



MBCEA-NEC Newsletter

Metal Building Contractors & Erectors Association - New England Chapter

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Welcome New MBCEA-NEC Members!

The Metal Building Contractors & Erectors Association New England Chapter would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members!

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Come and join us for the 19th Annual MBCEA-NEC Golf Tournament!!!

Where: River Ridge Golf Course – Griswold, CT

When: July 16th, 2009

Time: 9:30 A.M. Shotgun start

*There will be a cookout style lunch on the 9th & 18th holes.

*More details to follow soon in the event flyer.



From the President's Desk

Welcome to the New England Chapter of the Metal Building Contractors and Erectors Association, which celebrated 40 successful years as a national association in 2008! Our mission: "To support the professional advancement of the Metal Building Contractors, Erectors and our Industry."

It's an honor and privilege for me to represent the New England Chapter of the MBCEA. I have been involved with the association for over 10 years and have met some amazing people from across the country. It's these relationships that have helped me learn and grow as well as benefit our company. I am very excited to continue expanding the organization with the help of the board and people like you! The MBCEA-NEC's goal is to provide members with training and educational events that help separate us from the crowd and keep us on the cutting edge. We will continue this effort with a horizontal panel training in March and a safety educational seminar in May presented by OSHA.

We will also continue to expand on green building, LEED certification and high R insulation systems. In today's economy and with the new codes, this is instrumental to us continuing to maintain our foothold in the low rise construction industry. New modules will be produced as part of the Quality and Craftsman DVD Training series regarding these and other topics. We are always looking for new ideas for educational and training topics so please, if there is something specific you think needs attention or you want to see a topic expanded upon please submit your ideas.

We plan to expand our benefits to the members including safety awards, scholarships, and builder of the year. These combined with existing benefits like our Mentoring Program, Health Benefit Program, Extended Stay Hotel Partnership and Peer Group Program have helped our local membership increase by 50%! So let's keep the momentum going.

Please take a tour through the chapter website and visit the national one as well. If you have any others comments or questions about membership or our association, please contact me or any board member.

Sincerely,

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Kick off the New Year Social Event at Foxwoods Casino

The Foxwoods Event on Thursday, January 15th was a great success. All in attendance were treated to a hearty selection of hors d'oeuvres and pasta while the drinks and conversation flowed. After Marty Barnes handed the gavel to our new president, Keith Wentworth, Chris Collins of NECN lead us into the behind-the-scenes world of New England sports.



We'd also like to thank our sponsors for their contributions to this wonderful event and look forward to seeing you at the Golf Outing in July!

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Horizontal Panel Training Seminar – MORIN Corporation

The first MBCEA-NEC training event of 2009 was huge success with a turnout of more than 40 attendees representing 20 companies. Attendees were given a tour of the plant followed by an interactive installation session using a full size mock up. We saw firsthand 3 of the many offerings, including mitered corners. An emphasis on proper caulking and sealing was demonstrated. We also reviewed proper procedures for unloading and handling of these single skin panels. We would like to extend a special thanks to Eric Edwards of XRS Building Components, and Dave Milewski of Morin Corp for hosting the event.





MBCEA-NEC Newsletter Spotlight

PETER FLEWELLING of New Castle and Exeter, NH has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Metal Building Contractors and Erectors Association—New England Chapter for 2009. Formerly, he was President in 1981. Active in the metal building industry since 1959, Peter received a 2008 MBCEA Award of Merit at their 40th annual conference in Biloxi, MS last Fall in recognition of the recently completed Advanced Concrete Technology Building in Greenland, NH.

Since his first pre-eng building in 1956 Peter has sold, design-engineered, advised and consulted in more than 4,000 structures, producing many satisfied dealers and customers.

Through the years, Peter's high work production has evolved into an extensive network of customers and references. Unique to his success is his combined knowledge and experience of the trades, contractors' problems and extensive training and knowledge of both engineering and architecture with strong, supportive sales ability.

Prior to 1959, age 11-17, Peter worked for A.E. Flewelling & Sons, his family's third generation contracting firm in Northern Maine. His father, Alonzo, taught him all the construction trades. When Peter turned 17 his father assigned him a five-man crew to build/manage an upscale home for one of Aroostook County's wealthy potato farmers...his first job as foreman.

After high school Peter attended Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston, graduating in 1959 with a degree in architectural engineering. Following were four years of industry work for the family firm in Maine. He then moved to NH for a few months and continued on to Worcester, MA and the firm of E.K. Wheeler, General Contractors. From this association came one of Peter's finest design/construction projects: the nation's first fiber optics manufacturing plant. Built in Sturbridge, MA, at 81,000 square feet, this Stran Steel building received many awards and was published on the cover of the American Iron & Steel Institute's magazine. Not yet 30 years of age, this was a hugely prestigious project for Peter and proved to be the leap which launched his lifetime career.

While working full time in Worcester, Peter attended Boston Architectural Center's night school program for working professionals, where he benefited from the time donated by professors from both Harvard and MIT.

Since 1965 Peter has been New England District Manager for Varco-Pruden; Priggen Steel Building Co.; United Structures of America; and CECO Building Systems. In 1992 he was V.P. of Sales for Sharon Building Systems, western PA. From 1993 onward, Peter served the New England market and beyond as an Independent Manufacturer's Rep for Essex Structural Steel, Cortland, NY; Flexospan's mini-storage division, Sandy Lake, PA; and Steelway Building Systems, Canada's largest pre-engineered metal building manufacturer out of Aylmer, Ontario. Peter opened the U.S. market to Steelway in the mid-1990's.



Peter has received numerous sales, design, and problem solving awards for specialized projects both large and small from Steelway and other manufacturers through the years. At 71 years of age Peter has no plans of retiring or slowing down.

"After all these years in the business, I'm still having fun and would be totally lost without daily contact with business friends and associates."

In addition to welcoming Peter Flewelling on the MBCEA-NEC Board of Directors, we would also like to thank Jeff Mullaney of Metallic Building Company for his many dedicated years as a board member. Jeff will still be heading the Golf Committee for the MBCEA-NEC.



MBCEA-NEC Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars!!!



May 21st, 2009

- Chapter Dinner and Educational Meeting
- Fratello's Restaurant in Manchester, NH
- OSHA & Safety topics
- Andrew Palhof, OSHA Compliance Assistance Specialist, will be reviewing relating to Metal Buildings as well as what the General Contractors responsibilities are. Topics for discussion to include: Controlled Decking zones, Acceptable tie-off points on PEMB's, Proper installation of joints/purlins, and Record Keeping.
- Please keep an eye out for the reservation form, which to be completed and sent back **ASAP!**



June 11th, 2009 – Board meeting



July 16th, 2009

- 19th Annual MBCEA-NEC Golf Tournament
- River Ridge Golf Course in Griswold, CT
- More details to follow at later date



August 20, 2000 – Board Meeting



September 17, 2009

- Integrating Storefronts, Curtain Walls, and Windows in Metal Buildings
- Location TBD
- More details to follow soon



October 15, 2009 – Board Meeting



November 19, 2009

- Training Seminar on First Aid and CPR
- Sturbridge, MA
- More details to follow soon



December 18, 2009 – Board Meeting



January, 2010 *Revised date*****

- MBCEA National Conference
- More details to follow at later date



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