



# *NSCB Horizons*



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## A Message from NSCB's Chairman



**Kevin Burke**

Hello, and thank you for your continued interest in *NSCB Horizons*. We received valuable feedback from our July newsletter and have made a number of changes to continue meeting your needs, including the addition of updates from various industry associations, information about Board activities, and additional tips to make your interactions with the Board as smooth as possible.

This summer has been exceptionally productive for the Board's partnering efforts. We've held a number of Roundtable meetings with industry partners, associations, building officials, and senior citizen groups. Our discussions have centered around streamlining permitting processes, enhancing outreach efforts, and identifying opportunities within the industry to work together.

As was mentioned in our July newsletter, our Strategic Plan is the cornerstone to the achievements and efforts being made by the Board. We are working diligently to open the lines of communication with those throughout the industry, while encouraging our partners to keep us apprised of issues or matters that we may be able to assist with.

With the economic challenges surrounding us, it is time to pull our resources and creative thoughts together to begin working on solutions to some of the issues facing our industry. The fiscal forecast may cast a shadow on our industry's immediate future, but we still maintain the ability to improve our processes, enhance our partnerships, and increase educational outreach efforts. This is the beginning of a long journey, but one I hope you will join us in.

# NSCB Roundtables Help Board Turn New Corners



As the Executive Officer of the Nevada State Contractors Board, nothing is more important to me than building and maintaining partnerships throughout the industry. I know and have seen the innovation that occurs when you bring people together with a common interest/goal. Many of us have heard the expression, “Two heads are better than one,” and we at the Board stand by this. We may not always have the answer, but partnering allows us to better understand the issues facing the industry and begin to brainstorm solutions together.

Goal four of the Board’s Strategic Plan is centered on building partnerships as a means to maximize industry resources and develop innovative, collaborative solutions to some of the challenges facing our industry. We began holding Roundtable meetings with a variety of industry and consumer partners back in February focusing on a number of topics from streamlining building permitting processes to identifying ways to improve outreach efforts to the senior communities. Below is a highlight of some of the Roundtable meetings held thus far:

- **March 24 & August 17** – NSCB met with Las Vegas building officials to discuss opportunities to streamline the permitting process for contractors and homeowners. Outcomes of this meeting are still ongoing, however a pilot project is in development to make obtaining a permit more accessible.
- **August 19** – NSCB hosted pool association representatives where requirements for various scopes of work, owner-builder issues, and continuing education ideas were discussed.
- **September 14** – NSCB met with industry partners from Northern Nevada where legislative interests for the upcoming session, improved communication and outreach efforts between NSCB and the industry, and partnering opportunities were discussed.
- **September 28** – NSCB invited a number of representatives who represent the senior communities and/or senior programs in Southern Nevada. This meeting provided NSCB the opportunity to discuss outreach strategies with senior group representatives, receive feedback on our senior presentation, and solicit information/suggestions on issues facing the senior population and how NSCB could be of assistance.

We have appreciated the dialogue and creative solutions that have taken place thus far, and look forward to expanding these partnerships so that we may be able to continue better serving the construction industry.

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NSCB Executive Officer

# Have you heard about our **ONLINE SERVICES?**

**Renew your license & update your contact information  
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- 1. Go to [www.nscb.nv.gov](http://www.nscb.nv.gov), click on Online Services then Main Menu**
2. Select New Registration at the bottom of the screen, and complete the User Registration form
3. Click on Return on the Temporary Password screen, then go to your e-mail to retrieve your temporary password
4. Re-do the first step (in bold) and enter your User ID (e-mail address) and temporary password
5. Reset your password in the Update Default Registration Information screen

**Your registration is now complete!**

After you register, you must add your license number(s) to complete the registration (step-by-step instructions are available online). If you have not received your license number and ID number in the mail, please contact the Board, as both are required to complete this step. If your license is currently eligible for renewal, you will see “License Contractor Renewal” under Functions. Simply select the renewal link, answer all applicable questions and pay your fees online.

If your renewal requires a financial statement and bank verification form, you may upload your financial data online, too. Although your renewal may be submitted and paid for online, your financial documents must be reviewed by the Nevada State Contractors Board before your renewal can be approved.

To change your address, after you register and add your license to your registration, select “Change of Address” under Functions.

**If you have any questions, please contact the Nevada State Contractors Board at:**

**Southern Nevada Office: (702) 486-1100  
Northern Nevada Office: (775) 688-1141**

# PROMPT PAYMENT ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

A few months ago, I conducted a mechanic's lien seminar co-sponsored by ABS Systems, Inc. and the Principal Financial Group. Many of the attendees had questions about whether the prompt payment provisions of NRS Chapter 624 applied to public works projects. Because most major construction projects are public works, it is important for general contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers on these public projects to know their statutory payment rights and remedies when they are not promptly paid. Although Chapter 624 does not apply to public works projects, the public works statute, NRS Chapter 338, contains provisions that ensure contractors, subcontractors and suppliers are promptly paid on public works projects.

## **PROGRESS PAYMENTS TO GENERAL CONTRACTORS**

NRS 338.515(1) requires the public body to pay the general contractor within 30 days after the date the progress bill is received or within a shorter period if the contract provides. The public body is required to retain 10% of the progress billing until 50% of the contract work is complete. After 50% of the contract work has been performed, the public body can pay 100% of the progress bills.

A public body can withhold an amount sufficient to pay for expenses the public body expects to incur if the contractor has failed to comply with the contract, building code, laws, or applicable regulations. NRS 338.525(1).

If the public body intends to withhold amounts for non-compliance, it is required to give the contractor written notice of the withholding within 20 days of receiving the progress bill. NRS 338.525(2).

The written notice must set forth the amount being withheld, and give a detailed explanation for the withholding, including references to the contract, building code, law(s), or regulation(s)



the contractor failed to comply with. NRS 338.525 (a) and (b).

If the public body receives a written notice from the contractor that the condition has been corrected, and the public body confirms the condition has been corrected, it **must** pay the withheld amount within 30 days of receiving the next progress bill.

## **PROGRESS PAYMENTS TO SUBCONTRACTORS**

General contractors are required to pay subcontractors and material suppliers within 10 days after they receive payment from the public body. NRS 338.550(1).

A general contractor can withhold from progress payments or retain the amounts it expects to incur as a result of the subcontractor's or material supplier's failure to comply with the contract, building code, laws, or applicable regulations. NRS 338.560(1).

If the general contractor intends to withhold an amount for failure to comply with the contract, building code, laws, or applicable regulations, it must give the subcontractor or material supplier written notice of the withholding within 10 days of receiving its progress bill. NRS 338.560(2).

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# PROMPT PAYMENT ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

The written notice must specify the amount and reason for the withholding, and reference the contract provision, building code provision, law, or regulation the subcontractor or material supplier failed to comply with. NRS 338.560(3).

If the condition is corrected, the contractor **must** pay the withheld amount within 10 days after he/she receives the notice of correction, or when the public body releases the withheld money, whichever one occurs later. NRS 338.560(4).

## **GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S REMEDY WHEN THE PUBLIC BODY FAILS TO PAY**

If the general contractor believes the public body has wrongfully withheld payment, or is simply failing to pay, it can apply to the district court for an alternative writ of mandamus compelling the public body to perform its statutory or contractual duty. NRS 338.630.

A writ of mandamus is a court order that requires a public body or officer to perform a duty required by law. *See State v. Gracey*, 11 Nev. 223 (1876). If the general contractor prevails, he/she can recover its reasonable costs and attorney's fees spent bringing the application.

