

CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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PLUMBERS LOCAL 130 "ON DECK" FOR CISCO/CTA "CONSTRUCTION TALKS" - FRIDAY, AUGUST 21



The continuing series featuring different local union Apprenticeship Programs will highlight the Plumbers Local 130 at Noon on Friday, August 21st.

In addition, union contractors such as PCA of Greater Chicago jointly fund and help create curriculum for the Joint Apprenticeship Training Center.

This series has been a joint venture between CISCO and The Chicago Transit Authority. To register for this webinar, go to: https://bit.ly/2PvVoSu

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR FMCS VIRTUAL CONFERENCE



This is your last chance to register for the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service (FMCS) will be hosting their two-day 2020 National Conference, virtually.

The 2-day virtual conference is less than a week away - August 18-19! More than 30 speakers are scheduled including AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka.

To register, go to www.fmcs.gov

IDOL ANNOUNCES CERTIFIED TRANSCRIPT OF PAYROLL PORTAL TRAINING – MONDAY, AUGUST 17

Beginning September 1, 2020 – all certified payrolls for public works projects in Illinois MUST be filed with the Illinois Department of Labor.



The Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) is charged with developing and

maintaining an online portal (Pursuant to PA 100-1177 and 820 ILCS 130/5.1), for prevailing wage construction contractors to file their certified payrolls with the department, otherwise known as Certified Transcript of Payroll portal.

The department has a new upload option available for your certified payrolls, and the ability to save your information to avoid some of the manual entry. You will still have some data entry to do, but this upload option will reduce the workload.

The training webinar, primarily for contractors, will be held on Monday, August 17 at 3:00 p.m. To register, go to CISCO's website (cisco.org) and the link is available on our Home Page.

FREE COVID-19 TESTING OFFERED BY ST. PAUL CHURCH – AUGUST 17

St. Paul Church of God in Christ and CISCO are co-hosting free COVID-19 testing and free food on Monday, August 17th from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Parking Lot at 4526 S. State Street.

Results in 3 to 5 days; no ID required; no eating/drinking/smoking 20 minutes before the test. To preregister and reduce your wait time, go to chicagocovidtesting.com

WEBINAR ADDRESSES LABOR SHORTAGE, CONSTRUCTION COSTS

A recent webinar presented by BISNOW Chicago and PowerForward DuPage, with nearly 250 registered participants, focused on a perceived labor shortage and the concern of rising construction costs.

Webinar sponsors were: CISCO, PowerForward DuPage, Powering Chicago and Structures Chicago.



Led by moderator Giuseppe Muzzupappa of NECA – Northeastern IL Chapter, four speakers including Dan Allen, Executive Director of CISCO; Elbert Walters, Director of Powering Chicago; Barry Sullivan of Ryan Companies and Mike McLean of Condor Partners spoke to the issues.

Dan Allen mentioned how the narrative has changed for students and they see how "college for everyone" is not the answer.

"Collaborative outreach is paying off. We show the students, parents and high school counselors how safe, profitable, professional and innovative our building trades are, and they become excited," he said.

Elbert Walters added, "The world is changing. What used to be acceptable is now irrelevant. In order to attract women and minorities, we need to cast a broader net and form relationships with different types of organizations."