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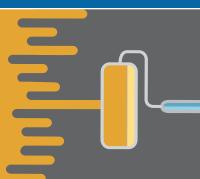






2019 COMMUNITY DAY OF ACTION

DC 14 PARTICIPATES IN ABC'S BUILT TO LAST



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Ha llegado a nuestro entendimiento de que aunque la mayoría de nuestros miembros pueden leer inglés muchos de ustedes prefieren comunicaciones en español en un esfuerzo para lograr mejores comunicaciones con nuestros miembros nos gustaría saber si ustedes prefieren recibir este boletín en español en el futuro.

Si prefería ver este boletín en español por favor contáctese con Carmen al telefono (312) 421-0046 ext 221.

Dejen su información con ella y haremos lo mejor que podamos para que reciban el siguiente boletín en español.











### YOUR UNION IS HERE FOR YOU!



Hopefully as this newsletter hits your mailbox, the weather has improved to a normal spring/summer temperature and you're getting the opportunity to enjoy it.

A few months back I had the opportunity to speak to a member who was at the Painters District Council as part of an investigation into allegations made about one member against another. Although I wasn't involved in the investigation I stopped to talk to this member about work, home life and things in general. During that conversation he made a statement that there was only one or two people who cared about the members. Obviously, I corrected him immediately telling him how that was untrue and how the District Council works hard to represent and defend all the members. Since that conversation it has bothered me that we have members who may truly believe that.

I want all our members to know that if you are a member of this union, we will always do our best to protect you. Whether it's for wages or benefits owed to you, sexual harassment, racial discrimination or job site abuse we are here for you. We even offer members a free counseling service for more personal issues. I cannot guarantee 100% success on every

case, but I can guarantee 100% failure if you do not inform us about a work related problem. A couple of key points to remember is to bring up any problems in a timely manner. The longer a situation is not addressed the harder it is to get it corrected. Cases can be corrected with total anonymity please have proof, documentation, and witnesses. If we have no solid proof, we cannot take it to a court of law.

It matters not if you attend union meetings, (although we encourage you to) or utilize our picnics, STAR classes, or volunteer for charity projects. Nor will it matter if you're a Drywall Taper, a Painter, a Glazier, a Wood Finisher, Metal Polisher, Sign Painter, or Industrial Worker.

I promise you this . . . We are here to enforce our contracts and protect our membership Period.

#### John Spiros, Jr.

Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



## 2019 APPRENTICE GRADUATION

A ceremony was held to honor the Graduates on Friday, September 14th, 2019, at Sheet Metal Local 73 Banquet Hall. Master of ceremonies was Apprentice Coordinator Michael Krawiec. There were special presentations by Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer John Spiros Jr., Drywall Chairman Joe Feldner, FCA director Miles Beatty and Glazier Business Representative Michael Cook. The evening included dinner, and bags filled with tools and other donations from our vendors for the graduates.







We would like to congratulate the following members for completing the apprentice program:

#### **Painters**

Lawrence Amos Savino Attolico Cory Backus Devin Balicki Thomas J. Barbush Hector Campos\* Jose R. Cisneros Brad K. Epley Raymond F. Farmer Karl A. Ferrell David J. Folev Brenda D. Ganti Dino Giamalis Jason Jenke Kyle R. Jernt\* Kyle Kettmann Scott D. Knutson Stephon M. Lloyd\* Milovan Magazin Timothy M. Majewski Jose J. Maldonado Gerardo Munoz Mark J. Olinger Todd Olszewski Michael E. Powers Jose A. Romero **Hector Ruiz** Roberto Saffrahn Matthew Slavik Ryan Steinart Sam A. Szczelaszczyk\*

Dan C. Thompson Luis E. Trejo (Garcia) Eduardo Vasquez Lukasz Wlochowicz Christopher Zappa Steven F. Zamiar

Sam A. Szczelaszczyk received **Outstanding Graduating** Apprentice Award

#### **Industrial Painters**

Darin J. Condon II Alberto Espinoza Jose A. Hernandez Alberto Lopez Paul Melnik Jorge L. Padilla Juan P. Sanchez\* Pedro Vazquez Marco Viruete Tim J. Waltz

\*Juan P. Sanchez received Outstanding Graduating Apprentice Award and Perfect Attendance

#### **Drywall Finishers** Miguel Acuna Jr.

Ricardo Aguirre Fabian J. Barragan Carlos E. Campos Luis M. Carranza Sebastian A. Casillas Gustavo Contreras Daniel M. Farrell Alberto Fernandez Jorge A. Galvez Lewis P. Garcia Jesse A. Gonzalez Alejandro Gutierrez Guillermo Gutierrez Omar Hernandez Pablo Lopez Martin D. Martinez Alejandro Mirando Ramon Montes Marco J. Nunez Rigoberto Pelayo Mario A. Perez\* Fabian Pulido Jose G. Sanchez Jesus Vega Julian Vertison Pedro Yepez

Carlos E. Campos received **Outstanding Graduating** Apprentice Award

\*Perfect Attendance Recipient

#### **Glaziers**

Christopher Barred Joseph B. Buhay Zachary J. Fouts Vince Lencioni Jason Neal Clayton Nowaczyk Michael Pickrum Patrick Regnier\* Fernando S. Vargas

Joseph B. Buhay received Outstanding Graduating Apprentice Award

\*Patrick Regnier received Honorable Mention Recipient



<sup>\*</sup>Perfect Attendance recipients

### **2019 NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION**



### Members give back

The IUPAT created a day for our District Councils to give back to their communities called National Day of Action. Each year Painters' District Council #14 takes on several projects for National Day of Action. Thanks to our members that volunteered their time, skills and compassion they have made the 4th Annual Community Day of Action a success.



