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## MEETING NOTICE

**WSMPA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017**

Washington Suburban Master Plumbers Association's monthly general membership meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 15, 2017**. This meeting will be held at Knights of Columbus (College Park).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
9450 CHERRY HILL ROAD  
COLLEGE PARK, MD 20740**

**\*\*NEW FORMAT\*\*NEW FORMAT\*\*NEW FORMAT\*\***

- 6:00p Call to Order
  - 6:10p Sponsor Training/Presentation
  - 7:30p **COMPLIMENTARY** Buffet Dinner
  - 8:00p Business Meeting
  - 8:30p Adjourn
- AWESOME Door Prize Drawing(s)**

This meeting is being sponsored by:



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



October was a month of change for our association. First, our meetings—general membership, and board—will now be called-to-order at 6:00PM. Second, the format of our general membership meeting was changed to give our sponsors more time to present their products and have a Q&A session. Last, but not least, we held our first golf tournament on October 20<sup>th</sup> at Rattlewood Golf Course in Mt. Airy, MD. Thanks to Charlotte Hall, Jeff Wheat, and all who participated, the tournament was both a social and financial success. In the future, the tournament will be called the . . .

**“Richard A. Barnes WSMPA Golf Classic.”**

We will be announcing a “save the date” for next year’s tournament very shortly. Be sure to check out page 3 for some golf tournament highlights.

WSSC has made some changes to their website to give customers options for finding a plumber in their area. A page has been added entitled [Finding and Verifying a Plumber/Gasfitter](#) and a link to WSMPA’s website has been included under suggested resources. We are pursuing the rewriting/redesign of our website. Watch your inbox for future updates!

*Chuck Small, 2017 President*



“What if we don’t change at all ...  
and something magical just happens?”

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



### General Membership Meeting

- November 15, 2017
- December 13, 2017\*
- January 17, 2018
- February 21, 2018
- March 21, 2018
- April 18, 2018
- May 16, 2018

\*Note: This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> vs 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday.

### **71<sup>st</sup> Annual Dinner Dance**

#### **“The Plumbers’ Ball”**

February 3, 2018  
(Hilton-Gaithersburg)

### **WSMPA 2018 Golf Tournament**

TBA

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Location TBD.

## **WSSC**

WSSC will be closed on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> (day after Thanksgiving).

## **WSMPA 2018 ELECTION**

WSMPA’s election of 2018 officers/directors will take place at the December General Membership Meeting. If you’re interested in running for a position on the Board, call the office at 301-466-7747. We would love to have some new faces serve on the 2018 Board and/or 2018 Committees.

NOMINATIONS

ARE OPEN



## **EDUCATION**

### **18-HR JOURNEYMAN/MASTER TEST REVIEWS**

#### Location

**JAMES A. WHEAT & SONS, INC.**  
**7832 Beechcraft Avenue • Gaithersburg, MD 20879**

#### Plumber

6 Weeknights • 6p-9p/night  
Starts November 27, 2017

**COST: \$400 Members / \$450 Non-members**

#### Gasfitter

6 Weeknights • 6p-9p/night  
Next Class Schedule - TBA

**COST: \$400 Members / \$450 Non-members**

Download Application(s) from WSMPA’s website  
[www.wsmpla.com](http://www.wsmpla.com) under Education or call 301-466-7747.

## WSMPA GOLF TOURNAMENT

*Charlotte (Charlie) S. Hall*

On behalf of WSMPA, I'd like to give a huge shout out to everyone who participated in our October 20<sup>th</sup> golf tournament. **THANK YOU** to all our generous sponsors, donors, golfers, and volunteers. Because of your generosity and participation, WSMPA can check this event off as a **SUCCESS**.

If you were unable to join us I'll share a few highlights below.

What an amazing day it turned out to be. The weather was absolutely gorgeous! The shot gun start at 9am began a fun day on the golf course for 67 golfers.

