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~President's Message

by Boyd Dunham

2008 has proven to be a challenging year for business and the economic outlook for 2009 may be just as challenging as well. Now more than ever, it is imperative for us to come together and fight for the future of our industry. As you review your renewal package for the association, keep in mind that the Association exists to benefit your business, but you are also a benefit to the Association and Industry by belonging and contributing to the Association.

What you get out of any Association is directly proportional to what you put in, but you can still reap the benefits without involvement. Every month this year, I have encouraged you to get involved by attending Membership Meetings or joining a committee and the meetings and committees have been well attended this year.

We have worked on several initiatives this year including the ZIA Partnership with OSHA, NUCA of NM Safety Awards, the Safety Training Network, and the NUCA of NM Scholarship Program. In a couple of weeks, the Board of Directors will map out the Association's plans for 2009. We plan to keep in place the many benefits that you currently enjoy but we will strive to improve and offer valuable programs and initiatives for every member in 2009. I certainly welcome any ideas for new programs and feedback on existing programs. You can contact me, or Jane at the Association office to discuss your membership needs and ideas.

Thank you for your membership and involvement in 2008; an Association is simply nothing without its members. I wish you all

Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year.

~Membership Meeting

The next NUCA of NM Membership meeting is just a couple of days away. You can still register online at <http://www.nucanm.org/event.html>

The meeting will consist of a summary of association activities over the past few months and a glimpse into what the plans are for 2009. New Membership benefits are available in 2009 and renewal packages will be available at the Membership Meeting.

The 2009 Board of Directors and Slate of Officers will also be announced while the outgoing Board members will be recognized.

In an effort to boost the USMC's Toys for Tots program, please bring a toy to the meeting and Jane will make sure that the donations get to a Toys for Tots drop off site.

~Eye on New Mexico



By Carla Sonntag
NUCA of NM Lobbyist

And so it came to pass - just as some in the nation predicted. New Mexico has experienced a significant shift in its elected officials at the state and federal levels. Besides the impact of the learning curve that all freshmen elected officials go through, the lack of seniority will have an impact on how business gets done.

And, speaking of business . . . In the state legislature, we lost six more business advocates: Senators Komadina, Rawson and Snyder and Representatives Fox-Young, Youngberg and Zanetti. That brings our total loss of business-savvy legislators at the state to 10 including the

four lost in the June primary. This is huge, but we will persevere.

We will need to be ever vigilant in watching legislation and how it will affect NUCA-NM utility members and the construction industry as a whole. We will need your help like never before. Individual members will be called upon to support or oppose bills and we will ask that you have others call or write legislators as well.

You will receive frequent notices of issues requiring your attention. And for a live discussion of what's happening and the inner workings of the legislature at the midpoint of the session, please plan to attend your NUCA-NM membership meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2009.

~ OSHA Regulation

On August 12, 2008, Governor Bill Richardson published a press release to propose new rules to protect workers from drug & alcohol related accidents in the workplace. Shortly after the press release, on August 15, 2008, New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Occupational Health and Safety Bureau (OHSB) published a Petition to Amend Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 11.5.2 NMAC, 11.5.3 NMAC and 11.5.4 NMAC.

NUCA of NM responded to the NM OHSB Advisory Notice of Proposed Changes to NM OHSB Regulations, 11.5.2 NMAC 11.5.3 NMAC and 11.5.4 NMAC. Prohibition against unlawful drug use and alcohol beverage use in the workplace. NUCA of NM received a response from OHSB in regards to the comments submitted by us and other associations and industries. Below I have included the original proposed changes and the amended proposed changes after taking into consideration the submitted comments.

* " A number of comments recommended the need to regulate the employee's actions in addition to the employer's actions. NMED's OHSB does not have the authority to regulate employees'

actions, only those of employers. However, during inspections OHSB may consider employee misconduct as a mitigating factor in determining whether enforcement action will be taken. It should also be noted that employers have the option of utilizing law enforcement to resolve episodes of suspected illegal drug usage and may have that option for some incidents involving alcohol usage." (NMED OHSB Letter dated November 4, 2008 Re: Advisory Notice of Proposed Changes to NM OHSB Regulations, 11.5.2 NMAC 11.5.3 NMAC and 11.5.4 NMAC)

** Section C has been eliminated completely. NM OHSB states that when a penalty is assessed under this section, they will use its existing policy for determining penalty amounts based upon the gravity of the violation(s), good faith exhibited by the employer, and the compliance history of the employer.

