



MICHIGAN AIR CONDITIONING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION



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DECEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

President Bill Krestakos



MIACCA is excited about 2018! We recently hired M.J. D'Smith as our new Executive Director and are confident in her abilities to move MIACCA forward in a positive way.

As a board, we have been working hard to keep our profession growing by investing in the future by means of scholarship funds to current HVAC students. For 2018 we are also reaching out to obtain Educational Facility members in our Vocational Membership to establish relationships and introduce ourselves to the students, that, we hope, will be future members of MIACCA. We are also working hard for our members on Legislative & Regulatory issues that impact our profession in Michigan.

Happy Holidays!

Executive Director M.J. D'Smith



Hello Members! I am very excited with my new role as MIACCA's Executive Director. I bring to you my experience as a non-profit Executive Director with an association organization, experience in the legal, educational and technological fields. In the short time I have been here, I have created a new membership website for you to make renewals and information more convenient. See more information on it on the next page and please contact me at mjdsmith@miacca.org with any specific questions I can assist you with. Please feel free to reach out and introduce yourselves as I am looking forward to working for you! Have a wonderful Holiday Season!



2015 Energy Code Classes

December 13, 2017 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Behler Young Supply

4900 Clyde Park Ave SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49509

December 14, 2017 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
30158 Research Drive
New Hudson, MI

\$75 Register at www.Behler-Young.com

Bureau of Construction Codes Public Meeting

12/20/2017 at 611 W Ottawa, Lansing, MI 48933 at 9:30 a.m.

MCL 125.1504 allows for Michigan to "skip" a code version and adopt a new version every 6 years. The purpose of the meeting is to allow persons an opportunity to present data and comments on the general need to update the current Michigan residential code with the 2018 edition of the International Residential Code.

<http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-10575-449341--,00.html>

Associate Members Supporting MIACCA



Detroit & Muskegon Groups

The Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) has announced its opposition to the draft Energy Star Reform Act. The Discussion Draft of the Energy Star Reform Act was the topic of a hearing before the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Energy on November 7.

The Energy Star Reform Act would transfer responsibilities for the Energy Star Program from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to the Department of Energy (DOE). ACCA advocates for the Energy Star program responsibilities to remain at the EPA due to EPA's strong support of proper heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment installation practices. The EPA estimates that half of all HVAC systems are not installed correctly and has created the Energy Star Verified Installation (ESVI) Program to help ensure that consumers realize the benefits of investments into Energy Star products.

For more information visit:

<http://www.acca.org/news/release/acca-opposes-energy-star-reform-act-proposal95>



MIACCA Legislative Committee

The committee is working for our members on the following legislation:

MIACCA package of 3 bills. Last Legislative Session MIACCA had HB5435-5437 introduced, then the Skilled Trades Regulation Act passed without our amendments; now we are trying to get the attached introduced.

MPSC Code of Conduct. See http://www.michigan.gov/mpsc/0,4639,7-159-80741_80743-406276--,00.html

Executive Order 2017-3 Sec 8 See http://www.michigan.gov/documents/snyder/EO_2017-3_558661_7.pdf

Skilled Trades Regulation Act Administrative Rules 2017-009 LR, 2107-010 LR, and 2017-014 LR. Waiting on BCC. See: <https://dmbinternet.state.mi.us/DMB/DTM/BORR/Rules.aspx>

Possible adoption of the 2018 Michigan Residential Code. See: <http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-10575-449341--,00.html>

NEW MIACCA WEBSITE

MIAACA has a new website! This is a membership platform based website done through Wild Apricot. It will allow us to have a live database and handle all our membership invoicing through it. Some of you may have already received dues reminder emails. Simply follow the link and select "Forgot Password" to have a link sent to you to create a unique password for yourself. You can then pay your dues conveniently online, or send us a check. If you need an invoice generated and emailed to you, please let me know by emailing me at mjdsmith@miacca.org and I will be happy to generate one for you.

We know adjusting to a new system isn't always easy, but we think by utilizing a membership platform website will keep us on point moving forward. We appreciate your patience as we work through the quirks! Thank you Online-Access for continuing to host our domain and emails!

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