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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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VIRTUAL HIRING EVENT – THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18TH, 4:00 – 5:00 PM



CISCO is pleased to announce that some of our association partners have collaborated to organize a virtual construction employment opportunity for current union card holders who are looking for work in the industry.

The event will be held on Thursday, February 18, from 4:00 - 5 p.m. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/3iJ9NZr>

The organizations that helped put this together are: The Chicago Transit Authority (in conjunction with its Red and Purple Modernization Program), Trinal, Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership, HIRE 360 and Walsh Fluor Design-Build Team.

GRAYCOR CELEBRATES 100TH YEAR



2021 marks Graycor's 100 years in business! Today, Graycor is a provider of construction, maintenance and facilities services

throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Graycor employs more than 1,600 construction specialists at its headquarters in Oakbrook Terrace, IL, regional offices and project sites in North America.

Graycor services include: General Contractor, Design-build, Agency Construction Management, Construction Management at Risk, and Roll-out Service.

CISCO/CTA "CONSTRUCTION TALKS" SET TO FEATURE PIPEFITTERS #597

The month of February will end on a warm note as CISCO will feature the Pipefitters Local 597 Apprenticeship Program and Training Center as CISCO and its partner - Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) - continue its "Construction Talks" series.



Adam Sutter, Admission Director, will be one who appears in the webinar,

along with a variety of apprentices who will be interviewed.

The webinar **airs at Noon on Friday, February 26th**, and highlights the Apprenticeship Program and affiliated contractors that make the Joint Training Center successful.

To register, go to: <http://bit.ly/ctaconstructiontalkspipefitters>



Third-year apprentice Ebony Simpson salutes from her welding booth after a full day of training. She will be featured on Feb. 26th.



Second-year apprentice Colleen O'Connell goes over her math calculations for layout with Instructor Rick Hobson.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 19, 2021



The deadline to submit an application for CISCO's annual scholarship program is just two weeks away.

CISCO offers three (3), four-year college scholarships for high school seniors; two (2), two-year awards for seniors planning on attending a community college; and two (2) two-year continuing education awards to union members or contractor employees. The application forms can be easily downloaded from CISCO's website (www.cisco.org). All applications and accompanying document must be postmarked by February 19, 2021.

For more information or questions, call CISCO at (630) 472-9411.

ILEPI FUNDRAISER GOES VIRTUAL

The Illinois Economic Policy Institute's 4th Annual Fundraiser will be a virtual affair on Monday, February 22, 2021 from 5 - 6:00 pm



There are many different levels of sponsorship options. For more details on registration/sponsorship, please call Jill Gigstad at 708.375.1002 or jgigstad@illinoiseipi.org

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

2ND ANNUAL STATE OF DUPAGE COUNTY SUMMIT

CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen will be one several speakers who will take part in the 2nd Annual State of DuPage County Summit on Friday, February 26, 2021 from 9 - 11 am. The event will be a virtual event.

Allen will be joined by PowerForward DuPage Executive Director Karyn Charvat, Choose DuPage President and CEO Greg Bedalov and as many as 10 others.



Sponsored by REJournals/Illinois, the first hour will focus on the State of Office, Industrial Retail, Multifamily, Housing the western suburbs, while the second hour will feature comments regarding Development, Investment, Capital Markets, Data Centers - specifically the current and future investment & development trends and opportunities.

Registration is complimentary. Visit rejourneys.com, and the registration link can be found on the homepage.

ULLICO SIGNS ACQUISITION AGREEMENTS

Ullico Inc., a loyal supporter of CISCO, recently announced two acquisition agreements. The new investments will be for approximately \$200M each.

The first: Ullico Infrastructure Fund signed a definitive agreement to acquire GEP Bison Holdings, Inc., which owns 100% of the equity of Hearthstone Utilities, Inc. ("Hearthstone"), a holding company that owns and operates six natural gas local distribution companies across five states in the United States.

According to a Ullico press release, Hearthstone is a geographically diversified natural gas distribution platform. For the Ullico Infrastructure Fund, this platform represents a unique opportunity to wholly-own a regulated business.



Hearthstone's subsidiaries serve 5 states: Ohio (30 counties in northeast part of state near Cleveland and Columbus), Indiana (southeast corner of state: Dearborn, Franklin and Ohio counties), Maine, North Carolina and Montana.

The second announcement: Acquisition of Enwave Energy ("Enwave US"). Enwave Energy's market-leading US business currently operates and serves eight U.S. markets: Chicago, New Orleans, Houston, Los Angeles, Seattle, Portland, Denver, Syracuse.

The Chicago system has 5 production plants and 15 miles of distribution pipe serving the Loop, River North, West Loop, including the Mart, Old Post Office and 600 W. Chicago Ave.

IN OTHER NEWS

Ullico also recently approved a J for Jobs investment and the project is under construction in Des Plaines. It's called the Ellinwood Apartments - a 7-story, Class A apartment development featuring 212 units (179,646 NRSF), 409 parking spots and 10,628 square feet of retail space.

It will include 12,000 sf of luxury interior amenities and 23,000 sf of exterior amenities, including a club lounge with kitchen, media room, co-working lounge, indoor/outdoor cabanas, outdoor pool, full size gym, covered bike racks, etc.

ASAC EXPO AND CONSTRUCTION SAFETY CONFERENCE - MARCH 2-3

The Association of Subcontractors and Affiliates of Chicago (ASAC) and the Construction Safety Council (CSC) are pleased to announce the annual Construction Expo and Safety Conference. This event serves Chicagoland construction



professionals by providing unique opportunities for business-to-business commerce, and safety education.

This year's gathering will be in a bold, virtual format in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

To ensure the health and safety of all participants, ASAC and CSC will utilize new technologies and resources to connect businesses and individuals during two days of live education and interaction from 8 a.m. until noon. Virtual tradeshow exhibits will be complemented by 15 different one-hour safety sessions and a Keynote Presentation, featuring Bill Heffernan (ScreenSafe, Inc.), who will address "The Impact of Construction Culture and Tradition on Employee Mental Health."

Participants can enhance their industry knowledge and expand their professional network by joining from home or office - or home office. CEU's will be awarded for all training attended live or via recording.

To register to attend, visit www.chicagoconstructionexpo.com.

