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Message from the President

This month's spotlight is on Steve Butler and Dynamic Fastener. Steve has been a true friend to our Association for many years. They have been a Member since 2006, Conference Exhibitor for several years before that and Conference Sponsor since 2007. When we created the MBI Quality and Craftsmanship DVD Series, Steve stepped up and agreed to promote and sell the series. Dynamic Fastener has been a huge supporter of getting this important training out there. Thanks to their efforts, hundreds of DVD's have trained thousands of young erectors to become Quality Assured Craftsmen.

Steve has represented the MBCEA at builders' meetings, advertising for us at his booth. He has been actively involved in the Midwest Chapter for many years and is currently working to revive it. Sasha always reports how helpful Steve is. He is one of the first people she calls when she opens up the Conference.

People like Steve Butler and Andy Lee (highlighted last month) are just two of the MBCEA's go-to-guys. There are so many of you out there working diligently to promote the MBCEA and Metal Buildings, and ensuring we have quality educational programs highlighting safety and training. The Association could not run without these hard-working, committed volunteers. This spotlight feature may highlight a few special individuals but know that every member is special and your efforts on behalf of our industry is truly appreciated.

Speaking of hard-working members of the MBCEA, we are currently accepting proposals for speakers for our 51st Annual Conference to be held May 7-9, 2020, at the Gaylord Rockies Resort in Aurora, Colorado. Our conference offers classes focused on the needs of Contractor/Erector owners as well as field operations. Your topic should be at least 30 minutes and no more than 60 minutes. If you have an idea you would like to present please send Sasha a note detailing your idea and your credentials. If you have a
topic you would really like covered, please let Sasha know that as well. To review the post-conference survey results where attendees shared the topics they would like to see covered please click here and see if you can fulfill any of the requests.

Most of you know that attracting young people to our industry is one of my areas of focus. This month I had the pleasure once again of representing the MBCEA at New Hampshire’s Construction Career Days - see note below. Addressing our labor shortage and developing tomorrow’s builders will only be accomplished when we all engage and commit. Paul Deffenbaugh at Metal Construction News is our friend, partner and ally in this cause. He is starting a new feature called "Site Scene" that showcases people working on jobsites. He wants to give more recognition to the people in the trades to help in some small way to attract more young people to construction. He has made it very easy but it depends on you to participate. Click the link now or share with your team: Click here

Check out our pictures from METALCON below.

Thanks and Stay Safe!

Regards,

Keith Wentworth
President, MBCEA
Vice-President, Dutton & Garfield, Inc.

P.S. We need your help for positive reviews on our Google Business page. Please click this link to "review" the MBCEA. Mention your favorite benefit, the good customer service, how affordable we are, how your company is benefiting from membership, etc. Thanks!
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Chapter News

New England Chapter News:

We had the great pleasure to participate once again in the NH Construction Career Days. Thank you to John Iveson, Rob Riess, Tim Allison and David O'Neil for all their help in staffing the booth and working the event. The students were excited to use the
Virtual and Augmented Reality technology provided by Tim Van Zant with Nucor!

"If the job touches construction, it's here for the students to experience," says Catherine Schoenenberger, Founder and President of this nonprofit. "It's amazing to watch how the kid that gets off the bus in morning with the teenage 'this ain't for me attitude' get back on the bus less than four hours later, elated and eager to learn more about what a career in construction could mean for him or her."

There is more information and pictures about this program below.

Upcoming Event:

Comcheck Dinner Seminar presented by Silvercote on Thursday November 14th @ the Sturbridge Host Hotel in Sturbridge, MA.

