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Musings

A Message From President Jim Brewer

I like eclectic things, such as eclectic music, eclectic literature, eclectic home designs, etc. So, I was going to title this article as “Uneclectic Musings” until I found out that the word “uneclectic” isn’t in the dictionary. There goes my train of thought. However, the Scottish word “unco” is still in most dictionaries. That is one of my favorite words – some people called me “unco”. But I prefer Jim.

My presidential year is rapidly winding down. We have gathered at the “COOP”, had our board meetings, and our regional meetings. So, I am not going to bore you with the usual dribble of how much is left to do, how high we should set our goals, how many new additions we need to our organization. Nope, I am going to bore you with just one thought: Volunteerism.

I consider being President of the Mechanical Contractors Association of South Carolina one of the high water marks of my career – mainly because of the opportunity to volunteer and serve. There have been others in my life, such as serving as president of the Easley Exchange Club, serving on the board of District Exchange, serving in various church related teaching opportunities, and serving in the military. The rewards that I have experienced have been as a result of initially volunteering for something. All through life, we are afforded opportunities to serve. It is our choice of whether to pursue that opportunity. When the next opportunity comes for you to volunteer or serve, think strongly about what you may be passing up if you choose not to exercise that opportunity.

How does our attitude towards volunteerism affect an organization such as MCASC? There are too many people who consider joining an organization, and their first thought is: “What can it do for my company?” or “What can it do for me?” My response to that train of thought is: “What are you willing to do for the organization?” There is value in our organization, we have a recruiting booklet that quantifies our value. But not willing to serve often leaves the member with a shallow commitment.

In closing, I want to thank Mona, Anna, the MCASC Officers and Board for the opportunity to be your president. It has been an interesting and rewarding year. May next year be even better.

Jim Brewer
MCASC State President 2010-2011

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Mechanical Member: SOUTHERN ATLANTIC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS

Southern Atlantic Mechanical (SAMCO) was formed in 2003 by Louis Nicks, as a fully functional licensed Mechanical contracting company. Since the company's formation, it has managed consistent growth and is currently growing faster than ever. This growth can be attributed to the wide array of services offered by SAMCO, ranging from simple plumbing renovations up to providing complete design/build services for a stand alone health care facility. In addition to installing commercial plumbing and HVAC systems SAMCO has also developed a forte in the installation of medical gas systems. SAMCO is presently pursuing contracts throughout the Southeast with projects currently underway in South Carolina, Georgia, and North Carolina.

In order to provide the services we offer, SAMCO has assembled a seasoned management team which combined possesses over 100 years of project management experience. SAMCO also employs over 40 field technicians that average over 7 years of experience in their area of expertise, and over a third of these technicians also carry medical gas installation credentials. To ensure complete satisfaction to all our clients' needs, SAMCO provides a full array of services after the project is completed, whether its general maintenance or 24 hour emergency response SAMCO is there to meet those needs.

After many conversations with customers and in an effort to meet their needs SAMCO opened a service department in 2010; On Call: Plumbing, Heating & Air. On Call's intended purpose is to provide complete plumbing and HVAC services to the Midlands of South Carolina.

At SAMCO we are focused on developing relationships that last by providing clients with products and services which not only meet but exceed their needs. This dedication to customer satisfaction is what allows SAMCO to continue growing and expanding year after year. It is our mission to provide our clients with the most innovative and efficient mechanical services available at a reasonable price and strive for 100% client satisfaction.

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

Theresa Caldwell	5/4	Waldrop, Inc.	Wife of Bill
Jim Hendricks	5/4	Critical Components, Inc.	
John Minor	5/5	G-M Mechanical Corporation	
Phil Wilson	5/5	Control Management, Inc.	
Tom Johnson	5/7	Honorary Life Member/Past State President	
Robbin Cullum	5/14	Cullum Mechanical Construction, Inc.	Wife of Rudy
Sally Paul	5/15	Sanitary Plumbing Contractors, Inc.	
Will Thomason	5/20	James M. Pleasants Company	
Sam White	5/20	Walker White, Inc.	
Anna Chaney	5/21	MCASC State Office	
A. A. "Bo" Shuler, Jr.	5/24	Honorary Life Member/Past State President	
Dayle Baxter	5/27	Tri-Star Constructors	Wife of Jerry
John Babson	5/28	BB&T/Boyle-Vaughan Insurance	
Bill Bowers	5/30	Hoffman & Hoffman - Greenville	
Ken Morelli	5/31	Triad Mechanical Contractors	

Happy Birthday Members!
We Would Like To Announce Yours. If you would like to be listed,
please call the Birthday Hotline at 803-772-7834 or Email to mflowers@mcasc.com

“Tool Box Talks” - Safety Tip**CPR**

Cardio pulmonary resuscitation, or CPR for short, is the best form of artificial resuscitation. In the old days we were taught to use the back pressure arm lift method when someone stopped breathing. We did not have a method to make the heart keep pumping blood. CPR has been around for over twenty years now, and yet we still find people who do not know how to use this life saving procedure.

