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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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CISCO ANNUAL MEETING "IMPRESSIVE" WITH SEN. DURBIN AS GUEST SPEAKER

Many of CISCO's members said the Annual Meeting was impressive featuring guest speaker Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL), the presentation of its Pride in Construction Awards, and the reaffirmation of its 2019 Board of Directors.



In his remarks to a crowded room of 275 attendees, Senator Durbin declared that "In Illinois, the war on labor is over,"

he said. "We are going to start working together in this state again."

Sen. Durbin also said the creation of the middle class was due to the labor movement. He said after World War II,

labor unions represented working men and women to make sure they took home a paycheck, and could afford a house, a car, a vacation, and save for their kids' college tuition.

Sen. Durbin concluded by saying, "CISCO, we need you more than ever. To make sure that we have the men and women and contractors prepared to do the work. My job is to make sure we put that infrastructure bill together in Washington. That's one thing that I think we can do together to get America's economy moving forward in the future," he said.

After Durbin's remarks, Executive Director Dan Allen introduced Educator of the Year Steve Cervenka, Teacher from the DuPage Tech Center (top left); Labor Advocate of the Year,



Marc Poulos, Executive Director of ILL-FFC (top right); and Public Body of the Year The Chicago Transit Authority (Bottom photo).

The event concluded with the recognition of the Project of the Year Award winners.



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CISCO ON THE MOVE

CONSTRUCTION EXPO HELD IN CHICAGO'S 10th WARD

CISCO and the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades recently teamed up with 10th Ward Alderwoman Susan Sadlowski Garza to bring a Hands-On Construction Expo to Chicago's East Side.

The event experienced a good turnout as residents had the opportunity to meet and talk to representatives of 17 different building trades about how to get started in the application process and apply to one of the building trades apprenticeship programs. In addition, groups such as Access United and Chicago Women in Trades were on hand.

The award-winning Built To Last production crew was there to film scenes that will be used in upcoming programs that are highlighting the trades. See event photos below:



Electricians - IBEW Local 134.



SMART - Sheet Metal Workers Local 73.



Tuckpointers - ADC-BAC #1.



Operating Engineers Local 150.



Roofers & Waterproofers Local 11.



Pipefitters Local 597.

CISCO AND CHA SET TO OFFER CONSTRUCTION TRADES INFO FAIR

CISCO will be teaming up with the Chicago Housing Authority on Friday, March 8 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. to hold a **Union Construction Trades Information Fair** at the Charles A. Hayes Family Investment Center, 4859 S. Wabash Ave. in Chicago.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 22nd!!



One week to go to get your applications in for the CISCO Scholarship

Program. The deadline is February 22, 2019. For more information, contact CISCO at 630.472.9411, or to download the appropriate application form, go to www.cisco.org/scholarships/

CISCO ADDS NEW BOARD MEMBER

The CISCO Board of Directors approved the choice of Mr. George Patterson to replace outgoing Board Member and Board Secretary John Cronin.



Mr. Patterson is the President of Bennett & Brosseau Roofing, Inc. He is responsible for managing day-to-day activities of estimating, operations, accounting, sales and marketing. He served as President of the Chicagoland Roofing Council Association (CRCA) from 2013 to 2015.

John Cronin had served on the CISCO Board since January of 2014, representing the CRCA.

2nd ANNUAL ILEPI FUNDRAISER

The Illinois Economic Policy Institute held its second annual fundraiser at Capri Banquets in Countryside recently.

More than 125 guests attended as the organization lauded its five-year record in shaping policy debates both locally and nationally. Lawmakers, advocacy groups and journalists rely on ILEPI to offer solutions for boosting the economy, rebuilding the middle class, and holding politicians accountable.



Event speakers from left are: Frank Manzo IV, ILEPI Policy Director; Tom Kriger, NABTU Director of Research; and Alice Johnson, Director of Illinois Nurses Association and ILEPI Board Member.