#### BLUE ISLAND LITTLE LEAGUE PROJECT



Blue Island little league picture from left to right – Business representative Joe Rinehart, Joe Codero, Akilah Huisar, Steve Duignan, Jason Costello, Steve Krmpotich, Jeff Gilardi, and Field Rep Mike Uylaki

On April 13th members of Local Union 265 donated their painting skills to give a muchneeded paint job on the Blue Island Little League's concession stand and dugouts that have been neglected for some time. Supplies were donated from some of the contractors and from the Apprenticeship school which enabled us to put a fresh coat of paint on before opening day. The Blue Island Little League were so thankful to our members for the work they had done. Giving back to our local communities is what we enjoy doing and what this day was created for. Thanks to all again that came out on that chilly Saturday morning and volunteered their time, it put a huge smile on everyone's face.

#### NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC ACADEMY



For the last couple years Local Union 194 has volunteered their time and painting skills to Northside Catholic Academy in Chicago, Illinois. On Saturday May 4th they continued their tradition and had members come out and lend a helping hand. The members helped paint some stairways and patched and touched up areas that needed it.





We would like to thank the following members who volunteered their time:

**George Tracy Briand Edwards Luis Corral** Dan Granadon **Victor Hernandez**  Alfons Sinani **Maurice Elie** George Arzola Ruben Valdivia





#### **2019 NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION**

#### **JOLIET PRISON**





On May 4th, 2019 Painters' District Council #14 helped the Joliet Historical Society cleanup the old Joliet Prison for the second year in a row. Once again none of this work could have been done without our members taking time from their weekends and lending a helping hand. We also are thankful to the students from Job Core who came out and helped for the day. Will & Grundy Building Trades also joined in on the efforts and had over 250 union members participated from all the trades.









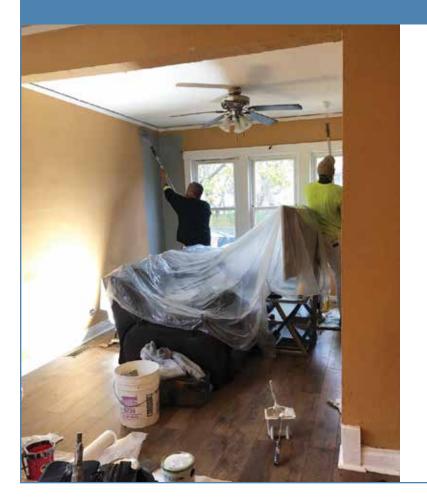
Thanks to the members who volunteered at Joliet Prison:

Jose M. Guereca Victor M. Guereca **Kevin Thurmond** Jose E Campos Ortega Mitchell Janvier Helen Chuna Mike Cook Steve Mabus **Marcus Rivera** Ken Harkabus **Juan Contreras Adam Garcia** Gino Sineni **Axel Chamorro Dave Dowling Luis Cardenas Isaiah Gordon** Mike Boyce Norm Jacobsen Joe Rinehart Mike Uylaki

Corey Cahill Steven Colbert **Erik Owens** Jim Jacobsen **Matthew Lick** Josh Stella Joe Martinez Bernardo Soto Al Barraza Manuel Salazar James Studnicka **Belinda Scott Matt Chamorro Ramon Contreras Victor Lagunas** Mike Dixon **Christopher Sealey** Jeff Bollie **Luetta Curtis** 

Gary Fields Sr.

#### REBUILDING TOGETHER



Every year, on the last Saturday of April, we lend a helping hand to Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago to help homeowners in need. This year as many years' prior was no different we had over 100 Painters, Tapers, and Glaziers volunteer their time. On April 27th 2019, our members along with several other volunteers from organizations got together to help low-income homeowners with much needed home repairs. Our members were able to help patch, paint and repair over 20 homes in the Chicago neighborhood of Englewood, and Chicago Heights.



Special Thanks to members who volunteered for Rebuilding Together:

**Jose Lupercio Alex Ramos** Mike Janasek Marty Nolan Jr. **Gabriel Cerda Matt Chamorro Lampros Kazamias Dwayne Taylor** Ken Harkabus **Brian Wajda** Dan McDonaugh Abednego Marty **David Johnson Hector Hernandez Terry Rollins David Herrera David Fraire Robert McGue Ron Barber** 

Mike Heae

**Andrew Pippett** Mike Zappa **Allan Rosales Gentian Ballaci** Maurice Elie **Luetta Curtis** Fritz Whisenton **Lynall Thornton** Jose Serges Patrick O'Malley Wes Pucinski **Gabriel Sargis Emanuel Hernandez Terry Roy Gavin Summers** Sandra Nieves Mike Melone **Exvonte Jones** Rodrigo Galvan

**Pat Amato** 

Van Beasley Scott Kurzawski **Francisco Contreras Helen Chung** Joe Banevicius **Ed Banevicius** John Rivera **Tony Duran Rene Villagomez Edgar Hernandez** Veronica Leal **Cesar Hernandez Luis Corral** Julio Gala **Tierra Jones Bryant** Stephon Lloyd Jose Arreola Jose Marquez Theo Kalotihos

**Steve Gawlik** 

Alfredo Lopez **Marcelino Diaz** John Flores **Joel Gutierrez** Willie Gatlin **Eduardo Anguiano** Herman Roman Jr. **Carlos Flores** Rob Zappa Natalie Zappa **Luke Mahoney** Jim Teruel Mike Mabus Ruben Valdivia Dan Granadon Mike Dixon Al Barraza **Dennis Roach Victor Hernandez** 

## **Finishing Chicago Markets DC14 Through ABC's Built to Last Series** Built to Last® is a successful and effective showcase of the highly skilled workmanship union trades deliver and their positive role supporting member's lives every day. The stories look to focus on human interest/ emotional elements to tell the most compelling stories. Whether the focus is on a group or an individual, they show how the trades contribute to the progress and development of Chicago, our communities and the neighborhoods we call home. The ancillary goal is to inspire viewers seeking a path and opportunity to consider a trade as a viable, gratifying career. Each week's thirtyminute show is comprised of (3) five-minute episodes. They can be seen Sundays at 12pm on ABC, check local listings. All previously aired episodes of built to last can be seen at: www.builttolasttv.com.

Built to Last®, was nominated in 2017 for an Emmy for "Outstanding Achievement for Magazine Programming" by the Midwest Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.



