

Greetings From the President

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May 2008

May has proven to be a busy and exciting month for AMCA members and staff. Quite a few members attended AMCA's Midyear meeting held May 4-5, 2008 at the newly renovated AMCA International headquarters in Arlington Heights, IL. The meeting was a huge success!

AMCA would like to extend our thanks to our 2008 Midyear Meeting sponsors;

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Sunday, May 4, 2008 was busy with board and committee meetings. The Board of Directors met on Sunday for a majority of the day. Some of the highlights discussed; strategic plan, facilities needs, CRP, and budget for the coming fiscal year. Additionally, there were ECAT, and AMCA Engineering Standards committee meetings held throughout the day.

The all member reception/dinner was held Sunday evening... This event was very well attended and provided opportunities for old friends and new acquaintances to socialize and network and to tour their association. We were very pleased to have had several International members attend the meetings and dinner.



Monday, May 5, 2008 was another very busy day for AMCA, with Divisional Meetings, Marketing Committee, and Sales & Marketing Committee Meetings held in the morning. During the general session held Monday afternoon, members viewed a recap of milestones and events since the October Annual Meeting. **AMCA International's new Corporate Video also debuted during this time (to view the video please visit www.amca.org).**



AMCA International Annual Meeting.....October 16-18, 2008 AMCA will host its 53rd Annual Meeting in Savannah, GA. The Savannah area has many places to visit and activities for members and spouses. Please plan to attend as this is your association and your attendance is important. **Look for the Annual Meeting brochure over the next few weeks.**

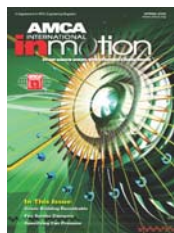
Sponsors are welcome and help to control meeting expenses. Currently we have 11 Companies, both non-members and members, who have generously committed to sponsor some of the events at the October Annual Meeting:



The **European Regional Meeting** was held April 21-23, 2008 in conjunction with the **ISO TC-117 industrial fans meeting**. The meeting was very well attended, with over 23 members and guests. Barbara Morrison, AMCA's Executive Director, gave a state of the association report. A few of the discussion topics were; a possible independent accredited laboratory in Europe, CRP program in Europe, and meeting European member needs.

AMCA InMotion

Look for the spring 2008 issue of "AMCA inmotion"



As the official publication of the **Air Movement and Control Association International (AMCA)**, AMCA inmotion is dedicated entirely to mechanical ventilation systems – air movement and control. This issue includes articles such as; Fan Selection, Green Building Round Table, and Fire Smoke Dampers.

AMCA inmotion will reach HPAC ENGINEERING'S entire circulation of 57,000 engineering professionals, and 95% of those subscribers design, specify, recommend, and/or select Air Distribution/Ventilation Equipment.

**** NOTE****

**** Please contact Marian Vambreck at mvambreck@amca.org for details about advertising or to submit editorial content for inmotion magazine****



AMCA publishes English version of Author Alain Guédel's, "Acousitique des ventilateurs" (Fan Acoustics-Noise Generation and Control Methods); CETIAT a not-for-profit industrial technical center located in Villeurbanne Cedex, France, has granted AMCA International full publishing rights for the English version of Alain Guédel's work entitled "Acousitique des ventilateurs."(Fan Acoustics-Noise Generation and Control Methods.) AMCA International's TACOS committee was commissioned with the task of translating the work from French to English. This book fulfills a much needed gap in available literature for ventilation engineering. Available for purchase through the AMCA website, priced at \$60 for AMCA members and \$120 for Non-AMCA members.

