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Mark Your Calendar

JOIN US FOR OUR JULY MEETING!

The next General Membership Meeting of the San Antonio Association of Building Engineers is set for 11:30 am on **THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2016** at the University United Methodist Church located at 5084 DeZavala Road.

Check the SAABE website for details on the presentation in July.

RSVPs are due no later than FRIDAY, JULY 15TH, 2016. YOU MUST RSVP, OUR NEW VENUE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE WALK-INS.

If you must cancel your attendance, please email Britney Brantley at saabetx@gmail.com BY **FRIDAY JULY 15TH AT 5:00PM** so we can cancel your meal. Cancellations received after this time will still be invoiced.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2016!

10:00 AM

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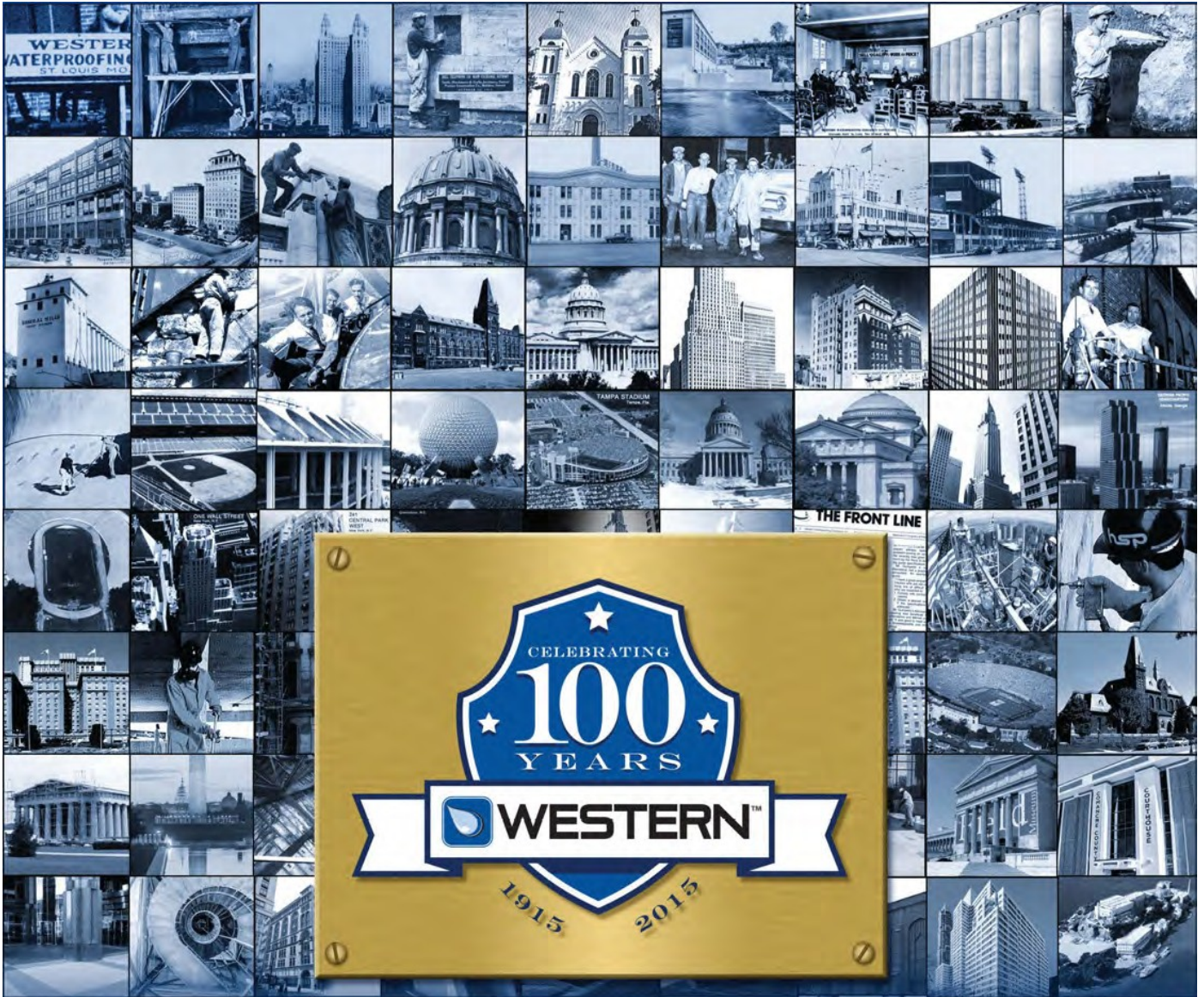
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SEE PAGE 4 FOR MORE INFORMATION!