# BUILT TO LAST.

#### DC 14's Role in the Upcoming Season 6



HILLIAM BURNESS AND THE STREET STREET, STREET,

#### **Renovation of Bruce Kuhn's House** Aired May 5th

Our DC14 brother Bruce Kuhn retired last

June. Several weeks into his retirement Bruce suffered a stroke while sitting on his front porch. Fortunately, a neighbor heard his cry for help and he was rushed to the hospital. During his in-patient recovery, members of the DCl4 Apprenticeship program and the Glaziers Local 27 came together to complete renovations Bruce had started, and to ease the burden to his family upon his return home.

Lankford Painting division built a full-access ramp to his front door and Contract Mirror & Supply along with Glaziers 27 members, Chris Silva and James Bax donated their time, glass doors and hand rails in the new walk-in shower. This episode chronicles Bruce's emotional journey and the efforts of his brothers and sisters to provide support when he needed it most.

We're happy to say Bruce has made amazing strides in recovery and you should expect to see Bruce attending more DCl4 events with the same jovial nature we've come to expect!









#### **Open House at CWIT** Airing May 19th

The DC14 Women's Committee on Organizing (WCO) has been introducing women to our trade for several years through weekend seminars at the DC14 Apprenticeship Program. Here they get hands-on exposure to painting, drywall finishing and wallcovering techniques. Chicago Women in Trades (CWIT) runs pre-apprenticeship programs for all trades in their well-appointed facility on 2444 W. 16th Street, Suite 3E Chicago. If you're unfamiliar with their efforts, stop by and be impressed. Women are given a head start prior to applying for apprenticeships with classes in welding, trade math, physical training targeted for the jobsite as well as mentoring and instruction from sisters actively in the trades. The impact of this pre-apprenticeship program can't be underestimated, as the women who reach the end of the program have already displayed the essentials for success in our union. This episode focuses on an Open House hosted last Fall at CWIT for contractors to expose them to this amazing asset to our industry and prompt the hiring of more women.

A follow-up event was held this April at CWIT where several women were hired into our apprenticeship by contractors impressed with the solid candidates forged through two groups determination to push diversity and equality.







#### Chicago C.R.E.D. and Painters **Apprenticeship**

Airing June 9th

Chicago C.R.E.D is a social impact organization whose mission statement reads, "Our singular purpose is to achieve a transformative reduction in Chicago gun violence." They saw an opportunity to steer men with the highest risk of being shot or becoming shooters in Chicago's highest-crime neighborhoods away from the violence by offering them an alternative wage-earning living. Their research showed average street-level drug dealers most at risk to engage in gun violence make approximately \$11-\$13/hour—comparable to many entry-level jobs in Chicago.

Spearheaded by Business Manager, John Spiros and Miles Beatty, a special pre-apprenticeship program was created to provide an opportunity for some of these men to join the ranks of DC14. This two-part episode chronicles the start of their journeys as they attempt to rewrite their narratives.









If you have a good story lead about yourself, someone else or a group within DC14, please reach out to your business representative or attend your local union meeting. We're always looking for interesting content from our members.





#### Dear Brother and Sisters,



I want to recognize and thank the active 10% who participate month to month and do activity after activity. We appreciate those who put in the time and effort to make your Local Union and District Council successful. As these 10% do a spectacular job of representing and getting initiatives accomplished, we need the rest of our members

help. I want to reach out to all the members who do not participate. You need to become active participants and not just ride on the coat tails of the active 10%.

As a Union member, I am asking you to become involved in your Local Union. Attendance at your Local meetings are crucial for you to know what is happening not only in your Local but at the District Council, International and work in general. Information at your meetings is key in your growth. Becoming involved you become informed members and realize why your participation is crucial to you, the Local and the District Council. This keeps us all moving forward in the right direction and continues the fight for what is right for all of you, the members.

I know working hard all day and then having to attend a meeting is sometimes not easy or convenient, but it is crucially fundamental to how we as an organization operate. It is you, the member who makes up the Union. Your knowledge of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, By-laws and the IUPAT Constitution will make your career a successful one.

I am asking you to help yourself and your Union by being part of the solution by going to and being involved in your Local meetings and District Council events.

By joining the Union, you come together with your brothers and sisters to strengthen our Union. By staying together through good times and bad times we have progressed, now let's work together through participation in our cause to be more successful.

Being a member of District Council 14, remember each day to treat each other with dignity and respect as you are representing this great Union.

Fraternally Joe Rinehart Servicing Director

#### CHICAGOLAND SPEEDWAY

#### TRIBUTE TO LABOR

**SUNDAY JUNE 30, 2019** 



Chicagoland Speedway will be having their Fifth Annual Tribute to Labor. Tickets can be purchased for \$64.00 each (\$136 value) at CHICAGOLANDSPEEDWAY.COM/UNION or call (815)722-1591. This package includes:

- · A premium Race ticket in Section D to the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Camping World 400 on June 30, 2019
- · Sunday Infield Fan Zone Pit Pass, with access to Drivers' Red Carpet Walk, pit road, track and infield lawn access before the race and up close access to the pre-race concert featuring Lee Brice! (\$55 Value)
- · Carnival in Champions Park · June 28-30
- · Family Friendly Rides
- · Youth Attractions & Games
- · Pit Bike National
- · Multi-time AMA National Champion Ryan Villopoto
- Included with a NASCAR grandstand ticket
- · Racing Friday, Saturday & Sunday
- Free Parking

If you are attending the Tribute to Race package come join us at our TAILGATING PARTY in the parking lot which begins at 8 a.m. We will be joining other Labor Unions and the Chicago Building Trades. Look for our District Council #14 Flag in the parking lot. For more information please contact the Council or your Local Union hall.

#### 12TH ANNUAL PAINTERS AND TAPERS STAR BANQUET



hosted the 12th Annual Safety Training Award Recognition (STAR) Banquet for Painters and Tapers. This event started out at Sheet Metal Local #73 Banquet Hall which accommodated all the eligible members and had plenty of good food, drinks and room to enjoy the evening. There was over 200 members that attended our STAR Banquet this year. Our members who attended the event received a gift card, shirt and raffle ticket at the door.

