

SAN ANTONIO MASONRY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

THE MORTAR BOARD



MARCH 2011

MARCH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



The San Antonio Masonry Contractors Association will hold its monthly general membership meeting at 12 p.m. **Wednesday, March 30** at Pappadeaux restaurant, 76 NE Loop 410. The cost of lunch is \$25 per person. Anne Cannon, Fiesta San Antonio Commission, will be the guest speaker for the meeting. She will discuss new events during the Fiesta 2011 celebration. In addition, the general membership will be making an important vote on the Texas Masonry PAC. Please don't miss this meeting! **Call Debbie** to make your reservation for this informative meeting, at (830) 606-5556 or email samca@satx.rr.com.

15TH GOLF CLASSIC IS SCHEDULED!

The Fifteenth Annual Golf Classic is scheduled for Thursday, April 21 at the Republic Golf Club, 4226 S.E. Military Drive. Unlike everything else in this economy, the cost of \$100 per golfer remains the same as in years past. This 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. Prizes will be given for the closest to the hole, longest drive, and the straightest drive.



In addition, the popular event from last year's tournament, the "Ball Drop", will return. Interested persons can purchase a chance to win a prize in the SAMCA Ball drop. Numbered raffle chances corresponding to numbered golf balls will be sold. Then someone will drop the numbered balls from a bucket from the top of a 40 foot boom. The use of the boom is donated by Equipment Depot. The winner will be based on which ball is the closest to the target's center.

Sponsorships are available - First Prize Sponsorship for \$400, Second Prize Sponsorship for \$300, Third Prize Sponsorship for \$200, Beverage Sponsor for \$125, the Brick Putter for \$150, and Hole Sponsorships for \$100. Also, SAMCA is seeking donations of prizes for the closest to the hole, longest drive, and the straightest drive. If you are interested in being a sponsor, want to make reservations, or obtain further information, call Michael Hunt at Curtis Hunt Restorations (210) 827-1167 or Debbie Mason (830) 606-5556, or email samca@satx.rr.com.

GOLDEN TROWEL AWARDS ENTRIES!

All the SAMCA Golden Trowel Awards entries arrived. Only thirty one entries this year, which is 12 less than in 2010. The judging is scheduled for May 17, and the awards will be presented at the banquet on Thursday, June 23. Winning entries will be selected in eight categories, with the masonry product being the *dominant* building material. Good luck to everyone!

FISHING TOURNAMENT NEWS FLASH

Marker 37 in Corpus Christi has new owners because the previous owners went bankrupt. SAMCA's deposit and the reservations for all of Marker 37's tournaments disappeared with the previous owners. Therefore, our fishing tournament has been re-scheduled to May 20 & 21. It will really be better because the weather will be cooler, and the lodging will be less expensive. We hope this doesn't cause too much trouble for everyone, but it was an unforeseen bump in the road. If you have any questions just call Debbie 830-606-5556, or Ricki Stone 210-213-1378, or Guy Williams 210-468-9010.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

At present, the SAMCA By-Laws do not require a masonry contractor applying for membership to maintain a permanent office in the San Antonio area. Current members in good standing are grandfathered so long as they maintain their membership. It is proposed to add the words "and who maintains a permanent place of business" to **Article III, Section 1:**

It would read as follows: *"CONTRACTOR MEMBERS: Any person engaged in the business of masonry, **and who maintains a permanent place of business** in the San Antonio, Texas vicinity, as an individual or as an officer of any firm or corporation engaged in such business, shall be eligible for membership in this Association. A contractor member shall have voting privileges and can serve as President, Vice-President, Secretary, Director or Committeeman."*

These proposed By Law changes must be read at three consecutive general membership meetings and then approved by the members before the changes can be made. They will be read for the third time and voted on during the May 25 General Membership meeting. If anyone has any questions, call Debbie Mason (830) 606-5556 or Terry Adams (830) 981-4900 ext 201.

SAMCA'S UPCOMING EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Meetings and special events have been scheduled for 2011, so please make note of the following dates:

- **Wednesday, March 30**- General Membership Meeting– Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Thursday, April 21** - Golf Classic – The Republic Golf Club
- **Thursday & Friday, May 20 & 21** - Fishing Tournament – Marker 37, Corpus Christi
- **Wednesday, May 25**- General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Thursday, June 23** - Golden Trowel Awards Banquet

- **Wednesday, July 27** - General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Thursday, August 18** - Sporting Clay Tournament & BBQ Cook-Off – Cedar Ridge Range
- **Wednesday, August 31** - General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Wednesday, September 28** - General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Tuesday, October 4** – Night-Time Golf Tournament – Alamo Golf Club
- **Wednesday, October 26** - General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Wednesday, November 30** - General Membership Meeting – Pappadeaux Restaurant
- **Thursday, December 8** - Holiday Celebration & Awards Banquet

NEWS TIDBITS:

- Our new member D&G Rebar, LLC has changed their name to D&D Rebar, LLC.
- This year the Patron of Masonry Award will be presented at the Golden Trowel Awards Banquet instead of during a monthly meeting.