## **SUBCONTRACTOR'S AND MATERIAL SUPPLIER'S REMEDIES WHEN A CONTRACTOR FAILS TO PAY**

If a subcontractor or material supplier believes the general contractor or subcontractor has wrongfully withheld pay, or is simply failing to pay, he/she can file an application with the district court for an order requiring the general contractor or subcontractor to appear in court and show cause as to why the subcontractor or material supplier should not be immediately paid. If the subcontractor or material supplier prevails, he/she can recover its reasonable costs and attorney's fees spent bringing the application.

In addition to an action against the general contractor or subcontractor, pursuant to NRS 339.035, if the subcontractor or material supplier has not been paid for 90 days, he/she can file an action against the payment or performance bond posted on a project that exceeds \$100,000 in value.

## **CONCLUSION**

NRS 338 contains an efficient system that can be invoked by general contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers to promptly collect payment on public works projects. This system avoids the parties having to spend years in the court system because it allows the parties to use writs of mandamus, and applications for orders to show cause, which must be ruled on immediately by the court.

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## FROM OUR PRESS OFFICE...KEEPING YOU INFORMED



*We've been hard at work to keep the public informed of industry-related news. Below are press releases that were sent out from NSCB's Public Information Office. Please feel free to click on the links to view the entire press releases.*

### **[August 3 - State Contractors Board Celebrates the Life of Former Board Member Doug Carson](#)**

Today, NSCB celebrates the life of Doug Carson, former NSCB member, who passed away July 29 following a brief illness. Carson served on the Board from 1997 to 2003 and was a member of the Commission on Construction Education from 2004-2007.

### **[August 26 – Contractors Board Publishes 2010-11 Accomplishments, Sets Goals for 2011-12](#)**

NSCB has made available its 2010-11 Strategic Plan Annual Report and 2011-12 Strategic Plan online for the public to view. The annual report highlights the accomplishments of each 2010-11 strategic planning goal set by NSCB's members and forecasts potential challenges and opportunities for the current fiscal year.

### **[September 19 – Consumer Alert: Contractors Board Warns of Craigslist Activity by 'Most Wanted' Contractor & September 29 – Neil Brodsky Arrested](#)**

NSCB is issuing a consumer alert to all Southern Nevada residents utilizing Craigslist to find

contractors to perform work around their home. Unlicensed contractor Neil Brodsky actively posts advertisements on Craigslist for plumbing services, claiming to be a licensed contractor, and uses “Family Man” and “Licensed Plumber” in addition to other headings in his advertisements. Brodsky often changes his advertisement, has been known to use different aliases, and when asked, claims to be affiliated with a named licensed company.

### **[September 27 – Over \\$135,000 Awarded to Homeowners in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Residential Recovery Fund Hearings](#)**

NSCB conducted three Residential Recovery Fund hearings in the first quarter of the 2011-12 Fiscal Year (July 1 – September 30). The Board heard 27 cases, of which 19 were awarded Residential Recovery Fund dollars totaling over \$135,000 collectively. Awards to homeowners ranged from \$520.00 to the maximum amount of \$35,000.

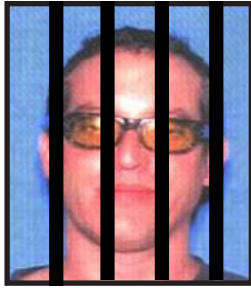
### **[September 30 – NSCB Offers Free Business Assistance Program](#)**

NSCB is accepting reservations for two free “Business Assistance Program” workshops, which provide individuals guidance with the license application process. Licensees considering changing their license may also wish to attend.

### **[September 30 – Consumer Alert: Aquascape Pool & Spa License Suspended by Contractors Board](#)**

NSCB has ordered a summary suspension of the license held by Aquascape Pool & Spa after the Board received multiple complaints within a few days. NSCB has now received 15 workmanship and/or abandonment of the project complaints from homeowners and nine money owing complaints from subcontractors. NSCB determined the actions of Aquascape Pool & Spa posed a danger to the health, safety, and welfare of the public NRS 624.291(4).

# NSCB HIGHLIGHTS & IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Unlicensed contractor Neil Brodsky was arrested on September 24, 2011, by the Culver City Police Department in Los Angeles County. Brodsky was added to NSCB's 10 Most Wanted on February 9, 2010 for contracting and advertising without a license and obtaining money under false pretenses. Since his arrest, Brodsky has been transferred to the Clark County Detention Center.

## **Scope Of Work For B-2 Contractors**

The work authorized under the B-2 Residential and Small Commercial license is limited to construction work and remodeling of houses or other structures, which do not extend more than three stories above the ground and one story below the ground. A licensee holding a B-2 classification is not allowed to perform tenant improvements or remodeling on apartment buildings, commercial establishments or any other structure that exceeds three stories above ground and one story below the ground.

## **Top 10 Disciplinary Actions Against Licensed Contractors**

1. Failure to establish financial responsibility
2. Failure or refusal to respond to written request from the Board
3. Failure to keep in force bond/cash deposit
4. Failure to establish payment schedule
5. Failure to complete all work in accordance with a pool contract
6. Failure to pull a permit
7. Diversion of money
8. Substandard workmanship
9. Failure to comply with terms of a contract
10. Failure to comply with Notice to Correct

## **ARE YOU FOLLOWING THE LAW?**

- ✓ **Always make sure your license number and monetary limit is on all contracts or bids** (NAC 624.640(5)).
- ✓ **Keep your bond current** (NRS 624.270).
- ✓ **Check to ensure that licenses or persons with whom you contract are valid and active** (NAC 624.650).
- ✓ **Be sure the business name on contract is same as the name on the license** (NRS 624.305).
- ✓ **Be sure the amount of the bid or contract is within the monetary limit of the contractor** (NRS 624.3015(2)).
- ✓ **Be sure that the contract is within the scope of work/license classification** (NRS 624.3015(3)).
- ✓ **Know what you are contracting for, verify terms of the contract, and comply with terms of the contract** (NRS 624.3013(1)).
- ✓ **If it is not in your written contract, it doesn't exist. Make sure all change orders are in writing and signed by all parties** (NRS 624.3013(1)).
- ✓ **Include Residential Recovery Fund Disclosure on all residential contracts** (NRS 624.520).
- ✓ **Provide customers with required Notice to Owner Disclosure** (NRS 624.600(1)(2) and (3) as described in NAC 624.693 & NAC 624.6932).
- ✓ **Your license number should be approximately 1 1/2 inches on your motor vehicle** (NRS 624.288).
- ✓ **If your address or other pertinent information about the business changes, notify Contractors Board in writing within 30 days** (NAC 624.640(3)).



# HOW TO STAND OUT AGAINST THE COMPETITION

We know that tough economic times can create added challenges for both the homeowner and contractor. Unlicensed contracting increases, which means there are substantially lower bids in the marketplace, and homeowners become more sensitive to the bottom-dollar cost of a project - often looking for the contractor who can pitch the best deal, instead of researching the credentials and quality of the contractor's work.

So how do licensed contractors stay above the unlicensed competition? Below are some proactive tips that may go a long way in demonstrating to the homeowner you are qualified, aware of your responsibilities, and have their best interest in mind:

- **Don't rush through your initial meeting with the homeowner.** Help them get to know you, understand your vision for the project, and answer any questions they may have. Building trust and rapport in the beginning is vital to your success.
- **Provide your contractor's license, a current printout of your license status from NSCB's website, and a list of references at the initial meeting** for the homeowner to follow up with. This will show you want them to make an informed decision and that you have nothing to hide.
- **Educate them about the Residential Recovery Fund.** Don't just hand them information; explain the protections in place if they hire you, a licensed contractor.
- **Reassure them of your contracting/payment processes.** Let homeowners know that you will walk through every line of the contract to ensure they understand the details, that change orders will not be implemented until the homeowner agrees and understands them, and that payments will not be expected until the work for each phase of the project is complete. Encourage homeowners to use credit or check so there is a lasting record of their payment.