The evening started out with family style dinner followed by the STAR raffle drawing. As the raffle began the first name pulled from the box which included everyone was for the grand prize, a 2018 Ford F150 Truck, and placed in an envelope to be announced last. The next tickets that were pulled and called off were for prizes such as laptops, big screen TVs, IPads, and money gift cards. At the very end of the raffle the envelope for the Grand Prize winner of a new Ford F150 Truck opened and announced. **Anthony Miller**, of Local Union 33, was the lucky winner!!



From left to right: Lance McCalla, Winner Anthony Miller, Adam Fleetwood, Matt Shepard and Hugo Manzo



#### Other winners of the evening included:

APPLE WATCH (\$309 +TAX)

Tracy Johnson

Brian Redmon

Jose Cardenas

Alfredo Lopez

L.U. 147

L.U. 33

L.U. 521

L.U. 521

STAINLESS STEEL KITCHEN		XBOX BUNDLES		SAMSUNG SOUND BAR	
APPLIANCE PACKAGE		Bernabe Parra	L.U. 521	Steve McGillivray	L.U. 863
Pawel Koziol	L.U. 275	Mike McIlvain	L.U. 194		
				\$100 GIFT CARDS	
65" SAMSUNG SMART 4K TV		SAMSUNG GALAXY TABS		Arturo Godinez	L.U. 33
Salvador Martinez-Cardenas	L.U. 191	Krzystof Paszkiewicz	L.U. 194	James Studnicka	L.U. 33
Robert Santoro	L.U. 265	Paul Chavez	L.U. 147	Marek Kolenda	L.U. 194
Brian Edwards	L.U. 194	Ramon Garcia	L.U. 265	Joshua Wnek	L.U. 275
Jose Lupercio	L.U. 33	Lionel Ortiz	L.U. 194	Robert Carter	L.U. 33
				Martin Mendoza	L.U. 33
55" SAMSUNG SMART 4K TV		\$250.00 GIFT CARDS		Belinda Scott	L.U. 1332
Victor Lagunas	L.U. 33	Marian Tozev	L.U. 194	Tom Pak	L.U. 184
Jose Garcia	L.U. 275	Adrian Ayala Varela	L.U. 33	Freddie Guerro	L.U. 33
Israel Leal	L.U. 184	Christopher Zappa	L.U. 521	Myron Collins	L.U. 1332
Tim Burns	L.U. 147	Edgar Padilla	L.U. 147	Kirk Nelson	L.U. 147
		Jorge Sanchez	L.U. 194	Javier Martinez	L.U. 273
\$500 GIFT CARD		Karina Leal	L.U. 184	Edgar Hernandez	L.U. 147
Antonio Calles	L.U. 273	Wes Spewak	L.U. 275	Juan Ponce	L.U. 273
Derek Zbierzkowski	L.U. 147	Rick Mittler	L.U. 265	Ramon Hernandez	L.U. 147
Mary Auslander	L.U. 194	Armando Pacheco	L.U. 194	Maciej Mirecki	L.U. 147
Joseph Lipetzky	L.U. 147	Nicholas Parks	L.U. 33	David Lessentine	L.U. 184
Jacob Usalis	L.U. 33	John Chudina	L.U. 147	Dani Mihaj	L.U. 194
Artur Kosciolek	L.U. 194	Charles Fernandez	L.U. 194	Jose Galvan	L.U. 265
Raul Loredo	L.U. 265	Tom Tyrakowski	L.U. 184	Mike Turkowski	L.U. 265
Stephon Lloyd	L.U. 184	Ivan Loredo	L.U. 33	Jose Juan Carbajal	L.U. 265
Scott Kurzawski	L.U. 147	Angel Diaz	L.U. 194	Brian Pater	L.U. 521
David Espinoza	L.U. 275	Luis Murillo	L.U. 33	Hector Soto	L.U. 191
		Fred Stocker	L.U. 863	Marcelo Ortego	L.U. 33
<b>HP LAPTOP (\$499+TAX</b> )		John Kiriakakis	L.U. 147		
Jose Campos Ortega	L.U. 265	Alfons Sinani	L.U. 194		
Tony Majewski	L.U. 194	Andrew Planeta	L.U. 33		
Arnold Sandoval	L.U. 147				
Joel Fonseca	L.U. 273	GO PRO CAMERA HERO			
Larry Redlin	L.U. 147	Stella Szczelaszczyk	L.U. 194		
Luis Rodriguez Orozco	L.U. 33	Joe Howard	L.U. 147		COLUMN PROTE
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The 13th STAR Program has just completed, and the banquet will be hosted in September of this year for members who have qualified through safety classes and hours. Each qualified member will be receiving an invitation in the next couple weeks.

L.U. 194

L.U. 273

L.U. 147

**JBL WIRELESS SPEAKERS** 

**Juan Torres** 

Abel Limon

Elizabeth Barrios

Currently the 14th year of the STAR program is in progress with classes to qualify running from April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020. Classes are available at the Chicago Area Apprenticeship Program located 1101 Taft Avenue, Berkley, Illinois, (708)449-5282. For more requirements and information please visit the website at www.jatc-dftc.org and check out the safety and journeyman upgrading classes being offered.

#### 12TH ANNUAL GLAZIERS STAR BANQUET



The Glaziers Local Union #27 celebrated their Twelfth annual Safety Training Awards Recognition (STAR) Banquet on Monday April 15, 2018 at Manzo's Banquet Hall in Des Plaines, IL. There were Eighty Five participants that completed the STAR requirements and were eligible at a chance to win a 2019 Jeep Wrangler Rubicon. Each participant received a Local 27 Safety Jacket/Vest.

Special congratulations to **Terry Sweeney** the Grand Prize winner of the evening. Terry rolled away with a brand new 2019 Jeep Wrangler Rubicon.

