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New Benefit Programs

401 (k) Plan

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Lean Construction

Lean/Integrated Project Delivery is a response developed to alleviate customer dissatisfaction with the results from the building industry. Currently, 70% of projects are over budget and delivered late. The industry sees about 800 deaths and thousands of injuries per year. Every contractor and sub-contractor in the WEST TEXAS AGC CHAPTER must take responsibility and work to see different results.

Lean Design and Construction enhances value on projects and uncovers wasted resources.

Results include:

- Better time productivity
- Reduced safety hazards
- Cost savings

To help contractors develop the knowledge needed to build Lean, the Associated General Contractors of America developed the Lean Construction Education Program (LCEP). Construction professionals at all experience levels will learn the building blocks necessary to transform their projects and companies into a Lean Operating System. **Find out more and how to get started HERE.**

Border wall contractors tapping new building tech

- New building technology being developed by contractors constructing a border wall system between the U.S. and Mexico championed by President Donald Trump could influence other similar construction industry projects in the future, according to [The Architect's Newspaper](#).
- Contractor Fisher Sand & Gravel, which [built a privately funded segment](#) of steel bollard fencing on private land at the border in New Mexico in about four days, has a patent for a cast-in-place concrete forming system through its subsidiary General Steel & Supply Co. Fisher has also reportedly developed a bollard fence hanging system that has a patent pending. **Read full article HERE**

**Fisher Sand & Gravel is a member of West Texas Chapter AGC*

Safety Tips

Housekeeping on the Job – Toolbox Talks

A safe job is one that has good housekeeping **every day** with trash clean-up, material and equipment layout and storage with all employees and sub-contractors working together resulting in a safe and efficient project site.

Today's Toolbox Talk has been around for a while and should be used for both new employees and a reminder for tenured employees to be a part of 'Housekeeping on the Job'.

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AGC Education and Research Foundation Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarship

Deadline to Apply is November 1, 2019

Each year the AGC Education and Research Foundation offers undergraduate and graduate level scholarships to students enrolled in ABET or ACCE accredited construction management or construction related engineering programs. **The application opened July 1, 2019 and closes November 1, 2019.**

Over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to more than 4,000 students attending colleges and universities across the country. Through endowments made by AGC members and supporters, as well as AGC Chapters, the Education and Research Foundation awards over 100 scholarships each year to students dedicated to pursuing a career in the construction industry. Students can [click here](#) to apply.

AGC discount for Groundbreak

Groundbreak, by Procore | Phoenix, AZ | October 8-10, 2019

Announcing a significant industry event with over 4000 construction professionals from around the world, over 80 sessions from top industry thought leaders and providing best practices and the latest industry advancements. Procore's construction conference in 2019, will feature two highly regarded keynote speakers Mike Rowe and Adam Grant.

Get \$100.00 off using code, **AGCWESTTEXAS100**. [Learn more and register here](#). procore.com/groundbreak.

AGC 401(K) Plan for West Texas AGC Companies Now Available

Lunch and Learns Scheduled for August 14th in Lubbock & August 15th in Abilene

West Texas AGC member companies are now eligible to participate in the [AGC Southwest Chapters 401\(k\) Plan](#), one of the largest association plans in the nation with more than \$350 million in assets and over 100 participating companies. The plan started in 2009 at the AGC Houston and in 2012 merged with the Louisiana AGC multiple employer plan.

As a West Texas AGC company member your firm can now join this "closed" MEP as an adopting employer. Under a closed MEP there are no individual audits, no 5500 tax filing or other tasks affiliated with an "open" MEP or individual 401(k) plan for your company. This results in large costs savings for your company. Further, there is no liability for you as the Trustee, Plan Administrator or Named Fiduciary. [Click here for additional information and benefits.](#)

See attached flyer for details and to register for a Lunch n Learn & email abilene@wtagc.org to attend!

West Texas AGC, in partnership with ONEDIGITAL, is proud to announce the launch of its latest member benefit
A cost-saving group medical plan.

Benefits of the Group Medical Program include:

- Potential savings on medical premiums
- Aetna signature Provider Network
- Significant reduction in administrative duties
- Complies with the Affordable Care Act requirements
- Limited fiduciary liability

○ *The WTAGC Group Medical Plan is a "Multiple Employer Plan" Association Medical Plan*

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in your specialized field and area of expertise*

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