3rd ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION EXPO
CISCO, St. Paul Community Development Ministries (SPCDM), Chicago Teachers Union and CPS will once again join forces to showcase careers in the construction industry to students and adults. This year’s event will be held on Thursday, August 25 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon at SPCDM, 4550 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, IL 60653.

CISCO added as one of national labor-management conference sponsors - August 17-19, 2016
For the first time in eight years, the National Labor-Management Conference presented by the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service will be in Chicago. The biennial event, titled “Future @Work“ will be held August 17-19, 2016 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel, 151 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601.

CISCO will present a 90-minute workshop during one of 60-plus breakout sessions/panel presentations. CISCO will also be one of the event sponsors as its support is helping to bring Keynote Speaker Jason Dorsey to the event. Dorsey’s unique research-driven approach to solving generational challenges has earned him national acclaim.

CISCO’s presentation will focus on its 28-year history as a joint labor-management organization that builds trust between local contractors and union labor. Topics CISCO will address include prevailing wage, collective bargaining, collaborative worker safety education, union apprenticeship programs and CISCO’s efforts to increase awareness of careers in the union construction industry.

Registration is now open, with early-bird registration available until June 24. For more information on the great programs being offered, as well as registration for the conference, please visit the FMCS National Labor Management Conference Website or click on the following link: http://meetingservicesinc.com/fmcs

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
One item of note since CISCO’s most recent Legislative Committee meeting last month was the passage of Senate Bill 2964, which amends the Prevailing Wage Act. It provides that the prevailing wage shall not be less than the rate that prevails for similar work performed under collective bargaining agreements in the locality provided that the agreements cover at least 30% of the workers. The bill passed both Houses with veto-proof majorities, and sets up a showdown with the Governor as he has sought to curtail collective bargaining and reduce prevailing wage rates since he was elected into office.

VETERANS RESOURCE FAIR - JUNE 15
Local veterans are invited to join State Rep. Camille Lilly and State Sen. Don Harmon for the chance to learn about potential employment and college opportunities available to you. The Resource Fair will be held Wednesday, June 15, from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Oak Park Public Library, 834 Lake Street in Oak Park.

For more information, contact Rep. Lilly’s office at 773-473-7300 or StateRepCamilleLilly@gmail.com.

CISCO GOLF OUTING - SEPTEMBER 12
Start planning your foursomes now for the annual shot-gun style outing and barbecue lunch, Monday, September 12, 2016 at Bloomingdale Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road. The outing is still the best value and offers great prizes and networking fun. Registration and free practice range begins at 7:00 a.m.; golf begins at 8:00 a.m. Cocktails and lunch starts around 1:30 p.m.

There are also many ways to sponsor the outing. Hole, Beverage Cart, Halfway House and Lunch sponsorships are available, as well as registration table and prize donations. Call us at 630-472-9411 to reserve your foursomes today!

Recent Hands-On Expos: Articles and photos on the back page.
CISCO and Career Development System (located on the campus of South Suburban College) co-sponsored its first-ever Hands-On Expo recently at the Pipefitters Local 597 facility in Mokena, 10850 W. 187th Street.

Approximately 200 students from several junior high schools attended the one-day event. Building Trades representatives from the Pipefitters Local 597, Operating Engineers Local 150, Carpenters, Laborers, Bricklayers, and Painters & Drywall Finishers were on hand to demonstrate techniques unique to their trade.

Students benefited from talking to instructors and apprenticeship coordinators, as well as trying out a variety of activities set up by the instructors.

CISCO and CPS co-sponsored its annual Hands-On Expo at the Carpenters Apprenticeship & Training Center satellite location in Chicago at 2141 S. Union Avenue.

Approximately 200 students from seven different CPS high schools attended. Building Trades representatives from the Carpenters, Painters & Drywall, Bricklayers, Laborers, Pipefitters Local 597, Operating Engineers Local 150, Roofers Local 11, IBEW Local 134, Plumbers Local 130 and Heat & Frost Local 17 were on hand to demonstrate techniques unique to their trade. The event gave students the opportunity to try the basic techniques of what professional tradesmen/women do every day.