From Left to Right -Brian Beitz, Ken O'Donnell, Mike Mabus, Grand prize winner Terry Sweeney, Mike Cook, Steve Mabus,



#### Other winners of the evening included:

**65" VIZIO TV** 

Mark Lencioni Alan Runia

**55" INSIGNIA TV** 

Steve Kriskovich

**SPECIALIZED BICYCLE** 

Vince Lencioni

**VIPER KAYAK W PADDLE** 

Rvan Fash

TRIMMER / BLOWER COMBO

Zach Fouts

**PSE FANG CROSSBOW** 

Kevin Osborne

**ELECTRIC SMOKER W JD CHIPS** 

Scott Merrick

**FIRE SENSE PATIO HEATER** 

**Jeff Winters** 

**VITAMIX BLENDER** 

Adam Farag

**XBOX ONE** 

Warren Ginn

**CUTCO KNIFE SET** 

James Ball Chris Merrick **CUTCO SHEARS** 

Thomas Tracy

**CITIZENS ECHO-DRIVE WATCH** 

Chris Maldonado

**APPLE WATCH SERIES 3** 

Russ Bogda Austin Hernandez

**FITBIT VERSA** 

Jim Vallely

**FITBIT CHARGE 3** 

Marco Diaz

**AMAZON ECHO DOT** 

Mark Richardson

Jose Lopez

**FIRE HD WITH CASE** 

Bill Burlage

Joe Culich

**NINJA AIR FRYER** 

Tom Murphy

**NUTRI-BULLET BLENDER** 

Elias Barkho

**KEURIG ELITE COFFEE BREWER** 

Osvado Villegas

LITTLE GIANT LADDER

George Osha

**POLK HOME THEATER SOUND BAR** 

James Wilcox

**VIZIO 36' WIRELESS SOUND BAR** 

Damian Fash

**LG MINI HI-FI SYSTEM** 

Marek Makowiecki

YETI HOPPER BACKPACK COOLER

Ed Cushing

**CALLAWAY GOLF DRIVER CLUB** 

Dominick Pangallo

**SPARK DRONE** 

Fernando Vargas

YAMAHA OUTDOOR SPEAKERS

Sam Wirth

**KEURIG K-CAFÉ COFFEE BREWER** 

Bill Kobiec

**SONY SOUND BAR HT MT 300** 

Brian Zaleski

**PLANO TACKLE BOX** 

John Magierski

**ONKYO SURROUND SOUND SYSTEM** 

Elias Garcia

**ALTEC BLUETOOTH SPEAKER** 

Jose Rosas

PROTOCOL DRONE

Alan Dabrowski

**COLEMAN 62 QUART COOLER** 

Michael Boyce

SHIMANO / CABELA ROD & REEL

**Rick Lentes** 

**XL SAFETY VEST** 

Jay Little

**XL STAR POLO** 

Mike Abrams

Mike Culich

**XL STAR WIND SHIRT** 

Vito DeJoy

Jose Jimenez

**STAR CARHART APRON** 

Rob Reynolds Jim Wedryk

**XL STAR REFL SWEATSHIRT** 

Chris Addleman

Rick Porter

**XL STAR COAT** 

Dave Galvin

**XXL STAR COAT** Mike Ryan

The 13th year of the Glaziers STAR program is currently in progress running from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. To qualify for the STAR program banquet you must participate in only one 8-hour class. To be eligible for the STAR program prizes you must participate in one 8-hour upgrade class and one 8 hour safety class. To qualify for the grand prize drawing you must have taken welding or currently be taking welding through our program.

Choose the classes that interest you. You can enroll in the class by calling Glaziers Local Union 27 office at (708)443-9000, or register online at www.glaziersunionlocal27.com or by email to kodglaziers27@ sbcglobal.net. Enrollment is required at least 2 weeks prior to scheduled class. Class sizes are limited so classes are filled on a first come first serve basis.

- All weekend classes are 8-hour credits. If weekday evening classes are given, they are only 4 hours credit per night. Welding class qualifies for both 8-hour portions of the STAR program and participants are eligible for the Grand Prize. Most upgrade classes are given at our Lyons facility while most safety classes are given at CCSC in Hillside.
- Classes taken previous years are not eligible for 2019 STAR credit. You are welcome to take that class again, but an additional class must be taken to receive credit.
- Beginning in 2011 if you have NOT taken the welding course you will not be eligible for the Grand Prize. If you have previously taken the welding class through our program (company programs excluded) you are free to choose any of the other classes to qualify.
- You must be a Journeyman member of Local 27 in good standing to participate.

#### Pritzker Impresses at NABTU Legislative Conference



In April, I had the privilege of attending the North America's Building Trades Union (NABTU) Legislative Conference in Washington D.C. While there our new Governor, J.B. Pritzker, wowed everyone in the convention center. He spoke of days gone by and days to come.

Last year Illinois had the most anti-union Governor in the nation. Former Governor, Bruce Rauner, lowered wages, opened Right to

Work zones, destroyed prevailing rates, did away with project labor agreements and stacked the Department of Labor with anti-union cronies. He went to war with the working families of Illinois.

Governor Pritzker said after winning the election "Governor Rauner learned a lesson though – don't mess with the men and women in the labor movement. Together we crushed him and he suffered the worst defeat in the last quarter century – and you did that."

Within the first 24 hours in office Governor Pritzker signed an executive order restoring Project Labor Agreements, fighting wage theft and signed legislation enforcing prevailing rate. When it comes to fighting for Illinois workers, he is just getting started.

Governor Pritzker stated that his administration is working on policies that lift up every middle-class citizen living in Illinois. He will not be a Governor that balances the books on the backs of working people. He realizes that the State is in financial crisis, but stabilizing the state finances by asking the states millionaires to pay a higher tax rate and giving tax relief to the middle class is just the beginning. He also stated that he is working on passing a comprehensive capital bill for rebuilding our surface transportation, and vertical infrastructure rebuilding our roads, bridges, waterways, and bringing broadband to every corner of Illinois. He also said it was time to focus on our schools and higher education institutions.

"It is time to put our builders to work, restore our state with fair wages and workplace protections that all of you deserve."

So far, Gov. J.B. Pritzker is doing exactly what is said he was going to do.

Gov. Pritzker received a standing ovation, and it is my hope that all sitting Governors in the United States follow his lead.