## **NSCB's Homeowner Tips:**

- Check the contractor's license number by calling the Nevada State Contractors Board at: (702) 486-1100 in Southern Nevada or (775) 688-1141 in Northern Nevada, or at: [www.nscb.nv.gov](http://www.nscb.nv.gov).
- Don't let payments get ahead of the work. Keep a record of all payments. Don't make a final payment until you are satisfied with the job.
- Don't pay cash.
- Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.
- Check the contractor's record with the Better Business Bureau in your area, or visit their website at: [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org).
- Confirm that your contractor has obtained the appropriate permits through the building department. With a licensed contractor, you should not have to obtain your own permits.
- Make frequent inspections to monitor the progress of the work, and do a thorough final walk-through.
- Read the fine print and know if there is a fee for estimates, if you don't sign with that contractor.
- Require your contractor to provide you with unconditional "waiver and release" (lien release) forms, when you make a payment for any completed phase of your project.
- Accept no verbal agreements.

# INDUSTRY BULLETIN



## **PROCESS CHANGES TO INCREASE MONETARY LIMIT ON SINGLE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

Governor Sandoval recently signed Assembly Bill 32, which revises the provisions governing the process for a contractor to increase the monetary limit on his or her license before submitting a bid on a single construction project.

Specifically, AB 32 amends NRS 624.220 to read that **a request** received by the Board from a licensed contractor to increase the monetary limit of his or her license for a single construction project **must be submitted to the Board at least 5 working days before the date on which the licensed contractor intends to submit a bid for the project and must be approved by the Board before the submission of a bid by the contractor for the project.** The previous process allowed a contractor to submit a request at least *2 working days* before the date on which the licensed contractor intended to submit a bid for a project.

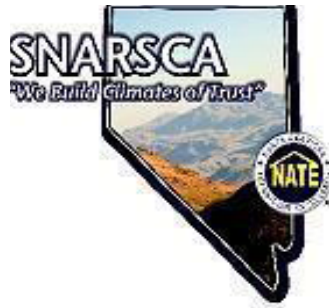
The Nevada State Contractors Board will begin adhering to this statutory change **effective October 1, 2011.** NSCB will continue to keep industry groups informed as the policy is finalized.

Should you have any questions, please contact either of our main offices for more information:

**Las Vegas/Henderson**  
2310 Corporate Circle, Suite 200  
Henderson, NV 89074  
(702) 486-1100

**Reno**  
9670 Gateway Drive, Suite 100  
Reno, NV 89521  
(775) 688-1141

# Southern Nevada Air Conditioning Refrigeration Service Contractors Association



SNARSCA was incorporated in 1979. SNARSCA is an acronym for Southern Nevada Air Conditioning Refrigeration Service Contractors Association. It is a non-profit cooperative corporation. SNARSCA was established for the welfare of the citizens of the state of Nevada and the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Contractors.

We are a team of professionals who are constantly striving to improve the HVAC industry throughout the state. Our commitment is to provide members with the highest level of benefits and services. Together, we will greatly enhance our businesses through education, integrity and unity.

A Contractor or Associate must be in good standing to become a member. We are a 44-member strong organization with many of the large Air Conditioning Contractors as members.

The Charter Members were:

- Don Kroll
- Howard Waters
- Larry Larsen
- J. Linden Smith
- Marty Squires
- Gregg Bearden
- Dennis Cole

SNARSCA is involved in the following:

- Residential and commercial county HVAC card tests
- HVAC amendments to the 2009 National Model Code, UMC, IRC and IBC
- Advising NV Energy and Southwest Gas on HVAC related programs
- Heat Exchanger Issues
- SNARSCA Referral Program
- Maintaining an e-mail list with 250 Air Conditioning Contractors and Associates
- Clark County Fire Department's Fire Permit and Service Fee schedule

SNARSCA is a member of the Subcontractor Liaison Council, which works on lien law issues. It is also a member of the Subcontractors Coalition. Eight monthly membership meetings are held for SNARSCA members.

# National Electrical Contractors Association



THE SOUTHERN NEVADA CHAPTER NECA HAS A LONG TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE IN SOUTHERN NEVADA

Our mission is to lead the electrical industry to the highest levels of quality, skill, competence, value and integrity, thus earning the respect of our customers and our community. For nearly 60 years, the partnership between Southern Nevada Chapter NECA and the electricians of IBEW Local 357 have built some of the biggest projects in Southern Nevada.

Our skilled craftspeople, combined with our experienced electrical contractors are the preferred providers of electrical work in Southern Nevada.

We are the Southern Nevada Chapter NECA. Our National Organization was founded in 1901. The Southern Nevada Chapter was incorporated in Nevada in 1952 and in Las Vegas in September of 1958.

Southern Nevada Chapter NECA is dedicated to our members and we meet our commitment through numerous programs designed to help members take advantage of technological innovations, meet the challenges of a changing economy, secure fair representation in the legislative and regulatory processes, and market and deliver the best possible services

to customers. Our slate of member services is constantly evolving and expanding. The betterment of the union electrical industry is our primary goal and we achieve it every day through the many ever expanding resources that we have.

Our current membership stands at 36 including: Acme Electric, All Lit Up Electric, AMP Electric, Battle Born Solar Energy, Bombard Electric, Bradley Electric, Casas Electric, Choice Construction, Control Contractors, Dynalectric Company of Nevada, Edlen Electrical, Fast Systems, Fast Trac Electric, Fisk Electric, G&G Systems, Gifford Electric, Hampton Tedder Electric, Integrated Contractors, Las Vegas Electric, LC Electric, McLane Electric, MD Electric, Mojave Electric, Morris Park Electric, Morse Electric, RG Park Electric, Red Mesa Electric, Roadrunner Electric, Rosendin Electric, SAFE Electronics, Sequoia Electric, Spears Electric, Stetson Electric, Sun City Electric, VFC, and Williams Brother.

The 2011 NECA National Convention and Trade Show will be held Oct. 22-25, in San Diego. This will be the 57th annual NECA event. NECA presents the largest and strongest annual electrical construction event in North America. The three day trade show is supported by the industry's most comprehensive educational programs, including pre-convention workshops, management education, and technical workshops. Over 250 manufacturers and distributors participate and showcase thousands of products & solutions to electrical contractors.

We are very excited and happy to announce that next year, the 2012 NECA National Convention will be held right here in Las Vegas, Nevada.

# Sierra Nevada Concrete Association

The Sierra Nevada Concrete Association (SNCA) was founded in 2000 by a group of concrete producers who realized the need for a cooperative effort to promote quality concrete throughout the region. That original group, which numbered only four companies, started off on a journey that would eventually grow into Northern Nevada and Eastern California's pre-eminent regional concrete and concrete products association.

SNCA's efforts are currently focused on implementing robust Life-Cycle Cost Analysis on all infrastructure and transportation construction, which provides decision makers with evidence of concrete's durability and ability to reduce maintenance costs

Today, with a membership of more than 20 companies, SNCA is a multi-faceted trade association headquartered in Reno, NV. It represents companies in Nevada and California that produce ready-mixed concrete, cement, aggregate (limestone and sand), construction supplies, insulated concrete for homes, admixtures (chemicals) for concrete, and firms that provide technical engineering and certified testing of concrete pavements. The vast majority of all commercial, residential and governmental building projects, as well as the highway, street and airport pavement improvements that are constructed with concrete products, are accomplished with materials produced by our members.

