

**Alliance Report
September 7, 2013**

**The United Masonry Contractors Association, Dallas Chapter
DALLAS Area Office**

I. Alliance Background

Date Signed: Sept 7, 2012

End Date: Sept 7, 2014

Overview:

Alliance with the United Masonry Contractors Association Dallas Chapter (UMCA) and the Dallas Area Office and directed towards reducing injuries, illnesses and fatalities in the electrical work in construction and general industry. UMCA conducts monthly safety meetings where best practices and incident trends are discussed, and guest speakers provide safety information to address hazards in the industry.

Implementation team Members:

United Masonry Contractors Association

*Tracy Webster, Executive Director
Wayne Smith, President (2013),*

USDOL/OSHA

*Stephen Boyd, AD, Dallas AO
Elias Vela, CAS, Dallas AO*

Evaluation Period:

September 7, 2012 through September 6, 2013

II. Implementation Team Meetings:

*A 10-hour Construction Safety course was conducted at the Acme Brick facility in Irving, TX
15 attendees.*

Jan 24 & 25, 2013

III. Events and Products

Training and Education

- *Events*

- Provides training to 200 to 400 apprentices of member companies.
- **Seminars**
 - The UMCA provides a safety forum for companies and organizations involved in the masonry construction industry and meet on a monthly basis to discuss accident trends, best practices, disseminate safety information, and have speakers talk on relevant topics to safety in the exploration and production field. Meetings are held monthly.

Outreach and Communication

- **Events:**
 - As a part of our ongoing commitment to establishing and maintaining professional standards and ethics in our industry, we hold monthly meetings and invite all members to attend.
 - We also hold numerous events, contests and fund raisers throughout the year, including golf and fishing tournaments, our annual Barbeque and bricklaying contest, and a Christmas Party.
 - The highlight of each year takes place in June, when we hold our annual Golden Trowel Awards Ceremony.
 - Our Calendar of Events is listed below to provide you easy reference to upcoming meetings and events.

Date	Event	Chairman
January 8	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	
January 23	Board Meeting	
January 24, 28	OSHA Class	
February 13	<u>Regular Meeting/Contractors Meeting</u>	Spike Cutler
February 27	Board Meeting	
March 12	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	
March 27	Board Meeting	
April 24	Board Meeting	
April 26	<u>Golf & Fishing Tournament</u> (Lake Fork & Lands End)	Jeremy Peek Mark Little
May 7	<u>Bricklaying Contest</u> (North Lake)	Herb Slavens
May 17	<u>Rangers Game</u> (Texas Rangers vs. Detroit Tigers)	Ray Rushing
May 22	Board Meeting	
June 4	<u>Golden Trowel Awards Banquet</u>	Wayne Smith
June 26	Board Meeting	
July 9	<u>NO REGULAR MEETING - SUMMER VACATION</u>	
July 24	Board Meeting	
August 6	<u>Regular Meeting/Contractors Meeting</u>	Romeo Collazo
August 28	(Scholarships)	
August (TBD)	Board Meeting/Nominations Committee	Bobby Gladu
	<u>Sporting Clays Shoot</u>	
August 14-16		

	TMC Convention - Austin, Texas	
September 21	<u>Bricklaying Contest</u>	Juan Trevino / Mark Little
September 25	Board Meeting	
October 9	<u>Golf Tournament & Auction</u> (Bear Creek)	Troy Smith
October 23	Board Meeting	
November 12	<u>Regular Meeting/Contractors Meeting</u>	
November 20	Board Meeting	
December 7	<u>Christmas Party</u> (River Ranch, Fort Worth)	
December 18	Board Meeting	

- *Products*
 - *Maintains a website to facilitate the dissemination of information to the industry in the Dallas Texas area. In the past year the site has received over 1000 hits being used to locate safety resources.*
 - *<http://umcadfw.org>*

Promoting the National Dialogue on Workplace Safety and Health

Training

The United Masonry Association is happy to provide information on masonry, including information on careers, training, and courses available.

Training Resources

Below are links to site providing additional information you may find of interest.

Masonry Careers

- Masonry Career Information
- Work Force Development Initiatives

Training and Education

- Building Stone Institute
- Brick Industry Association
- Construction Education Foundation - DFW
- Marble Institute of America
- Mason Contractors Association of America Book Store
- Mason Contractors Association of America
- National Concrete Masonry Association

- Texas Masonry Council

IV. Results

Participation in the alliance has helped maintain and improve the knowledge and sharing of best practices. In addition to the meetings covering heat stress, safe driving, slings inspection and safety, cell phone policies, cranes, and other topics, meetings on fatality trends, best practices, and new regulations were distributed to the exploration and production contractors.

V. Upcoming Milestones

The DAO will continue to support the United Masonry Contractors Association provides safety and health outreach training to organization members and their employees.