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## MBCEA News & Updates - APRIL 2017

### Message from the President

The 48th Annual Conference is right around the corner. We meet annually to learn, share and network. We honor our Pioneers and Buildings of the Year, but mostly we immerse ourselves in education and business opportunities. To that end, we have assembled a fantastic schedule of speakers and learning opportunities with two tracks of classes. One track is focused more on the management needs of Contractors and Erectors and the other is more field related. Both tracks are presented by the best of the best.



The Conference offers something for everyone. The Exhibit Hall full of vendors, fabricators and suppliers is a great opportunity to see/hear what's new. The AC478 update and Contractor and Erector Roundtable are not to be missed. Plus, the French Quarter is sure to be fun. If you have not already registered, please contact Sasha today!

As a group, we have much to be proud of but the old ironworker in most of us does not like to toot our own horns - but we should. We should celebrate the incredibly innovative buildings we assemble and the dedicated craftsmen we employ. I propose we use this newsletter to highlight some of our achievements. If you are working on a cool project or have a story you'd like to share, please send a few lines to [Jackie](#) with a few pictures. Just like our Conference promotes best practice from within our own network, let's each month highlight one of our achievements. But, Jackie is not a mind reader - you need to send her the details!

This [article](#) in Metal Construction on our New England Member, Riess Construction is a perfect example of the type of good press we deserve. I do not expect Jackie to provide this kind of coverage, we will leave that to the experts at MCN but a few lines and few pictures is great. Along this same line, keep in mind we have a forum on our webpage where you can ask/answer questions. We also offer free classified ads to our members.

Thanks.

I look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!

Regards,

Mike Reynolds

President, MBCEA  
[mike@scisteel.com](mailto:mike@scisteel.com)

P.S. Please update your records to reflect a new PO box for the MBCEA. Our mailing address is: MBCEA, P.O. Box 3429, Bethlehem PA 18017.

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**Chapter News**

**Attention Members and Interested Parties  
in the Arizona and Nevada area:**

**[Intro to MBCEA and Fall Protection  
Training Kickoff Meetings](#)**



**Thursday-April 13**

Nevada-Las Vegas

South Point Hotel

9777 Las Vegas Blvd. South

Las Vegas, NV 89183

866-796-7111

**Friday-April 14**

Arizona-Mesa

Building Envelope Design Center

419 E. Juanita Avenue

Mesa, AZ 85204

800-879-8382

The meetings are from 9 am to 3 pm and there is no cost to attend. Simply RSVP to [Sasha Graver](#).

**Carolinas Chapter News:**

Our Spring Scholarship Scramble Golf Outing will be held **April 20, 2017** at Tega Cay Golf & Conference Center, Tega Cay, SC. Click [this link](#) to look at the course photos. Deadline to [register](#) is 4/10.

Our annual Summer Meeting will be held **June 29 - July 2, 2017** at the Hilton Head Marriott Resort & Spa on Hilton Head Island, SC. Please click [this link](#) to book your hotel room before 5/22. Deadline to submit [Scholarship Application](#) is

4/21. Deadline to submit [Building of the Year](#) and [Safety Award](#) entries is 5/5. Deadline to [register](#) for Summer Meeting is 5/22.

Click [here](#) for a recap of the Construction Notebook Class #5 "How to Install Roof Curbs".

**MBCEA-NEC** is proud to welcome Bill Beals from Therm-all, Bill Dwyer from Bay Insulation, and Mark Woodis and Bill Westcott from Silvercote to have an open discussion regarding the new energy code on **Thursday, April 20**. We will discuss how the new code affects us and what products there are to meet these stringent codes.

Thursday, April 20, 2017  
New Energy Code Roundtable  
5PM Cocktail Hour, 6PM Dinner, 7PM Presentation  
Courtyard Marriot  
Woburn, MA

\*\*\*[Flyer attached](#). Space still available\*\*\*

The MBCEA-NEC Annual Golf Tournament will be held in July. Location TBD.