#### **Dennis Roach**

Political Director / Business Representative

### CHICAGO PAINTERS AND TAPERS HEALTH AND WELFARE UPDATE

The Trustees of the Chicago Painters Health and Welfare Fund are pleased to report the Fund is in excellent financial condition. Its' assets are currently just in excess of \$175,000,000. Approximately \$34,530,000 in medical benefits were paid during 2018. The Trustees have been diligent in selecting vendors, providers, and consultants in order to keep expenses low. This helps to provide membership with some of the best benefits available in the construction industry. Even with the annual cost of health care increasing 8% per year, the Fund was able to make a benefit improvement this past year. Beginning March 1, 2019 the shingles vaccine will now be a covered expense for individuals age 50 and above.

## UPCOMING VOLUNTARY DRUG TESTING

Painters District Council 14, in agreement with the Finishing Contractors Association of Chicago, has established a voluntary drug and alcohol testing program. The program shall be open to all members of Painters District Council 14. The member will incur no cost. The testing period will run from June 1, 2019 thru August 29, 2019.

Members may voluntarily submit themselves for testing and, if they test negative for alcohol or drugs, be issued a "drug-free" card. This card will be valid for a period of two years from the date of issued. Persons who do not pass the drug and alcohol test will not be eligible to test again for a sixty-day period. Any re-test shall be at the member's own expense.

Employers may request persons holding drug free cards and request a list of members with drug free cards from the union to assure a drug free workplace. It is strongly suggested to do the voluntary drug testing to open up more employment opportunities for you.

Check your mail as more information will follow. Any questions, please contact Business Representative Andrew Perch. 312-421-0046 x184

#### 2019 GERALD C. HARMS SCHOLARSHIP FOR PAINTERS AND TAPERS

Once again it is that time of year for scholarships. The Gerald C. Harms Scholarship is available to Painters and Tapers who are employed by contributing contractors and meet the requirements. This scholarship is available to all students attending college the 2019 Fall Semester. Every year request forms are sent out to all members working for contributing contractors if you have not received one please contact the Council and request an application. There is no limit on how many dependents can apply from each family for the scholarship so if you need more than one application please let us know. Full time Union officials, employees of the District Council, School, or Local are NOT eligible for scholarship assistance.

#### Due to the overwhelming number of applicants each member must comply with the following:

- 1. Applicant must be a member or an immediate family member of a current card holding member.
- 2. Union member must be employed by a contributing contractor and have 3.5 credits in the last Five years. The calendar year starts April 1st and ends March 31st. In order to earn a pension credit for a calendar year you must work 1400 hours in the year.
- 3. Applicant must have a high school diploma or equivalent
- 4. Applicant must be in the top 50% of his/her High School class.
- 5. Applicant must be attending a four-year accredited College or University.

If you meet the requirements for the scholarship you will receive an application that college applicant must complete and submit to the Council. Each application specifies requirements that MUST be sent in with each completed application or it will be denied. These requirements also pertain to previous scholarship recipients, each year we review each completed file. The Scholarship committee does not have a full-time employee to answer questions which means you are responsible for sending the correct information, so please be sure to follow instructions on the application. If the application is received with any of the requirements missing the application will be marked incomplete and you will be **denied** for the scholarship.

Once we receive your completed application the scholarship committee will review the information and notify you by mail if you have been approved. If you are not eligible you will also receive a notice in the mail.

The Gerald C. Harms Scholarship program is one of our most successful programs that we feel helps our membership and their families. This program was started because of the foresight of former Business Manager Gerald Harms, who started the fund in 1991, to help families with the high costs of a college education. Since the fund has been established over 5 million dollars has been given away to hundreds of members and their families.

Last year over 80 applicants received scholarships totaling over \$380,000. So, don't miss out this year make sure to get your applications completed and in. Every year you can apply even if you did not receive one the prior year. If you have any questions, please call the Council.

#### PAINTING AND TAPING WAGE INCREASE **JUNE 1, 2019**

Effective June 1, 2019 begins the third year of a four-year agreement for Painters and Tapers. The increase of the total package of \$1.75 per hour was distributed with a \$ .75 increase into wages for a total of \$47.30 per hour and the rest was distributed into the Welfare and Pension Fund.

#### **GLAZIERS NEW CONTRACT AND WAGE INCREASE JUNE 1, 2018**

Glaziers Local Union 27 begins the second year of a three year agreement. The increase of the total package of \$2.50 per hour with a \$1.00 increase into wages for a total of \$44.85 per hour and the rest distributed into benefits. The third year will be an increase of \$2.50 per hour to be distributed as needed.

Deferred Savings, which is an hourly deduction from employees' wages, remains at \$2.00 per hour. This fund was increased on June 1, 2018 from \$1.00 to \$2.00 after years of remaining the same. This fund is a savings account collected from April 1st through March 31st and is paid out the following December. The increase that began June 1, 2018 will be on the fund year that just ended, and the check you will receive this upcoming December will reflect this increase.

#### DISTRICT COUNCIL # 14 WOMAN'S COMMITTEE

Painters' District Council #14 Women's Committee formed almost three years ago and has been going strong since. This group was formed to bring the women together and help them succeed in an industry that has traditionally been dominated by men.

The members of the Women's Committee have been very active at the District Council volunteering for community events, political canvasing, and fundraising. Some of the events include volunteering at the book bag give away, walking in support of our Union at the Labor Day Rally, Day of Action, Rebuilding Together Chicago Metro, Open Book drive, and joining in on several walks to support women's rights.



DC 14 Women's Committee work hand and hand with the Chicago Women in the Trades. This organization was founded on the principal of sisters helping sisters. Women that are interested in joining the Labor Trades can join their free training program that introduce you to basic construction skills, classes to help prepare you for testing qualifications, and take you to hands on field trips to apprentice programs to help choose a trade.

