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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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CISCO ANNUAL MEETING NEWS: COOK COUNTY NO LONGER REQUIRING PROOF OF VACCINATION

**NOTE: PROOF OF VACCINATION
NO LONGER REQUIRED! Cook County
announced last week that it is lifting the
use of masks, and proof of vaccination
WILL NOT be required in order to enter
the restaurant or banquet facility.**

ANNUAL MEETING KEYNOTE SPEAKER – AG KWAME RAOUL



CISCO is expecting a capacity crowd for our Annual Meeting as Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul will be the Keynote Speaker at Friday, March 11.

According to Dan Allen, CISCO Executive Director, the Board of Directors sought AG Raoul because of “his track record of defending working rights, as well as his efforts to level the playing field for reputable contractors who follow prevailing wage laws while bidding on projects, and invest in worker training and safety.”

The event is FREE of charge to members and award winners and their guests. However, sponsorships are available at \$250. To inquire about a sponsorship, call Julia Mulvey at (630) 472-9411.

As in past years, an hour of Breakfast and Networking begins at 8:00 a.m. with the formal program beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The event will also return to a familiar venue – Maggiano’s Little Italy restaurant in Schaumburg.

The event will feature the presentation of CISCO’s Pride in Construction Awards – now in its 17th year. The winners of the Project of the Year Awards appear in the left column of the Home Page.

In addition to the Project of the Year Awards, two individuals and one entity are recognized as Educator of the Year, Public



Body of the Year and Labor Advocate of the Year.

The Board approved John Daniels & Eric Malone, Teachers at Stagg High School as Co-Educators of the Year. The Public Body of the Year is DuPage County, in part, for enacting a Responsible Bidder Ordinance. The Labor Advocate of the Year, is State Comptroller Susana Mendoza.

APPRENTICE FOR A DAY A BIG HIT FOR SMART LOCAL 265



SMART Local 265 opened up its Training Center in Carol Stream on February 24th and invited engineers, estimators, project managers and office staff to learn about the award-winning Sheet Metal and Service Technician apprenticeship programs.

CISCO Board Member and SMART 265 President/Business Manager John Daniel welcomed attendees before instructors demonstrated procedures using sheet metal equipment and offered hands-on techniques.

Many of the participants were impressed with the event. Two F.E. Moran engineers Claire Bowman and Olivia Giannetta spoke about their experiences.

“It was great to see all the different skill sets the apprentices are required to learn,” Bowman said.”

“The amount of training and skill on display was eye-opening to me as an engineer,” Giannetta added. “This was such a valuable and worthwhile experience.”



Claire Bowman (left) and Olivia Giannetta try bending sheet metal duct.

A few other photos from the event are below:



More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

ASA CHICAGO'S CONSTRUCTION EXPO SET FOR MARCH 7 - 8, 2022



Continue the annual tradition of the Chicago Construction Expo & Safety Conference March 7 & 8. The event will be live and in-person for unique educational content, professional development, and business-to-business interaction.

Don't forget to visit CISCO at its booth as we support this quality event that features safety sessions and plenty of vendors in construction-related fields.

A keynote session by Garrison Wynn is a must see as he will share insights about successful safety.

CWIT'S "SHE CAN BUILD IT" CARPENTERS LUNCHEON



Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council Apprenticeship Director and CISCO Board Member Vince Sticca will

be the Keynote Speaker during the Chicago Women In Trades "She Can Build It" Luncheon on Thursday, March 10, from 1 - 3 pm at 2121 S. Union Ave. in Chicago.



The event, in recognition of Women in Construction Week, will feature the launch of the first All Women's General Carpentry Apprenticeship Class. Contact Ebba Schmid, Workforce Coordinator - eschmid@cwit.org - to register.

ST. PAUL HOLDS UNITY, FAITH AND LABOR SUMMIT

Congressman Danny Davis invited faith, labor and community leaders to a Breakfast at St. Paul Church of God in Christ on February 25 in Chicago.

More than 100 people attended as Congressman Davis spoke about how organized labor and social justice go hand in hand to provide dignity to working families in their quest to fulfill the American dream.



Pictured from left: Maurice King, IBEW 134 and CISCO Board Member; Jerry Rankins, Business Rep. IBEW 21; Congressman Danny Davis; Pastor Kevin Ford, St. Paul; an unidentified Ukrainian priest; CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen and Herbert Dawson, Jr., Project Executive, W.E. O'Neil.

MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AND MARCH 6 - 12th IS WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK

It is a time to highlight all the great initiatives and work of women within the industry. Likewise, it is a time that brings to the fore the opportunities that are available to women in construction. Women in Construction Week traces the history of women in construction, their challenges, and the ways they've been able to overcome them. The holiday is observed to appreciate the women who have taken the bold step to enter the construction industry, and also to encourage those willing to make similar commitments.

CISCO recognizes our own **Jamillah Muhammad**, Education to Careers Director and Office Manager **Julia Mulvey** for their commitments!

SKILLED TRADES CAREER FAIR - MARCH 22 - 24th

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9AM - 1PM



SKILLED TRADES CAREER FAIR

CISCO has teamed with the Chicago Public Schools and more than 20 industry partners to highlight the career opportunities that exist in the construction trades, STEM, engineering and related fields.

The event, **OPEN TO CPS STUDENTS ONLY**, will be held at McCormick Place Lakeside Center Hall D from 9 am - 1 pm on March 22-24.

More than \$100 billion in new construction projects will break ground in Chicago over the next 15 years. Apprenticeship programs anticipate an increase in the number of minority and women apprentices over the next two years.

UCA SPRING SHOWCASE - APRIL 19



The Underground Contractors Association will hold its Spring Showcase on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at Venuti's Ristorante in Addison beginning at 5:00 pm.

Visit www.uca.org for more information or call UCA at (630) 467-1919.