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Above the Ceiling

by Paul Thompson, SAABE President

Watching the River Flow

Well, we've been through another heavy-weather Texas spring! Is it just me, or does this seem to be a carbon copy (ask somebody old) of last year? Between the Noah's Ark grade downpours, the lightning, high winds taking down trees, fences, the hail tearing up roofs, windows, skylights and peppering half the cars in San Antonio (those that didn't get washed away in the low water crossings) and the (formerly dry) Medina dam running over the spillway it's been another one for the books. By the way, Pete had a building float off down the street, if any one sees it, please send it back...

Last month's General Membership meeting had a great presentation led by a trio of smart women from Johnson Controls. Crystal Torres (Account Rep) introduced Jennifer Tobias (Systems Developer) who brought us up-to-date on the status of refrigerants, ozone depletion vs. global warming potential, phase out dates, etc. Piper Wick (Fire & Security Account Exec) talked about the three phases of emergency incident management: readiness, response and recovery.

All good info to know.

The SAABE/Phil Anderson Memorial Picnic, named in honor of our past President, is coming! Join us on Saturday June 25th at Kane's Ol' River Hideaway (8511 River Road in New Braunfels); watch out for email blasts for details! Plan to bring the family as all immediate family members are free (but there will be a \$25.00 charge to bring additional guests). Please RSVP so Big John knows how much meat to throw on the grill. As always, there will be plenty of food, door prizes, horse shoes, stuff for the kids and best of all: a chance to get together with our SAABE extended family! Remember, there will be NO General Membership meeting in June.

It's with a heavy heart that we mourn the recent passing of our brother Building Engineers Lee Cantu and Mike Gruber, both taken too early. Our thoughts and prayers go out for their family and friends in this time of great sorrow.



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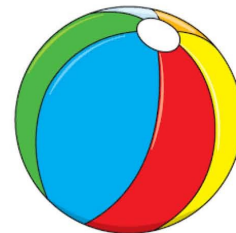
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MORE!**



**THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND FOR EXISTING SAABE MEMBERS AND
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VIDE NAMES & AGES ON RSVP!
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NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY JUNE 22ND, 2015!

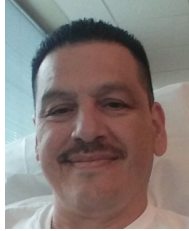
SEE YOU THERE!



IN MEMORIAM

LEE CANTU

by Art Martinez



On behalf of the Cantu Family they would like to say Thank You to San Antonio Association of Building Engineers for all the contributions that were raised towards the Carnival Cruise. It meant a great deal to Lee and Martha to share those last precious moments with each other on the cruise.

Lee Cantu went to be with the Lord on May 14th 2016. Lee had been battling Cancer for quiet sometime. Although despite of going through chemo and dialysis, Lee had always managed to keep a positive attitude and smile on his face. Lee continued to touch people's hearts until the very end. Lee leaves behind his wife Martha Cantu and 6 children.

I for one had the pleasure to know and work with Lee. He was a great friend and he will surely be missed.

Thank you

Mike Gruber's Obituary



Michael F. X. Gruber, 53, passed away Friday, May 27, 2016 in San Antonio, Texas. He was born February 16, 1963 in Merced, California to George Thomas Gruber and Jean Scott Shipley.

