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A Message from your President

We are back with monthly member luncheon meetings and we will have JD Rottweiler as our featured speaker on February 23rd at 1130 at the Cochise College Student Union. The facilities are much nicer at our new meeting location and the food is excellent so please try and attend to show support for SACA.

We are trying to put together safety training classes for our members. Please take the time to respond to our poll showing any interest and in which particular training.

There has been discussion of setting up a SACA Trap shoot at the Sierra Vista shooting range. If there is interest from the membership we will set up a tournament and have trophies. Please let us know if this is something that you would be interested in participating.

Now is a great time to join the SACA board and help us pursue positive change in the industry and in our community. Our future events might be different than how they were run before and we need your help in discovering new ways to grow as an organization and community.

Kevin Wilusz



SACA Calendar of Events

General Membership Meetings, Feb 23 and March 23

Our upcoming meetings will feature interesting speakers:

Adam Thrasher on March 23 (details will be added)

Mike Cline on April 27 (details will be added)

The cost for tent will still be \$20.00 per person. You may pay via cash, check or credit card at the event. If you choose to pay online, there will be a 3.5% processing fee added to the transaction.



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Volunteer Opportunities available!!
If you are interested in helping with helping SACA grow and make a difference in our community, we would be delighted to welcome you. We could use help with community outreach and a person acting as a City Liaison. If you are interested, please reach out to one of our current Board Members.

Government Meetings

Cochise County Board of

Supervisors

Board Of Supervisors
Hearing Room
1415 Melody Lane.

Tuesdays
10AM

Building G, Bisbee

Sierra Vista City Council

Council Chambers, City Hall

1011 N Coronado Drive

2nd & 4th

Thursdays

5PM

Benson City Council

Benson Community Center
705 W Union Street

2nd & 4th

Mondays
7PM

Bisbee City Council
City Hall Building
915 S Tovreaville Road

1st & 3rd
Tuesdays

Douglas City Council 2nd
City Hall, Council Chamber
425 10th Street Wednesdays

7PM

PM

Willcox City Council
City Hall, Council Chamber 1st Thursday
300 W Rex Allen Drive 5:30PM

Virtual Plan Room Visit SACA's virtual plan room for local bid opportunities.

www.saca-az.org, under membership.

Call 520-458-0488 for more information.

SACA's Annual Charity Golf Classic for 2022 is happening!!!

We are happy to announce that we will be moving forward with our biggest annual event. We will be holding the Golf tournament at Mountain View Golf Course, October 21 at 8AM. Of course, we will be looking for sponsors and prize donations.

Please be on the lookout for more information in the next couple months and talk to your SACA BoD members for more information.



SACA's 16th Annual Charity Golf Classic

November 6, 2020 at San Pedro Golf Course in Benson, AZ

The golf event was held in Benson at the San Pedro Golf Course, this year due to the COVID-19 restraints at the golf course we normally hold our event. The golf event we planned was as socially distant as we possible could, and COVID resistant as possible. This event helps raise the necessary funds to support local community charities as well as the SACA building fund.

We would like to thank all of our sponsors, without your support, we wouldn't have been able to make things happen.

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Health, Safety and Welfare

OSHA News Release

Pennsylvania plastic recycler faces \$88K in fines for exposing workers to combustible dust hazards following US Department of Labor inspection

Employer name: PGA Inc.

Inspection site: 185 South Street, Freeland, Pennsylvania 18224

Date inspections initiated: The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration initiated two inspections on Sept. 2, 2021, after receiving a referral from the Freeland Borough's Office of Code Enforcement alleging employees at PGA Inc. were exposed to combustible dust and other workplace safety and health hazards.

Inspection findings: OSHA cited PGA Inc. for one willful, seven serious and one other-than-serious safety and health violations for both inspections. The agency found the workplace hazards included the company permitting dangerous amounts of combustible dust to build up on surfaces that possibly could ignite due to open electrical equipment in the area. OSHA previously cited the company for some of the same violations in 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2020.

Total proposed penalties: \$88,423

Quote: "Combustible dust can burn rapidly and explode with little warning, putting workers at risk for severe injury or death," said OSHA Area Director Mary Reynolds in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. "PGA Inc.'s continued failure to implement effective controls to prevent the accumulation of combustible dust will not be tolerated."

Link to citations: https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/OPA/newsreleases/2022/03/OSHA2022324-1.pdf and https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/OPA/newsreleases/2022/03/OSHA2022324-2.pdf

Company description: PGA Inc. provides plastic recycling services in Northeast Pennsylvania and surrounding states.

For information on combustible dust safety, visit https://www.osha.gov/combustible-dust.

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Articles from EC&M – The Magazine of Electrical Design Construction and Maintenance

Show Me the Money

The \$1.2-trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will drive an enormous amount of business to just about every corner of the electrical industry. Here's a rundown of where, when, and what stands in the way.

After a long gestation and difficult birth, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) became law on Nov. 15, 2021. Partisan wrangling is the obvious reason it took nearly eight months to go from conception to reality, but another is its unprecedented scope. The IIJA provides funding for just about every type of infrastructure, including water and wastewater treatment plants, transportation (such as rail and buses, roads, bridges, ports, and airports) as well as grid upgrades, renewables, and more. That means plenty of new business for electrical design firms and electrical contractors over the next several years.

"The infrastructure work we'd expect to see at <u>Cupertino Electric</u> would be related to our energy business, especially utility-scale renewable and battery storage projects," says Tom Schott, president and CEO of the San Jose, Calif.-based firm. "On the public infrastructure side, we'd also be likely to see aviation, water treatment, and transit projects."

The states and a variety of federal agencies — such as the Department of Energy and the Department of Transportation — oversee disbursing the money, with timelines varying by project type. In some cases, such as Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) facilities, the money will be "available until expended." In others, it must be used by 2026 or 2028.

"It's going to be a bit of a bell curve," says Phil Squair, vice president of government relations at the Arlington, Va.-based <u>National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)</u>. "Some money is flowing now. Then it'll grow and grow. Most of the funding is probably going to go in years two, three, and four and then start to taper in years four and five."

Ozone Park, N.Y.-based Five Star Electric has a similar outlook.

"I think a small portion of it [will be] in 2022, but I think it's going to have a larger impact over the following years — 2023, 2024, 2025 — especially with the magnitude and the size of the projects," says Russ Lancey, president and CEO.



Work on Newark Liberty International Airport's Terminal A, shown here, started before the IIJA. But it's still an example of the types of large-scale transportation projects that the IIJA will fund over the next several years.

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City of Sierra Vista	(520) 458-5775	www.sierravistaaz.gov
Cochise College	(520) 515-4509	www.cochise.edu
Cochise County	(520) 432-9440	www.cochise.az.gov
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Empire Homes, Inc.	(520) 455-5506	www.empirehomes-az.com
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Members of SACA have invested their resources to support the local construction industry. Please honor them by giving them priority when choosing business partners.

Despite the struggles with the continuing pandemic, SACA has been able to continue to support our local communities by supporting students in the Cochise College Residential Construction Program, Special Olympics and the Wounded Warriors Project.

We are very grateful for the support from our members making it possible for us to support these programs.