Let's talk about when to use CPR. If there is an accident on the job where a worker is injured, loses consciousness and stops breathing, or perhaps simply has a heart attack, the first thing that you need to do is call for help. That means someone needs to dial 911 or another posted number to obtain outside emergency medical help. Next you need to make sure the area around the victim is safe, so take a quick look. If the area is ok, then you can go ahead - but if it's not safe - don't attempt a rescue! We don't need any dead heroes.

When you first get to the victim you must see if the injured party responds. Tap them on the shoulder lightly and ask them, "Are you ok?" If they respond, tell them that you are there to help them. If there is no response then you must check the ABC'S. Check their Airway, check for Breathing, and then check for Circulation. If you find that there is no pulse present then you need to start CPR. When administering CPR a rescuer maintains a steady flow of oxygen and circulates the blood for the victim. CPR should only be given by someone who has completed the training. Once you start this rescue method don't stop until relieved by a medical professional.

Many people around the world are alive today because someone took the time to learn how to give CPR. Training is available through the American Red Cross, the YMCA, various Rescue Squads and the National Safety Council, just to name a few. Are you qualified? If not, enroll in a course soon.

NEVER MOVE A VICTIM THAT YOU SUSPECT MAY HAVE A NECK OR BACK INJURY.

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Condolences

Mrs. Janet McMurray & Family
On the loss of husband & father
John Edward “Ed” McMurray

Upcoming Events!!!

23rd Annual George W. Bryce, Jr.
Memorial Golf Tournament

Friday, May 6, 2011
Oakdale Country Club, Florence, SC

3rd Annual Coastal Area
Scholarship Fishing
Tournament

May 13, 2011 - Captain's Meeting, Marco Supply
3537 Dorchester Rd., N. Charleston
May 14, 2011 - Fishing Tournament
Remley's Point Boat Landing
Mt. Pleasant, SC

MCASC Summer Convention
August 4-7, 2011
Hammock Beach Resort
Palm Coast, Florida

Welcome New Members

Jason Schlappich - HD Supply Plumbing
West Columbia

Michael Clifton - Hagemeyer NA
North Charleston

Scott Murray - MURRAYCOM
Chapin

Sam Freeman - Sincerely Yours, Inc.
Columbia

James Gable - Southern Atlantic Mech. Contractors
Irmo

Eric Byrd - HardHat Workforce Solutions
Greenville

John Sims - TradeSource, Inc.
Charlotte

Herb Crow - McElveen GMC/Buick/Chevy
Summerville

Ron Williams - Farmer Electrical Sales
James Island

Happy Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Self - 5/26

Concerns

Jennifer Kirkland - W. N. Kirkland, Inc. Spartanburg

Congratulations MCASC Scholarship Recipients

The Mechanical Contractors Association of South Carolina
(Piedmont, Midlands, Pee Dee and Coastal Areas) Is Pleased To Announce
Our Sixteen (16) Scholarship Recipients for the 2011-2012 School Year.

James G. Barton (friend of Calvin Hendrix). James is attending the University of South Carolina.

Matthew Daniel Childs (2010-2011 CCP-CT Grant Recipient). Matthew is attending Tri-County Technical College.

Thomas J. Cullum (grandson of MCASC Member Furman Cullum and nephew of Chris and Rudy Cullum, Cullum Mechanical Construction, Inc.). Thomas is attending Clemson University

Brandon Dreher Forsberg (grandson of MCASC Member Ned Forsberg, Metro Electric). Brandon is attending The Citadel.

Kyle C. Fry (son of MCASC Member Jamie Fry, Faulkner Haynes & Associates). Kyle is attending The Citadel.

Justin James Gable (son of MCASC Member James Gable, Southern Atlantic Mechanical Contractors). Justin is attending the University of South Carolina.

Ryan Michael Gunther (son of MCASC Member Mike Gunther, Metro Electric). Ryan is attending Charleston Southern University.

Stephen Earl Hall, II (summer employee of W. N. Kirkland, Inc.) Stephen will be attending Spartanburg Community College.

