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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES "EMPLOY ILLINOIS" EXPANSION

Governor Pat Quinn used Dawson Technical Institute in Chicago as the venue to announce the expansion of *Employ Illinois* - his effort to provide diverse residents with training for jobs in the construction industry.



Offered through IDOT and the Illinois Tollway, *Employ Illinois* links job seekers with training and also increases the incentive paid to contractors from \$10 to \$15 an hour for each program graduate they put to work.

PREVAILING WAGE SEMINAR SETS REGISTRATION DEADLINE - AUGUST 11

A FREE Prevailing Wage Seminar, featuring the Illinois Department of Labor is a MUST ATTEND event for public bodies, contractors and attorneys! The seminar will be held Thursday, Sept. 11, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Double Tree Suites, 2111 Butterfield Road in Downers Grove. Learn about the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, how to ensure compliance with the Act, and the changing landscape of prevailing wage coverage.

Space is limited: To reserve your seat, please contact **Rosie Garza at 815-254-3332** before Monday, August 11.

ANOTHER HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZE ADDED TO CISCO GOLF OUTING - SEPT. 8

The Finishing Contractors Association of Illinois (FCAI) will sponsor a \$10,000 prize for any golfer who shoots



a hole-in-one on the par-3, 6th hole at Bloomingdale Golf Course, where CISCO will host its annual "Last Swing" Golf Outing on September 8th.

In addition, three other par 3s will feature FCAI prizes such as a set of Callaway irons, round trip air tickets for 2 and a \$500 gift certificate for golfers who nail an ace on any of those holes.

FCAI's sponsorship follows the news that Amalgamated Life & Health Insurance Co. will be sponsoring a \$25,000 prize for an ace on hole #11.

The excitement is building, so if you haven't registered, there is still room for more golfers and plenty of sponsorship opportunities are available! For more information, call CISCO at 630-472-9411, or visit our website homepage - www.cisco.org.

WOLF POINT GROUND-BREAKING

Mayor Rahm Emanuel held a press conference this week to herald the ground-breaking of Wolf Point West Tower -- a 48-story, \$160 million development on the Chicago River.

Mike Stotz, President of the AFL-CIO Investment Corp., said Wolf Point West is the first of three new buildings to be built on the Wolf Point site, which together represents a \$1 billion investment creating an estimated 3,500 construction jobs.

CAREER FAIR - MONDAY, AUGUST 11

If you are a Chicago High School student interested in a career in the building trades, then read on!

The Career Fair will be from 9:00 a.m. – Noon on Monday, August 11 at St. Paul Church of God in Christ Community Development Ministries, 4550 S. Wabash Avenue, Chicago. Pre-registration is required; on-site registration will occur at 8:00 a.m. on the morning of the event. To pre-register, go to <http://careerfair14-trades.eventbrite.com>

The confirmed trades that will be in attendance are: Plumbers, Pipefitters, Carpenters, Painters, Electricians, Bricklayers, Teamsters, Laborers, Machinery Movers, Riggers and Erectors, and others. This event is sponsored by CISCO, St. Paul Church Development Ministries and the Chicago Teachers Union. For more information, contact **Johnetta Ryan at 630-472-9411 or Johnetta@cisco.org**.

INDUSTRY NEWS: \$1.1 BILLION CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL SIGNED

On July 22, Governor Pat Quinn signed a new state capital construction bill that invests \$1.1 billion in road and bridge projects to improve transportation, create jobs and boost economic development across Illinois, including Cook and DuPage Counties. The bill, which follows Governor Quinn's successful six-year, \$31 billion *Illinois Jobs Now* capital construction program, will deliver more than 210 projects and create an estimated 14,300 jobs. The legislation is part of Governor Quinn's agenda to create jobs and drive Illinois' economy forward.