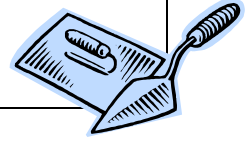


SAN ANTONIO MASONRY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

THE MORTAR BOARD



APRIL 2009

April General Membership Meeting!



The San Antonio Masonry Contractors Association will hold its monthly general membership meeting at 12 p.m. **Wednesday, April 22** at Pappadeaux restaurant, 76 NE Loop 410. The meeting is one week earlier than usual because the Golf Classic is on April 30. Mayoral candidate, Julian Castro, will be the guest speaker.

In addition, during the meeting, two applications for membership will be up for vote – BrickAmerica (Larry Lowak) and Mr. Henry's Masonry & Stucco Supply LLC (Alex Lerma). The cost of lunch is \$20 per person. **Call Debbie** to make your reservation for this meeting, at (830) 606-5556.

DON'T FORGET.....The SAMCA member who has the "BEST ATTENDANCE" record for meetings and events will win a free pass to the Christmas party. In the case of a tie, the names will be placed in a hat.

13th Golf Classic is scheduled!

The Thirteenth Annual Golf Classic is scheduled for Thursday, April 30 at the Republic Golf Club, 4226 S.E. Military Drive. The cost of \$100 per golfer includes green fees, range balls, lunch buffet, beverages (3 beer or soda tickets), and a golf cart. Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m., lunch will be served at 12 noon, and the shotgun start will be 1 p.m. For anyone who would like to attend the event, but does not want to play golf, the cost is \$25. Late registration (after April 22) the fees will be \$110 for golfers and \$30 for non-golfers. Get your registrations in!



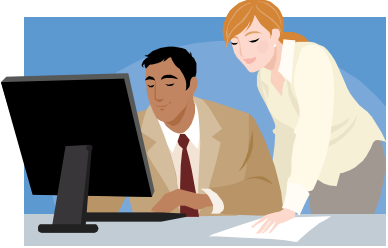
Prizes will be given for the closest to the hole, longest drive, and the straightest drive. Sponsorships which are still available - Third Prize Sponsorship for \$200, and Hole Sponsorships for \$100. Also, SAMCA is seeking donations of prizes for the closest to the hole, and the straightest drive. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please call Michael Hunt, or email samca@satx.rr.com.

To make reservations, or obtain further information, call Michael Hunt at Curtis Hunt Restorations (210) 827-1167 or Debbie Mason (830) 606-5556

New Feature on the Website!

SAMCA has a new section on the website which is advantageous to all members. Associate members now have a great benefit available to you. It is a location on the SAMCA website where you can post services or equipment for sale. This is a great opportunity for ALL members. In order to accomplish this, the member must follow these procedures:

1. Email or call to give Debbie the information to be listed.
2. Debbie will post the info to the website.
3. If the item is sold, or the services are no longer available, Debbie must be notified, so it can be deleted from the website. **This is mandatory!!!**



To view this section of the website:

1. Go to www.samca.net.
2. Click on the tab "SAMCA Center"
3. Click on the tab "Equipment" or "Services".

Also, SAMCA Contractors now have a location on the SAMCA website where they can post any employee who has been terminated (due to a reduction in labor, etc.).

This provides a means for the person to get hired by another contractor, and to remove them from the unemployment list. It also enables the contractors to find another employee which is needed to add to their workforce. The access to this part of the website is restricted to the SAMCA contractors only. For access information, the contractor needs to contact Debbie at 830-606-5556. If anyone has any questions about this new feature, feel free to call the SAMCA office.

SAMCA By-Laws Change

At the March General Membership meeting, the proposed change to the By-Laws was read for the third time, then voted on for approval. The change which was accepted changed the maximum number of directors to serve on the board from eight to twelve. Article IV will now read as follows:

ARTICLE IV - Section 1

PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors composed of a **Maximum of twelve (12) persons and a minimum of three (3) persons** who shall be members of the Association and who shall be residents of San Antonio, Texas or vicinity. A majority of Director positions shall be filled by contractor members, and the remaining Director positions may be filled by associate members. Each Director shall hold position for one (1) year and until his successor is elected.

ASA Community Project Needs Volunteers

The ASA has adopted the Normanoyle Pony League Concession Stand as its Community project for this year. The concession stand was burned down by arsons and needs to be rebuilt. They have some items and labor donated to the project. However, they need volunteer bricklayers and helpers to build the building sometime in early June. They are trying to obtain all the necessary building permits now. If you can volunteer your time or materials, please contact James Groesbeck at 210-661-4880.



News Tidbits

- Note that Debbie / SAMCA has a new email address – samca@satx.rr.com Please make this change in your email address book.
- SAMCA is in the process of having plaques made for its members to hang proudly on their walls. They will be available for distribution at the April meeting. Be sure to pick up your company's plaque.