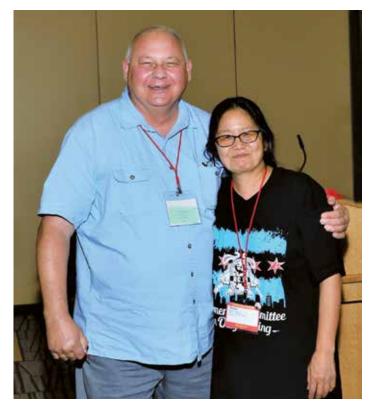
DC 14 Women's Committee and Chicago Women in Trades with the help of our Apprenticeship school and Instructors host on a continuing basis the Technical Opportunities Program (TOP) at our Apprenticeship school. This program introduces women to different hands on workshops for painting, taping and paperhanging. Our ladies are always volunteering and helping with the workshops trying to recruit more women into our trades.

Most recently on April 17th the DC 14 Women's Committee hosted a program called "20 X 2020". The goal of the program is to recruit 20 females into Painters' District Council #14 apprenticeship by January of 2020. They invited the Chicago Women in the Trades, Chicago Painters and Tapers Apprentice Program, and the Finishing Contractors Association (FCA)

to show various resources available to help build women participation. They have already recruited some women and will continue to work towards their goal. One thing we can say about our women is that they are persistent, dedicated and hard working.







John Spiros, Jr. and Helen Chung

All our women have been very active these past three years, but there is one woman that is the foundation for this group, **Helen Chung**. She has been at the core of the group planning, arranging and volunteering for every meeting, event and program the Committee has taken part of.

We are very pleased to introduce Helen Chung as the new Community Organizer at Painters' District Council #14. Her dedication and strong work ethic make her the natural fit to fill this position. We look forward to having her on board and seeing her future achievements.

#### ORGANIZING REPORT



In the last year we have continued to step up our efforts to organize and protect the rights of our workers. As we push forward with our continued Organizing Campaigns, we have celebrated many victories we would like to share with you such as:

- Through organizing campaigns, the Mayor of Joliet had the non-union contractors removed from the bid list for the Joliet Water Tank.
- Field Representative Dan Granadon, of Local Union 194, was successful having Integrity Painting, a non-union contractor, removed from the jobsite at 6300 River Road in Rosemont. The job was awarded to Signatory contractor Shamrock Painting.
- Non-Union Contractors were removed from the Streamwood Water Tank.
- A job action was taken against non-union contractor AC Drywall at St. Paul Apostle Church in Joliet. The job was turned around and awarded to signatory contractor Smith Painting.

Currently we have two pickets active. First one is against Integrity Painting at 1300 North Lakeshore Drive in Chicago. The Second one is against Final Touch at 209 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago.

Since our last report we have had over 10 new contractors become signatory with Painters' District Council #14. Having new signatory Contractors join our organization will improve more opportunities for employment for members, increase hours of employment and help us maintain a strong union presence in our area.

As we continue our efforts to Organize, we must keep in mind that the Political Department had a great Victory with the Election of our NEW State Governor Pritzker. You might wonder how is that part of Organizing? I will take everyone back to the last few years when our previous Governor, Bruce Rauner, was trying to push his agenda and create right to work zones. This is solely an attempt to destroy organized labor and make it harder for working people to form unions and collectively bargain for better wages, benefits and working conditions. Our new Governor JB Pritzker signed into law a bill that prohibits local governments from enacting so-called "right to work" laws that are aimed at weakening the power of labor unions. By passing this State Law the Governor has given us a fighting chance to organize.

Attached you will find a few pictures of our job actions with our volunteers and SCABBY from the last few months. As always none of this would be done without the help from everyone in the Organizing TEAM as well as every member that comes out and walks a picket line in support of their Union. We respect your commitment and dedication for the future of our industry. Your support is always appreciated and welcomed. We know that your dedication, trust and belief in this cause can sometimes pull you away from your family and friends and for this we are truly appreciative and would like to THANK YOU from everyone at Painters' District Council #14.

As always, we are looking for volunteers to help on job actions. If you can help with pickets, handbills or salting please contract Organizing Director Hugo Manzo at (312)421-0046 Ext. 133.

#### Hugo Manzo

Director of Organizing / Business Representative







#### **LOCAL UNION SPOTLIGHT**

#14 will highlight one of its affiliated locals. This will give the opportunity for each local to show their dedication to the union movement. Spotlights will include various articles of each locals history, current objectives, upcoming events and news and more. Be sure to watch for your local in future newsletters.

#### **LOCAL UNION 194**

On October 1st, 1890, Local 194 was organized under the name of the Scandinavian Local Union No. 194 of the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators of America. The first regular meeting was held on October 9th, 1890, at 54 West Lake Street. The meeting was moved to 406 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago and held the first meeting there on May 3rd, 1892. There were 66 candidates initiated at that meeting. This was a record that was only surpassed once on March 1st, 1903, when 86 candidates were initiated into Local 194. At one time in its history Local 194 had its own library established where members were able to check out books to further their own knowledge.

Local Union 194 was involved and very significant in the activities at the Painters District Council. In 1891, Local Union 194 was instrumental in forcing the resignation of the President of the Council for conduct unbecoming and for flagrant violation of union principles. Local 194 also participated in the suspension and re-organization of Painters District Council No.3 in 1902, by General President Bahlhorn. In 1910, Local 194 was influential factor that lead the protest against the Council for actions which resulted in its dissolution and the organization of Painters District Council 14, of which our own Brother, AC Anderson became the First Secretary-Treasurer.

The membership of Local 194 increased rapidly after the hard struggle of the early 1890's, and by December 31st, 1902, had grown to 1056 members. By the quarter ending of June 30th, 1928, the trustee report showed 1998 members reported in good standing. Local Union 194 was at one time considered the largest local in the Brotherhood, which is why their Flag/Banner is on display at the Chicago Historical Society.



Local Union 194 from its inception has been a militant organization that has participated very prominently in the affairs of Central bodies, Painters District Council, and in the General Brotherhood. It was one of the first Local Unions to draw up a set of by-laws governing the payment of sick benefits to its members. These by-laws served as a model to other local unions. Members of Local 194 served on committees to draft the Constitution of the Painters District Council and of the Brotherhood.