***The subsection mentioned in part A is explained as follows: "NMED received comments from restaurant owners noting that current regulations allow sampling of alcoholic beverages before and during working hours by designated staff. We have incorporated this regulation as an exception to the prohibition against alcohol use in Subsection A of the revised proposed regulations." (NMED OHSB Letter dated November 4, 2008 Re: Advisory Notice of Proposed Changes to NM OHSB Regulations, 11.5.2 NMAC 11.5.3 NMAC and 11.5.4 NMAC)

Original Proposed changes:

The following language is proposed to be added to:

1. 11.5.2 NMAC, Occupational Health and Safety - General Industry, as Section 11;
2. 11.5.3 NMAC, Occupational Health and Safety - Construction Industry, as Section 10; and
3. 11.5.4 NMAC, Occupational Health and Safety - Agriculture, as Section 12.

"PROHIBITION AGAINST UNLAWFUL DRUG USE AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE USE IN THE WORKPLACE; PENALTY

- A. Employers shall provide a place of employment that is free of unlawful drug use and free of alcoholic beverage use by employees.
- B. Employers shall develop and implement a written policy prohibiting unlawful drug use and alcoholic beverage use by employees in the workplace.
- C. Employers who violate this section may be penalized in accordance with the maximum statutory civil penalty."

The Amended Changes:

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3. 11.5.4 NMAC, Occupational Health and Safety - Agriculture, as Section 12.

"PROHIBITION AGAINST UNLAWFUL DRUG USE AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE USE IN THE WORKPLACE; PENALTY

- A. Employers shall provide a place of employment that is free of unlawful drug use by employees and free of alcoholic beverage use by employees except as provided for in Subsection B of 15.10.51.11 NMAC. To determine whether an employer has violated this subsection, the department shall consider whether the employer knew, or with the exercise of reasonable diligence, could have known of the presence of the prohibited unlawful drug or alcohol use.
- B. Employers shall develop and implement a written policy prohibiting unlawful drug use and alcoholic beverage use by employees in the place of employment

At the Meeting of the Environmental Improvement Board held on December 1, 2008, the Board heard testimony from OHSB and other stakeholders and deferred the decision to make the proposed changes a part of official record. At this time, the Board would like the OSHB to re-submit language that would clear up some grey areas in the proposed language. The five areas of concern were: 1. Definitions (i.e. "place of employment") 2. Enforcement 3. Penalties 4. Consumption determination 5. Responsibility and Liability

If you would like to see a copy of the press release, letters to and from OSHA, or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact the Association office at 505 888 0752.

~ CASS



27th Annual Construction and Architectural Suppliers Show (CASS)

NUCA of NM has free admission tickets to this Business to Business trade show for the construction industry in New Mexico.

Date: Friday January 16, 2009 10 am - 6 pm

Saturday January 17, 2009 10am - 5 pm

If you would like a free general admission ticket, you may pick it up at the next NUCA of NM Membership Meeting on December 4, 2008, or contact the Association office at 505 888 0752

For more information, visit the web page at TheCASS.com

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~ Bilingual Training

NUCA of NM will have an OSHA 10 Certified Training Class on January 16, 2009.

The course will be offered bilingual but space is limited for Spanish instruction, so please RSVP early.

The location is to be determined and is dependant on class size.

If you are an Alliance Member, the class is free; for non-members and those outside of the association, the fee is \$30.

The class is scheduled from 8am to 5pm and includes lunch.

Please call the Association office at 505 888 0752 to sign up for the class, or register online at <http://www.nucanm.org/event.html>

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~December Dates

- ***No Safety Committee in December
- 12/04/08 Membership Meeting
- 12/09/08 Planning Committee 8:00am
- 12/09/08 Education Committee 3pm
- 12/10/08 CO Chapter Organization Meeting
- 12/12/08 Wage Survey Hearing
- 12/15/08 Executive Board Meeting
- 12/15/08 Board of Directors Meeting
- 12/15/08 Board Planning Session
- 12/18/08 NMRCGA Planning

If you would like more information on the Committees or other meetings, please call the Association office at 505 888 0752 or email nucanm@nucanm.org

NUCA of NM Committees are open to all members, and all committee meetings are held at the Association office unless otherwise noted.

Visit the NUCA of NM Quick View Calendar

~ NUCA Report



November 21, 2008 - President Bush signed into law legislation that extends unemployment benefits by seven weeks, plus an additional 13 weeks once the unemployment rate in a state hits six percent or higher. The Senate passed the bill on Thursday after a new report showed the number of unemployed Americans signing up for benefits for the first time grew to the highest level in 16 years.

