



## February 2021 Update

Dear CMAA Baltimore Chapter Members,

So here we are in a new year and still fighting our way through a pandemic. We remain optimistic that brighter times are just around the corner. By now you should have seen the information and nomination portal that Larry Hughes put out to the community. We are setting up an election portal for the Secretary position and please plan participate. We are also soon planning to announce the added positions to the Chapter also.

We have been working on scheduling events for 2021 as best as we are able currently. We are very happy to announce that we have booked a date for the annual golf outing. Please save the date Friday August 6<sup>th</sup> for this event. We will hold the event at Turf valley and hope, as the date is later, that we will also be able to pair this with both the scholarship presentation and awards.

We are currently submitting for CEU/PDH approval by CMAA for a virtual bring your own lunch learning session March 23 from 12:00-1:00. Mr. Mike Trail, CCM, with Gannett Fleming, will present on the topic of Pipe Bursting. Please save this date.

The Board is also working on bringing back the Owner's Forum. Currently we are attempting to line up speakers that will be willing to participate in a virtual presentation. We hope to be adding a date and time for this event in late Spring. The annual project awards should also roll out sometime this month.

News on the National CMAA front includes the roll out of the new CMHQ app. If you have not seen it or heard about it, please check the app store or currently National has links to the app on the main webpage. Focus21 will take place virtually from April 12-15<sup>th</sup>. This is certainly a unique opportunity to deliver valuable information to anyone in the CM field. Sessions and days will be geared for the entry level to key stake holder. Plan to participate.

We continue to partner with the construction management students at Morgan State University. Focus21 offers a unique opportunity for the students here to participate in the virtual conference. We are asking firms and members to consider making a donation to the Chapter so that we may be able to offer sponsorship for a student to attend. Each student can attend for the low fee of \$30.00 if we can meet the early bird registration. In the event that donations exceed the need we will apply the remain funding to the Chapter's scholarship fund.

Hope to see you all soon in either the virtual realm or hopefully better yet in person. Stay healthy and seriously consider vaccination to help us move towards an end or least control of the Covid pandemic.

Sincerely,

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