Christopher James Hearn (son of MCASC Member Jim Hearn, Hayes & Lunsford Electrical Contractors). Christopher is attending Clemson University.

Calvin Hendrix (son of MCASC Member Manuel Hendrix, Mechanical Design, Inc.). Calvin is attending the University of South Carolina.

Weber Jacques (son of MCASC Member Bob Jacques, Hajoca Corp.). Weber is attending Clemson University.

Thomas B. "Bo" Minor, Jr. (son of MCASC Member Tom Minor, G-M Mechanical). Bo is attending The Citadel.

Reid Polstra (son of MCASC Member Dan Polstra, Trane Upstate Carolina). Reid is attending Clemson University.

Colby Alexander Poplin (nephew of MCASC Member Henry Poplin, B & L Electric). Colby will be attending Clemson University.

Alyssa Maree Simpson (daughter of MCASC Honorary Life Member Al Simpson). Alyssa is attending Clemson University.

Kaitlin Whatley (daughter of MCASC Member John Whatley Greenville Mechanical). Kaitlin is attending the University of Georgia.

PIEDMONT AREA MCASC - "CLAYS FOR COLLEGE"

The Piedmont Area Would Like To Thank All Sponsors & Participants
Whose Contributions Made The Fifth Annual "Clays For College" Such A Huge Success.
Many, Many Thanks To Each Of You!

23rd ANNUAL GEORGE W. BRYCE, JR. MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Darlene McGee And The Pee Dee Area MCASC Would Like To Extend Their Thanks
To All Sponsors & Participants Whose Contributions Made This Year's Tournament
Such An Outstanding Success.
Many, Many Thanks To All Of You!

Your Presence and Presents Are Highly Sought After....

Become a *Sponsor* for the
MCASC 160th Semi-Annual Summer Convention – August 4-7, 2011
Hammock Beach Resort – Palm Coast, Florida

By becoming a sponsor, your presence will be seen and known to all members and associate members through our "Tool Box", website, upcoming meetings, convention materials and events. And your Presents will allow the MCASC Summer Convention to be memorable. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for you and your company to be promoted during the next couple of months.

DON'T DELAY BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!

Sponsorship Packages Include the following opportunities. Please choose the one(s) you wish to sponsor, complete the form and email or fax to Mona at mflowers@mcasc.com or (803) 731-0390.

THURSDAY:

Board Of Directors Meeting	\$500.00
Hospitality Suite	\$1,000.00
Surcies & Prizes	\$500.00

FRIDAY:

Associate Member's Breakfast Meeting	\$500.00
Past President's Breakfast Meeting	\$500.00
Member's Breakfast	\$1,500.00
Educational Workshop (1)	\$1,500.00
Drinks Ocean Front Lawn	\$1,500.00
Dinner Ocean Front Lawn	\$5,000.00
Entertainment Ocean Front Lawn	\$1,000.00
Hospitality Suite	\$500.00
Surcies & Prizes	\$500.00

SATURDAY:

Educational Workshop (1)	\$2,000.00
Ladies / Spouse Surcies	\$1,000.00
Golf Tournament (2 Sponsors - 1 For Front Nine & 1 For Back Nine)	\$250.00
Tennis Tournament	\$250.00
Fishing Tournament	\$250.00
Children's Program & Dinner (Ages 0-4)	\$500.00
Children's Program & Dinner (Ages 5 & Up)	\$500.00
Cocktail Reception Honoring Past Presidents	\$1,500.00
Dinner Honoring Past Presidents	\$3,000.00
Entertainment	\$1,500.00
Hospitality Suite	\$500.00
Surcies & Prizes	\$500.00

SUNDAY:

Pick A Winner Awards Breakfast / Open Business Meeting	\$2,000.00
Awards & Prizes	\$500.00

Yes, I Would Be Happy To Sponsor The _____

Please Invoice My Company For: \$ _____ Phone No. _____

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By: _____ Date: _____

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GROUP: MCASC SUMMER CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM
DATES: AUGUST 4-7, 2011 CUT-OFF DATE: JULY 13, 2011
GROUP RATES ARE AVAILABLE 3 DAYS PRE AND POST CONVENTION DATES

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Tele. # _____

Work Tele. # _____

Fax # _____

Room Request: 1/Bedroom Ocean View Suite _____ \$175.00 plus resort nightly service fee and tax
 2/Bedroom Resort/Golf Course View Villa _____ \$209.00 plus resort nightly service fee and tax
 3/Bedroom Ocean View Suite _____ \$299.00 plus resort nightly service fee and tax

The Resort Service Fee Is 9.75% & Includes: daily newspaper, complimentary local and 1-800 calls, pool access with floats, beach chairs, towels and umbrellas, fitness center and health spa access, valet parking, high speed internet access, in-room coffee, plus all gratuities for bellmen, valet, concierge service, pool/beach/locker room attendants and housekeepers.

