

**UMCA Convention & Annual Meeting
Member Survey
May 2008**

The UMCA board of directors is requesting your input and suggestions for the planning of future conventions. The purpose of this survey is to assist the board of directors in making the necessary changes to better reflect UMCA member needs and desires. Historically, the goal of the convention was to address industry concerns/challenges and offer a balance of education and social opportunities so that member companies could enhance their management skills and develop the needed camaraderie of industry competitors to face the ever changing and challenging market we are in today. Without the solid support of the contractors the UMCA cannot continue to provide programs for member needs. Please note that at the end of this survey is a sample of our “traditional program”; please review for reference and recommendations.

Basic Options: (please indicate your opinion with either A=Agree, D=Disagree:

- _____ : Scrap the annual meeting and continue to focus on local education and social events.
- _____ : Scrap educational component of the annual meeting in favor of a two-three day golf trip/social event.
- _____ : Hold annual meeting within a six(6) hour drive and not at locations that would require flights.
- _____ : Hold annual meeting every year at the same time and location (Sun Valley has been suggested).
- _____ : Offer specific children’s programs so that the event is more family friendly and encourage future leader’s participation.
- _____ : Drop fanfare of keynote speakers and entertainment to cut cost and deliver a “simplistic” function.
- _____ : Other Options (please explain)

Date, Duration, & Location of Convention:

Historically, we have held our annual meeting in late August commencing on a Thursday afternoon and ending Saturday evening. In past years we have alternated between Sun Valley Idaho, Steamboat Springs Colorado, Jackson Hole Wyoming, and Southern Utah. In recent years we have alternated the meeting from Sun Valley on the odd number years, and Park City on the even numbered years.

- Preferred Month: _____
- Preferred Days of Week: _____
- Preferred Location(s): _____

- Same (one) Location Each Year: Yes: _____ or No: _____

Seminars, Speakers, Entertainment, & Social Events:

Historically, we have held a “keynote breakfast” with a major speaker on a “general interest” topic and then supplemented the program with industry specific seminars and general interest spouse programs. In terms of entertainment we have done various bands, comedians, poets, etc. The sporting side of the annual meeting has been limited to golf outings, trap shoots, 5k fun run/walk.

- Preferred Keynote Topics: _____
- Preferred Seminars: _____

- Preferred Spouse Programs: _____

- Preferred Entertainment: _____

- Preferred Sporting Events: _____

Additional Comments/Suggestions:

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“Typical Program”**

Thursday

3:00 to 5:00	Trap Shoot (optional)
5:00 to 8:30	Convention Registration
6:30 to 8:30	Opening Reception/Dinner

Friday

7:30 to 8:30	Convention Registration
8:00 to 9:30	Opening Breakfast/Keynote Speaker
9:45 to 12:00	Seminar One/Two
9:45 to 12:00	Spouse Program
1:00 to 6:00	Golf Tournament
	Open Evening

Saturday

7:30 to 9:00	Continental Breakfast (located with Roundtable Meeting)
7:30 to 9:00	Industry Roundtable
9:15 to 11:15	Seminar Three
11:30 to 12:15	Association Business Meeting
	Afternoon Open
6:00 to 6:45	Presidents Reception
7:00 to 10:00	Presidents Dinner