In other news, President-elect Barack Obama has been promoting an ambitious economic recovery plan he says will create or save 2.5 million jobs by spending billions of dollars to rebuild roads and bridges and modernize schools while developing alternative energy sources and more efficient cars. There are news reports that Congress will begin working on an economic stimulus package as soon as it is sworn in on January 6. In fact, it is possible that Congress could have legislation ready for Obama's signature once he is sworn in on January 20. NUCA will continue to push for job creation through the funding of ready-to-go water/wastewater infrastructure projects.

TRAVELING SEWER HISTORY EXHIBIT TO STOP AT EXPO '09

Thanks to the NUCA Foundation for Education & Research--with additional funding from NUCA members Wendell Wood (SBH North America Trench Shoring), Mark Accetturo (Reynolds, Inc.) and Dick Foster (PKF Mark III)--Utility Construction EXPO '09 attendees will have the opportunity to view "The Collection Systems Historical Photo and Artifacts Display" in the Phoenix Convention Center Exhibit Hall, March 4-6, 2009.

Over the past 15 years, Jon Schladweiler, Historian of the Arizona Water & Pollution Control Association, has combed historical publications, amassed photos and assembled ancient artifacts related to the history of sewage conveyance systems (3500 BC through the 1930s). The traveling exhibit aims to offer insight into the sewer's humble origins, and to bring to light the not-so-humble contributions of sewer builders, engineers and operators. To read more about the collection, visit the website at www.sewerhistory.org

SECOND INSTALLMENT OF "PIPELAYER" NOW AVAILABLE FROM NUCA STORE

The NUCA Foundation is pleased to announce that the next CD in the Pipe Installation Training Series ("Pipelayer")--Chapter 1: Job Layout--is now available through the NUCA Store. (Chapter 2: Excavations, Trenching, Manholes and Backfilling was released last year.) Job Layout is an interactive, 60-90- minute, computer-based training module that is divided into five lessons -- Safety, Material Layout & Handling, Production & Timing, Tools, and Protecting the Installation. The CD can be used for self-study or group training. [Click here to order](#)

~Western Summit of NM 2008 Platinum Sponsor



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~NUCA BIG Show

**Utility Construction
EXPO '09
The BIG Show
March 4-6, 2009
Phoenix Convention Center**

Utility Construction EXPO '09 "The Big Show" will be held March 4-6 at the Phoenix Convention Center in Phoenix, Arizona. Presented every three years, "The Big Show" offers an impressive display of heavy construction equipment, as well as the latest technologies, products and services being offered by the leading manufacturers and suppliers in the utility construction industry. Education sessions--being led this year by EXPO exhibitors--will help contractors make more informed business decisions.

As always, there will be motivational speakers-- John Powers and Tedy Bruschi--to make attendees think about their lives and businesses in new ways.

Finally, EXPO '09 will offer a variety of social events that provide opportunities for both networking and fun -- opening golf tournament, Welcome Reception, Auction and President's Ball

Registration is easier than ever!

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~On Capitol Hill



NUCA Pushes for Stimulus Legislation in Final Days of 110th

Congress returns for a whirlwind of debate regarding the next round of industry "bailouts" and whether to consider economic stimulus legislation in a brief "lame duck" session of the 110th Congress. As previously reported, the House passed a \$60.8 billion stimulus package in September that included almost \$8 billion for water and wastewater infrastructure improvements.

Although the Senate failed to pass its version of stimulus legislation, Senate Democrats offered a \$100.3 billion stimulus bill with a \$13.5 billion infrastructure component, including \$1.75 billion for clean water and \$750 million for drinking water. However, because there is no time to debate and pass a new Senate measure, reconcile it with the House bill, and because the Senate numbers are significantly lower levels for environmental infrastructure, NUCA continues to encourage the Senate to pass the House stimulus bill and provide a significant economic kick-start before Congress adjourns for the year. Unfortunately, the latest plea for government "bailout" resources, this time coming from a coalition of Detroit's "Big Three" automakers, the United Auto Workers and car dealers, is obstructing further consideration of economic recovery/stimulus legislation. Although an auto industry bailout is not expected to pass due to strong opposition by Republicans in Congress, Senate Majority Reid is proposing a stand-alone \$25 billion measure to assist the auto industry unless Senate Republicans agree to support a broader stimulus bill. At this point, the only measure expected to pass is one that would extend jobless benefits.