On Thursday, March 23, Adam Drummond from National Safety Services conducted "OSHA Qualified Crane Rigging and Signal Person Training" in Marlborough, MA. It was a very informative day of training, and Adam presented on an excellent training course to a full room of attendees. This course was offered free to New England Chapter Members.

We are counting the days until the National Conference in New Orleans...

Tony Barnes  
New England Chapter President

**The Southeast Chapter** is holding an [Intro to MBCEA and Fall Protection Training Kickoff meeting](#) at the Triangle Fastener Tampa Location, 10111 Woodberry Rd., Tampa, FL 33619. The training is scheduled for **Friday April 21**, 9 am to 3 pm and is free to members and non-members. Register to attend with [Sasha Graver](#).

We will also be doing a SEC networking Sporting Clays Shoot on **Saturday April 22**, 9 am to noon, at Fishhawk Sporting Clays, Lithia, FL. Contact [Wade Hobbs](#) for more information and to register. Deadline to register for both is April 18.

**The Greater Ohio Chapter** is holding an Aerial Work Platforms and Forklifts Training Day on **April 27** at Sunbelt Rental in Canton, OH. Cost is \$110/person. To reserve your spot email [Orris](#) or [John](#) ASAP!

**Save the date for the Mid-Atlantic Division's** OSHA-10 course scheduled for **May 15 and 16, 2017** in Temple, PA.

**The Northwest Inland Chapter** is planning an event to cover "Understanding Changes in the Energy Code" by Larry Hopkins of Therm-All. The event will be in Spokane WA on **May 16th**. Any interested participants can contact [Larry Hopkins](#) or [Dan Halme](#).

## Conference 2017

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

### Attendee Registration is still open!!

Check out the [Schedule Snapshot](#) here. Plan your visits to the [exhibitors](#) here.



HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS:  
New Orleans Downtown Marriott at the  
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The Ironworkers International and IMPACT would like to thank the MBCEA for allowing Art Hance to participate in our annual conference.

Art gave a great presentation on the value and benefits of joining the MBCEA. Art's experience and expertise in the industry was apparent when he shared his thoughts and insight on what is needed to advance the metal building industry. Art's presentation combined with the presentations of Sandi



McCracken from IAS, Dan Walker with the MBMA and Don Cotchen with Industrial Info gave our attendees a great overview of the new developments and opportunities in the metal building industry.

Thanks again,

David Beard  
Metal Building Representative  
Ironworkers International

**Art Hance responds:**

I was happy to represent the MBCEA and appreciate the warm welcome offered by Dave Beard and the Ironworkers.



I opened my presentation with a video of the modular erection of the Morristown Airport project. I explained that the original erector lost the building during erection. The owner came to us to re-build it as they knew our programs and affiliation with MBCEA would assure safe erection.

I also made the following points:

- Dispelled the myth that all non-union erectors are working unsafe.
- Explained various training opportunities available to MBCEA members.
- Discussed the MBI apprenticeship program.
- Reviewed benefits of MBCEA.
- Together with Sandi McCracken, from IAS, offered an intro to AC478. We emphasized that AC478 wasn't something to "lock up" a specification; it was a tool to improve our companies safety, quality and efficiency.

It is also worth noting, the Ironworkers International and IMPACT are so committed to the MBCEA and AC478, that not only do they graciously offer these speaking opportunities but they are also prepared to put their money where their mouth is and pay members first year of MBCEA membership and AC478 accreditation.

On behalf of the MBCEA, thank you for the opportunity.

Art Hance  
President, Hance Construction  
Director, MBCEA



Art Hance, Sandi McCracken and Dan Walker, MBMA

## News from MBI



The Metal Buildings Institute hosted its first of what we hope to be an annual think tank and strategy session last week. I will be providing a complete update on this at the Conference and in future newsletters.

The session, attended by leaders from MCA, MBMA, NRCA and, of course, MBCEA, was a great opportunity to talk and brainstorm about the big issues facing our industry. I would like to personally thank Dick Bus, ATAS International, Inc. for hosting our event.

As I am sure you can guess, much of our time was spent talking about labor (shortage) and construction as a career choice. It was a great meeting, with a lot of great discussions. We have a firm base in our Apprenticeship program and Quality and Craftsmanship series but need to do more. And we can and we will!

