and Director, Office of Construction Safety and Health
Dean McKenzie, Director, OSHA Directorate of Construction

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Falls are the top cause of construction fatalities and account for 1/3 of on-the-job injuries and deaths in the industry. In 2012, CPWR, NIOSH, and OSHA together launched a national construction fall prevention campaign. This hour-long webinar will bring together leaders from all three organizations to showcase the past successes of the campaign and its major event, the National Safety Stand-Down, as well as to highlight plans for 2017. This year's Stand-Down is scheduled for May 8th-12th. CLICK TO REGISTER

Visit CPWR for information on training programs, research findings, and resources for your health and safety or research initiatives.

Don't forget, MBCEA members Save 15% on over 300 Online Safety Training Courses with ClickSafety.

OSHA Resources

OSHA's Safety and Health Topics pages provide regulatory and enforcement information, hazard identification and controls as well as best practices and other resources to assist employers, workers and safety and health professionals ensure safer workplaces.

Are you interested in web-based training tools on occupational safety and health topics? Try OSHA's eTools, eMatrix, Expert Advisors and v-Tools! For other training material, visit OSHA's Training web page. If you are an employer or a small business, visit OSHA's web pages for employers and free services to small businesses. For other General Safety and Health Information, visit the General Safety and Health References page.

Get more done in 2017 by Tracking your time

The number of productivity strategies out there are innumerable. Every day, dozens and perhaps hundreds of articles are published online about how to get more done, both in work and in life generally. It can be downright overwhelming. If I were to spend the time reading all those new articles and books, I’d have no time to get done what's actually valuable and important.

So if you're feeling overwhelmed - like you don't have enough time or like you should be getting more done - where's the best place to start?
Well, why not at the foundation?

To know how to be more productive, you first need to know exactly how you're spending your minutes and hours of the day. You say you need to get more done or that you don't have enough time for everything, but when you actually track your time, you realize you're spending 60 minutes a day on Facebook. From there, the remedy seems pretty obvious.

Read full article

We want to hear from you!

The MBCEA is dedicated to the professional advancement of our members. We need to know what is important to you, what kinds of things you are interested in, what you need.

Sasha Graver, Executive Director
Mike Reynolds, President
Jackie Meiluta, Program Manager

please connect with the MBCEA.

Quote of the Day

"My attitude has always been even if you fall flat on your face, at least you are moving forward" Richard Branson

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