NUCA of NM's Delegation voted on the stimulus package as follows:

Senator Domenici - No
 Senator Bingaman - Yes
 Congresswoman Wilson - No
 Congressman Udall - Yes
 Congressman Pearce - No

NUCA of NM contacted all our the NM representatives in regards to their vote. Our push is to have the Senate adopt a bill similar to the one that passed the House side which includes 7.5 billion for infrastructure funds to the SRF (State Revolving Funds). There are jobs ready to start here in NM that are just waiting to be funded.

Results of Election 2008 Continue; Congress Shapes 111th Congress

Although three Senate races and five house races have yet to be decided, major electoral gains by Democrats in both chambers will give them large working majorities in the 111th Congress. Democrats gained a net of 20 seats in the House and six in the Senate on Election Day, and are guaranteed effective control of at least 57 seats in the Senate and 254 in the House. Along with the victory of President-elect Barack Obama, this is the first time Democrats have been in charge of the White House and Congress since President Bill Clinton's first two years in office (1993-94). While Congress may not be able to pass any substantive legislation during the "lame duck" session, lawmakers will conduct seemingly endless meetings to establish the leadership of the 111th Congress, including naming of committee chairmanships. NUCA will provide a detailed description of the organizational meetings in the next edition of the NUCA Washington Report.

NUCA Signs Industry Letter Supporting Extension of ESA Provisions

NUCA recently signed a letter with 22 other business organizations in support of the extension Published Biweekly by the National Utility Contractors Association Published Biweekly by the National Utility Contractors Association of the Economic Stimulus Act's (ESA) (Pub. L. No. 110-185) capital investment incentives in any future job creation and economic recovery legislation. In an effort to encourage business purchasing, the ESA created a 50 percent depreciation bonus and increased the amount that small businesses can expense under Internal Revenue Code Sec. 179 to \$250,000. The depreciation bonus expires at the end of 2008 and the higher expensing levels apply only to 2008 tax years. In the letter, which was sent on Nov. 14 to both the White House and House and Senate Leadership, stated that "extending the depreciation bonus and higher Sec. 179 expensing levels would help ... inoculate the economy against a more severe business purchasing downturn in the months ahead. Extending ESA would also enhance the impact and benefits of other components of the stimulus package (e.g., infrastructure investment)." NUCA has made it very clear when discussing the ESA tax provisions that they will not be fully effective unless and until significant efforts are made to improve the suffering underground water and wastewater infrastructure markets. NUCA will continue to support extension of the ESA provisions, but will also continue to make the point that new hires and the purchase of new equipment will not be practical in our industry until there is enough work out there to justify them.

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~Committee Reports

Planning:

Set Membership Meeting dates for 2009:

- February 19, 2009 - Carla Sonntag
- April 16, 2009 - Associate Showcase
- June 18, 2009
- August 20, 2009 - NUCA
- October 15, 2009
- December 3, 2009 - Bio Park Recognition Reception

Committee suggested speakers from AED and RRED and Steve Alford. NUCA meetings will not coincide with chapter meetings this year, but Last Ditch Open will have to be moved to earlier in September or in October due to the Fall Board Meeting September 23- 25, 2009.

Committee set dates for Scorpions Hockey, and will wait until May for an Isotopes group outing since it was very cold on the opener this year. Also discussed a group at NM Wildcats, and perhaps partnering with other industry associations for a group at Cliffs.

Last Ditch open may be scheduled at Santa Ana or at Buffalo Thunder for a two day golf even at Towa and Black Mesa. Checking on pricing and availability.

John Taylor agreed to continue his position as Committee Chair for Planning.

Goals that the committee worked on besides setting dates for meetings and socials events are to increase participation at membership meetings in 2009, and to work with other associations for industry groups. The call tree will be re-done to ensure the proper personnel are being contacted at each member company.

Safety:

- Discussion regarding the NUCA Safety Committee held in Indiana in October. The proposed crane standard is available for review and comments are due back by December. It seems inevitable that the new proposed standards will pass and NUCA is in support of the changes. Committee members reviewed a new DVD that was made by CNA Insurance

for safety overview for new-hires or a refresher course for current employees. Steve Moore stated that the training is about 3 hours long but it is of high quality and can be presented on an individual or group basis. If the NUCA Safety committee approves the content in the DVD, CNA will co-brand with NUCA and the DVD Training video will be available for no cost. A new level of Safety Ambassadors was established for smaller contractors for \$250 and would be a Safety Ambassador Delegate. NUCA is still waiting on an answer from OSHA on the Sub-part s clarification.

