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## Technical Committee Update

Please mark your calendars!

The first meeting of Technical Committee for 2010 will be held at Rockville Fuel & Feed's Office in Rockville, MD on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 @ 10am.

Rockville Fuel & Feed's address is:  
14901 Southlawn Lane  
Rockville, Maryland 20850  
Phone: 301-762-3988

If your company does not currently have someone attending these meetings, please contact Mindy Green to be included on the mailing list and come prepared to be a part of the discussions.

Niles Mason  
Chairman - Technical Committee

## Promotion

Paving is the word. If you're in the concrete business and you're not gearing up for some concrete paving, then you may want to consider your options again. The market has changed to say the least, but where the market goes from here, depends on us. Technology has changed (laser screeds with 3-D) and desires have changed (give me a green building) so that the playing field is wide open when it comes to pavements in Maryland. Don't forget, the market share for concrete paving is currently about 2% ... so what have you got to loose?

The NRMCA has announced they are bringing one of Chicago's finest, Mr Len Swederski to Silver Spring on February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> as one of the instructors for the course, "How to Build a Successful Concrete Parking Lot Construction Business". This should be a great opportunity to work with someone who has had success with concrete parking lot paving. Please consider participating in this course. Click on the link for registration information.

<http://www.marylandconcrete.com/Services/index.cfm/go/index.cfm/go/ShowEvent/EventID/40.cfm>

Commercial and Residential markets vary these days, but our promotion efforts are anchored in simple and consistent messages. Committees continue to meet and maintain active communication within the industry. Several AIA seminars are already scheduled for this month regarding ICF for Commercial Buildings while the ever so popular Pervious Concrete keeps topping the request charts.

Give us a call at 301-694-4899 or drop me an email at [tom@marylandconcrete.com](mailto:tom@marylandconcrete.com) sometime if you want to know more about our committees or if you have a promotion idea that we could consider.

Tom Evans  
Promotion Council Director

## MRMCA Members Contribute to Extreme Makeover Home Edition - Airs Feb. 28

Chaney Enterprises and partner customers topped off the summer giving their all to the construction of a home and community center for ABC-TV's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" the last week of August.

"Chaney Enterprises and our partners, working around the clock and dealing with many challenges, gave 150 percent toward the completion of the two projects," said Jan Holt, chief customer officer for Chaney Enterprises. "Both the home and the community center are fabulous structures, and we are proud of the team effort from everyone."

To keep the projects moving, a special accelerating admix was included in the concrete. Under normal construction, concrete takes days to cure, or harden. "Time is even more critical for such a specialized mix and once the truck's mixer drum starts running, the mix must be poured and finished rapidly," said Mike Hockenberry, manager of Technical Services for Chaney Enterprises. Both Hockenberry and Damian Caprinola, a Chaney Enterprises technical services technician, were on site to monitor all the mixer trucks and concrete pours.

The home for the Tripp family in Hyattsville and The Fishing School community center in the Brentwood neighborhood of Washington, DC, were built concurrently over the week by Burch Builders Group, LLC and G&M Contracting, Inc. Both of Northern Virginia, the two companies led the construction of the projects. Chaney Enterprises and its partnering companies were among several companies in the building industry who volunteered for the week-long demolition and construction.

The cumulative total donated by Chaney Enterprises, Z CON, Eastern Concrete, Independent Concrete, Increte of Maryland, W.R. Grace, Aaron's Concrete Pumping, Stone Shooters, Leep Green, Miller & Long and LaFarge is estimated at approximately \$100,000. This amount includes concrete, pervious concrete, cement, Insulated Concrete Forms (ICFs), decorative concrete, building materials and labor.

Both the Tripp home and The Fishing School featured many "green" construction elements, including solar panels and various innovations using concrete. Standard concrete, as used in the driveways, is an environmentally friendly material. Not only is concrete long-lasting and durable, it also reflects

light, which reduces lighting needs and heat-island effect.

Pervious concrete, used on the sidewalk of The Fishing School and as a patio for the Tripp home, allows rainwater to percolate through its small openings instead of creating runoff that leads to erosion and stormwater ponding. Easy to maintain, the durable pervious concrete lasts as long as traditional concrete.