Projects and outreach programs that SNCA has been involved in include: a yearly SNCA Concrete Expo, annual donations to the UNR Concrete Canoe team, the McKinley School Pervious parking lot, St. Vincent's parking lot, the Nevada Museum of Art parking lot, Pervious certification training, founding sponsor of the annual Nevada Infrastructure Concrete Conference (NICC), successful lobbying for concrete intersections, networking, and scholarships.

Concrete pavements average a 30-year lifecycle and can last up to 50 years before resurfacing is required. For instance, Center Street was paved in concrete 20 years ago and has never been resurfaced nor required maintenance. Oil-based asphalt needs to be resurfaced every eight or nine years – more in heavy traffic areas, particularly around truck stops and logistics-based developments.

Concrete road construction maximizes infrastructure dollars and keeps those funds in the local community since concrete is a locally produced product. Some state and municipal governments have already begun to choose rigid concrete pavements for selected projects. Washoe RTC is now using concrete pavements at high traffic and high-wear intersections and bus stops, where asphalt has a tendency to rut and shove.

As Nevada's and eastern California's transportation infrastructure comes under growing stress from escalating traffic, informed decision-makers who base their pavement selection on life cycle cost analysis, safety, environmental and social benefits will increasingly secure a sustainable future with concrete. Plus, cement products are earth-friendly, recyclable and allow communities to lessen their dependence on the most economically volatile and politically charged commodity in the world...oil.

SNCA provides public officials, engineers, architects, designers and private developers with access to information on any questions regarding concrete in the Northern Nevada/California region. SNCA provides marketing and education for the industry; regulatory, environmental and other specific member services; analysis of concrete pavement through oversight and/or review of concrete pavement research projects; partnering with state, city, and county governments to ensure quality construction; and college scholarships to develop future industry leaders.

You can learn more about concrete construction and its budget and environmental benefits at SNCA's next Concrete Expo, to be held on March 6, 2012 at The Grove. CEU's are given for attendance.

To become a member, visit us online at: [www.SierraNevadaConcrete.org](http://www.SierraNevadaConcrete.org) or email us at: [info@sierranevadaconcrete.com](mailto:info@sierranevadaconcrete.com).



## CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY SHOWS SIGNS OF LIFE



By Sean Stewart



Southern Nevada's hard hit construction industry is showing small but significant signs of life. Interstate 15, for example, the region's busiest thoroughfare, is undergoing a \$246.5 million makeover. Design-build contractor and Nevada Contractor Association (NCA) member Las Vegas Paving Corp. began work in late 2009 on a 7-mile-long widening of I-15 between Silverado Ranch Boulevard and Tropicana Avenue.

The project will add 35 lane miles of new asphalt and concrete roadway, plus three new bridges and three interchange reconfigurations. Other improvements call for 35 retaining walls, storm drainage and 1.5 miles of sound walls, as well as landscaping and an intelligent messaging system. The project is being underwritten by the Las Vegas Convention Visitors Authority, the public-private entity charged with bringing more visitors to town through hotel room tax-backed bonds.

The multifaceted undertaking requires up to 300 craftspeople, 95 designers and 3,500 pages of plan documents. Construction is scheduled to finish in full by mid-2012, though project components are becoming operational piecemeal upon completion.

More transportation construction is taking place at McCarran International Airport, with a \$2.4 billion, 14-gate third terminal. NCA member Perini Building Co. is the general contractor. The project calls for a steel-and-glass building that measures 2,300-foot-long, which is the equivalent of six football fields laid end-to-end. The nearly 2-million-square-foot self-contained terminal is scheduled to open in 2012. It will be serviced by a similarly monster-sized garage recently finished by NCA member McCarthy Building Cos.

The \$121.7 million, 2.3 million-square-foot garage has a whopping 6,000 spaces for employee, public and valet parking. Nearby, fellow NCA member Sletten Construction Co. is performing a \$13 renovation to the airport's 26-year-old C Gates concourse, replacing worn-out ceiling panels and carpet, while installing new lighting, signage and energy efficient window tinting. Those improvements will finish in late 2012.

Aggregate Industries, meanwhile, is building \$34.4 million of dedicated rapid bus transit lanes along Sahara Avenue between Hualapai Way and Boulder Highway in Las Vegas. The 12-mile-long stretch is getting new transit shade shelters and median landscaping. The Regional Transportation Commission project is expected to generate nearly 500 private-sector jobs. Work is scheduled to finish in early 2012.

Wells Cargo recently wrapped-up work on \$4.9 million in trail upgrades adjacent to U.S. Highway 95, at locations extending east from Tenaya Way to Valley View Boulevard at Alta Drive. The enhancements, which include a pedestrian bridge across Decatur Boulevard, are part of the overall Bonanza Trail connection from Durango Drive to downtown. The Bureau of Land Management funded the job through the sale of public lands as authorized by the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act.

While still a far cry away from the industry's heyday when construction was responsible for 150,000 jobs and \$14.7 billion in economic activity, there remains encouraging indicators of a slow – if somewhat uneven – recovery taking place. Construction is unlikely to see a quick turnaround. Nonetheless, construction remains steady, albeit diminished, throughout Clark County. And that's a good thing. Construction, after all, is responsible for shaping our community, building the roads and schools, homes and offices that we occupy, need and use every day.

*Sean Stewart is the executive director of the Nevada Contractors Association, a Las Vegas-based nonprofit industry trade group. Founded in 1995, NCA is the state's largest signatory construction industry trade group. The nonprofit organization works closely with building trades leadership and various government agencies to ensure a level playing field within the construction industry. NCA represents the biggest, oldest and most prominent contractors in Nevada.*

# CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF TRUCKEE TAHOE

The Association was formed in June of 1998 by a few contractors in the Truckee-Tahoe region. These founders had two priorities: address the impacts of local agencies on the building trade and improve the overall professionalism within the industry. Through discussions, this small group realized that many other contractors were feeling the same frustrations. The corporation was chartered as a regional non-profit trade association and received recognition as a tax exempt organization. Governing Bylaws established a 15-member Board and that Board quickly began soliciting membership support.

In July of 1998, the first staff person was hired, and in October 1998, the first golf tournament fundraiser was held. Also in 1998, CATT absorbed the Tahoe Independent Contractors Association. Over the years, CATT branched out and created a charitable arm, C.A.T.T. Community Project, which focuses on building or restoring community structures, and CATT PAC, a registered Political Action Committee. CATT also established reciprocal memberships with several California construction associations and with two in Nevada: Builders Association of Northern Nevada (BANN) and Builders Association of Western Nevada (BAWN).

Today, we have 275 members from all corners of the US. McGrory Glass hails from New Jersey. Montana Timber Products' company name tells you where their homebase is. Hayhoe Construction is headquartered in Southern California. And we have reps from many of the national manufacturers and distributors among the ranks of CATT, such as Simpson Strong Tie, Pella Windows, Trex, and Sherwin-Williams Paints. Add to that mix professionals and contractors with both California and Nevada licenses and you can see we truly have a diverse membership!

The common denominator is all these members have work or customers in this area. They want to be part of what we do. Our Association covers three counties (Tahoe portion of Washoe, eastern Nevada County, eastern Placer County), one incorporated municipality (Truckee), and 15 special districts! That's a lot of geography!