- Committee discussed the NMRCGA Expo and improvements for the 2010 Expo. The trainers would still like to participate but insist on a more effective registration process where participation can be determined prior to the date of the class.
- The Committee reviewed the response from NMOSHB on the proposed changes to the NMAC in regards to Drug and Alcohol in the workplace. It was agreed that the changes reflected NUCA of NM's concerns and the result is a change that the committee feels comfortable with. There is a public hearing on the matter on December 1, 2008.
- The proposed OSHA partnership was mailed on September 30, 2008, but there has been no response from NMOSHB. Howard Gentry will be meeting with Ray Singer in the next few days and will get an update. He is still optimistic that the partnership can be approved by the end of the year which will allow the association to start accepting applications in January 2009.
- Committee discussed a Chair Person for 2009. It will be determined at a later date as a couple of members are considering the position
- The NUCA Train the Trainer is scheduled for the end of March/beginning of April of 2009 in Lakeland, FL. Applications are being accepted now and a couple of committee members took the application package.
- There will be a meeting for the Construction Industry Crime Alliance on December 2, 2008 at the offices of TLC Plumbing and Utility at Noon.
- Discussion regarding training for 2009. A bi-lingual OSHA 10 class will be set for January 16th, 2009. Non-members will be invited to the training but will have to pay a \$30 fee. The Next Step Program will be scheduled for Roswell in March and Farmington in June.

Education:

- Committee set goals for 2009 as follows:
 - 2 schools for DIGBY presentations
 - Participate in 2 career fairs - 1 being School To World and the other will be at a local school during the regularly scheduled career fair.
 - Restructure the booth for two types of presentations: Member recruitment and career information for students.
 - Schedule 2 education courses for members
- The booth needs updated pictures and visuals to attract attention. We will also be looking at the cost of replacing the construction equipment toys.
- Class suggestions included CPR/First Aid, Communication Skills, Blue Print Reading, Asphalt Construction, and the Highway Watch Program.
- Committee discussed recruiting members to serve on the committee.

~ Member Honored



Albuquerque's Kondziolka wins international safety award from AMEC

Plymouth Meeting, Pa. USA
(December 2, 2008) AMEC, the international engineering and

project management company, has presented **David A. Kondziolka**, vice president in the company's Albuquerque, N.M. office, with one of just four global Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) awards.

Pictured above: Kondziolka accepting the award from Brikho. Kondziolka is pictured at right.

The annual awards, presented last month in London by AMEC Chief Executive Samir Brikho, are earned through outstanding HSE promotion and performance. Kondziolka was recognized for writing and e-mailing daily safety messages initially to all staff in the Southwestern United States and now internationally across AMEC's Earth & Environmental Division and other AMEC operations.

The messages, titled "DAK's Daily Safety Thoughts," generally start off with Kondziolka's often humorous, home-spun personal perspective on the safety or health issue at hand, whether it is driving, diets, exercise, or even bee stings. The messages are quick reading and filled with useful information that promotes safety discussions, generates many responses and keeps safety on everyone's mind.

"Dave's messages are widely read, sparking heightened enthusiasm about safety and health," stated Vladimir Ivensky, director of the Earth & Environmental Division's Safety, Health and Environment Program. "He offers good, consistent advice that actually is working to improve AMEC's safety culture and prevent injuries."

For example, the number of OSHA recordable incidents is down 44 percent this year in the Southwestern U.S., even with a 71 percent increase in the number of employees in the region.

AMEC (LSE: AMEC) is a focused supplier of high-value consultancy, engineering and project management services to the world's energy, power and process industries. With annual revenues of over US\$4 billion, AMEC designs, delivers and maintains strategic and complex assets for its customers. AMEC's Natural Resources, Power and Process and Earth and Environmental businesses employ over 23,000 people in more than 30 countries globally.

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~ CICA

Construction Industry Crime Alliance (CICA)

CICA is an alliance of Contracting Industry Representatives working in partnership with Law Enforcement, to reduce and eliminate the criminal incidents that impact construction in the Albuquerque area.

Albuquerque Police Department is partnering with construction associations to provide a network to inform members of crime activity in the city (and surrounding areas). This network will not only provide information where, when and what type of crime is taking place in specific locations, but also allows members to become aware of specifics of the crime such as vehicle information, perpetrator descriptions etc.

You must be a member of an industry association to access and post information, and all NUCA of NM members are encouraged to participate.

The information available is not for public consumption but is used as a tool to help protect your company's assets from theft and vandalism.