Golfers had a chance to win a car on Hole #12 (*sponsored by Sport Chevrolet*) with a hole-in-one. Even though no one won the car, golfers enjoyed being cheered on by Ms. America.

The Beverage Cart, *sponsored by Jetglas® - D&B Distributing Co.*, had to be operated by an employee of Rattlewood. So, Sharron Bremerman and I ended up volunteering at the Putting Contest. Oh what an exciting Putting Contest it was! Several golfers took a chance and missed, before Wade King (Team Wheat) came along and became the first to sink a putt. Almost right behind Wade was Ray Baker (retired WashGas) who sank the 2<sup>nd</sup> putt of the day. The two would later have a putt-off where Ray was announced the winner by Rattlewood's Assistant GM, Dan Henry. Ray went home with a 55" 4K TV. Wade didn't go home empty handed. He won a set of WSMPA Corn Holes for **Longest Drive-Hole #3**.

The tournament was followed by a buffet lunch catered by CarterQue BBQ (*sponsored by Mallick Plumbing & Heating*). An awards presentation followed.

Thomas Cole (Milwaukee) had the **Longest Drive-Hole #17**. The prize was a Dewalt Tool.

**Closest To The Pin-Hole #8** was won by Carl Fisher (Team Gaithersburg Plumbing). He won a Milwaukee drill.

Tim McMahon (Thos. Somerville) won a Gallon Bottle of Grey Goose (*donated by Mt. Airy Liquors*) for **Closest To The Pin-Hole #16**.

### Tournament Winner Awards

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Place Trophy Winners**



#### **Team: Cole Contracting**

(Randy Cole, Johno Steffen, Rob Reed, Brian Corsiatto)

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Trophy Winners**



#### **Team: Taze & Hewitt**

(Dave Bassett, Dustin Johnson, Chris Able, Dave Becker)

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place Trophy Winners**



#### **Team: Thos. Somerville Co.**

(Andy Simpson, Tim McMahon, Paul "Trey," Jack Shultz)

**CONGRATULATIONS to all our WINNERS!!!!**

Speaking of winners, Mike Bowersox won a Yeti Tumbler donated by Ferguson and Kevin Black was our 50/50 winner.

**THANKS again to our SPONSORS!!!!**

**Beverage Cart**

Jetglas® - D&B Distributing Company

**Lunch**

Mallick Plumbing & Heating

**Hole Sponsors**

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Cole Contracting

DeWalt

Mallick Plumbing & Heating

Master Plumbing and Mechanical

Milwaukee Tool

Moen

Noland (Frederick)

Parts Unlimited

T&S Painting

Taze & Hewitt

Thos. Somerville Co.

Thos. Somerville Co (Fairfax)

Virginia Marketing

Washington Gas

Washington Winnelson

I am already looking forward to next year, and hope to see you there!

Again, thanks **FORE** your support!



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## **SUNSHINE & SYMPATHY**

*Get well wishes* for Margaret Anne Hahn  
(a.k.a. Missy Plumb).


## **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

*Chuck Small*

### **“Lifelong Friendships”**

I am approaching my Fifth Decade of **active** participation in our association, and the friendships I have made in that time are priceless. Knowing you have someone that shares the same problems and is glad to discuss them relieves a great deal of the daily stress of operating a business. There are many members I have counted as special friends over the years: John Seymour, Tony Eberly and Ricky Barnes (whom all I greatly miss); Francis Coleman, Dale Hornbarger, George Brill, and especially Artie Black. Our shared respect for our trade and each other is what makes our association strong.

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Sometimes I look at my friends and think to myself, 'where did I meet these crazy people?' But then I think... what would I do without them?!

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*(Opinions expressed by various authors are those of the author and not necessarily those of this association, the board of directors or the editorial staff.)*

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## Some Thanksgiving Humor . . . . .



These companies support our Association throughout the year. **PLEASE** patronize them:

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