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NEWS

Required Health & Welfare Dependent Audit Announcement Letters Mailed

The St. Louis - Kansas City Carpenters Regional Health Plan is employing the services of Secova, a third party company, to validate all dependents in the Plan. This audit is being performed to ensure the Plan only provides benefits for qualified dependents.

Secova’s dependent audit announcement letters were mailed on Wednesday, April 3, so be sure to watch your mail for this important information.

This important healthcare cost-saving initiative will ultimately help you keep more of your paycheck.

Visit carpdc to learn more about this audit and how it will affect you.

New Benefit Initiatives Effective April 1 and a Chance to Win!

April 1 launched a new era of benefit programs for Carpenters members and dependents covered under the Plan.

Have you checked out how Healthcare Bluebook, Teladoc and Innovative Health Delivery can save you - and the Plan - money? Saving the Plan money ultimately keeps more money on your check, so it's worth a look.

But wait! During the month of April, you have the chance to win one (1) of four (4) $250 Visa Gift Cards when you participate in Healthcare Bluebook’s Guided Tour online.
Fighting Tax Fraud in Illinois

Together with the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters, we’re working to get legislation passed in Illinois that holds general contractors responsible for the lost wages of workers stiffed by subcontractors.

Just yesterday, the bill passed out of the House and heads to the Senate. Read more about the legislation here.

Lobbyists Work to Make Worker Misclassification Legal

According to estimates, the government loses $2.6 billion annual to worker misclassification in the construction industry alone. Now, corporate lobbyists are trying to make it easier for companies to cheat their way out of paying taxes.

The UBC and affiliate councils across the country are working to raise awareness about tax fraud this Tax Day. Visit standinguptotaxfraud.net to learn more.

Blockade

One way to get around voters who reject “Right to Work” is enacting it piece-by-piece and city-by-city. It's what Bruce Rauner tried to do in Illinois. But wise lawmakers in New Mexico have stamped out that scheme. This past week, the governor signed a law that says the state – and only the state – has jurisdiction over RTW laws. It's a good idea that more states should adopt.

Prevailing Wage

More major construction projects today are getting funded as “public-private partnerships,” calling into question what's considered public work, and, therefore, subject to prevailing wage rates. “Construction projects are being built subsidized with public funds that are able to evade requirements to pay a decent wage to their workers.”
Tradeswomen needed to help girls learn tools and build. Arrive at 7:15am with tools, PPE and whites. Class starts at 8am. Email us at info@carpdc.org

Summer's Coming: Download discount coupons for fun summer attractions from the Members Discounts page on carpdc.org.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help Wanted

Looking for a career with a stable and growing company? Join Overhead Door Company of St. Louis, a progressive company with over 90 years of experience providing top-notch customer service and training for the best installers in the industry. For more information please call 800-507-0023.

Overhead Door Company of St. Louis, a DH Pace Company, is currently looking for Residential Door Installers. More Info Here

Refer a Friend, Win $200!

Allen Roofing is hiring roofers! If you refer a friend who gets hired, you’ll get rewarded with $200 from the Council after they complete 30 work days on the job.

Have a question? Contact Keith Taylor by calling (314) 393-5847 or emailing kotaylor@carpdc.org.
Construction industry tax fraud is costing taxpayers up to **$80 every second**. The UBC has launched a new website promoting our tax fraud Days of Action planned for April 13 – 15 across the country. Coinciding with tax filing day, the event will alert the public to the lost revenue caused by cheating contractors.

### Calling All Carpenters Cardinals' Fans!

The St. Louis Cardinals **2019 Carpenters Day at the Ballpark** is on the calendar! Tickets are now available online - get them early and get the best seats possible for our group!

**Game Day:** Labor Day, Monday, September 2, 1:15 pm

$30 ticket cost includes 2 hours of unlimited buffet, Coke products and, for those over 21, Budweiser and Bud Light beer service.

Login to Member Discounts on carpdc.org to get the specifics and take advantage of this fantastic deal!

*Note: Kansas City, we're working on the best Royals' game day offer for you as well. We appreciate your patience!*

### BASS TOURNAMENT

Celebrating its 30th anniversary, the CRC’s annual bass tournament is set for **Saturday, April 13** at Lake of the Ozarks.

Come help us mark the occasion and enjoy one of the council’s longest running and most fun traditions.

[ENTRY FORM HERE](#)
Monthly Council Meeting
Tues. April 9
7pm

Local Meetings

April 8
Local 636

April 10
Locals 638, 1127, 1445, 1925

April 11
Locals 945, 2214

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 our "carpdc.org" website 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**

**April schedule**

To register for these classes, please call 314.644.4802, ext. 4

**OSHA 30 Construction Class**

7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Sat. 5/11/19; Sat. 6/8/19; Sat. 7/13/19; Sat. 8/10/19

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) 644-4802 ext. 4

**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**

**January thru June 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](#)

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