For information on signing onto the web page, please contact the association office for more details. It is recommended that you limit access to the site to a highly trusted person(s) in your company.

~ 2009 Membership

You will be receiving your 2009 NUCA of NM Membership renewal package soon. Please review carefully as some dues are tiered and your company may need to adjust for 2009.

A few **new Membership benefits** are available for 2009:

ZIA Partnership - A Partnership with NM OSHA which allows members to evaluate their own safety programs and advance and improve to receive benefits while making their job sites safe for employees.

- **NUCA of NM Safety Awards** - a new awards program for NUCA of NM members only which has four tiers to cover every size contractor.
- **NUCA of NM Scholarship Program** - a two year scholarship available to members (includes all employees in the company) that awards funds for two years for NM credited institutions.
- **Safety Training Network** - allows members to 'fit' employees into already scheduled training sessions without having to wait or create a training class for a few employees.
- **Construction Industry Crime Alliance** access
- **Associate Showcase** - In April associates will be able to 'show off' their products and services at a regularly scheduled membership meeting.
- Access to the **NUCA Pipelayer Training Program** - Chapter two (first published) will be available to check out of the NUCA of NM Safety Library.
- **Education Courses and Seminars** - CPR First aid, Communication Skills, Crises Management etc.

Membership Benefits:

- **OSHA Alliance** - members get free and low-cost training including OSHA 10 NUCA of NM's Next Step Program
- **Tool Box Talks** available on CD in English and Spanish
- **Safety Library** - check out training and industry videos from the NUCA of NM safety Library free of charge.
- **Construction Reporter Subscription Discount**
- **Listing in Membership Directory and on NUCA of NM's Web Page**
- **New Mexico Regional Common Ground Alliance** - NUCA of NM was instrumental in forming this alliance and continues to be involved to represent the contractor. NMRCGA supports the advancement of CGA's best practices and safe digging to prevent loss and injury.
- **Monthly e-Newsletter** - read right from your email or download and print from the NUCA of NM web page. Access to all 2007 and 2008 newsletters and other publications.
- **Membership Meetings** - Informative speakers to help your business and an indispensable

way to network with others in the industry

- **Last Ditch Open** NUCA of NM's yearly golf tournament that raises money for association activities and will raise funds for the 2009 Scholarship program. Plus, it's another relaxing way to mingle with your peers.
- **Committees** - Whether it's Safety, Planning, Government Relations, or Education, NUCA of NM Committees are open to all members, and if you don't have time to be on a committee, don't worry, these committees are working hard to make your membership valuable.
- **Legislative Alerts** When it can't wait for the newsletter, you'll receive Legislative alerts that lets you know what's happening during the NM Legislation Session. You'll also know when and how the industry is taking a stand on particular legislation and how you can help. Information usually includes bill information, summary, bill status, industry (business) affect and information on how to contact your legislative representative.
- **Web Page** - the NUCA of NM web page is packed with information for ease of use at your fingertips. From your legislative representation at the state and federal level to online registration for training and meetings, this resource is a plethora of information that you can use now.
- **Rules and Regs** NUCA of NM is in the know on existing and changing legislation, regulations and industry rules. You will be well informed on OSHA, PRC, One Call, DOT, Excavation Law, Legislation and other pertinent industry information.
- **Voice in Santa Fe** - NUCA of NM Lobbyist works for you and keeps you informed on legislation at the State level. Your voice is heard and respected in Santa Fe and your message gets through and makes a difference!
- **Voice in Washington D.C.** NUCA Lobbyists work full time to keep the utility industry in the minds of our federal legislators and is always putting funding for infrastructure and business issues on the front burner for our industry. NUCA of NM Staff and NUCA of NM members also participate in the yearly Washington Summit and travel to D.C. to talk to NM's Delegation about our issues.
- **Tapping into our Youth** - NUCA of NM participates in several career fairs and school presentations to show students the endless possibilities of careers in construction.
- **National Representation** NUCA of NM members are involved in NUCA and serve on several Committees and hold Board positions, NUCA of NM's Executive Director also serves on the NUCA ED Council.
- **Network Network Network** -Some members state that this in the number one reason why they belong to associations. Association involvement is an effective way to get to know others in your industry and work together to get problems resolved. "Being able to pick up the phone to call a competitor and get an answer to an otherwise difficult question is priceless," says on member.
- **Utility Contractor Magazine** free to all NUCA members
- **Safety First** a vehicle safety program available to NUCA members
- **National Equipment Registry**
- more more and more



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