Why do our members join? There are many reasons but suffice to say most members like our track record on issues or our approach in funneling work to members. Some of our members count the months and days until

our annual golf tournament while other members can't wait for the mixers and faithfully sign up as sponsors every time. When members wanted an emphasis on green building, they started a CATT Green Building Committee. This year, the Green Building Committee raised enough money to offer four days of special training under the "Build It Green" banner. When members felt the California mandate for residential fire sprinklers deserved closer scrutiny, they formed a CATT Fire Sprinkler Committee. It didn't take long before the California State Fire Marshal came to call!!

And let's not forget CATT's tradition of giving back to the community. Every year, we cook made to order breakfasts as a fundraiser for Sierra Senior Services. We sponsor a two day Green Building Symposium geared to helping homeowners and the public understand the latest and greatest in green building and energy conservation. We participate in the Incline Village and Truckee 4<sup>th</sup> of July parades, and this year won the Incline Village "America the Beautiful" parade theme award. Our charitable arm, C.A.T.T. Community Project, organized a two-week work period to create an "Under the Sea" exhibit that has sand, swimming fish, and even a submarine with a working periscope for the KidZone Museum. Our members are doing great things!

We pride ourselves on the high level of member involvement. Members who donate their time are always guaranteed mention in the broadcast e-mails and monthly newsletter – sometimes with accompanying photos. It's the least we can do to return their generosity.

On the issues front, we watch traditional "building-related" topics, such as mitigation fees and building code changes. We have been working closely with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency as the Regional Plan Update is drafted. Assuring that enough allocations for 20 years of future residential, commercial, and tourist-based land uses are available at Lake Tahoe is a high priority for us. Making sure adequate "redevelopment" incentives exist is another priority. Although we did not take a position on Nevada Senate Bill 271 (Lee), we strongly support the concept of local control and sympathized with Nevada legislators and Tahoe Basin residents and businesses who felt their destiny was being dictated by others.

This is just a quick overview of who we are and what we are doing. Please check our website: [www.ca-tt.com](http://www.ca-tt.com) or give us a call at 530-550-9999 for more information.



## Nevada Chapter

### **Associated Builders and Contractors of NV: A VOICE FOR THE OPEN SHOP CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY**

US President Theodore Roosevelt once said, “Every man owes a part of his time and money to the business or industry in which he is engaged. No man has a moral right to withhold his support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his sphere.” This notion, in part, is what drives the Associated Builders and Contractors of Nevada and its members.

#### **Background**

ABC Nevada is the state chapter of a national construction trade association dedicated to the preservation of free enterprise and open and fair competition within the construction industry. ABC is a member driven organization made up of individuals and construction related firms who are committed to the betterment of the industry in which they make a living. With the help of full-time staff at both the national and local levels, this combined effort works well to serve the needs of all ABC Nevada Members.

#### **Merit Shop / Open Shop Philosophy**

ABC is sometimes identified as an organization that represents 85 percent of the construction industry that works “non-union, also called open or merit shop”. The association is not offended by that designation because it is essentially true. However, it is not the position of ABC that only non-union contractors should be used on construction projects to the exclusion of union companies. On the contrary, the Merit or Open Shop philosophy holds that both merit contractors and union firms should work side-by-side, free of coercion or outside interference to provide on-time, on-budget

construction with safety, quality and cost effectiveness as its goal.

#### **ABC Nevada Merger**

ABC Nevada as it exists today was created when the Northern and Southern Nevada chapters merged in 2009 to create a unified statewide organization. Although the creation of the current chapter is relatively recent, ABC’s influence has been felt in Nevada for many years. The Sierra Nevada Chapter was chartered in Reno in 1977 becoming the first ABC chapter in Nevada. The Southern Nevada Chapter (later the Las Vegas Chapter) was chartered in Las Vegas in 1981. These chapters worked side by side for many years to protect the interests of open shop contractors in Nevada.

Over the years, the Southern Nevada Chapter had developed its government affairs effort into one of the leading political organizations in the state. Meanwhile the Northern Chapter developed into one of the leaders in construction training and education in the entire ABC National organization.

In late 2008, it was decided by ABC members in Nevada that their interests could be best served by combining the extraordinary abilities of each chapter and their staffs into a single statewide organization. The merger was completed in early mid 2009.

#### **Member Driven Services**

ABC Nevada prides itself on being flexible enough to respond instantly to the needs of its members. Due to its “member driven” philosophy, ABC has been able to quickly adapt to whatever services their members need in any given moment. Currently, membership services focus on the following:

**Government Affairs:** ABC is the voice of the Merit Shop Contractor at all levels of government. ABC has a full-time government affairs team that is supported by the volunteer efforts of our members. Through its Government Affairs Committee, ABC members vote on every position the association takes on every issue.

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The primary objective of ABC's government affairs effort is to ensure that the open shop sector is not placed at a competitive disadvantage by any legislative action taken at the federal, state or local level.

Often ABC stands alone among Nevada's trade associations in representing these interests. For example, ABC has long been the lone voice in the industry defending the rights of open shop contractors in the battle against Project Labor Agreements, perhaps the greatest example of an effort to disadvantaged open shop companies.

In addition, the ABC government affairs team has experienced great success in helping to educate members of the legislature on issues such as prevailing wage, construction manager at risk, design build and construction defects.

**Education Programs:** ABC Nevada addresses the need for skilled labor in the construction industry through its comprehensive apprenticeship and craft training programs. All ABC programs are recognized and supervised by the State Apprenticeship Council (SAC) and the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship. ABC's training programs also are registered and certified by the Veterans Administration and are accredited by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER). ABC is the undisputed leader in offering training to the open shop industry. In many cases ABC is the only place non-union contractors can go to get accredited training programs for their employees. In fact, ABC is the first to have a registered solar (photovoltaic) installer apprenticeship program. Additional programs include Electrical, Sheet Metal, Plumbing, Low Voltage and Carpentry.

**Safety Programs:** Construction sites are, by their very nature, among the most dangerous places to earn a living. Massive equipment is being operated and employees are focusing diligently on their individual tasks. As a result, job Safety is among the highest priority for ABC Nevada. ABC's safety

programs and products help members maintain safer and more productive jobsites. ABC offers safety training for both workers and management. In addition to training resources, ABC provides members a safety evaluation program, which is supported by a partnership with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

In addition, because of a strong emphasis on safety, ABC annually recognizes member companies that demonstrated outstanding safety performance during the previous year. The Safety Training and Evaluation Process (STEP) program provides an organized approach to analyze and further develop safety and loss prevention programs. Awards are based on approximately 20 key elements of contractor safety programs such as commitment of company management, responsibilities of safety personnel, and budget. STEP award certificates are given in five categories, bronze, silver, gold, diamond and platinum. ABC is very proud of the large number of members who hold STEP certificates.

**Member Recognition:** ABC's Excellence in Construction (EIC) program recognizes the innovation, quality and vision of its members and their construction teams. EIC is an annual award where projects are judged on a variety of areas such as safety, personnel management, quality control, scheduling and degree of difficulty in completing a project. Winners at the local level are then entered in the national EIC competition. The Nevada Chapter is very proud to have had several members win recognition at the national level.

## **The Voice Of The Merit Shop Contractor**

ABC Nevada is proud of the productive work its members have accomplished through the years to advance the interests of those who earn their living in the construction industry. The past few years have easily been the most difficult in the history of the construction industry. However, the resilience and "can do" attitude of ABC members guarantees that in every aspect, the best is yet to come for Nevada's construction industry and the great men and women who have chosen construction as their career.

# PLUMBING HEATING COOLING CONTRACTORS OF NEVADA

The Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors of Nevada (PHCC of NV) is dedicated to the promotion, advancement, education and training of the industry for the protection of our environment and the health, safety and comfort of our citizens.

