



# Bulletin

## February 2015



Upcoming Events and Newsworthy Information....



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### MCAMW President's Column February 2015—by Sean Duffy

2015 is off to a great start with two major developments. MCAA recently unveiled their newly created website designed to help make it easy for mechanical contractor members to hire MCAA student chapter members. Take a look at MCAA's new website at [www.mcaagreatfutures.com](http://www.mcaagreatfutures.com) and learn more about this outstanding program.

Another important development will be

unveiled at the April 6 MCAMW Business/Dinner meeting, where Plumbers Local 5 Business Manager Jim Killeen will present new "Local 5 Strategies to Regain Market Share." I encourage all members to participate in these two new excellent promotions for the mechanical construction industry. Also, continue to encourage your young leaders to attend MCAMW's business/dinner meetings and other important industry events. They are the future of this industry.

### Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014 Learn More About This Recently Passed Law

At the February 9 MCAMW Business/Dinner Meeting, Jason Russell, Horizon Actuarial Services, joined John McNerney, MCAA General Counsel and Jim O'Connell, Partner with the law firm of O'Donoghue & O'Donoghue in presenting a Powerpoint presentation explaining more about the Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014, which was



recently signed into law. The Act contains many recommendations made by the Retirement Security Review Commission of the National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans in its 2013 report,

"Solutions not Bailouts." This legislative effort was strongly supported by MCAA. If you missed the dinner/meeting, and would like to get a PDF file of this important Powerpoint presentation emailed to you, send your request to Debra at [debra@mcaawmw.org](mailto:debra@mcaawmw.org). This PDF file contains the following information about the Act: Overview, PPA Modifications, Benefit Suspensions, Mergers and Partitions; and also offers information concerning Solutions Not Bailouts: New Plan Designs.

### April 6 MCAMW Business/Dinner Meeting Local 5 Business Manager Killeen Presents "Local 5 Strategies to Regain Market Share"



Mark your calendar today to attend this important business/dinner meeting! Plumbers Local 5 Business Manager Jim Killeen will present new "Local 5 Strategies to Regain Market Share."

This meeting will be held at the Bethesda Marriott Pooks Hill. Evening's itinerary: Reception/Buffer Dinner 5-6pm; Guest Presentation 6-7pm; Business Meeting 7pm.



### 2015 "Save the Dates"

- February 18 UMD Spring Career Fair, Stamp Student Union
- February 25 Service Bureau Breakfast Meeting Greenbelt Marriott
- March 6 — Daylight Savings Begins — Spring Forward!**
- March 8-12 MCAA Annual Convention, Maui, Hawaii
- April 6 MCAMW Business/Dinner Meeting, Bethesda Marriott Pooks Hill
- April 8-12 MCAMW Spring Outing & Board Strategic Planning/Partnering Meeting, Boars Head Inn, Charlottesville, VA
- May 4 MCAMW Business/Dinner Meeting, Bethesda North Marriott **(different venue!)**  
**(Note For This Meeting: Reception/Dinner Start Time 5:30pm)**
- May 20 MCAMW/UMD Student Chapter Golf Tournament, Hampshire Greens Golf Course, Silver Spring, MD
- June 11 MCAMW Summer Outing — Camden Yards
- Sept 26 Heat's On—Water's Off
- Oct 1-3 MCAA Student Chapter Summit, The Westin Cleveland, Cleveland, OH
- Oct 18-22 MSCA Educational Conference, Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, CO
- Nov 12 MCAMW/ASHRAE Trade Show, Bethesda North Marriott
- Dec 10 MCAMW Family Christmas Party The Villa, Calverton, MD



## February 18 UMD Career Fair Advertise Your Open Positions

The MCAMW Career Development/Student Chapter Committee is encouraging members to submit their current job openings to the

MCAMW Office for distribution to students attending the February 18 University of Maryland Spring Career Fair. Members were recently emailed a “Job Posting Template File” to help make it easier to create a page for each job opening. If you need the template emailed to you, contact Debra at [debra@mcamw.org](mailto:debra@mcamw.org). Please email completed page(s) in PDF format to Debra by Noon on February 17.

The committee also encourages members to hire UMD students interested in internships in the mechanical construction industry. Be sure to get your Internship Flyer out at this career fair and help attract these bright young professionals.

## Save the Date! May 20, 2015 8th Annual MCAMW/UMD Student Chapter Golf Tournament



2014 1st Place Winning Team



**YOUR TEAM  
COULD BE  
THE  
WINNER  
IN 2015!**

Polish up the clubs and join us for an afternoon out on the greens for the 8th Annual MCAMW/UMD Student Chapter Golf Tournament on May 20. Spend an afternoon with your MCAMW friends and associates at Hampshire Greens Golf Course in Silver Spring, MD — have some fun and just maybe win 1st prize! At any rate, it's a good day to get out and about and soak up some sunshine, get some fresh air and that great exercise that Rick Bradley is always talking about at the dinner meetings! Noon to 1pm Registration & Lunch in the Clubhouse, with a 1pm Shotgun Start. Stay after the game for an evening buffet dinner and prizes. Look for the information and registration flyer in your email inbox soon.

## MCAA

has announced  
2015 is

# The Year of the Intern

and has created  
a new website,

[www.mcaagreatfutures.org](http://www.mcaagreatfutures.org)

Members of MCAA student chapters can post their profiles and resumes here, including contact information, where they want to work, and where they are in their professional journey. Contractors can search the resume database by intern or full-time, by university, or by key word. Both students and contractors can follow the companion Twitter feed, [@mcaagr8futures](https://twitter.com/mcaagr8futures), for the latest information. And, there's more great news! If you find and hire an intern prospect on this website, go to [www.mcerf.org/initiatives/education-careers/internships](http://www.mcerf.org/initiatives/education-careers/internships) to receive your **2015 Student Internship Grant** for this year in the amount of \$1,500.

## Traveling to Paradise

### MCAA Annual Convention in Maui

It's a fresh new look at Maui for MCAA Convention attendees, March 8-12, 2015.

The program schedule features a long list of knowledgeable and inspiring presenters and pleasant social events that will give you the opportunity to network and relax in paradise! If you are planning to attend and haven't registered, note the **MCAA Hotel Block is SOLD OUT**. You can register at: [http://www.mcaa.org/mcaa2015/cnv\\_reg.pdf](http://www.mcaa.org/mcaa2015/cnv_reg.pdf) and check the appropriate box if you would like MCAA to contact you with hotel accommodation information. Thirty-seven MCAMW members and their spouses/guests (includes two UMD Student Chapter members and an MCAMW chaperone) plan to attend this popular convention. MCAMW's Monday Local Night Out will be held at Tommy Bahama Restaurant on Grand Wailea's property. If you are attending the convention, you will be receiving an email from Jeanne Lee with details about this enjoyable evening out.



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