Carolinas Chapter News:

Carolinas Chapter Fall Golf Outing

**Deadline to Register is November 1, 2019**

**Event Date:** Thursday, November 7, 2019

Proceeds benefit our Scholarship Fund

Bryan Park Golf
6275 Bryan Park Road
Greensboro, NC 27214


The schedule will be as follows:
9:00am Range open for warm ups
10:00am Tee time for Golf (Shotgun start) with box lunch provided
3:00pm Social & Awards Presentation (Hors d'oeuvres)

To Register or Sponsor click the links below:

[Registration/Sponsor Form](#)
[Credit Card Authorization Form](#)

Please make plans to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Construction Notebook Class #10: Metal Building Fasteners Training presented by Metal Fastening Systems 7670 Mikron Dr. Stanley, NC 28164

*Postponed until February 2020 date and times to be announced.*

Mid-Atlantic Division News:

Special thanks to Allied Steel Buildings for hosting the Mid-Atlantic Division at the Dover International Speedway for the Monster Energy NASCAR race in October. Josh Quinter and Karin Corbett of Offit Kurman presented on Social Media. A fun time was had by all!

The scholarship application deadline is October 31st. Funds are available for undergraduate school, graduate school, vocational school and continuing education...
courses. Guidelines and application forms are available online.

Upcoming Event:
- December 6th: Annual Holiday Social to be held at Historic Hotel Bethlehem in PA. Reserve your room now and plan to attend!

Rocky Mountain Chapter:
The Rocky Mountain Chapter of Metal Building Contractors and Erectors Association is hosting an Insulated Metal Panel Installation Training on Kingspan Insulated Metal Panels on December 10, 2019, from 9 am - 4 pm. This is great training not only for the guys in the field but also estimators and project managers so they know what to look for and also what goes into the projects as they are preparing for them. General contractors also can benefit from this direct knowledge on what to look for as their sub contractors are installing Kingspan panels. Please email Mike Cain to RSVP by 12/6. See the flyer for more information.

Texas Southeast Chapter:
Follow MBCEA TXse on Facebook and LinkedIn or contact us at mbceaTXse@gmail.com if you want to be added to our email list.
We are live! Click the logo to see the new and improved website and training platform.

The Metal Buildings Institute created the Quality and Craftsmanship Training Video series in 2004. This is a premiere training tool and probably the only training system exclusively for our industry. We have been working to upgrade the website/training delivery system as well as expand the training offerings. In the new system, **MBCEA members will enjoy free access to the Original series** which is comprised of the following modules: (1.) Tools of the Trade, (2.) Unloading, Material Handling & Staging, (3.) Framing, (4.) Windows & Doors, (5.) Fiberglass Insulation, (6.) Wall Sheeting Installation, (7.) Exposed Fastener Lap Seam Roofs, (8.) Standing Seam Roofs, (9.) Roof Penetrations & Curbs, (10.) Flashing, Trim, and Gutters, and (11.) Internal Gutters and Trims. Video 5 Insulation is being completely re-shot, refreshed and updated. Once ready, it will become part of the original series, available to you at no additional charge. We will upgrade other videos as resources allow.

The new Insulated Metal Panels video will be available as separate from the original series. **MBCEA members will enjoy an 80% discount off** the annual subscription. We hope to have Retrofit and Temp Bracing added to this expanded series in the very near future.

Note: MBCEA Members will receive a separate email from Sasha with the Discount Code that will be good through 12/31/19. At renewal you'll receive the 2020 Discount Code.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE TRANSCRIPTS OF THE MBI QUALITY AND CRAFTSMANSHIP TRAINING MODULES IN OUR MEMBERS AREA?**

To complement your training program and the use of the Quality and Craftsmanship 101 Training Series, we’ve provided the transcripts for each of the 11 modules. Some of your employees may learn better by following along with the transcript while watching the video. We hope you find them helpful!

To access them, log into the Members Area of our website. Click Training at the top of the page. Feel free to download any and use.

If you'd like a reminder as to what your members area login credentials are, please shoot me an email. - Sasha
Construction Career Days

The MBCEA Labor Development and Education Committee is working diligently to spark some interest in the Trades. Our New England Chapter participated in the NH Construction Career Days. One student's essay on his experience demonstrates the impact of NH-CCD. In part it reads:

"This was my first time experiencing a construction site in person. It's a whole lot different when you are actually standing there with a hard hat on your head and work boots on your feet...One big thing I would personally like to change about construction and the trade industry is how the construction workers are perceived as dumb lug heads just lifting heavy things up and then putting them down. They are very hard workers who know their stuff...I really do see them a whole lot differently now."