To order or download Fan Acoustics, Noise generation and Control Methods, visit www.amca.org

CRP Violation Procedure

At its past October meeting, the AMCA International Board of Directors approved a new procedure to put stricter penalties into the AMCA Certified Ratings Program. The 'penalties', in this case, generally consist of public notification through AMCA International's website (www.amca.org) of all CRP violations. Prior to implementing this procedure the Board wants to give the membership an opportunity to read the procedure and become familiar with its requirements. It is their intent to have this procedure fully implemented six months after this newsletter reaches you. The procedure can be found on the AMCA International website at <http://www.amca.org/crp/documents.asp>, then by clicking "CRP Violation Brochure". Please contact Joe Brooks (jbrooks@amca.org) or Lisa Ullrich (lullrich@amca.org) of the AMCA staff if you have any questions.

Marketing Committee Update

The marketing committee is dedicated to fulfilling the goals of the AMCA Strategic Plan, and along with staff has been working diligently on several new and exciting projects. Included, is the improvement of AMCA's website. The newly designed website is targeted to debut this summer, and staff will offer a tutorial educational session at the October Annual meeting. The committee has completed the filming of an AMCA Corporate promotional DVD/Video, which debuted at the Midyear Meeting. This new DVD/Video is intended to be used for marketing AMCA to universities, providing increased exposure to students and instructors, specifiers, and distribution at trade shows. Staff is having the video duplicated and will make sure all members receive a copy. In the meantime you can view the video at www.amca.org

Have a great month, and check back next month for current details on upcoming meetings and events within your association.

Respectfully,



Gary Benson

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Statistical Program

Has your company signed-up for this program?

70% of our North American members are participating in AMCA International's Statistical Program!

If you have any questions, or still have not registered for this member benefit program, please email Christie Kornacker or Marian Vambreck at ckornacker@amca.org or mvambreck@amca.org.



A technical paper entitled "External Shading Devices in Commercial Buildings"

AMCA International collaborated with John Carmody and Kerry Haglund from the Center for Sustainable building Research at the University of Minnesota to develop the technical publication detailing the benefits of sunshade devices (louvers). **AMCA International's Standard 530** committee members provided input and guidance to the publication.

External Shading Devices in Commercial Buildings is published by AMCA International and is available for download on the AMCA website at www.amca.org.

appi Electricity & Utility Update

An AMCA Member who participates in the appi program has a projected savings from 12/1/2005 to 11/30/2010 of \$255,000.



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Both electricity and natural gas continue to be very volatile in the short term and trend up in price over the long term. As of early April, the forward one-year price for natural gas is solidly in the \$10.50-\$10.75 average range with the two subsequent years significantly lower in price. Clients should discuss their needs with an APPi Consultant to determine the best supply strategy for each business. Opportunities exist for both electricity and natural gas clients to lock-in supply prices to create budget certainty and to mitigate risks.

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Confidence Index

AMCA's popular confidence Index for Bookings report for the 2nd Quarter of 2008 is available at www.amca.org.

The confidence index is a subjective expression by member companies on the relative health or vigor of the industry categorized by market segment. Member companies are asked to indicate, via a short survey, the changes they anticipate in bookings over the next three months compared to the same quarter of the previous year, and previous quarter. Market segments included in the survey are residential, commercial and institutional, industrial (including power generation and agricultural).

Please visit AMCA International's website and click on MyAMCA Member Login. If you do not have a password or forgot your password, contact Linda Plesh at lplesh@amca.org.

Publications and Standards are available as downloads or printed copy on AMCA International's website at www.amca.org.

AMCA International White Paper, Certified Ratings – A Closer Look



Available on the AMCA website, this paper explains to prospective buyers, specifiers, contractors, and users of air movement and control devices the need for validated published product performance ratings. The paper details the difference between AMCA Certified, Test in Accordance with, or Tested at AMCA. The paper is available for download on the AMCA website at www.amca.org and is available in several languages.

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Mark your Calendars

September 23-25, 2008

AHR Mexico

Monterey, Mexico

October 1-3, 2008

Ish North America

Georgia World Conference Center

Atlanta, GA

October 16-18, 2008
AMCA 53rd Annual Meeting
Savannah, GA

November 18-20, 2008
USGBC Greenbuild
Boston, MA

November 23-27, 2008
Big 5 Expo
Dubai, UAE