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NEWSLETTER

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General Membership
Meeting
May 17th, 5:30pm

Next Board Meeting:
April 7th, 4pm

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From Our Executive Director



Pack Members

Here we are in the next two year cycle for the required 12 hours of continuing education. Please don't wait till the last minute or wait till you have to make up hours so you can renew. Remember that a minimum of 6 hours of code will be required. You can have all code if you so choose to do so. Please let us know if you have any special training you

would like for us to present. We start 2010 with some new Board Members, new general members, and some of the regulars holding the same positions as last year. If you see any of these

people, thank them for their time, a service they donate for YOU and your employees. I would like to post our members and their phone numbers on our web site. We have a lot of people coming to our web site looking for plumbers and HVAC technicians. If you oppose this please let me know, as I plan on posting as follows: Plumbing/HVAC new con-

struction: List Companies Plumbing/HVAC Remodels: List Companies Plumbing/HVAC Service and Repair: List Companies. This would benefit those who visit our web site and bring revenue to OUR members. If you have any ideas for your Association, be sure and send us an e-mail with your suggestions.

Dan Leidy,
Executive Director

P.S. If you are an employee of a company that is a member of the PACK, then you are a member also.

VENDOR SHOWCASE 2010

Vendor Showcase Dinner is just around the corner, so mark your calendar's for Wednesday, May 26th and join us. This year's guest speaker will be Wink Hartman. Last year's event brought in

over 20 vendors and more than 250 dinner guests. We hope you will all join us again this year. Watch the mail for more information coming soon.





A Note From John Grange

And for my contractor friends I want you to know (Carlisle's) recently had a tax audit. Our income, and employee withholding was fine. The problem came with sales tax not being charged to commercial service/remodel customers. We inadvertently did not correctly charge sales tax for some contracts for which we did not have a current exemption certificate.

“Do not anything when it comes to exemptions.”

Do not assume anything when it comes to exemptions. When in doubt ask for a certificate especially if the work is for a specific project. Fail to do this and you are on the hook for the pay-

ment. How much fun will it be to go back to customers and ask them to pony up some additional unexpected costs? Department of Revenue can go back 7 years, but normally will go 3-4 years.

Another point that I have contested is they found that NUVOX (phone provider) had not charged me sales tax for the past 3 years and Revenue wants that tax from me as well. #2 The auditor also discovered the supply houses and others have not charged me sales tax on tools and they (revenue) want those taxes from me as

well. I suggested they go back to those entities for the \$ and was told they normally will just assess the contractor (me) at the time of the audit. As I stated earlier I am contesting this part of the audit findings.

One bright spot is that the Dept. of Revenue will review all of the audit and does allow for a payment plan. My last suggestion is to have your office manager or taxman to make sure you are in compliance. KDOR 1.785.296.3909 www.kdor.state.ks.us

Thanks, John

New Secretary of The Board



Steve Conduff of Superior Plumbing, Heating, & Cooling has graciously volunteered to be the new Secretary of the Board. We are thankful for the many years of service we

received from his predecessor, Monty Cruse.

Steve has been a member of the board, and now we welcome him in his new position. It isn't

always easy to find time to volunteer, so if you see either one of these men, be sure to thank them. They help watch out for the interest of the local business man.

Our Newest Board Member

The PACK would like to introduce its newest member of the board, Mr. John Gee. John and his partner Brandon Blodgett own a Christian based company named Disciple Construction. Prior to starting their own business both John and Brandon served together in the military and had their fair share of the fun over in the big sand box, as they like to call it, in Iraq and Afghanistan. While in the military they were in the construction field, specializing in plumb-

ing and electrical, but getting the full spectrum experience in construction.

They managed to participate in all phases of construction from building housing units in Iraq to repairing blown up roads and buildings. Funs stuff, we know, but these guys really know their stuff!

After sitting in 130 degree temperatures in humvees with no A/C and getting mortars thrown at them daily, they both decided to get out and do what they are doing right now! So while still

in the military, a civilian plumber on base encouraged him to get his plumbing license. He brought John to us and got him enrolled in Dan's code class. Soon thereafter he took and passed his master's exam. We admire his ambition and look forward to working with him over the next year. If you get a chance, please welcome him to the team! Welcome aboard John! We're glad to have you!

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Welcome Back Terry!!

After sitting on the City Plumbing Board for the last eight years, Terry Irwin had termed out and decided to volunteer his new free time down at The PACK. Terry came in when a seat was left by

Mark Herndon. We thank Mark for his contributions and wish him well in his new adventures.

Terry has served on our board in the past and we are happy to

have him back. Terry has always made time to volunteer at his local Association, and we appreciate his efforts. WELCOME BACK TERRY! We look forward to working with you again.



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FUN FACTS!!

The "Old World" had other ideas on what to call a toilet:

Israelis: House of Honor

Romans: Necessarium

Tudors: Privy or House of Privacy

French: La Chambre Sent (the smelly room) Proof that everything really does sound sexier in French.

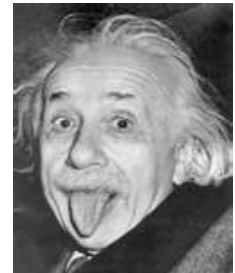
Romans used a stick with a sponge on the end for toilet paper...hence the term "wrong end of the stick"

70% of men leave the seat down

89% of women leave the seat down...are the other 11% happy with falling in?

In the 1930's the American Addies Brush Company manufactured the world's first artificial Christmas Tree using the

same machinery that made their toilet brushes!



Albert Einstein was named an honorary member of the Plumber's and Steamfitter's Union after saying publicly that he would become a plumber if had to do it all over again.