Local Union 194 was the first Local that took up a systematic study of health conditions in our trade in America between the years 1908 to 1910. This study gave incentive to the later enactment of Workmen's Compensation Law of Illinois. It was their activity in health study that caused the Federal Department of Labor to send Americas foremost authority on occupational diseases to medically examine one hundred members of Local 194 in February 1913. It was the only union in the world able to furnish information to the International trade union movement. By closely watching the changing conditions in our trade, with its increasing unemployment, accidents, and occupational diseases, it was found necessary to gradually shorten the work week from six days a week to five days a week. Local 194 was instrumental in fighting for these rights for their workers.

In 1954, Local 194 purchased the building it currently resides in at 3015 N Austin Ave, in Chicago. Local 194 always has favored and advocated higher wages, shorter hours and better working conditions. Local 194 has always fought to put its members first and has always been about memberships well-being.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RETIREE'S

#### January 2018 Thru April 2019



#### **PAINTERS AND TAPERS**

**Jose Cervantes** Kenneth Kudia John Schenning Roberto Cardona Tom Tyrakowski Milos Jovanovi Rodger Smith Jorge Juarez Patrick Smith Gerald Varek Jesus Bravo Ron Haftl **James Cassidy Jose Montes** Scott Aument Guillermo Jurado Robert Brown Walter Hall Conrado Medrano Kurt Carlson **Iavier Ruiz** Kenneth Biebel Paul Vormittag William Schneider Jorge Chavez Joseph Portillo Wayne Wilson Donald Drake Richard Haskins **Iames Seitz** Kevin Willison Frank Hyla Joe Williams Jose Ramirez Raymond White Mike Dziedzik Juvencio Pereda

Arthur Evans Jeffery Martinski David Shepard Tommy Jones William Bednar Rich Ottens Earl Anderson James Krejci Robert Staudohar Dean Weis Joseph Celaya Martin Janota Christopher Hughes Ieremiah Oosterbaan Charles Cino Sam Salamone Michael Bulster Bruce Kuhn David Mullins Gillermo Juarez John O'Connor Cher McDonald Robert Ford Gregory Wise Leslie Fletcher Manuel Rosales Tim Campion **David Gates** Daniel Majka Joseph Slak Iose Zamora Branko Pokrajac Christopher Balazs Steve Uher Henry Borek Mike Jarosinski Steve Rodgers

Eugene Fedyn Michael McIlvain Michael Sloan Donald Pilarczyk Scott Brassea Kevin Preissler Thomas Haingl Tom Lemanski Kenneth Tintori Robert Winsauer **Edward Costin** Bradley Pipia Dovle Keysow Robert Schmidt John Holton Iames Walsh Mark Debroveck Mark Lucansky Rick Thomfohrda **Edward Phillips** Edward Schillen Christopher Mikes Ron Young Myron Campbell Jaime Mendez Ron Smith David Carrier Rigoberto Gonzalez Kurt Oswald Frank Sustersic Marinos Anninos Mark Proffitt Timothy Dolan Gary Vazquez Zachary Brown **James Madonis** Edward Warp

Gilberto Hernandez Ivica Moric Kenneth Strauther Steve Sellers David Hosick Terry Simon Felipe Tarin John Pell **Josef Valasek** Brian Bergren Dean Froustis Philip Binversie Steve Mittler Steve Smith Stefan Horvath Jesus Zepeda Guillermo Elizondo David Maclean Craig Watts Jimmy Phillips Andrew Belliti Walter Tamillo Nick Lisowski Stephen Chabrecek Mike O'Connor Jose Vazquez **John Charles** Patrick Harder Terrence Pyrkowski Steve Tobler Alfonso Barragan Ismael Valdivia Semora Grav Gary VomBrack Mike Conrad Jeff Matuszak Terry Trongeau

#### **GLAZIERS**

Mike Berchman Michael Devine Robert Kopach David Pavlica Robert Swacker Florian Scelnik Ross Castona Robert Ginsburg Andrew Nazimek Douglas Preston Jr. Roosevelt Robinson Leonard Steffen Robert Christensen Alan Hoving Michael O'Donnell David Ramos John Schweizer Alfonso Torres

Jerry Clegg Joshua Ramasami Theodore Orszulak Vernon Reppa Alonzo Sexton Jr.

#### WOODFINISHERS AND SIGNPAINTERS

Howard Hermansen Arturo Sanchez Roger Budaitis Jurgen Hoffman Glenn Swenson David Schutt

Pictured here is **David Schutt**, recent retiree from Local 830, Sign and Display Painters and Allied Trades. He worked as a sign installer for Van Bruggen Signs in Orland Park, Illinois, and spent most of his 32 year career doing outdoor sign work of all different types. David is shown here at his retirement party in October 2018, proudly displaying his collection of union cards from 1986-2018. He did say "I have all of them, but a few did endure some pretty wet, rainy days". He was always proud to be a union member and has continued that with life membership.





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### **Membership Assistance Program (MAP)**

#### **AVAILABLE TO ALL DC 14 MEMBERS**

Painter's District Council 14 has made available to all members and their immediate family access to the new Membership Assistance Program. This program provides members with a place to turn for help in coping with personal problems that interfere with job performance or home life.

Map program is offered at no cost to members and their immediate family. This is a free short-term assistance program which provides support for a variety of personal concerns including:

- · Marital, family and relationship issues
- Stress, Depression and Anxiety
- Self-Esteem Issues
- Substance Abuse
- · Health and wellness
- · Grief. Trauma and Loss
- · Life transitions and change
- · Financial and Legal Difficulties
- · Child care or elder care needs

Services can be accessed by calling toll free 888-933-1327 (and inform them you are a Painters DC14 member). Telephones are answered 24 hours per day-7 days a week-365 days per year, by clinically trained professionals.

If your needs go beyond the scope of the MAP Service Program, a referral to a provider within your insurance plan or community resource will be provided.

The MAP program also offers a website which provides a comprehensive collection of resources that can assist members. Including health care articles, assessments, calculators, supportive information related to work/family issues, daily living, adult care giving, legal and financial resources. Simply log onto: NM.org/EAP, click on the work-life link and log in with your code PDC14

Help is now just a phone call away. This program can help you or a family member get through a difficult or troubling time.