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ANNUAL LUNCHEON - APRIL 29, 2022 RESERVE YOUR SEATS TODAY!



CISCO's Annual Luncheon is approaching fast and is scheduled for Friday, April 29th at Noon at Maggiano's Little Italy in Schaumburg.

The event will feature Keynote Speaker Javier Ramirez, Deputy Director of Field Operation for the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service (FMCS), as well as the recognition ceremony of CISCO's 2022 Scholarship Award winners.

About The Speaker

Javier Ramirez began his FMCS career as a Commissioner in 2005. Currently, Javier is a member of the U.S. Senior Executive Staff serving as the FMCS Deputy Director of Field Operations, responsible for leading all U.S. Federal Mediators. President Biden nominated Mr. Ramirez to be the 20th Director of FMCS in June 2021.

Javier mediated disputes in all sectors of the economy (except air and rail) in professions such as the performing arts, public safety, education, hospitality, healthcare, manufacturing, and packing houses, to name just a few. Javier facilitated and/or mediated multi-party disputes in manufacturing, construction, and education. He was on the facilitation team for several regulatory negotiations, including the Department of Energy (DOE) negotiations that resulted in the largest energy-saving rule in DOE history.

Javier also trained and successfully facilitated parties in various collaborative bargaining models.

Prior to FMCS, Javier spent over 14 years in labor relations. His efforts have been featured in Rolling Stone, Chicago Tribune Magazine, Chicago Lawyer Magazine, cited in the New York Times Best Seller Fast Food Nation, and recognized by the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers.

Event Registration

Tickets for the event are \$75 per person or \$700 per table of 10 guests. Registration at the event begins at 11:00 a.m. and the program begins at noon. There will be a catered lunch with open bar and free parking.

Organizations may sponsor this event at \$250. This includes multiple event mentions during the program and in printed form.

To register and for more details, contact CISCO's Office Manager Julia Mulvey at (630) 472-9411 or via email - julia@cisco.org

CISCO'S SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The winners of CISCO's 2022 Scholarship Program were recently chosen and will be formally recognized during CISCO's Annual Luncheon, which is scheduled for Friday, April 29th.



An independent review of all the entries was conducted and the winners were certified and contacted. Eligible students were the sons and daughters of either building trade union members or union contractor employees. A total of six winners were chosen in three different categories: 4-Year & 2-Year scholarships, and Continuing Education. Congratulations to this year's winners!

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Illinois General Assembly set a deadline of April 8th to wrap up its Spring Session of legislative action, and they met that goal.

One bill of note that was being monitored closely by CISCO and the construction industry was **HB 5412** which amended the Wage Payment & Collection Act and sought to hold general contractors and subcontractors liable for wage claims at any tier on a private construction project.

The adoption of Amendment 3 stating: **"Primary contractors who are parties to a collective bargaining agreement on the project where the work is being performed shall be exempt."** was critical to passage.

This broadened exemption will benefit more union contractors and add a layer of protection to signatories of collective bargaining agreements.

UCA SPRING SHOWCASE - APRIL 19



The Underground Contractors Association will hold its Spring Showcase on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at Venuti's Ristorante in Addison beginning at 5:00 pm.

Visit www.uca.org for more information or call UCA at (630) 467-1919.

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

WILLIAM A. RANDOLPH RECEIVES PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD



CISCO's Executive Director Dan Allen (left) presents Project of the Year awards to William A. Randolph's Senior Project Manager Peter Farquhar (center) and Project Manager Michael Mosier.

CISCO put the finishing touches on its Annual Meeting in a unique way, one month after the event.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, William A. Randolph's team of recipients could not attend the meeting. The General Contractor was chosen as the winner in the New Construction/Suburbs category for **The Forester Hotel** it built in Lake Forest.

The two members of the team (pictured above) came to CISCO's office in Burr Ridge and drove from their Gurnee, Illinois office for a special "presentation".

Peter Farquhar and Michael Mosier thanked CISCO for choosing The Forester and said "It was an honor to be recognized along with the other projects as one of 2021's best."

CFL/ILLINOIS AFL-CIO CO-HOSTING FUNDRAISING EVENT - APRIL 20th

The Illinois AFL-CIO and the Chicago Federation of Labor are co-hosting a fundraising event on April 20th on behalf of the Project For Middle Class Renewal. Special Guest Speaker will be Assistant Majority Leader Marcus C. Evans, Jr.

The event will be held from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the CFL's Office - 180 N. Stetson Ave., Suite 1529, Chicago.

For more information, go to: lep.illinois.edu/project-for-middle-class-renewal/

WORTH TOWNSHIP BUILDING TRADES CAREER FAIR - APRIL 26th



CISCO and the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades are joining forces to hold a building trades career fair on

Tuesday, April 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Worth Township Gymnasium, 11601 S. Pulaski Road in Alsip, IL 60803.



Hands-on exhibits for students will be available along with support for entrance tests.

To register, contact Worth Township Clerk Eamon McMahon at the Worth Township Clerk's Office at (708) 972-7868 or by email at clerkoffice@worthtownship.com

WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY RECOGNITION - APRIL 28



Workers Memorial Day, April 28, is just around the corner. This year, the labor movement, headed by the Illinois AFL-CIO, will

commemorate those we have been lost on the job and will organize to make the fundamental right of a safe job a reality for all workers. This year's theme is "Organize! Safe Jobs Now."

Please help to honor the victims of workplace injury and illness and the call to organize for safe jobs for all workers. Every year, trade unionists around the country and the globe will organize communities and workplaces to observe Workers Memorial Day.

Focus is on the toll of job injuries and deaths; a demand that elected officials put workers' well-being above corporate interests; and the demand for safe jobs for all. This year, and every year, the labor movement will defend the right of every worker to a safe job.

ST. PAUL OFFERING FREE 12-WEEK CAREER READINESS PROGRAM



St. Paul Community Development Ministries, Inc. will be offering a FREE 12-week career readiness training

program that enables men and women to learn about the entry skills necessary to become a skilled building tradesman/woman.

Classes start May 9, 2022, Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to Noon.

Mandatory requirements include: Must be 18 years or older; possess a birth certificate, social security card, valid driver's license, a high school diploma/G.E.D., pass a drug screening and pass a basic math and reading test.

To learn more, call (773) 538-5120 or email spcdm@sbcglobal.net

DON'T MISS THE 66TH ANNUAL CCA SMOKER - MAY 12th



The Concrete Contractors Association of Greater Chicago will be hosting its Annual Smoker on Thursday, May

12th at a new location - The Belvidere Banquets in Elk Grove Village (Devon & Rohlwing Road). Cash bar begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Yes, of course, the event will still feature great corned beef by Harrington, and the usual Dean Martin Roast-like humor from Executive Director Bob Morreale.

For more information, call (630) 990-4222.

