

CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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CISCO BEGINS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE - FEB. 22, 2019



CISCO is accepting applications for its 2019 Scholarship Program. The three

different categories enable a wider range of students of both union building trade members and union contractor employees to apply.

CISCO offers (3), four-year scholarships to high school seniors; (2), two-year awards for seniors planning on attending a community college; and (2), two-year continuing education awards to union members or contractor employees.

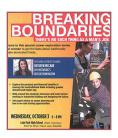


Last year's scholarship winners are recognized as CISCO Board President Maurice King proudly joins in.

"The education of our future generations needs to be priority one," said CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen. "Each year we receive entries from increasingly talented students."

All applications and accompanying documents must be postmarked by February 22, 2019. For more information, contact CISCO at 630.472.9411, or to download the appropriate application form, go to www.cisco.org/scholarships/

BREAKING BOUNDARIES SERIES: 3RD EVENT SCHEDULED - OCT. 3, 2018



CISCO will once again co-sponsor the next Breaking Boundaries event at Lake Park High School's West Campus on

Wednesday, Oct. 3, from 6 - 8 p.m.

Breaking Boundaries is a career exploration initiative for women that aims to spark interest in traditionally male (and typically higher paying) career paths. This installment will feature keynote speaker Kayleen McCabe of the DYI Network show Rescue Renovation, followed by an Employer & Career Pathway Showcase. During the showcase, several organizations, including CISCO, will highlight their in-demand careers and the opportunities available with many fields.

To register, visit workNetDuPage. org, or call 630.955.2030.

CISCO LAUNCHES PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARDS - DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS DECEMBER 5, 2018

CISCO'S Project of the Year Award is kicking off its 14th year of accepting applications for some of the best construction projects of the past 18 months. The award gives general contractors, owners, engineers and architects a chance to submit projects in six different categories that include the areas of new construction, renovation/rehabilitation, residential construction and infrastructure.

The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018.



One of last year's winning projects was the McCormick Place Hotel & Event Center submitted by Clark Construction.

For more information, contact Gary Karafiat, Director of Communications & Public Affairs at 630.472.9411 or via email: gary@cisco.org. In addition, interested submitters should visit www.cisco.org/projects-of-the-year/ to download the easy three-step application form.

ITALIAN AMERICAN COUNCIL TO HONOR RALPH AFFRUNTI



The Italian
American Labor
Council (IALC) will
recognize Ralph
Affrunti, President
of the Chicago
and Cook County
Building Trades
Council as its 2018

Man of the Year.

The event will be held at Alta Villa, 430 N. Addison Road, Addison, IL on Saturday, October 13, 2018.

The IALC will acknowledge its appreciation of Ralph's many accomplishments and dedication to working families. For more information, call (312) 339-1437.

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CISCO ON THE MOVE

CISCO, BUILDING TRADES ATTEND ST. LEONARD'S CAREER FAIR

St. Leonard's Ministries, located in Chicago's West Side, held a Construction Skills Training Program & Career Fair recently that enabled residents to gain information about careers in the union building trades.



CISCO Board President Maurice King and IBEW 134 Vice President greets residents at the Electricians booth.

Apprenticeship Coordinators and instructors from the Bricklayers, Carpenters, Electricians, Laborers, Painters and Decorators, and Roofers provided information to residents on what is required, and how to be successful when applying into one of these apprenticeship programs.



Bricklayers Apprenticeship Coordinator Dave Naprstek goes over the application process.



Carpenters Assistant Apprenticeship Coordinator Maria Tybor provides information to a participant.

The Career Fair was a helpful supplement to St. Leonard's Construction Skills Program, which goes beyond career readiness and includes basic and advanced training skills in carpentry, plumbing, and electrical areas, as well as math curriculum. More pictures below.



Roofers Local 11 Instructor Brian Dubin explains specifics about his trades' apprenticeship program.



Laborers' Rich Schuman advises participants about apprenticeship options.

ASA CHICAGO PRESENTS "COME MEET THE GCs"

The Association of Subcontractors & Affiliates will be holding its annual Meet The GCs event on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. at Venuti's Restaurant in Addison, IL.

Construction industry professionals including general contractors, architects, engineers, subcontractors and vendors will be on to network and meet with representatives from over 30 of Chicago's premier general contracting firms.

For more information, contact ASA Chicago at 847.827-8336, or visit www.asachicago.org.

RCEC'S HOSTS ANNUAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

The Residential Construction Employer Council held its annual Economic Conference for about 75 attendees and heard forecasts from a member of the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) of Chicago and Tracy Cross & Associates, Inc.



William Strauss, Chicago FRB, explains the housing outlook for 2019.

William Strauss of Chicago's FRB summarized that the outlook is for the U.S. economy to expand at a pace above trend in 2018 and 2019, and close to trend in 2020 and 2021.

In addition Strauss said that employment is expected to rise moderately with the unemployment rate remaining very low; inflation is forecast to be at the Fed's inflation target through 2021; housing is predicted to improve at a modest pace; while manufacturing output is expected to increase at a rate above trend in 2018 and rise at a slower pace in 2019.

CARPENTERS LEADERSHIP CHANGES

The Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters (CRCC) recently announced changes at the top of its organizational structure. The CRCC upper management now consists of Gary Perinar, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Jeffrey Isaacson, President and Keith Jutkins, Vice President.

