



Mid-Atlantic

Equipment Management Association, Inc.

NEWSLETTER
February, 2008

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hello everyone,

The M.A.E.M.A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 12, 2008, and will be held @ Timbuktu Restaurant. Our meeting presentation will be given by Mrs. Laura Schanz from Laura Schanz Consulting Associates. Laura's 27 years of business experience includes small business ownership, sales management and organizational development. The presentation will address communication skills; the word communication is the one constant that affects our work place and lives no matter what title you carry. . All companies and industries continually strive to improve their communications throughout their organizations both internal and external.

Hope to see all of you at the meeting. Stay safe.

Regards
Ed Gestido

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT:

The MAEMA website is currently being update. Changes should be done by the upcoming meeting. As soon as the website updates are completed, we will e-mail the new password to the paid members to view the membership page.

Attention Alliance Members!!!! Please don't forget to forward us your business card in PDF format. To date, we are still waiting. This is your web page and your opportunity to get your name out there. Take advantage of it!

We are STILL looking for pictures to use in our web site, so end users, please send us your photos of equipment on the job. We'd like to switch them out so as to give us all an opportunity to display various pieces in action.

If anyone is not receiving the MAEMA newsletter by e-mail, please e-mail Bill Cyford (bcyford@mcleancont.com) or call him at 410-355-2222 and advise him of your current e-mail address so the mailing list can be updated. Likewise, if you wish to be removed from the list, kindly let me know.

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER:

Membership Dues for 2008 are due. If you have not paid them and need information, please see Rob Ermer or e-mail him at rob.a.erner@bge.com. Dues for Alliance Supporters are \$400.00 and dues for Chapter Supporters are \$100.00 with add-on registrations at \$50.00 each.

JANUARY 2008 MINUTES

On January 8, 2008, the Mid Atlantic Equipment Management Association met at our meeting headquarters at Timbuktu Restaurant in Hanover, MD. 46 members were in attendance. President Gestido called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report was approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer report was not yet up to date as Buddy Nicolet relinquished his position to Bob Ermer prior to the start of the meeting.

Old Business: Membership drive clarified that an "add on" will provide members with an additional vote at elections and a cost of \$50.00 per add on.

New Business: March meeting will be held on March 18 at Timbuktu do to AEMP Conference/ CONEXPO.

President Gestido then introduced our presenters, Steve Shapiro with Carroll Independent, who brought us up to speed on fuel updates and storage along with Brian Jacoby with B.P., who discussed the effects of Bio-fuel and lubricants on today's modern engines.

Johnny Miller from BP Castrol won \$140.00 on the 50/50 drawing.

Door prizes were provided by: P&H Electric, P. Flannigan, Clark Machine, Fuchs Lubricants, McHenry Equipment, and BP Castrol.

Thanks to all the alliance supporters for their generous donations it's greatly appreciated.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The board met on January 15th to discuss MAEMA's direction for the upcoming year. Increasing membership was at the top of the list. We will discuss this at our next regular meeting. We also discussed future meeting topics which may include an off site open house and an off site tour this year. We will forward details as they become available. The board is currently working on Membership Plaques for our Alliance Supporters and Certificates for our Chapter Supporters.

BULLETIN BOARD:

All meetings are held at our meeting headquarters, Timbuktu Restaurant located at 1726 Dorsey Road in Hanover, MD, unless otherwise specified. **The next meeting will be on Tuesday February 12, 2008 at 6PM.**

Website address: **mid-atlanticema.org**

ATTENTION VENDORS:

Please, Please, Please, kindly donate items for our raffle drawings. We all enjoy the nice prizes and its great advertisement for your company. Please see any of the Board members to discuss your generosity for an upcoming meeting.

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Ed Gestido – President
Gray & Son

Bill Cyford – Vice President
Mclean Contracting

Rob Ermer – Treasurer
Baltimore Gas and Electric

Jeff Slebzak – Secretary
Clark Machine Corp

Frank Bull – P. Flannigan & Sons

Chuck Warner – H&E Equipment Services

Buddy Nicolet – Mc Henry Equipment

Keith Higdon – Cummins Power Systems, Inc.

Dave Thomas – P&H Auto Electric

Website Address – www.mid-atlanticema.org

Meeting Headquarters: Timbuktu Restaurant located at 1726 Dorsey Road in Hanover, MD 410-796-0733. Dinner is served promptly at 6pm; meeting follows immediately but no later than 7pm.

Remit to address for meeting registration: **P.O. Box 47633; Baltimore, MD 21244.** Please make checks payable to: M.A.E.M.A (Mid Atlantic Equipment Management Association)
Please note this is a new PO BOX!!!