The new IMP video should be available later this summer. We have already started planning the next one - Temporary Bracing. We have a long list of projects, some which can be delivered quickly; others that will take more time and money. But stay tuned! Cause I am all revved up and raring to go.

Thanks.

Sincerely  
 Gary T. Smith  
 President, MBI



**IECC 2015 and ASHRAE 90.3**  
**2019: What You Need to Know**



## 2015: what you need to know

By: Bill Beals, Therm-All



### The Next Code Cycle: IECC 2015 and ASHRAE 90.1. 2013

The next commercial energy code cycle for most states is the IECC 2015 code and ASHRAE 90.1 2013 alternative path. For some states the new code has already gone into effect as of January 1, 2017, but the exact timing of implementation depends on each state. Remember that each state is in a code cycle, which lasts two to three years. So, theoretically, your state could switch in the next few months or in a few years. Check the status of your state energy code [here](#).

### Which States Have Made the Jump

Alabama, California, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan (adopting IECC 2015/ASHRAE 2013 in April 2017), New Jersey (adopted ASHRAE 2013), New York, Oregon, Utah, Texas, Vermont (state-specific code modeled after IECC 2015), Washington

Also, the new code cycle will be effective in Georgia January 1, 2018.

### An Overview: IECC 2015 and ASHRAE 90.1 2013

Not that I'm basing the upcoming changes on comparisons of the current IECC 2012 code and the ASHRAE 90.1 2010 Standard. If your state's current code is based on the older IECC 2009 and ASHRAE 90.1 2007 Standard, you'll see more significant envelope changes. Many states currently at the IECC 2009 code are bypassing IECC 2012 altogether and adopting IECC 2015. This is a huge jump, and many metal building contractors will feel the pressure. If you haven't used Liner Systems (Ls) or Filled Cavity/Long Tab Systems in the past, you will need to start using them. Both options fulfill the metal building insulation requirements; it's just a matter of preference.

Read [complete article](#)

If you want to see Bill Beals live - come to the Conference!

## Feature Headline

Place article copy here. Be sure to make the articles short and concise as people tend not to read much more than a couple of paragraphs.

[Text Link](#)

## What President Trump Means for Labor and Employment By Richard D. Alaniz

With the election of Donald Trump as the 45th president of the United States, the business community can almost certainly look forward to a new era. Although many of Trump's policies on labor and employment-related laws and regulations have yet to be fully developed, there are many Obama-era initiatives that could face significant changes under the new Republican administration.

In some instances, the courts may become involved-and several judges have already weighed in with injunctions against some recent Obama regulations. But some changes may take longer, as Congress looks at a slew of issues, cases work their way through the court system, and Trump considers his priorities.

#### Regulations that May Be Rolled Back

Over the course of the last eight years, the Obama administration has made a series of changes that have led to more economic and regulatory burdens for businesses, while often strengthening unions. Many of those changes could be undone, rolled back, or at least revised by the incoming Trump administration.

Those might include... to continue reading, click here [Full Article](#)

*Richard D. Alaniz is senior partner at Alaniz Schraeder Linker Farris Mayes, L.L.P., a national labor and employment firm based in Houston. He has been at the forefront of labor and employment law for over thirty years, including stints with the U.S. Department of Labor and the National Labor Relations Board. Rick is a prolific writer on labor and employment law and conducts frequent seminars to client companies and trade associations across the country. Questions about this article, or requests to subscribe to receive Rick's monthly articles, can be addressed to Rick at (281) 833-2200 or [ralaniz@alaniz-schraeder.com](mailto:ralaniz@alaniz-schraeder.com).*

## 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](#)  
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## Quote of the Day

**QUALITY IS NEVER  
AN ACCIDENT; IT IS ALWAYS  
THE RESULT OF HIGH  
INTENTION, SINCERE EFFORT,  
INTELLIGENT DIRECTION  
AND SKILLFUL EXECUTION;  
IT REPRESENTS  
THE WISE CHOICE OF  
MANY ALTERNATIVES.**

*-William A. Foster*

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