PHCC of NV was organized in 1980, chartered by the Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors - National Association (PHCC-NA) on November 13 of the same year and remains a vital organization which educates supports, promotes, and renders assistance to the PHC industry of Nevada.

When you join PHCC of NV, you also become a member of the PHCC-NA, one of the nation's oldest and largest trade associations, as well as the International Association of Plumbing Mechanical Officials (IAPMO). **Benefits of membership** include a monthly newsletter, the members forum and listserv, access to the national convention, trade show and the PHCC West Conference, monthly membership luncheons, the annual Spring Carnival, Fall Festival/Chili Cook-off, the annual Contractors Night, the medical gas certification class, the Journeyman/Master Plumber License Renewal class, OSHA 10 and 30, the Journeyman Exam Prep Course, accredited Plumbing Apprenticeship Training Program, and much more! PHCC membership is an investment in your company's future. Please contact PHCC-NV at (702) 252-0166 to join today!

## ***What's Happening in the PHCC of Nevada***

### **City of Las Vegas 7 day/week inspections:**

The Building Official is proposing to employ two additional inspectors in the Department to work a Friday through Monday four-day work week. The purpose of the proposal is to, first and foremost, address the Friday to Monday hold-over issue.

Two additional inspectors will help reduce the 42 hold-over average for inspections. Also, the two additional inspectors working on Saturday and Sunday will help address any hold-overs from Friday to maintain a reliable construction schedule for

contractors to begin work the following week on Monday.

### **Recent developments with Project Labor**

**Agreements (PLAs):** Clark County is appealing the decision in district court to restrict the use of PLAs on public projects. Together with the ABC, PHCC-NV is fighting for responsible use of our tax dollars, as well as giving all qualified contractors a fair playing field to bid on such projects.

**Fall Festival & Chili Cook-off:** October 22, 2011 (Members Only)

**Contractors Night:** November 2, 2011 – (Open to all) 6 p.m. at the Gold Coast Hotel. The cost is \$20 per person and will include appetizers and two drinks. The guest speaker will be Mark Hutchison, Senior Partner of Hutchison & Steffen Attorneys, and Lead Special Counsel for Nevada (handling the healthcare litigation on behalf of the state). All business owners are encouraged to attend. Please call the PHCC-NV office at: (702) 252-0166 to RSVP.

**Membership Luncheon:** Membership Luncheons are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the Desert Pines Golf Club. Southwest Gas will be giving a presentation on available rebates on November 8<sup>th</sup>. Members and prospective members are welcome to attend. \$20 lunch, \$5 raffle tickets.

**OSHA 10 Class:** PHCC-NV will be offering an OSHA 10 Class scheduled for Saturday, November 5, and 12, 2011 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the PHCC Office. The cost is \$100 for members and \$150 for nonmembers. Please call the PHCC-NV office at: (702) 252-0166 for additional information.



# ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS



## The Associated General Contractors (AGC) Las Vegas Chapter

Established in 1918, the Associated General Contractors of America is the oldest, largest and most respected construction trade association in the United States. With more than 100 chapters nationwide representing more than 35,000 general and specialty contractors, suppliers, equipment manufacturers and professional service providers, AGC is the voice of the commercial, industrial, heavy/highway and underground construction industry.

AGC members exemplify skill, integrity and responsibility, and the association mirrors these qualities through the range, scope and quality of services it provides.

The Las Vegas Chapter is one of the largest in the country, representing more than 500 member firms. For several years, the chapter and several affiliate associations have formed mutually beneficial partnerships. The Framing Contractors Association, National Association of Women in Construction, Construction Financial Management Association and National Association of Minority Contractors have found a strong voice to advocate their concerns while maintaining autonomy.

AGC is understandably proud to represent the third-largest industry in Nevada. AGC is a non-profit association run by contractors for the benefit of its building, heavy highway, heavy industrial, municipal, utility and commercial contractor members. AGC is neither pro-union nor anti-union – its Las Vegas Chapter contractor membership is nearly evenly split – but rather pro-employer. It is a full-service association, providing services that individual companies would find either too expensive or altogether impossible to provide or purchase themselves.

Active in national, state and local political issues, AGC is the recognized authority on matters relating to construction. The Las Vegas Chapter received its charter in 1988, establishing a second chapter in Nevada. The Nevada Chapter was founded in Reno in 1939 and continues to advocate for its northern Nevada members.

The Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter is the largest industry specific association in the state. Its membership includes construction project owners and developers, general building contractors, general engineering contractors, construction managers, specialty contractors and subcontractors, equipment and material suppliers and industry-dependent businesses. It provides services to all construction-related business: large or small, union or non-union; general, sub, supplier or service provider. AGC's core offerings include:

- **Government Relations:** Through involvement in the political process at all levels, AGC and its partnering association members lobby and educate elected and appointed officials with the aim of ensuring the construction industry does not become over-regulated and unduly burdened by government.

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- **Professional Development:** Through its Manpower, Education and Training Committee, Young Constructors Forum and Safety and Training Department, AGC develops programs that supplement training students and young professionals receive from the College of Southern Nevada, UNLV, Build Nevada, the National Center for Construction Education and Research, AGC of America and its affiliate associations. AGC of America's national convention and mid-year meeting are also designed to provide members with professional development seminars and forums that let you share ideas and new approaches.
- **Marketing:** AGC uses various print and electronic media to promote the association, its members, affiliate associations and the construction industry. AGC employs its own monthly magazine, *Construction Connection*, feature stories, white papers, news interviews, advertisements and social media to improve the image of the construction industry and demonstrate the value of construction to the national, state and local economy and community. Public service events such as the AGC/UNLV Student Chapter House of Cards Tournament and school and residential renovations such as Operation Opening Doors show the industry's commitment to community service.
- **Networking:** Throughout the year, AGC hosts many functions at which members may discuss industry issues and explore business opportunities. Members are encouraged to attend and bring along friends and colleagues to quarterly luncheons, member expos, mixers, the Holiday Dinner Dance/Silent Auction, golf tournaments, AGC/UNLV House of Cards Tournament, Strategic Planning Conference and many networking opportunities provided by the

Las Vegas AGC partnering associations – the FCA, NAMC, NAWIC and CFMA. All hold regular membership meetings featuring guest speakers on subjects intended to provide personal or professional growth and development for their members.

## Our Mission

The Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter is a non-profit association representing the southern Nevada construction industry. We deliver meaningful benefits and services that help members' businesses grow and prosper while enhancing the business climate through political action, initiatives and programs. We are both the choice and the voice of the construction industry.

***For more information, or to join the AGC, Las Vegas Chapter, contact Membership Director, Tiffany Fabiani.***



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# Industry Events & Networking Opportunities



## OCTOBER 19

### **NAWIC Membership Dinner (Elks Lodge)**

*Hear about Southern Nevada Water Authority's Clark, Lincoln and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project.*

Speaker: Nancy Beecher

Location: Elks Lodge

4100 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89107

Time: Registration & Networking at 5:30 p.m. – Program from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

## OCTOBER 20

### **AGC's 2011 SIR Awards: Honoring leaders in the construction industry**

*AGC members and political and regulatory leaders from throughout southern Nevada are invited to the eighth annual Skill, Integrity, Responsibility awards banquet.*

Where: The Orleans Hotel & Casino

4500 W. Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89103

Time: Registration & Networking at 11:30 a.m. - Program from noon-1 p.m.

