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Important Dates

March 9, 2010 - MBA Affiliate Council presents: Risk Management Seminar. MBA Lower Level Conference Center.

March 17-20, 2010 - AGC Annual Convention, Orlando, FL.

March 18, 2010 - [NAIOP Pittsburgh Annual Banquet](#).

March 24, 2010, 2:00-3:30 p.m. - Webinar: Comparing AIA and ConsensusDOCS in a Real World Setting, held in the MBA Lower Level Conference Center.

April 6, 2010 - MBA-ASPE-CMAA 4th Annual Materials Cost Forecast, featuring AGC Chief Economist Ken Simonson. Details to be announced soon.

April 24, 2010 - [Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh Day](#).

May 21, 2010 - Save the Date: MBA Safety Banquet at a Pirates baseball game, PNC Park.

May 31, 2010 - Memorial Day *

*** MBA Labor Agreements grant denoted days as holidays.**

Western PA Proud History & Facts About Our Home

On February 27, 2010, the snowfall brought the monthly total to 48.7 inches, the snowiest month in Pittsburgh history and to date the fifth snowiest season in Pittsburgh's history.

2009 MBA Building Excellence Award Winners Honored at the Construction Industry Evening of Excellence

The MBA announced the winners of the 2009 Building Excellence Awards, the region's most sought after commercial construction industry awards. This year's winners are:

Best New Construction Over \$10 Million

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC. Clinical Services Building
Contractor: **PJ Dick Incorporated**
Owner: **UPMC**
Architect: **Astorino**

Best Renovation Over \$10 Million

William S. Moorhead Federal Building Renovations
Contractor: **Burchick Construction Company, Inc.**
Owner: **U.S. General Services Admin.**

Architect: **Einhorn Yaffee Prescott**

Best New Construction Under \$10 Million

Sarah Heinz House Expansion & Renovation
Contractor: **dck worldwide LLC**

Owner: **Sarah Heinz House**

Architect: **Rothschild Doyno Collaborative / William McDonough + Partners**

Best Renovation Under \$10 Million

Penn State Shenango, Sharon & Lecture Halls Renovations
Contractor: **PJ Dick Incorporated**
Owner: **Penn State University**
Architect: **WTW Architects**

Excellence in Craftsmanship-Interior

Private Residence
Contractor: **Giffin Interior & Fixture, Inc.**
Owner: **Anonymous**
Designer: **The Blindside Home Furnishings, Inc.**

Excellence in Craftsmanship-Exterior

Chatham University Mellon Board Room
Contractor: **Harris Masonry, Inc.**
Owner: **Chatham University**
Architect: **Rothschild Doyno Collaborative**

The awards were presented at the Third Annual Construction Industry Evening of Excellence, February 25, 2010, at the Heinz Field East Club. The inside page is a photo journal from the event.

CAP & MBA Announce New Officers

CAP announced that Clifford R. Rowe, Jr. has been named CAP Trustee Chairman. Mr. Rowe is CEO of PJ Dick Incorporated. Joining Mr. Rowe on the CAP Executive Board are: Thomas A. Landau as Treasurer and Jack Ramage as Executive

Director. At its Annual Membership Meeting in January, the MBA elected its officers. Mr. Landau was elected president, becoming the third Landau to serve as president of the MBA. Calvin Landau served from 1939 to 1943; and

Thomas J. served from 1965 to 1967. Joining Mr. Landau on the MBA Executive Board: Vice President—Steven M. Massaro, Massaro Corporation; Treasurer—M. Dean Mosites, Mosites Construction; and Jack Ramage, Executive Director, MBA.



The Construction Industry Evening of Excellence



The Western PA's must-attend construction industry networking event of the year was held on Thursday, February 25, 2010. This year's Construction Industry Evening of Excellence attracted over 700 professionals. More info on the event at www.mbawpa.org.