Both structures also used Insulated Concrete Forms (ICFs). These foam-framing forms are hollow, so concrete can be poured into the center. ICF buildings realize major reductions in energy costs. ICF also provides outstanding structural strength and integrity.

Chaney Enterprises is on the leading edge of developing, testing and producing high-quality concrete mixes, such as pervious concrete and concrete overlay, for customers throughout the region. The company is a major supplier of ICF and other building materials and is the One Stop Shop™ for construction materials and supplies. Serving Maryland and neighboring Metropolitan DC since 1962, we strive to provide superior, top-quality products as we employ a combination of land management and environmentally friendly practices unsurpassed in the industry.

"Extreme Makeover: Home Edition," which won back-to-back Emmy Awards for Best Reality Program (non competitive), is entering its 7th season on ABC. This project's two-hour episode is expected to air on February 28, 2010 at 8 p.m.

For information call 301-932-5665 or visit [ChaneyEnterprises.com](http://ChaneyEnterprises.com).

## Welcome New Members

### CONTRACTOR:

Bechtel Power Corporation  
5275 Westview Drive  
Frederick, MD 21703  
(301) 228-6621  
Mr. Mike Hickey  
Contractor Services  
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## Promotion Council Members 2010

Dennis Smith, Superior Plus, LLC - Chair  
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Tom Evans, MRMCA-Secretary  
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Todd Gillespie, Gillespie & Son, Inc.  
Niles Mason, Grace Construction Products  
Tony Sneska, Essroc Cement Corporation  
Tom Sparks, Hunt Valley Contractors, Inc.  
Steve Tripp, Chaney Enterprises

## MRMCA OFFICERS/DIRECTORS - 2010

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TOM PITTMAN  
PCS

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TERRY CRISPELL  
Lehigh Cement Company

Secretary:  
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Grace Construction Products

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Chaney Enterprises

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Rowen Concrete, Inc.

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Aggregate Industries

CHARLIE MITCHELL  
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M K Concrete Construction

GREG STONE  
Bartley Corporation

## Website

[www.marylandconcrete.com](http://www.marylandconcrete.com)

"No website? No problem."

Now MRMCA member companies that don't have websites can have all of their information (company profiles) displayed through the MRMCA website for just \$100/ yr.

As always, linking your website to the MRMCA website allows browsers to find your site through the Association.

Currently, many of our members are linked. Are you?

Please contact Tom Evans or Mindy Green at 301-694-4899 to get "linked"!

## Other News

One of our old members, Cornell Construction, Inc is ceasing operations and is selling concrete/construction equipment including: Vibra Strike, Trowel machine, Georgia buggies, forms, stamping tools, and more; equipment and vehicles for commercial and residential concrete work. The auction is Monday, January 18, 2010 at 10am. The location is 6846 Michaels Mill Road, Buckeystown (Frederick County) Maryland.

For more information, you can visit [www.cochranauctions.com](http://www.cochranauctions.com).

## Projects, Projects, Projects

We are always looking for local Maryland Projects to incorporate into our website or into one of our presentation for an AIA seminar to help promote concrete.

If you have a project you would like to tell us about, please forward details to the association by contacting Tom Evans ([tom@marylandconcrete.com](mailto:tom@marylandconcrete.com)) or Mindy Green ([mindy@marylandconcrete.com](mailto:mindy@marylandconcrete.com)).

## 2010 Calendar

### · January 13

\_ Maryland Ready Mix Concrete  
Association  
Technical Committee Meeting

### January 27-28

[Maryland Quality Initiative \(MdQI\) Conference-Sheraton-Baltimore](#)

### · February 3

[Legislative Breakfast Reception-Annapolis](#)

### · February 2-5

[World of Concrete-Las Vegas, Nevada](#)

· **March 14-16**

[NRMCA Annual Convention-Austin, Texas](#)

· **March 23**

[Concrete Conference-Crowne Plaza-Timonium, Maryland](#)

· **June 27-29**

[Maryland Construction & Materials Spring Conference-Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Resort-Cambridge, Maryland](#)

## ACI Field Grade 1 Exam Schedule

**March 31**

**April 21**

**May 19**

**June 16**

**August 18**

**September 15**

**October 20**