

MACAPA UPDATE

October 2019

Summer/Fall Highlights

Sidewalk Update: Concrete sidewalks concerns continue to be a major topic across the state. Brian Barry and myself have met with several organizations, institutions and private companies all with the same issue of surface failures. To date we have offered revised material and installation specification to MassDOT and the UMASS Amherst design & construction team. We need to continue spreading our experience and knowledge on best practices for durable sidewalk construction. We held our 1st NRMCA Exterior Flatwork Certification Program in August! Henry Prenger from LafageHolcim, and creator of the certification program, conducted the class and several of us became certified instructors to administer the class moving forward. MaCAPA's goal is to put as many concrete contractors and finishers through this course as possible, I will need your help to accomplish this. This is a one day/ "lifetime certification". The class will teach them about materials, proper installation practices as well as the importance of curing and sealing the surface.

Public Safety Bill H3844 & S1799—We had our hearing in front of the joint Public Safety Committee on Sept. 12th. The testimony from our team was well received and we are currently having follow-up conversation with all the committee members to make sure they fully understand the subject and to answer any question, so far the response has been very positive. We are also continuing to build our coalition of labor, industry, fire safety personnel, and legislators. **We need your help with any personal contacts and relationships you have. Now is the time to forward that information to me, so we can educate them and have them help with this public safety effort.**

Northeast Regional

ConcreteWorks

Date: Nov. 6th & 7th

Location: MGM Springfield

Please register soon!!

Check out the agenda! We have a great schedule of topics and speakers.

MaCAPA West Golf Tournament

Thanks to all 44 golfers who participated in the tournament!

The weather was perfect and as always, the Chicopee County Club Staff did a great job!

Special thanks to all our hole sponsors and to those who brought gifts for the raffle.