

# CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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## IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED: REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS UNDER ATTACK

We need everybody's help! The U.S. Department of Labor, under the Trump administration, has recently released a proposal that could decimate training and labor standards in registered apprenticeship programs across the country.

This new proposal would drive down standards for the world-class apprenticeship programs that workers and industries depend on. It would jeopardize not only good jobs, but safety standards in industries like construction. Watering down these programs is just plain wrong.

Right now, the Department of Labor is asking the public for feedback on this misguided proposal. We have to let them know that working people won't stand for this. Click on this link: <a href="https://www.saveconstructionapprenticeships.org/#/34/">https://www.saveconstructionapprenticeships.org/#/34/</a>

Submit your comments now! The public comment deadline is August 26.

#### CCAGC NAMES SALVATORE CERAMI AS NEW ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT



The Concrete
Contractors
Association of Greater
Chicago (CCAGC)
announced recently
that it has appointed
Salvatore (Sal) Cerami

as its next President. Cerami, President of Cerami Construction in Northlake, IL takes over the top spot of the CCAGC and its more than 1,000 union concrete professionals.

"Together with my fellow board

members and Executive Director Bob Morreale, I'm excited to begin building on the foundations laid by our predecessors," Cerami said.

"Sal brings professionalism along with a can-do attitude to the job," said CCAGC Executive Director Bob Morreale. "We are thrilled to have Sal and our new slate of officers representing our association."

### CISCO/CHA TEAM UP ON SUCCESSFUL INFORMATION FAIR

CISCO and the Chicago Housing Authority gave Section 3 residents a chance to interact with the apprenticeship coordinators and instructors from 10 different trades, and representatives of Access United.

The residents heard about application requirements for each apprenticeship program, and were able to ask questions about a variety of topics within each building trade. Those trades which were present were: Boilermakers Local 1, Bricklayers, Carpenters, Electricians Local 134, Laborers, Operating Engineers Local 150, Painters, Pipefitters Local 597, Roofers & Waterproofers Local 11 and the Tile Setters. Photos from the event:



A couple meets with Nick Jorgensen (left) of Operating Engineers Local 150 and Brian Dugan of Roofers & Waterproofers Local 11.



A group of young adults get information about the trades from CISCO's Johnetta Ryan and Dan Allen.



Residents get information (from left) from Bricklayers' Dave Naprstek, Painters' Hector Hernandez and Pipefitters Local 597's Adam Sutter.



Maurice King - IBEW Local 134.



Kina McAfee - Carpenters.

More news and photos on the back page

#### **CISCO ON THE MOVE**

#### CISCO GOLF OUTING TO TEE IT UP SEPTEMBER 9, 2019



If you do anything this summer, take some time to start planning your foursomes now for the annual shot-

gun style outing and barbecue lunch, Monday, Sept. 9, 2019 at Bloomingdale Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road.

- Registration and FREE practice range begins at 7 am.
- Golf begins at 8 am.
- Cocktails and lunch start around 1:30 pm.

There are also many ways to sponsor the outing. Hole, Beverage Cart, Halfway House and Lunch sponsorships are available, as well as registration table and prize donations.



Sponsorship options:

Hole – \$200; Beverage Cart – \$300 Halfway House – \$300; Lunch – \$500

Golf/Lunch costs:

\$125 per golfer; \$475 per foursome (includes lunch) – \$40 LUNCH ONLY

Go to www.cisco.org to download the registration/sponsorship form – and return it us, or call 630-472-9411 to reserve your foursomes today!

#### McWILLIAMS ELECTRIC HONORED

McWilliams Electric received two elite NECA safety awards: 1) The Zero-Injury award - recognizes those member-companies that have worked a full calendar year without recordable incidents. And 2) Safety Excellence - the association's premier recognition program, and acknowledges member-contractors safety performance. Congratulations to McWilliams Electric and President/CEO Jim McGlynn and his team!

#### CISCO AND TRADES TAKE PART IN U OF C CAREERS CONFERENCE

CISCO and representatives of eight building trades participated in the University of Chicago's annual Careers Conference for high school students. In her presentation, Johnetta Ryan, CISCO's Education-to-Careers Director (see photo below) emphasized each trade's application requirements, and the benefits of a career in union construction.



## LABOR ALLIANCE THE FOCUS OF ST. PAUL PRESS CONFERENCE

The Career Readiness Program of Chicago's St. Paul Community Development Ministries (SPCDM) was the focus of a recent press conference, which highlighted the strengthening alliance between the labor unions and the African American community. CISCO and the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades Council assist by providing industry instructors and mentors.



Surrounded by recent graduates of SPCDM's career readiness program are Congressman Danny Davis (IL-7th), CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen and St. Paul Pastor Kevin Ford, during a recent press conference.

#### CISCO/ST. PAUL PREPARE FOR 6TH ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION EXPO

CISCO will team up with St. Paul Community Development Ministries (SPCDM), the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades, Chicago Federation of Labor, The Hill Group and W.E. O'Neil on the 6th Annual Construction Conference & Expo on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the SPCDM campus at 4550 S. Wabash in Chicago.

Several different building trades will be on hand and during the Expo, attendees will be able to interact with the trades' representatives to learn first-hand what it takes to become an electrician, carpenter, bricklayer, operating engineer, pipefitter or learn about other union building trades careers. The registration link is: <a href="https://spcdmconstructioncareer.eventbrite.com">https://spcdmconstructioncareer.eventbrite.com</a>

SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE - SEPT. 16-19, 2019



The Chicagoland Safety Health and Environmental Conference will be held September 16-19, 2019 at the Naperville Illinois campus of NIU. TO REGISTER: www.chisafetyconf. org. The organization is celebrating 31 years of holding the conference, which is a premier 4 day, professional safety and business training conference. The conference features 86 professional training sessions including Fall Protection, Electrical Safety, Workers Comp, Active Shooter, Opioid Crisis, Marijuana in the Workplace and more.