## NOVEMBER 3

### **AGC Member Mixer hosted by McCarthy Building Companies**

*McCarthy Building Companies invites you to come mix it up with AGC at Republic Kitchen & Bar for cocktails, hors d'ouvres and a chance to network with AGC's vast and diverse membership!*

Where: Republic Kitchen & Bar

9470 S. Eastern Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89123

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

## NOVEMBER 10

### **AGC's 2011 Strategic Planning Session (The Orleans)**

*Please join the AGC Board of Directors, AGC staff and committee chairs as they plan AGC's agenda for 2012, review the budget and look ahead at the 2013 legislative session. Connect with Jeremy Aguero from Applied Analysis as he addresses the state of the construction economy and reviews the 2011 legislative session.*

Where: The Orleans Hotel & Casino

4500 W. Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89103

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

# Industry Events & Networking Opportunities

## NOVEMBER 16

### FCA Member Luncheon (Sierra Gold Tavern)

Join Tim Schneider, president and founder of Soaring Eagles Enterprises, as he delivers a memorable and content rich program on leadership, teamwork and success for 2012. It promises to be an event you can't afford to miss!

Where: Sierra Gold Tavern  
6595 S. Jones Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89118  
Time: Registration & Networking at 11:30 a.m. - Lunch & Program from noon to 1 p.m.



## October 27

### Las Vegas Housing Outlook

Join us for breakfast at our next LAS VEGAS HOUSING OUTLOOK CONFERENCE. The program will begin with a housing market update, looking inside some of the numbers of specific micro trends in new home and resale demand. I will provide data and projections for the new home and resale segments, as well as the latest land sales trends. We will also have a great panel of housing professionals available for questions and answers from the audience.

Where: Springs Preserve  
333 South Valley View, Las Vegas, NV 89107  
Time: Registration at 7:30 a.m. - Program begins at 8:30 a.m.



## November 2

### Contractor's Night

Come listen to guest speaker Mark Hutchison, Senior Partner of Hutchison & Steffen Attorneys, and Lead Special Counsel for Nevada (handling the healthcare litigation on behalf of the state) as he discusses his role in challenging the constitutionality of the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act," also known as "Obamacare."

Where: Gold Coast Hotel & Casino  
4000 W. Flamingo Road, California Ballroom Salon K, Las Vegas, NV 89103  
Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

# HELP STOP UNLICENSED CONTRACTING



## **Unlicensed Contractor Awareness Campaign**

This program was developed by NSCB to help licensed contractors take-a-stand against unlicensed contractors. By participating in the campaign, licensed contractors distribute and display NSCB brochures, along with a laminated poster, in their business to help educate homeowners about the dangers of hiring unlicensed contractors.

Many licensed contractors statewide have requested these informational packets, which include samples of brochures, an Unlicensed Contractor Hotline card to report unlicensed contractors, handouts and a laminated “Unlicensed Contractor Awareness” poster.

*To request an informational packet, send your name, company’s name, license number, address and phone number via e-mail to:*

**Ranya Botros,**  
**Public Information Assistant**  
**[rbotros@nscb.state.nv.us](mailto:rbotros@nscb.state.nv.us)**

## **Volunteer Your Home As a Sting House**

NSCB is always looking for members of the industry and/or community to volunteer their homes for a one-day use by NSCB investigators. Efforts such as this help the Board locate and cite unlicensed contractors on-the-spot, which leads to criminal convictions as can be seen on pages 21-22.

Sting houses typically show evidence that work needs to be done, such as fire damaged homes, landscaping issues, painting/flooring, etc. If you have a house that you would like to volunteer for a sting operation, please contact:

### **Southern Nevada**

#### **Julio Sabates**

Investigations Supervisor

(702) 486-1137

[jsabates@nscb.state.nv.us](mailto:jsabates@nscb.state.nv.us)

### **Northern Nevada**

#### **Fred Schoenfeldt**

Investigations Supervisor

(775) 850-7884

[fschoenf@nscb.state.nv.us](mailto:fschoenf@nscb.state.nv.us)

**Criminal Convictions of Unlicensed Contractors  
(July 1 - September 30, 2011)**

## **SOUTHERN NEVADA**

### **FINES/RESTITUTION ORDERED**

**Battisti, Romeo O.,**

**dba Romeo Concrete:**

\$500 Fine; \$1,304 Restitution; Conviction;  
Investigative Costs

**Cabinetry By Design**

\$1,875 Restitution; Conviction;  
Investigative Costs

### **CONVICTION ONLY**

**Beel, Carl D.**

**Cole, Kendall**

### **PLEA BARGAIN ONLY**

**Outdoor Living NV**

### **CONVICTION & INVESTIGATIVE COSTS ONLY**

**Holder, Craig**

**Ramirez, Jose**

**Rodriguez, Fabian**

### **PLEA BARGAIN & INVESTIGATIVE COSTS ONLY**

**Houck, Tyler**

**Griego, Christopher Ryan**

**Matzdorff, Charles**

**Prince, Julie Ann**

**Rowe, David W.**

**Valle, Hector**

## **NORTHERN NEVADA**

### **FINES/RESTITUTION ORDERED**

**Bryson, Steven Paul**

\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs;  
Plea Bargain

**Corral-Venegas, Blas**

\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs

**Crissinger, Kenneth Robert**

\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs

**Danza, Daniel Anthony**

\$635 Fine; Conviction

**Dulgar, Jason Edward**

\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs



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**NORTHERN NEVADA**

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**FINES/RESTITUTION ORDERED**

<b>Enwald, Mark Lloyd</b>	\$305 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Fuentes-Hernandez, Victor Manuel</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Gardner, James Lon Jr.</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Goodwin, Aubrey Lee</b>	\$200 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Hartman, Joseph</b>	\$300 Fine; Conviction
<b>Hickey, Scott Gordon</b>	\$690 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Jaquay, Michelle Kate</b>	\$720 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Lee, Kevin Donald</b>	\$240 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Lima, Michael David</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Messineo, Joseph Steven</b>	\$320 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Miller, Michael Willaim</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction
<b>Moreno, Carlos Nunez</b>	\$350 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Navarro, Paul Luna</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Oldham, Gary Neal, dba Oldham Handyman</b>	\$100 Fine; Conviction
<b>Perez, Juan Gabriel</b>	\$195 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Prochazka, Tomas</b>	\$640 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Quandt, Donald Lee</b>	\$305 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Roark, Kenneth Eugene</b>	\$192 Fine; Conviction
<b>Sampognaro, Richard Joseph</b>	\$305 Fine; Conviction; Investigative Costs
<b>Shier, Charles Craig</b>	\$182 Fine; Conviction
<b>Tripp, Ken, dba Anytime Painting</b>	\$935 Fine; Conviction

**CONVICTION ONLY**

**Lynch, Alan Jay**

**PLEA BARGAIN &**

**INVESTIGATIVE COSTS ONLY**

**Hancock, Joshua David**

# Upcoming Educational Opportunities

## -----October-----

### **Intermediate Computer Skills Certification**

**When:** October 17 through October 31  
7 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College, Meadowood Center  
**Cost:** \$375.00; seven sessions  
**Contact:** wdce@tmcc.edu or 775- 829-9010

### **Clean Your Hard Drive**

**When:** October 18  
Tuesday - 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College, Meadowood Center  
**Cost:** \$49.00  
**Contact:** wdce@tmcc.edu or 775- 829-9010

### **30-Hour Construction Industry Course**

**What:** 3.0 Units of Continuing Education  
**When:** October 24 through October 27  
4 sessions - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus  
Rm. Module 1-B  
**Cost:** \$199.00  
**Contact:** OSHAOTIEC@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

### **Microsoft Word 2007 - The Beginning**

**When:** October 24 through November 2  
4 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Sahara West Center, Rm. A 118  
**Cost:** \$139.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