Exactly the attitude change we are looking for!

If there is a Construction Career Days program near you, please participate! Contact Sasha for assistance. To read more about the event in NH, click here.
To optimize construction tech, stakeholders must synchronize

As most contractors become more comfortable with technology, project management solutions like Procore Project Management and Autodesk's BIM 360 have emerged as
some of the industry’s most valuable tools. As it turns out, though, the benefits of using this software can be lessened when owners adopt their own project management systems without coordinating that decision with their contractors.

This is according to the "Connecting Owners and Contractors: How Technology Drives Connected Construction" study by Dodge Data & Analytics, conducted in partnership with another project management software provider, e-Builder by Trimble. When contractors and owners use different, disconnected systems, contractors often find themselves doing double duty trying to maintain data for both, potentially sacrificing a high level of productivity and even accuracy in the flow of work in the process.

Read more

Did you know the Metal Buildings Institute has Guidelines to implement a Registered apprenticeship program for the trade: Metal Building Assembler? Contact Sasha for more information.
US DOL finalizes changes to long delayed overtime pay update
For nearly 3 years, an update to the overtime pay rule was held up in court battles, but we may finally have a resolution. The update sought to increase the minimum salary threshold of workers that are exempt from being paid overtime pay for any hours worked over the traditional 40 hour work week.
Read More
Accreditation to Prove your Commitment to Quality

Our signature quality program continues to be fine-tuned. The IAS has a formal process for changes to the criteria. The following changes were recently approved.

Elimination of third party inspector. Accredited companies will be assessed by the IAS only, not the IAS and an Independent Inspection Agency. This should save at least $1500/year.

The review of the Management System, training program, safety plan, etc. now happen electronically in advance of the job site inspection (this has been happening "unofficially" for about a year now.) This eliminates a day spent at the office.

We built in clarity around what happens at a job-site inspection. The IAS assessor will:

- Ensure a Site Specific plan has been developed and implemented for the job.
- Ensure that JSA's were developed and implemented for the job.
- Verify erection drawings are stamped "for construction"
- Validate at least 50% of the jobsite personnel are in compliance with the documented training program and verify that they are aware of and understand the documented safety program.
- Validate at least 25% of the workforce at the jobsite meet the definition of a journeyworker.
- Validate use of checklists
- Verify compliance with OSHA 1926.752(b)

The MBCEA is committed to this program. We are happy to assist any member as they prepare. Many of the required documents are available in the members only area. Contact Sasha or Jackie for more information.

**Air Leakage Testing is Coming. Are you Ready?**

Did you know that current ASHRAE 90.1 and IECC contain specifications for buildings to meet an air leakage standard of 0.40 cfm/sq ft and that whole building air leakage testing is a path to compliance? Air leakage is a major factor in energy efficiency and regulation is coming. MBMA and NAIMA are teaming up to get out ahead of the requirements by completing testing on a variety of metal buildings and insulation systems.

If you'd like to be on the leading edge of this work and participate, the MBMA can offer the testing at no charge.

If you would like the metal building you are constructing tested, please contact Vince Sagan at the MBMA office, vsagan@mbma.com or 216.241.7333.

**In the News / Member Spotlight**

- MCA Releases Metal Flashing Standard
- MBMA Releases New Video Vignettes Highlighting Metal Building Career Opportunities
- MBMA Announces New Members

**Join the Discussion in our New Facebook Group**

We're creating a Facebook group for members only so you can share tips, resources, successes, etc. We learn from each other. We support each other. We continue to grow as we continue to influence the perception of metal buildings in a positive way as a whole. It can be invaluable to connect and learn from other business owners on a frequent basis. Share how the MBCEA is helping you. Assist a new member in navigating the benefits. Make your own post that you have crews available or are looking for work. Share this invite with the rest of the people in your organization.

**Join Group**

**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 Demyan, Executive Director  
Keith Wentworth, President  
Jackie Meiluta, Program Manager

Please connect with us!

Quote of the Day

"There are three kinds of men. The one that learns by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence for themselves."

-Will Rogers

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