



Alaska Mechanical Contractors Association, Inc.

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Website: www.amcaanc.com

Local news:

1. The next membership meeting is scheduled for March 10 and the members and associates meeting will be on April 14. For the March meeting we plan to experiment with a lunch meeting. The location will be announced in the invitation.
2. Please review our advertisement in the Winter issue of The Alaska Contractor on page 53 and think about ways to improve it.
3. This month I received the 2019 Settlements Report from the Construction Labor Research Council. Let me know if you are interested too.

National news:

MCAA news

1. It is late, but it may not be too late to decide to register for the MCAA National Conference, March 15-19/2020 in Maui.
2. March 30-31 is the date for the next MSCA Dispatcher Professional Development Training program in Detroit MI.
3. On April 19 and 20 the first weeks of the Institute for Project Management classes 77 and 78 start in Austin TX.
4. April 26-28 are the dates for the 2020 NCPWB Technical Conference related to welding technologies in Hilton Head Island NC.
5. The MSCA Service Managers training will be April 27-30 in Baltimore MD.
6. May 5-7 are the dates for the National Issues Conference in Washington DC., where both MCAA and SMACNA will conduct activities.

SMACNA news:

1. SMART will establish, effective June 1 a Northwest Regional Council structure, encompassing locals 16,23,55,66 and 103. It will be considered an intermediate body between the local and the International Union. It will service to promote more efficient operations, increase market share in the region, improve mobility between the unions and to better serve owners in the Northwest markets.
2. The "Ignite Your Workforce" campaign with the goal to raise awareness of careers in HVAC was recently rolled out. The website refers interested parties to the local association offices and JATC's.
3. The International Certification Board announced changes in the requirements for renewal and upgrades for Fire and Smoke Damper certifications.
4. The 2020 National SMACNA Convention will be September 27-30 in the Boardman in Colorado Springs CO. Registration will open April 1.

5. April 19-22 are the dates for the Advanced Project Managers Institute in Raleigh NC.
6. The Supervisor Training Academy will take place April 26-29 in Milwaukee WI.
7. May 5-7 is the National Issues Conference in Washington DC.
8. May 4-8 is the 7th consecutive National Safety Stand-Down by OSHA. It will raise awareness of fall protection.
9. The next Financial Boot Camp is May 17-20 in Tempe AZ.

A.G.C. News

1. The on-line plans user training and new member orientation this month is on 3/12.
2. 3/26 is the date of a 10 hr. OSHA class.

Local events, Training, and Publications

1. Training.com presents numerous webinars in March; most at 10.00 A.M. P.T. and some at 12.00 P.M.: Check them out.
2. The next ASHRAE program is Thursday 3/19. For the program see: www.ashraealaska.com.
3. The 2020 National A.G.C. Convention and construction show is March 9-12 in The Bellagio Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas NV.
4. MCA Inc. presents a symposium in Omaha NE. on 5/15, called "Agile Construction; A Path to Industrialization."
5. On June 1-2 the Labor Arbitration Institute presents: Labor Law and Labor Arbitration in Las Vegas NV.
6. The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service presents the 2020 National Labor-Management Conference August 18-20 in Chicago IL.

We recommend doing business with our associate members; they are alphabetically:

Aaron P & H.; Alaska Industrial Hardware Inc., Almex Alaska LLC, Alaska Roteq Corporation, Behrends Mechanical Inc., Brenntag Pacific Inc. Delta P Pump & Equipment; Denali Industrial Supply Inc., DXP/Alaska Pump, Fergusson Enterprises Inc., Frontier Plumbing & Supply, Gordon & Assoc. Inc., Holladay-Parks Inc., Hollabaugh Brothers & Assoc., James P. Sheldon Co. Inc., Keller Supply Co., MBA Consulting Engineers, Mechanical Contractors of Fairbanks Inc.; Mechanical Sales Inc., Mechanical Solutions Inc., Mechanical Solutions N.W., Pac. West Sales Inc., N.R.C. Alaska, Paramount Supply Co., Parker Smith & Feek, Plumbers and Steamfitters local 367; Proctor Sales, Puget Sound Pipe & Supply, RepCo. Northwest, Schmolck Mechanical Contractors Inc., Sheet Metal Workers local 23; Stinebaugh & Co., Suntoya Corporation, Trane Co., Vertiv Co. Victaulic Inc.