



Sign Language

"The members of the Maryland Sign Association are dedicated to promoting professionalism, ethics, safety and education in the sign industry."



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MSA Winter General Meeting

January 15, 2015

Matthew's 1600

1600 Frederick Road

Catonsville, MD 21228

(Meeting will be held in the downstairs Ellicott Room)

(NEW PRICING)

\$35 Per Person (members)

\$50 Per Person (non members)

RSVP by Friday, January 9, 2015

Sheryll.Strube@gmail.com

Or call 301-662-5760

(reservations made will be expected to be paid)

(See program information on Page 3)



President's Message

As another year closes and we prepare for 2015, I hope this year was successful for you, your company, employees and families. I believe 2015 will be another good year, especially since the recent state and national elections appear to promise common sense government and regulation. As I've said before, if you voted, bitch all you want – but if you didn't, keep your mouth shut.

Our next general meeting will be on January 15, 2015 at Matthew's. We will be showcasing the early days of the Maryland sign industry from Associated Sign Contractors and S.C.A.M. through today's MSA. We will also be honoring our newest Hall of Fame members: Bert Sommer (Triangle), Flair Belsinger (Belsinger) and Bob Roseman (Martin). We will be looking forward to hearing your stories and remembrances of these well known signmen.

With the resignation of Paul Gable we have openings on our Board of Directors. If or anyone in your company is interested in serving, please let myself or Sheryll know. Don't worry there are no hazing or weird rituals involved.

That's all for now and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on January 15.

Larry Strube, President MSA

CALLING ALL MEMBERS:

Our January meeting will reflect the history of the Maryland Sign Association and the Maryland sign industry. If you have any documents, pictures or articles that reflect this history please bring them with you to the January Meeting.

We will have tables there to display your documents and photos. If you bring your items please document ownership so that they can be returned to you. If you want to do a Power Point of your pictures that would be great, just let Sheryll know so that we can have the screen set up prior to that night.

INDUCTIONS TO THE HALL OF FAME WILL INCLUDE:

HARRY (Flair) BELSINGER
BERT SOMMER
ROBERT ROSEMAN

This is going to be a night full of history and interesting stories. Please plan on attending the meeting and supporting the Maryland Sign Association.

"Something to Consider"

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"It is a leader's responsibility to set the tone, to learn to accept the differences of people, and to foster an environment where different people can contribute as part of the whole and achieve unity in diversity."

--- C. William Pollard

**Submitted by: Mary Fineagan
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Mind Bender

In 1987 a crane collapsed in a residential area of Maryland at lunchtime, yet nobody saw or heard anything. Why Not?

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Membership News:

Members as of 07/01/14	46
New members	0
Members dropped	-4
Life Members	2
Current membership	44

FYI-

A reminder to all sign companies that own crane trucks!!!!!!



If you're working on a construction site or subcontracting for major construction firms, those companies (Turner, Clark, Smoot/Gilbane, Hess, Whiting Turner, Barton Malow, etc.) will require your truck to have its annual inspection report and tag available for inspection.



Crane operators are required to have their proper operating and signaling credentials.

Membership Application

Company Name _____

Owner/President/Contact Person _____

Address _____

Phone(s) _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Website _____

Number of Employees _____

Type of Business / Service _____

Membership runs from (July 1 – June 30)

Sign Companies Yearly Membership Rates: (Employees include office personnel)

1-5 employees \$95

6-10 employees \$150

11-20 employees \$225

21 + employees \$300

Suppliers, Vendors and Distributors Membership Rate: \$200.00

Return your application and check to:

Maryland Sign Association
c/o Sheryll Strube
1813 Meadowgrove Lane
Frederick MD 21702

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Scholarship News

Application for the 2015-16 school year is now available.

Contact sheryll.strube@gmail.com for an application
or for more information.



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A bird collapsing is not a particularly spectacular event.



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