Representatives from the six winning projects seen below. From left to right: Photo 1: Building Excellence (BE) Award Judge Joe Beck with Joe Burchick, Karl Borgman and John Finney of Burchick Construction; Photo 2: BE Award Judge Bill Bates with Chris Chiusano of Astorino, Frank Babik of PJ Dick and Eric Cartwright of UPMC; Photo 3: BE Award Judge Ray Vogel and Dustin Giffin of Giffin Interior; Photo 4: Scott Harris, Ron Crawford and Bob Plutko of Harris Masonry, Photo 5: BE Award Judge George Ehringer is flanked by Tom Berkebile of PJ Dick, Larry Payne of WTW, Eric Pascusci and Mark Werner, both of PJ Dick; Photo 6: John Sebastian and Dan Dean of dck worldwide with BE Award Judge Bill Bates.



SAVE THE DATE—Thursday, February 24, 2011

The Annual Evening of Excellence

MBA News



MBA Publications—Included with this CAPsule Report is the 2009 MBA Building Excellence Awards Brochure and the 2010-2012 MBA Sourcebook. If your office needs more issues of either publication, please contact the MBA.

Additionally, last month the MBA produced its Annual Report. This publication has been distributed to the membership and is currently posted on the MBA's website. MBA members needing more copies, and CAP contributors wishing to receive a copy, should contact the MBA at 412-922-3912 or info@mbawpa.org.

Construction Career Center—The following positions are open in our region's construction industry:

- Marketing Administrator.
- Office Administrator.
- Construction Project Engineer.
- Project Manager.
- Estimator.
- Construction Superintendent.

Serious inquiries should send a resume to the MBA. Also, any union companies with a job opening should contact the MBA to discreetly post in the MBA News.

MBA News—To keep the Western Pennsylvania construction industry informed of the latest news, the MBA launched the MBA News in late 2009. This electronic newsletter is sent twice a month.

Local associations have benefitted from posting news and events in the MBA News, as the email reaches the entire construction industry. CAP has utilized this resource to deliver its updates to the industry, and to lower its printing costs. Beginning this year, the CAPsule Report will be printed twice a year. Recipients of the CAPsule are encouraged to sign up to receive the MBA News by visiting www.mbawpa.org.

MBA Launches Re-Designed Website (www.mbawpa.org)

The MBA is delighted to announce the launch of a totally redesigned website, viewable at www.mbawpa.org.

The new site provides users with a comprehensive overview of the MBA, including the latest news pertinent to the construction industry. Visitors to the site will find the aesthetic to be inviting and sophisticated, plus the ever-changing update of information will

result in return traffic. A representative from each of the MBA committees and staff worked closely on the redesign to enhance the site's usability and navigation.

Echoing the sentiments of all parties involved in the site's redesign, Jack Ramage, Executive Director, MBA, commented: "Given the constant changing content, with weekly announcements, events and safety bulletins, we wanted the new

website to be capable of delivering information needed for our region's construction industry."

The new website will contain a "members only" section. This section will feature information exclusive to the membership. CAP contributors will have access to this information, but a site username and password must be obtained by contacting the MBA office (412-922-3912 or email—info@mbawpa.org).

Miscellaneous News

NAIOP Pittsburgh Annual Banquet—NAIOP Pittsburgh hosts its 17th Annual Banquet on Thursday, March 18, 2010, at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. For more information visit www.naioppittsburgh.com or call 412-928-8303.

Sustainability Networking Forum & Reception—Duquesne University is hosting a networking event to unite Pittsburgh executives with college students and recent alumni with green skills. The event is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, 3:00-5:45 p.m. at the university's Power Center Ballroom.

For more information visit www.duq.edu/careerservices.

MBA Affiliate Council Seminars—The MBA Affiliate Council is conducting numerous seminars for the remainder of 2010. For more information, visit the MBA's website: www.mbawpa.org.

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MBA GETS GOLD!



On Friday, February 19, 2010, the MBA Received a LEED Gold Rating for Its Headquarters!



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