# Upcoming Educational Opportunities

## **OSHA 510: Standards for Construction**

- What:** 3.0 Units of Continuing Education; 3.0 Units of Board Certified Safety Professionals and American Board of Industrial Hygiene  
Credit: 4.34 CM Pts
- When:** October 31 through November 3  
4 sessions; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Where:** College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus, Rm. M 103
- Cost:** \$695.00
- Contact:** OSHAOTIEC@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## -----November-----

## **Word Essentials**

- When:** November 1 through November 3  
2 sessions Tuesday, Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College, Meadowood Center
- Cost:** \$129.00
- Contact:** wdce@tmcc.edu or 775- 829-9010

## **Forklift Safety Training**

- When:** November 5; 1 session - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center
- Cost:** \$79.00
- Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## **OSHA 2015: Hazardous Materials**

- When:** November 7 through November 10  
4 sessions - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Where:** College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus, Rm. M 103
- Cost:** \$695.00
- Contact:** OSHAOTIEC@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

# Upcoming Educational Opportunities

## **Advanced Computer Skills Certification**

**When:** November 7 through November 16  
4 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College, Meadowood Center  
**Cost:** \$245.00  
**Contact:** wdce@tmcc.edu or 775- 829-9010

## **Microsoft Word 2007 - Intermediate**

**When:** November 7 through November 16  
4 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Summerlin Center, Rm. 111  
**Cost:** \$139.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## **Build Your Own Web Site for \$5 a Month**

**When:** November 10; 1 session - Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Summerlin Center, Rm. 120  
**Cost:** \$54.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## **Lead Training for Renovators, Repair and Painters**

**When:** November 12; 1 session - Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$195.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## **OSHA 2045: Machinery and Machine Guarding Standards**

**What:** 3.0 Units of Continuing Education; 3.0 Units of Board Certified Safety Professionals and American Board of Industrial Hygiene  
Credit: 4.34 CM Pts  
**When:** November 14 through November 17  
4 sessions - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus, Rm. Module 1-B  
**Cost:** \$695.00  
**Contact:** OSHAOTIEC@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

# Upcoming Educational Opportunities

## **Scaffolding**

**What:** 3.0 Units of Continuing Education  
**When:** November 14 through November 17  
4 sessions - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus, Rm. M 103  
**Cost:** \$695.00  
**Contact:** OSHAOTIEC@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## **Computer Basics**

**When:** November 15 through November 29 (No class on Nov. 24)  
4 sessions - Tuesday, Thursday, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Summerlin Center, Rm. 102  
**Cost:** \$139.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## **8 Hour Hazardous Waste Operations Refresher**

**When:** November 18; 1 session - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$195.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## **EPA Lead Dust Sampling Technician**

**When:** November 19; 1 session - Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$125.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## **OSHA Lead Action Level Training**

**When:** November 19; 1 session - Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$40.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

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## Exploring the Internet

**When:** November 28 through December 7  
4 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Summerlin Center, Rm. 102  
**Cost:** \$139.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## -----December-----

## Forklift Safety Training

**When:** December 3; 1 session - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$79.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## 40 Hour Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response

**When:** December 5 through December 9  
5 sessions - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$525.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

## Microsoft Excel 2007 – Intermediate

**When:** December 5 through December 14  
4 sessions - Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** College of Southern Nevada, Sahara West Center, Rm. A 118  
**Cost:** \$139.00  
**Contact:** DWED@csn.edu or 702-651-4747

## Lead Training for Renovators, Repair and Painters

**When:** December 16; 1 session - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Truckee Meadows Community College/IGT Applied Technology Center  
**Cost:** \$195.00  
**Contact:** salquist@tmcc.edu or 775-857-4958

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR**  
**NSCB Hearings, Meetings, & Workshops**

**October 19**

*8:30 a.m. – Henderson Disciplinary Hearings*

*1 p.m. – Residential Recovery Fund Hearings*

**October 20**

*8:30 a.m. – Board Meeting*

**October 21**

*10 a.m. – Reno Business Assistance Program Workshop*

**October 28**

**Offices will be closed in observance of Nevada Day**

**November 2**

*8:30 a.m. – Reno Disciplinary Hearings*

**November 11**

**Offices will be closed in observance of Veterans Day**

**November 16**

*8:30 a.m. – Henderson Disciplinary Hearings*

*1 p.m. – Residential Recovery Fund Hearings*

**November 17**

*8:30 a.m. – Board Meeting*

**November 24**

**Offices will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving**

**November 25**

**Offices will be closed in observance of Family Day**

**December 7**

*8:30 a.m. – Reno Disciplinary Hearings*

**December 14**

*8:30 a.m. – Henderson Disciplinary Hearings*

**December 15**

*8:30 a.m. – Board Meeting*

**December 26**

**Offices will be closed in observance of Christmas**

*NSCB hearings, meetings and workshops are held at 2310 Corporate Circle, Suite 200, Henderson, NV 89074 and 9670 Gateway Drive, Suite 100, Reno, NV 89521. All hearing dates are tentative and subject to change, until a meeting agenda has been officially posted.*

## Meet NSCB's Board Members



### **KEVIN E. BURKE, Chairman**

President and Chief Executive Officer of Burke Construction Group Inc., appointed to the Board by the Governor in Nov. 2008. He is a licensed general engineering and general building contractor with 20+ years experience, responsible for overseeing all company construction activities at Burke Construction Group Inc. He is a board member of the Associated General Contractors and board member of the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce Board of Trustees.



### **WILLIAM "BRUCE" KING, Treasurer**

President of Pete King Nevada Corp. and vice president of Pete King Corp., appointed to the Board by the Governor in Nov. 2005. He is a licensed painting and drywall contractor and has been in the construction business in So. Nevada for 15 years. King has been an active member and officer in various industry associations, including Associated General Contractors, Association of Builders and Contractors, and the Nevada Subcontractors Association.



### **THOMAS "JIM" ALEXANDER**

President of Renaissance Pools & Spas Inc., appointed to the Board by the Governor in Nov. 2010. He is a licensed commercial and residential pool contractor with 39+ years experience and has been licensed in Nevada since 1991. Alexander is an active member of the Associated General Contractors, a retired police officer, a Master Mason and Shriner, and a licensed pilot.



### **DONALD L. DRAKE**

A resident of Sparks, NV, appointed to the Board by the Governor in Jan. 2010. He serves as the public member of the Board. Drake was owner and general manager of Baker & Drake, Inc., a Reno taxicab company. He is past president and a 25-year member of the board of directors of the Nevada Association of Employers and a member of the RTC 2040 Committee and the Sparks Citizens Advisory Committee.



### **NATHANIEL "NAT" W. HODGSON, III**

Member and Qualified Individual of Green Serenity LLC, appointed to the Board by the Governor in Nov. 2008. He is the past president of the Southern Nevada Home Builders Association.



### **STEPHEN P. QUINN**

President of Precision Construction Inc., appointed to the Board by the Governor in Nov. 2009. He has been a licensed general building contractor for 27 years with 42 years experience in the trade. He is chairman of the City of Las Vegas Building and Safety Enterprise Fund Advisory Committee and served as vice chairman of the City of Las Vegas Planning Commission.



### **GUY M. WELLS**

President and chief executive officer of Wells Cargo Inc., appointed to the Board by the Governor in May 2010. Wells is a licensed general engineering and general building contractor with more than 30 years of construction experience. He is an active member and officer of the Nevada Contractors Association.



## STAY CONNECTED TO THE BOARD

### **Our Mission**

*The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to promote the integrity and professionalism of the construction industry in Nevada.*

*The Nevada State Contractors Board has the responsibility to promote quality construction by Nevada licensed contractors through a regulatory licensing system designed to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the public.*

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Contractor Newsletter



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