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NEWS

Family Matters

At this time of year it's nice to reflect on our blessings and the joy that our families bring. That includes our Carpenter family. [Click here](#) to watch the inspiring story of Kansas City carpenter Ryan Mercia and how the UBC stepped up to help a brother in need.



Resolute

Still looking for a New Year's resolution? How about [exploring a run for public office?](#) This year more than 500 union members have run for federal, state and local offices, and they're having impressive success. Across America, unions are helping members mount political campaigns and turn the tide against powerful corporate interests in government.



Vigilant

More and more contractors rely on crooked subcontractors and labor brokers to break the law so they can underbid law-abiding employers. The federal government, though, is continuing on its march to shield contractors from

liability. The EEOC is joining the NLRB and Dept. of Labor in proposing rules that make prosecution more difficult. [Read the latest](#) on what the UBC is doing to stamp out industry fraud.



Get Smart

Is pushing our kids into college killing the middle-class dream? Burdened with debt and four-year degrees that are no longer useful, experts are starting to argue that a college education can actually prevent graduates from building wealth. [All the more reason](#) for them to consider a skilled trade instead.



Saving History

We Carpenters can be seen all over our communities putting our skills to work. After lighting nearly destroyed the 140-year-old historic St. Alphonsus "Rock" Church in North St. Louis, we restored the structure...and parishioners' faith. [Click here to watch](#)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Avoid the Wait! Call Before You Come.

Carpenters Wellness Center will be closed for the holidays on Tuesday, 12/31 and Wednesday, 1/1.

The Center will operate on a [holiday schedule](#), 8 am - 4 pm on Thursday, 12/26, Friday, 12/27 & Monday, 12/30.

[Call ahead to schedule your appointment.](#)

[314.955.WELL \(9355\)](#)



Hot Topic

It's time to address suicide and mental health in construction. The construction industry has the second highest rate of suicides among all occupations.

It's time for all of us to step in and speak up.

[Find out the warning signs and what you can do to help.](#)



Electrical Instructor

Seeking individual with general knowledge of all aspects of the electrical trade. Teaching / training experience and or industry certifications desirable. Computer skills required. Must have a minimum of 9 years of experience at the Journey Level and be a current member in good standing with the St. Louis, Kansas City Carpenters Regional Council Local Union 57.



Send resume to address below by **January 30, 2020**. No walk ins or email copy will be accepted.

Electrical Instructor
Box 1234, Post-Dispatch
901 N. Tenth Street
St. Louis MO 63101
EOE/AA Employer

For Knife Enthusiasts

Back by popular demand. If you need a knife for work or home, or just like collecting cool knives, this is the place to be.

January 25 & 26, 2020
Carpenters Hall, St. Louis (*union carpenters get in free*)

[Download the flier here.](#)



2020 Mouse Races

Mark your calendar for our social event of the year !

Sat., February 29 (advance tickets only)
Carpenters Hall, St. Louis
Call Robin @ (314) 644-4800, or 1-800-332-7188 ext. 5250

[Download the flier here.](#)



Local 1310 Poker Tournament

Sat. March 21
Carpenters Hall, St. Louis
Doors open @ 7pm

[Download the flier here.](#)



St. Louis CJAP Exploring Program

The Carpenters' Joint Apprenticeship Program is working with the Exploring Program of the Greater St. Louis Area Council, Boy Scouts of America to start a workforce development program. This program will expose high school students to the skills and great opportunities that a career in carpentry provides.

Interested in more information in leadership or have a high school youth who wants to participate?



COUNCIL CALENDAR

Council Events

CRC and Benefit Offices Closed Dec. 23 - Jan 1

Benefit Office Holiday On-Call Support, 12/26, 12/27 & 12/30, 7 am - 4:30 pm

For emergency prescription and medical insurance on-call support
877.232.3863, option 7

Carpenters Wellness Center Closed 12/31 & 1/1

Holiday schedule, 12/26, 12/27 & 12/30, 8 am - 4 pm
314.955.WELL (9355)

TRAINING



ICRA

We can't afford to lose. It's that simple. The Carpenters Regional Council has the ability to train its members with a skill no one else has - yet. Our union is leading the way developing new innovative training and techniques that teach our membership how to reduce contamination while working on expansion and renovation projects in busy hospitals and other healthcare facilities. Become a part of the growing healthcare construction boom.

info@carpdc.org.

New **ICRA Best Practices in Health Care - 24 Hour Qualification** classes have been posted to carpdc.org

Please register for these classes by following the instructions for the ICRA classes in your area.



UBC LEADERSHIP

Carpenters leadership training gives our members the communications, coaching and mentoring skills we need to carry our union into the future. Held at the UBC's International Training Center in Las Vegas, these comprehensive courses have already helped thousands of carpenters learn practical on-the-job tips. [Learn more here](#) and spread the word.

AVAILABLE TRAINING CLASSES

On May 1, 2017, the new Safety Training Requirement changes went into effect. On May 1, 2019, we will enter the third year since the changes. This is a reminder to check your "Safety Training" "Met Through Date" on your carpdc.org account.

If you have not taken any Safety or Technical training since May 1, 2017, as of May 1, 2020, you will "Not Have Met" your training requirement per the guidelines of our collective bargaining agreement.

Please refer to the "Around the CRC" weekly update and carpdc.org for training class schedules and locations.

Thank you for maintaining your Safety Training Requirement and continuing to be the most productive, highest quality and safest workers in the construction industry.

Walk-On Safety Classes St. Louis December Schedule

To register for these classes, please call 314.644.4800, ext. 5227

Remaining OSHA 30 Construction Class *currently in progress*

7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Sat. 12/14/19

NEW OSHA 30 Construction Class

Saturdays 1/11/20, 2/8/20, 3/14/20, 4/11/20

Location & Directions:

St. Louis Carpenters Training Center

8300 Valcour Ave St. Louis, MO 63123

Park in the rear parking lot and enter through Door #10

CRC Safety Classroom

OSHA requires at least three participants for this class to run.

To register, please call (314) 644-4800 ext. 5227

OSHA Silica Awareness Course

The purpose of this course is to educate carpenters on OSHA's Crystalline Silica Standard and to provide an understanding of proper ways to limit exposure.

[Registration form](#)

Kansas City Builders Association

[July thru December 2019 Safety Class Schedule](#)

Skilled Trades Associate of Applied Science Degree

Check out the [Completion Guide](#)

Southeast Missouri CJAP Training

[Upcoming training course schedule](#)

AGC MO Safety Course Schedule

[Upcoming AGC course schedule](#)

Local 32 Safety Training

[Local 32's safety training course schedule](#)

Welding Shop Hours

[New Shop Hours](#)