What can you say about a man like Mike Gruber? He was a man among men. His character, work ethic, loyalty, honesty, integrity, his stature were all epic. He was a great mentor, co-worker, and a great friend to all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Mike was the kind of guy who would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it. You could trust Mike with the keys to your house, he was so honest. Mike worked at several buildings around town as a Chief Building Engineer and assisted on many projects. He never turned his back on his teammates and was not afraid of hard work.

We should all be thankful for the time we were able to spend with Mike. Please continue to pray for the Gruber family through their time of need.

Let's all remember... it's not goodbye, it's I'll see you later.



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SAABE Serves

by Stacey Mercer



SAABE serves is gathering donations for the Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation organization. Please see below on what items are needed and that can be brought to the next two general membership meetings. All items donated will help to contribute to this completely independent and non-profit organization. For more information please visit www.wildlife-rescue.org

For any questions, or to offer help please contact Stacey Mercer with Blackmon Mooring at [\(210\) 218-6663](tel:2102186663) / stacey@bmsmanagement.com

Items needed:

Dog, Cat & Bird food, Pet beds, disposable gloves, trash bags, spray bottles, food bowls, bird/owl houses, scrub brushes, squeegees, dog houses, blankets, towels, brooms, hay, reptile heat lamps, loppers, nail polish (easy and safe way to mark baby birds and mammals)....and more!! Monetary donations are accepted as well!!!

Vendor Rep Report

by Dwayne Putney



Engineers keep in mind your continuing education hours for your CBE certifications are coming up due. Engineers understand many supply vendors have free classes, please share any classes you know of with myself or John. Thank you for your RSVP efforts going forward with future meeting, remember this is an important process be diligent. I am currently working on a class to be presented by Amcon on pneumatics the venue for this will be the entech training room, time and date to be announced.

Next SAABE luncheon - There will not be a presentation this month due to our SAABE picnic. Engineers remember to support your SAABE vendors when seeking goods and services. We have several opportunities available for vendors to present at our monthly meetings, please contact myself or other board members if your company is interested. I look forward to seeing all of you at your next luncheon, please remember to RSVP thank you.

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Education Corner

By John Leifester



Howdy!

A lot of news and work is happening behind the scenes for SAABE. Please feel free to send comments, concerns, or praise to any one of the board members. I am working diligently on our Tax status update and getting this wrapped up for the organization. I will have more updates in future articles about some great ideas coming down the pipeline for training. Stay tuned.

We are seeking sponsors for the 1st Thursday Trainings for 2016. If you haven't sponsored before, please take a moment to consider. 20-30 engineers in a captive audience listening to you educate them on your field and products related to it. That is a dream audience. Please don't hesitate to contact me at

john@dedicatedls.com or on my cell at 210-771-7081.

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON OUR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS!

SAABE WILL BE CHANGING OUR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS VENUE. GOING FORWARD, OUR LUNCHEONS WILL BE HELD AT **UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, LOCATED AT 5084 DEZAVALA ROAD.**

OUR LUNCHEONS WILL BE ON THE **THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF JUNE WHERE THERE WILL BE NO LUNCHEON DUE TO THE SAABE SOCIAL PICNIC.

OUR NEW VENUE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE WALKINS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU SUBMIT YOUR RSVPS ON TIME. THE RSVPS WILL BE DUE ON THE **FRIDAY BEFORE THE LUNCHEON.** ANYONE THAT MISSES THE DEADLINE MAY ATTEND THE LUNCHEON, BUT WILL ONLY BE SERVED A LUNCH IF THERE ARE NO-SHOWS. THIS WILL BE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE. IF YOU DO NOT RSVP ON TIME AND THERE ARE NOT ANY NO-SHOWS, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW THE PRESENTATION, BUT WILL NOT BE SERVED A MEAL.

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“Summertime is always the best of what might be.”

– Charles Bowden

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