

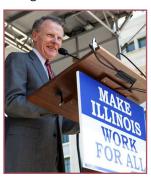
# CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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## SPEAKER MADIGAN HIGHLIGHTS CISCO LUNCHEON - MAY 4, 2018

Register now for CISCO's 30th Annual Luncheon set for Friday, May 4, 2018 at Maggiano's Little Italy in Chicago, 516 N. Clark St.

The Luncheon will feature recognition of our Labor Advocate,



Public Body and Educator of the Year awards, as well as presentations to our 2018 Scholarship Award recipients.

Illinois Speaker of the House Michael J. Madigan has been an ardent supporter of working class families – especially the men and women in the union construction industry. With his leadership, the state has passed Capital and infrastructure spending bills that have benefited the industry and residents. He has also helped pass legislation that has protected and bolstered Prevailing Wage laws.

Sponsorships are also available. To learn how to sponsor and register, click the following link - <a href="http://cisco.org/wpcontent/pdf/lunch-flyer18.pdf">http://cisco.org/wpcontent/pdf/lunch-flyer18.pdf</a>

### LABORERS' INCENTIVE PROGRAM DRIVES HOME SAFETY

The Chicago Area LECET's 16th Annual Safety Incentive Program Awards Ceremony watched another well-deserving Laborer drive away with a brand new truck! This year, it was Rogelio Mancilla (see photo at the top of the middle column) of Laborers' Local #225 who drew Key #1, and unlocked the door to a shiny, red Chevrolet Silverado.



With confetti swirling downward, Laborers' Local #225's Rogelio Mancilla, exults in winning a new truck.

The annual event featured 12 skilled Laborers being honored for working accident-free throughout a specific time period. Each finalist was presented with a \$250 check and other prizes, and each had a one in 12 chance to win the Chevy Silverado.

Each finalist was nominated by a signatory contractor. For Mancilla, a 19-year veteran of Local #225, the contractor was Enviroplus, Inc.



LECET's Director Pat Hosty (left) served as the master of ceremonies and special guest Mariyana Spyropoulos, President of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, spoke on behalf of the safety program.

"The LiUNA family has been a blessing to me and my family," Mancilla said. "This is so amazing. I am so honored to be a part of the Laborers' Union family," Mancilla added.

## CISCO PROVIDES IMPORTANT PRESENCE AT ASA EXPO AND SAFETY CONFERENCE

It seems that safety was the theme of early March, as CISCO participated in the ASA and the Construction Safety Council's annual expo and safety conference last week.

"Safety is always the top priority in construction," said CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen, "and it is one of the many areas where skilled union construction workers separate themselves from those in the workforce who do not possess the training standards set by the United States Department of Labor."

"Not only the initial training received in our world-class apprenticeship programs," Allen continued, "but also on a continuous basis, which was demonstrated during this conference."



Gathering at the CISCO booth at the ASA Expo were (from left) Aaron Janik, Executive Director of the Mid-America Regional Bargaining Association; Molly Janik; S.J. Peters, Executive Director of PCA Midwest & Plumbing Council Midwest & CISCO Board Vice President; Johnetta Ryan, CISCO Director of Education to Careers; and Jeff Weiss, Director of Communications & Public Affairs for PCA Midwest & Plumbing Council Midwest.

More news and photos on the back page

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

#### CISCO/HOUSING AUTHORITY ORGANIZE HANDS-ON FAIR

CISCO and the Housing Authority of Cook County (HACC) worked together to organize its first joint Hands-On Fair in Chicago Heights at the Park District's Rec Center on Thursday, March 1st. Around 80 HACC residents took advantage as 12 different building trades set up booth displays for people to learn about what it takes to apply to one of the union apprenticeship programs.



Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and Ralph Affrunti, President of the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades chat during the Hands-On Fair in Chicago Heights.

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle was on hand to greet residents, as well as Ralph Affrunti, President of the Chicago & Cook County Building Trades Council.

"There is a demand for skilled labor," Affrunti said. "And the men and women receive top-notch training. For an apprentice to become a journeyman it takes more time than it does to get a bachelor's degree."



Cement Masons Local 502's Larry Picardi, Jr. talks with residents about what it takes to apply for an apprenticeship in his building trade.

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle thanked CISCO, the union building trades and the Housing Authority for organizing the expo in the south suburbs.



Pipefitters Local 597 Admissions Director Adam Sutter listens to a resident's question.

"This is an opportunity to move on to a productive path in their lives," she said. "I'm grateful to all of those who came out, and hopefully tonight helps them begin preparing for work in the trades."



Operating Engineers 150 Recruiter Daphne Jackson shows a resident how to use the simulator.

HACC Executive Director Richard Monocchio added, "We have a lot of residents who have talent and just need an opportunity."



Sheet Metal Local 73 Instructor Eric Olson provides advice to a resident during the Hands-On Fair.

#### **INDUSTRY NEWS**

Don't miss Season 4 of the Emmy-nominated program "Built To Last" currently airing on Sunday's at Noon on ABC/WLS Channel 7.

Season 5 begins on Sunday, May 6th. The show, which was the



brainchild of the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters provides 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.

In Season 5, the Electricians Local 134 and Painters District Council 14 have partnered in order to showcase their crafts.

To view video, please visit www. carpentersunion.org.

#### **ETC UPCOMING EVENTS**

CISCO and Moraine Area Career System will team up for the third time on a Hands-On event Friday, March 16th. The Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters' Satellite Apprenticeship & Training Center in Chicago will be the site of the event as students from the Moraine Valley College area will attend. Once again, several building trades will be represented to provide demos of day-to-day functions.

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!** 



