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STUDENTS TURN OUT AT HANDS-ON EXPO IN OAK PARK



Bricklayers' 2nd-year apprentice Chris Winston (left) and Instructor Isidro Valdez demonstrate laying brick to students.

With representatives from seven different building trades on hand, CISCO orchestrated another successful Hands-On Expo as nearly 100 students from nine different area high schools attended a two-session, all-day event at Oak Park-River Forest High School.



Carpenters' Assistant Apprenticeship Coordinator Maria Tybor watches as students attempt a chair-assembly exercise.

Students from Proviso West and East, Riverside-Brookfield and Ridgewood High Schools were present in the morning, followed by Oak Park-River Forest, East and West Leyden and Elmwood Park High Schools in the afternoon. Students got a chance to talk to Apprentice Coordinators and instructors from the Boilermakers, Bricklayers, Carpenters, Laborers, Operating Engineers Local 150, Painters and Roofers Local 11.



Boilermakers Local 1 Apprenticeship Coordinator Justin Gustafson shows students a proper weld.



Laborers' Apprenticeship Coordinator Matt Vilim oversees a student trying out the chip drill.



Roofers' Apprenticeship Instructor Brian Dubin explains the proper technique in adhering roofing paper.

The Apprentice Coordinators and instructors described the process to apply for acceptance into each of their own apprenticeship programs, and in some cases, demonstrated the basic techniques of their individual trade as shown in the pictures above.

JOHNETTA RYAN TO RECEIVE GLCA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



The Great Lakes Construction Association (GLCA) will recognize CISCO's Director of Education-to-Careers Johnetta Ryan with the prestigious

Robert W. MacGruder Lifetime Achievement Award on Friday, Nov. 9 at the Sanfilippo Estate in Barrington Hills, Illinois.

GLCA's pre-event publicity stated, "Johnetta has been guiding students to our union trade apprentice programs and promoting careers in union construction via workshops, career fairs and presentations in Illinois for almost 20 years."

Robert W. MacGruder was Executive Vice President of the Lake County Contractor's Association (GLCA predecessor) from 1973-1996 before his death in March of 2017.

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LOSES PLUMBING SERVICE LEADER



This month, the construction industry mourned the loss of Robert Melko, who filled numerous roles in the plumbing arena.

Melko served as PCA President (2004-05) and Plumbing Council Chairman (2013-16). He was also past Co-Chair of the Plumbers Local 130 J.A.C., UA International Training Fund Trustee, PAMCANI Board member and PCA Labor Relations Chairman.

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

CISCO LAUNCHES 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.

"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. This is a testament to our construction industry parents and families who have instilled a strong work ethic and character in their children."

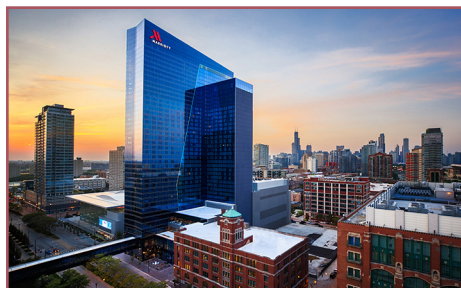


Last year's scholarship winners are recognized as CISCO Board President Maurice King proudly joins in.

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/

CISCO KICKS OFF 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.



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

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

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK - NOVEMBER 12-18, 2018

As part of National Apprenticeship Week, the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters (CRCC) will host a two-day Open House on November 14 & 15, 2018 beginning at 5:30 p.m. each night. The event will feature a facility tour and then a presentation about the CRCC's successful registered apprenticeship program.

Tours start at 5:30 p.m. with the last tour set to begin at 6:10 p.m. The main presentation is scheduled from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. To register for the event, visit www.chicap.org.

LIFE-SAVING EFFORTS RECOGNIZED DURING CEREMONY

John Norling of Carpenter's Local 272 and Cesar De Alba of Laborers' Local 2 were formally recognized for their life-saving measures on behalf of Kevin McLaughlin, an electrician with Lyons-Pinner Electric in Lyons, Illinois.



Kevin McLaughlin is flanked by lifesaving heroes John Norling (left) and Cesar De Alba (right).

The ceremony, held at the IBEW Local 134 Hall, was led by CISCO Board Member Gary Misicka, who is President and General Manager of Lyons-Pinner.

Fortunately for McLaughlin, Laborer Cesar De Alba was working in the same room when he was electrocuted. "He had slumped over a pipe below the board he was working on, and his weight was too much for me to pull him off of the pipe, so I called out for someone, and John helped me," De Alba said.

The two men then called 911 and began performing CPR, which kept Kevin alive until the paramedics arrived.

"I never had to do this before," Norling said. "The attention is a bit overwhelming, but it is nice to be recognized. Fortunately it worked out well for Kevin."

Several speakers, including representatives of the American Heart Association, stressed the importance of CPR training, and the need to take action when a crisis occurs.

