CISCO ANNUAL MEETING FOCUSES ON THEME OF COLLABORATION

With Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) making another surprise visit, more than 260 members and guests heard a message of collaboration: “to protect workers, both locally and nationally, and provide developers and end users with the world class construction that they can rely on.”

Executive Director Dan Allen, in explaining CISCO’s decades-long effort to recruit and retain a diverse skilled workforce, quoted President Harry S. Truman – “It is amazing what you can accomplish, if you don’t care who gets the credit.”

Allen, said this mantra enables CISCO to develop numerous partnerships across many organizational lines that include churches, educational entities, elected officials and other groups with union contractors associations and the union building trades.

Durbin added, “Union after union can tell a story of women and men, and more minorities who are stepping into these jobs, getting the right training and becoming skilled craftsmen and women, who build America into the future. This is something we should never, ever give up on!”

After Durbin’s remarks, Executive Director Dan Allen introduced Educator of the Year Paula Steiner, Career Center Supervisor at Prairie Ridge HS (top left); Public Body of the Year The Village of Evergreen Park and Mayor Jim Sexton (top right); and Labor Advocate of the Year, Ron Ward, Illinois Dept. of Labor (bottom photo).

The event concluded with the recognition of the Project of the Year Award winners.
CISCO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: DEADLINE TO APPLY - FEB. 21, 2020

CISCO is accepting applications for its 2020 Scholarship Program. 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.

The application forms can be downloaded from CISCO's website (www.cisco.org). All applications and accompanying documents must be postmarked by February 21, 2020. For more information, contact CISCO at 630.472.9411.

ASA EXPO AND CONSTRUCTION SAFETY CONFERENCE - MARCH 2-3

This annual two-day Construction Expo and Safety Conference, co-hosted by the Association of Subcontractors and Affiliates of Chicago (ASA Chicago) and Construction Safety Council serves Chicagoland construction industry professionals by providing unique opportunities for business-to-business commerce, education and networking.

Dates & Times:
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020
Safety Sessions: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020
Safety Sessions: 7:15 am - 3:15 pm
Keynote: 8:30 – 10:00 am
Expo: 9:00 – 4:00 pm
Location:
Drury Lane Conference Center
100 Drury Lane
Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois

Stop by CISCO’s Booth #137 and learn about CISCO’s Annual Luncheon Friday, April 24, 2020 as well as obtain information about CISCO’s programs. For more information about the Safety Conference and Expo, visit chicagoconstructionexpo.com

CISCO ADDS NEW BOARD MEMBER

Tom Cuculich, Executive Director of the Chicagoland AGC, was recently approved as the newest member of the CISCO Board of Directors to replace outgoing Board Member Dan McLaughlin.

Previously, Tom served as the County Administrator of DuPage County, and the Executive Director of the Illinois Tollway.

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Iron Workers Local 63 Fence Erectors will be accepting applications for admission to the Fence Erectors Apprenticeship Program at 2523 W. Lexington in Broadview, IL 60155.

The applications will be accepted year-round on the following Wednesdays from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. throughout 2020 on these dates: March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11 and December 9.

Interested individuals MUST obtain a letter of intent to hire from a signatory contractor. The letter must be signed by a principle or authorized person of the company. Signatory contractors along with additional apprenticeship program information can be found on the Local 63 website: www.iwlocal63.com/fenceapprentice.

Minimum Qualifications:
1) Must apply in person; 2) Be at least 18 years of age and provide a government issued picture ID showing date of birth; 3) Provide proof of two years completion of High School (transcripts, diploma, or GED certificate); 4) Applicants must be able to read, write and speak English; 5) Applicants must be able to physically perform the work of the trade; 6) You must pay a registration fee of $25.00 – Money Order or a Cashier’s Check ONLY. (Payable to: Local 63 Fence EAP)

AT TIME OF HIRE, applicants must: 1) Be able to pass a drug test; 2) Have a valid driver’s license and reliable transportation; and 3) Furnish evidence of their physical fitness sufficient to perform the work of the trade – evidence shall be a statement from a certified physician.