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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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OSHA SILICA RULE AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE WORKSHOP - JULY 25-26

The OSHA silica rule went into effect last year and enforcement of the standard will begin in September.



Construction & General Laborers' District Council of Chicago & Vicinity
Affiliated with Laborers' International Union of North America

The Chicago Laborers' District Council and LIUNA are holding two FREE professionally led workshops to bring signatory contractors up to speed on the new work practices and requirements that will keep employees from being exposed and ensure contractors are in compliance with the new standard.

The first workshop will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 25 at 1200 Old Gary Avenue, Carol Stream, IL, 60188. RSVP Required: 630-653-0006, extension 221.

The second workshop will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 26 at 5700 W. Homer Street, Chicago, IL 60639. RSVP Required: 630-653-0006, extension 221.

Each day will involve a silica presentation, a hands-on demonstration, lunch and facility tours. For more information, contact Savannah Maddie at 630-653-0006, ext. 221 or via email - savannah.maddie@chicagolaborers.org.

CONSTRUCTION SAFETY TRAINING FOR THE FOCUS FOUR HAZARDS

This is another FREE training seminar being sponsored by the Fox Valley AGC, Builders Association and AGC of America that is ideal for Safety Managers, Project Managers, Supervisors and Foremen.

The two days of seminars will

pertain to common exposures to the Focus Four Hazards; OSHA standards and best practices; proper trenching and excavation systems; and training requirements.

The dates and locations are:

1) August 9, 2017 - Laborers Training Center, 1200 Old Gary Ave., Carol Stream from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

2) August 10, 2017 - Laborers Training Center, 5700 W. Homer St., Chicago from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

For more details and to RSVP, contact skelly@bldrs.org or mike.hampson@fvagc.org.

REGISTER TODAY FOR CISCO'S ANNUAL GOLF OUTING - SEPT. 11th



CISCO's Annual Golf Outing will be held on Monday, September 11, 2017 at Bloomingdale Golf Club - 181 Glen Ellyn Road in Bloomingdale, IL.

Start gathering your foursomes for golf, fabulous barbecue luncheon, prize raffle, and more! To download the registration and sponsorship flyer, click on this link: <http://cisco.org/wp-content/pdf/Golf-flyer17.pdf> or call CISCO at (630) 472-9411.

SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE - SEPT. 18-21

The Chicagoland Safety Health and Environmental Conference is being held Sept. 18-21, 2017 at the Naperville campus of Northern Illinois University. Conference registration is now open at www.chisafetyconf.org

Conference attendees include plant managers, professional and

civic association members, project managers, safety committee members, shop foremen, and more.

This year's wide ranging training topics include OSHA Record-keeping Rule, Employment Testing, Illinois EPA's New Industrial Stormwater Permit, Are You Complying With OSHA, OSHA Inspections and Reporting Requirements, and others.

Promotional support of the conference is being provided by dozens of organizations including CISCO. For more information, contact Ken Orms at k.orms@att.net.

CARPENTERS' "BUILT TO LAST" CONTINUES ON SUMMER SUNDAYS

In case you haven't seen it, the



Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters Labor Management's "Built To Last" television show continues to air every Sunday at

noon on ABC/WLS Ch. 7, so make sure to watch this great program before the end of August.

Of course, you can watch the video whenever you want online. The promotional video that highlights the overall purpose of the show can be found on the carpenters website - www.carpentersunion.org.

The video states that the shows will provide an in-depth look at what it takes to be a carpenter, it touches on the economic impact of the union on the community, highlights veterans outreach and much more.

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

4th ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION EXPO THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

CISCO, St. Paul Community Development Ministries (SPCDM), the Chicago Teachers Union, the Chicago Public Schools, the Chicago Federation of Labor and the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades will once again join forces to showcase careers in the construction industry to students and adults. This year's event will be held on Thursday, August 24 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon at SPCDM, 4550 S. Wabash Ave. in Chicago.



During last year's event, Pipefitters Local 597 Apprenticeship Instructor Calvin Gordon walks an attendee through a computer welding exercise.

FREE parking will be available at a parking lot at 4526 S. State Street.

During the Expo attendees will get a chance to learn first-hand what it takes to become an electrician, carpenter, bricklayer, operating engineer, pipefitter or other union building trades careers.



During last year's event, Carpenters Asst. Apprenticeship Coordinator Kina McAfee measures during an exercise.

For more information about the skilled union trades, contact Johnetta Ryan, CISCO's Education-to-Careers Director at **(630) 472-9411**. To register: Click on the link: <https://spcdm-4thannualexpo.eventbrite.com>

CISCO/PEOPLES GAS WORK TOGETHER ON INTERNSHIP PIPELINE

In the previous issue of the Construction News Briefs, we highlighted the grand opening of the new Peoples Gas Training Center in Little Village.

One key aspect of the partnership involves the gas company, along with their construction contractors, to support the City of Chicago, Chicago Public Schools and CISCO to develop and implement two successive high school internship experiences.

These experiences will develop young people through mentorship, and career readiness training, to create a direct pipeline to building trade apprenticeship opportunities. Peoples Gas, through its contractors, will make a certain number of utility construction jobs available to students who have successfully completed these internships.

One such intern, who began her internship with Peoples Gas this summer, is India Preston, a junior at Dunbar High School, who excelled in welding during the Chicago Builds Program this past school year.



Peoples Gas intern India Preston, a product of the Dunbar High School Chicago Builds Program works in the welding room fusing pipe during the tour of the new Peoples Gas Training Center.

CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen, who attended the grand opening of the Training Center, said "CISCO's role in this endeavor will be

to assist CPS and the Chicago Builds Program through our own Education-to-Careers Program in helping students with career readiness and acceptance into the Peoples Gas internship opportunities, and perhaps eventually, with acceptance into some of the building trades' apprenticeship programs."



CPS interns pose with skilled workers and grand opening dignitaries during the outdoor tour of the Training Center's "Gas City". CISCO's Executive Director Dan Allen is at far left.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITOL

As almost everyone knows by now, the State of Illinois approved a new budget (spending and revenue plans) last week.

A new budget means contractors and workers employed by the Illinois Department of Transportation will get paid and can go back to work. IDOT suspended all state projects at midnight of July 1st since there was no state budget.



Nearly all of the projects that were put on hold will be up and running as of next week, as the re-start is

a complex process that involves time and proper procedure.

