



## Holiday Cheer and MHA

Undoubtedly this is a time when everyone is busy with family, business, and life in general. MHA members celebrate the holidays in their own ways. For many it can be a stressful time. But it is also a time to give thanks for the many blessing we all have. Hopefully you will take a moment to reflect on the blessings you have been given over the past year.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and myself, I would like to wish each and every member of MHA a joyous and peaceful Holiday season. And may the New Year provide you with good health, prosperity and loving memories.

Richard Smith  
Executive Director



## Could Be Your Last Newsletter

Every once in a while we look at the list of members who receive the MHA Newsletter. It is means of communicating with MHA members and allows the board, committees and the office to keep the membership informed of what is going on in MHA.

However, it is for members only. If you are receiving MHA newsletters and are not a current member, this may be your last newsletter.

We hope you renew your membership and continue to be a member of the Masonry Heater Association of North America. Contact the office or use the form on the MHA website to renew your membership



**Annual Meeting "Peek"**  
Price Remains the Same as Last Year!



The annual general meeting (AGM) is set for:  
**April 13 - 19, 2015**  
 at  
[Wildacres Retreat](#), Little Switzerland, N.C.  
 \$450/ person

(Price includes lodging, meals, workshops, seminars, pizza party, and auction. Does not include Masonry Heater and Bake Oven Class)

While the Education Committee continues to work on the AGM, here is a sample of purposed seminars and workshops:

1. Bricklaying Clinic - Mike Gilmore instructor
2. Pizza Oven - Pat Manley instructor
3. Rocket Stove - Peter VandenBerg instructor
4. Beginner's Contraflow - Marty Pearson. and Jeff Owens instructors
5. 5 Run Heater - Tech. Committee in charge. Used for testing and computer program
6. Building A Masonry Smoker - Chris Prior. instructor
7. Concrete Finishing - Concrete Institute
8. Grunofen - Eric Moshier Instructor
9. Alternate Energy and Masonry Heaters - Joe Copeland, Dan Givens instructors
10. HMED 101 - Jim Frisch lead instructor
11. Bake Oven Committee showcases the new Education & Development Program for masonry bake ovens.
12. Masonry Heater Challenges in Austraila by Alan & Fiona Burdon
13. NSPS Update and MHA moving forward - Norbert Senf and Technical Committee
14. Sketchup Clinic by Boris Kukolj
15. Masonry Heaters and Alternative Energy by Joe Copland & Dan Givens Instructors

After the holidays, more information and titles will be available. Watch for future newsletters and always check the MHA website for current updates.

Registration for the 2015 AGM will begin after Jan. 1, 2015.  
 An annual meeting newsletter will be coming after the new year with a registration link.

A lot more information in the next newsletter.

## New Certified Heater Builder

Congratulations to **Ryan McCutchan** who became the lastest certified heater builder. Ryan owns Humboldt Hearthstones in Clue Lake, California.

If you are interested in getting certification in the Masonry Heater Association, here is link link that will tell you the needed requirements. [Certification Information](#)

## MHA Needs Volunteers

Help needed to build a bake oven and masonry heater.

Once again MHA has the opportunity to demonstrate a bake oven and masonry heater at the World of Concrete and Masonry in Las Vegas, NV. Feb. 3-6th.



Last year the show was a great success and MHA benefited by new memberships, HME attendance and attendance at the annual meeting. HOWEVER, this only happened because MHA members volunteered their time and talents.

This is a great marketing tool and hopefully we'll get enough members to make it happen. Airfare is usually economical, hotels are inexpensive, education is free and joining other members in Vegas is a blast. Please consider joining us.

Contact the MHA office for more information and to sign up.

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