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____ # Of Adults / Children: ____/____

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Type of Card _____ Name on Card _____

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Additional Info: _____

- 1 night deposit will be taken at time reservation is made. Balance will be due upon check out.
- Reservations are subject to a 7 day cancellation policy. Please cancel reservations 7 days prior to arrival to avoid forfeiture of deposit.

For Your Convenience, You May Book Your Reservations By Calling 1-877-834-8862 And
Be Sure To Mention MCASC Group No. 20E1AX, Or Fax This Form To 1-407-390-3855

**Associate Member:
HD SUPPLY PLUMBING**

At HD Supply Plumbing/HVAC, we deliver quality plumbing and HVAC supplies including faucets, fixtures, pipe, valves, fittings, pumps, tanks, water heaters, HVAC equipment and much more.

For more than 80 years, our business has built a name in the Plumbing distribution sector by providing our customers with the industry's most recognized and reliable brands backed by experienced and talented associates.

HD Supply Plumbing/HVAC operates a network of wholesale Plumbing and HVAC branches all over the US and Canada, which maintain a diverse and substantial inventory for serving residential, commercial, light industrial, institutional and government customers. We also feature regional kitchen and bath showrooms, offering upscale fixtures for the home, which fulfill the unique design requirements of today's discriminating consumers and contractors.

We at HD Supply take pride in understanding that the customer always comes first, and our knowledgeable staff is always ready to serve you. We look forward to working with you to fulfill your Plumbing/HVAC needs no matter how big or small.

For more information on the services HD Supply provides, or to find a location ready to serve you, please visit us at www.hdsupplyplumbinghvac.com or to find the location of one of our beautiful Kitchen & Bath Showrooms ready to serve you visit us at www.hdshowrooms.com.

HD Supply is "Always on the Job!"

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**Congratulations to our next Associate & Mechanical Members who will be highlighted in the upcoming issue of "The Tool Box":
Sincerely Yours, Inc., Columbia - Associate Member
Easley Mechanical, Easley - Mechanical Member**

MAY 2011 MONTHLY AREA MEETINGS**MIDLANDS AREA**

Friday, May 6, 2011 @ 7:00

Location: The Summit Club, 1301 Gervais Street, 20th floor,
Columbia

Sponsored By: Robinson McFadden

**Bring Your Spouse/Significant Other
And Have A Great Time!!!!**

PIEDMONT AREA

Tuesday, May 10, 2011 @ 6:00 PM

Location: 2048 Gibbs Shoals Road, Greer

Sponsored By: Hayes & Lunsford Electrical Contractors

**Topic: "Controlling Project Labor and
Schedule From Day One"
Speaker: Scott Murray
MURRAYCOM**

PEE DEE AREA

Thursday, May 19, 2011 @ 6:30 PM

Location: Rogers Barbeque, 2004 W. 2nd Loop Rd., Florence

Sponsored By: Cayce Company & Eastern Industrial Supplies

**Topic: "Controlling Project Labor and
Schedule From Day One"
Speaker: Scott Murray
MURRAYCOM**

COASTAL AREA

Friday, May 13, 2011 @ 6:30 PM

Location: Marco Supply, 3537 Dorchester Road, N. Charleston

Saturday, May 14, 2010 @ Sunrise

Tournament Scales Open 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Remley's Point Boat Landing, Mt. Pleasant

**3rd Annual MCA Coastal Area
Fishing Tournament for Scholarships
Captains Meeting
Tournament Start
Tournament Weigh-in**



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MCASC Vision Statement

The Mechanical Contractors Association of South Carolina (MCASC) will be the leading construction association in South Carolina for specialty contractors and suppliers in the electrical, mechanical (HVAC), and plumbing fields by serving its membership, the industry, and the Community in a vibrant and harmonious fashion.

MCASC Mission Statement

The Mechanical Contractors Association of South Carolina (MCASC) will provide its membership with:

- current business/technical information and support
- a proactive political/legislative agenda
- a joint industry collaboration to improve relative business practices
- an ongoing effort to offer training opportunities for both professional and craft personnel
- educational scholarships for deserving students
- the development of industry related career opportunities

The Association's objective for this mission is to enhance the future of the Construction Industry in South Carolina.