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SMACNA ANNOUNCES 2003 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

SMACNA of Western PA is pleased to announce that **Rebecca Lee Gazda** and **Darah Buckley** are the winners of the 2003 *Kenneth W. Enscoe Sheet Metal Industry Scholarship*.

Although all of this year's applicants were well-rounded and showed outstanding academic achievement, Rebecca and Darah stood out from the rest.

Rebecca is the daughter of Janet Gazda and the late Raymond Gazda of Rochester, PA. She has been accepted to



Rebecca Gazda

Saint Vincent College in Latrobe where she plans to study zoology and veterinary medicine.

Darah, from Bethel Park, is the daughter of Dan Buckley and Debi Taylor. She has been accept-



Darah Buckley

ed to Penn State's main campus where she will study Information Sciences & Technology.

In recognition of their accomplishment, \$500 will be given to their respective academic institutions to help offset some of the significant expense that college brings.

SMACNA of Western Pennsylvania would like to wish this year's winners, along with all of our candidates, good luck with their forthcoming college experience.

GREAT DAY FOR SMACNA'S 36TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The strange weather pattern the Pittsburgh area has been seeing all summer finally cleared for a day and gave us a beautiful day for our 36th annual golf outing. Jack Hartzell and St. Clair Country Club hosted 82 golfers for an outstanding day of golf, fun, and friendship.

Winners for the day included:

- Ron James—Member Low Gross
- Bill Auth—Member Low Net
- Jack Robinson—Guest Low Gross

Dan Yost—Guest Low Net

These winners received a trophy and a gift certificate for pro shop merchandise.

There were also four winners of "closest to the pin" prizes: Jeff Hartzell, Ed McCafferty, Mike Tollerton, and Ed Hoffman, who came within an inch of a hole-in-one on his first shot of the day.

Mark Patrizia won the Longest Drive contest on hole #9.

The winners of these contests won gift certificates for pro shop merchandise.

There were lots of great prizes for the post-dinner raffle that were donated by SMACNA members. We would like to thank all of those who donated prizes, those who provided teebox sponsorships, and especially those who came out on Monday. We hope to see you all next August 9th at Treesdale!

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Schedule of Events

Remember, you can always find an up-to-date calendar of events at www.smacnawpa.org.

- October 21—Training Seminar “Improved Production Through Supervisory Training”
- November 22—SMACNA’s Annual Dinner Dance at the LeMont Restaurant
- November 27-28—Thanksgiving Holiday
- December 25—Christmas Holiday

OCTOBER 2003

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SMACNA NATIONAL CONVENTION—SEPTEMBER 28 TO OCTOBER 1 IN WASHINGTON, DC

With Washington, DC as the backdrop, the historic Wardman Park Marriott Hotel is the setting for this year's SMACNA National Convention, being held September 28 through October 1. It's been nearly twenty years since the convention was last held in Washington, DC, and SMACNA has planned an outstanding event this year!

Rita Rudner headlines the entertainment for the final night's dinner. Her stand-up routines have become renowned and her HBO special was nominated for an Ace award.

Newt Gingrich is the featured speaker during the opening session. He served in Congress for 20 years and was Speaker of the House from 1995 to 1999. Mr. Gingrich is the author of five books, including *Contract with America*.

A number of other talented speakers will be found in the Business and Personal Development Seminars and the Market Sector Council Forums, including Dr. Steven Grennen who will discuss a program he has developed which has delivered an average injury reduction of 88% for his clients and Bob Langdon, author of *Managing Your Business for Profit*, who will discuss Strategic Planning for Your Closely Held Business.

Members planning to attend may register online at www.smacna.org or use the forms sent by SMACNA National.



The Wardman Park Marriott Hotel is located in the prestigious Woodley Park area of the city, just minutes from the National Zoo and the National Cathedral and just a few steps from the Metro subway line.

SMACNA TO HOST “IMPROVED PRODUCTION THROUGH SUPERVISORY TRAINING”

Kevin L. Dougherty, of PROOF Management Consultants, will be coming to Pittsburgh on November 4 to discuss how contractors can get improved production through supervisory training. For the past 15 years, Kevin has been speaking to the construction industry. He represents the changing industry—aggressive, realistic, and open-minded. Kevin's work and education experience enables him to relate to today's problems and provides tangible solutions in an easy-to-listen style. He has taught thousands of people in various seminars with clients ranging from family-owned businesses to corporate conglomerates.

Kevin's humorous and energetic speaking style has made him a convention favorite. He has spoken to such groups as Benjamin Moore & Co., 3M, Morton International, York International, and Hagemeyer Electrical Australia, just to name a few.

His ability to entertain audiences and hold their interest while getting his message across consistently makes him one of the industry's top speaking talents.

Information will be coming out shortly on the location and time of this seminar. For prior info., call the Association office.

SMACNA OF WESTERN PA LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

SMACNA of Western PA is pleased to announce that we have launched our new website, www.smacnawpa.org. This website will allow someone to find a member in their area to do work, see the kind of work that our members do, and find contact information for them.

Newsletters and a calendar of upcoming events are on the site as well. The calendar will be updated regularly with all of the educational seminars, meetings, and social activities that SMACNA of Western Pennsylvania has planned.

Also, each contractor member of SMACNA of Western PA has its own area where information about the contractor is listed such as contact information, a link to each company's web site (if they have one) and any photos provided to the Association. This area can be updated by the member by sending information to the Association office.

Associate members will soon be added to the site as well.

Take a moment and look at www.smacnawpa.org. Let us know what you think and if there are changes that should be made.

SMOHIT LAUNCHES INNOVATIVE NEW JOB SITE SAFETY TRAINING DVD FOR SHEET METAL INDUSTRY

The Sheet Metal Occupational Health Institute Trust (SMOHIT) recently announced the release of its Job Site Safety DVD training program for the sheet metal industry. Intended for journeymen and apprentices, this groundbreaking combination of animated graphics and real-world video creates an effective and interactive learning experience.

This 10-14 hour program introduces common health and safety issues faced by workers on a virtual construction site. The eighteen-lesson program provides in-depth information on safety issues such as fall protection, electrical safety, scaffolds, confined space entry, working with other trades, stairways and ladders, and

personal protective equipment.

Instructors will appreciate the flexibility of Job Site Safety and its capacity to accommodate different teaching styles, while reducing the amount of preparation time needed to teach the course. Navigating the DVD can be done with a remote control, standard mouse, or bar code reader. An instructor guide provides talking points and additional information for each lesson. In addition, English and Spanish subtitles are also available for all video segments of the program. All of the materials required to teach Job Site Safety are contained in one portable DVD, including student handouts that can be printed as needed.



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