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NEWS

Missouri Legislature Again Thwarts Will of Voters



Former U.S. Senator John Danforth said it best: "In the midst of the current public health crisis, our state Legislature is seeking to place a new constitutional amendment on an upcoming ballot. **It would overturn voter-approved redistricting reforms before they could ever take effect.** Instead, it would substitute a redistricting scheme more extreme than Missouri has ever seen."

In the last week of session, the Republican-led Legislature rammed through a proposed constitutional amendment seeking to thwart the will of the voters. We won't fall for it.

Front Line Fight

As other workers stage protests, labor unions are balancing the need to save jobs with the need to protect workers. Collective bargaining agreements are also **providing added protections** for those who find themselves furloughed. *"Many workers who may have never contemplated union membership are organizing to demand better treatment."*



Common Sense

Are you social distancing, eating lunch by yourself, avoiding crowded

break areas, and not carpooling? **Construction industry experts** are preaching common sense precautions as more states open back up, and more workers head back to the job.



Exposed

COVID-19 is further exposing a crisis in the construction industry – one that union carpenters have **long been warning about**. Tax-dodging contractors are keeping two million construction workers from the workers' comp and unemployment insurance they need. *"If the industry were operating as it should, our public reserves would be better able to relieve the economic misery to come."*



Dream Home

Despite recent disruptions, our contracting partner Payne Family Homes is still on schedule in building this year's **St. Jude Dream Home giveaway**. Tickets go on sale next month for the \$578,000 home with four bedrooms, five-car garage, wine cellar and family cinema.



(ABOVE) For the Kids: The right flooring makes all the difference. Stephens Floor Covering has crafted some whimsical cheer for patients and staff at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

(BELOW) GIVING BACK: Last week, Local 57 contractor Reinhold Electric hosted a food bank at St. Mattias School. More than 1,000 meals were given away to community members in need.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vac. Redemption is Around the Corner

Vacation Redemption statements will be available on www.carpdc.org as of **Thursday, May 21, 2020**. The fastest way to receive your vacation dollars is to log on to the website and provide us with your direct deposit information.

If you do not have access to a computer or are having difficulty logging in or processing your redemption, please call our office at **(314) 644-4802** or toll free **877-232-3863** for assistance rather than visiting our Fund Office.

This will ensure that our staff and you are adhering to the social distancing guidelines associated with the COVID-19 Pandemic.

VACATION
BENEFITS



June 2nd MO Municipal Endorsements

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, Missouri Gov. Mike Parson moved April's municipal elections to June 2nd. You can find the list of [endorsed candidates here](#), and we hope you'll consider taking this with you to vote.



ICRA 8-Hour Refresher and 8-Hour Awareness

Eligible UBC members can now use the International Training Centers' [Learning Management System](#) to take the 8-hour ICRA refresher online (for members who have completed the 24-hour course previously).

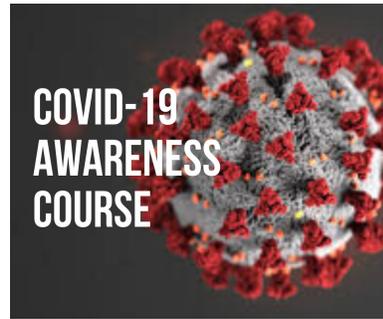
Additionally, anyone who has not taken the 24-hour course is now able to take the 8-hour ICRA Awareness course at the same link above.



UBC members who are ICRA-trained provide much needed expertise in this crisis to ensure that proper protocol is followed and necessary containment measures are being taken.

COVID-19 Preparedness Qualification

The ITC is offering a new COVID-19 Preparedness Qualification online course that covers guidelines & procedures outlined by OSHA. The course is available to all members through the CITF Learning Management System. Members can [access the course online](#).



Wellness Center Virtual Visits

The Carpenters Wellness Center is offering **virtual visits!**

- Primary care, sick visits, return-to-work needs
- Routine follow-up
- Chiropractic
- Physical therapy

Curbside Pharmacy:

- Prescriptions
- Over-the-counter
- Dial 314-955-9355 option 7 when you arrive

As a reminder, the Center is no longer accepting walk-ins. You **MUST** have an appointment. When you arrive, please call 314-955-9355 option 5 for curbside check-in.

The Center does not currently have COVID-19 testing. If you have concerns about COVID-19, you can speak to a nurse by calling 314-955-9355 option 6.

Temporary Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8am - 5pm

Saturday: CLOSED



An advertisement for Healthcare Bluebook. The background is blue with white text. At the top right is the Healthcare Bluebook logo. The main text says "You're probably overpaying for medical care and don't even know it." Below this, it says "Use Healthcare Bluebook to save on medical costs and earn rewards!". There is a QR code labeled "MOBILE QR CODE:" and a "Get a Reward!" badge. An illustration of a city with buildings is shown, with callouts for MRI costs: one building has a callout for \$435 (labeled "Get a Reward!") and another has a callout for \$5,123.

Elective Medical Procedures Post COVID-19

Many medical services are being postponed due to COVID-19, but for those of you who cannot delay your medicare care, we want to remind you that you can use **Healthcare Bluebook** to find high-quality, low-cost providers in your area.

How to use Healthcare Bluebook:

1. Access Healthcare Bluebook through the [website](#) or mobile app.
2. Search for your procedure or select from the quick links below the search bar.
3. See the list of facilities in your area and choose a Fair Price™ facility marked with a GREEN color code. Then schedule your appointment when it's convenient for you.

Remember to talk to your doctor to know if your procedure is necessary at this time. If you need help rescheduling a procedure or finding the best provider for your care, Healthcare Bluebook's Member

Services team is happy to assist you. For a list of additional resources regarding COVID-19 or to find a Fair Price™ provider in your area, access [Healthcare Bluebook](#) now.

Teladoc and Mental Health

Did you know counselors and therapists at Teladoc can prescribe medication and even make recurring appointments? This allows you to develop a relationship with the provider and get the care you need, all from wherever you feel most comfortable.



Common conditions treated by **TELADOC's** Mental Healthcare providers:

- anxiety
- depression
- PTSD
- stress and work pressures
- grief
- panic disorder
- family and marriage issues
- substance abuse
- trauma resolution
- ADHD

How **TELADOC's** mental health services work, with **NO COST** to you:

1. Choose online provider
2. Schedule a virtual visit
3. Meet with a Care Provider by phone or video
4. Ongoing treatment as needed

Download the App in your phone's App store, call 1-800-DOC-CONSULT or visit [TELADOC](#) online.

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COVID
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HOTLINE

Kansas City

816.595-4164

St. Louis

314.781.2356
ext. 1050

Stay Safe. Stay Protected.

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Updates

Many CRC events/fundraisers have already been cancelled. Please check the regional council's [COVID-19 update page](#), where we will post new information as it comes in.

UPDATE



COVID-19
(Coronavirus)

2020 CARPAC Clayshoot

Saturday June 13

Organizers of the annual clay shoot are expecting that this event will go forward, scheduled for June 13 at World Shooting Complex in Sparta, Illinois.

[Download the flyer here](#)

[Download our sign-up form here](#)

CARPAC
Southern Illinois
CLAYSHOOT
Sat. June 13



2020 Golf Tournament

Your generosity is needed now, more than ever. Help support the Carpenters Scholarship Fund by planning to attend our annual golf tournament in September.

Saturday, Sept.12 at Forest Park

\$100 per person / \$400 per team

Brian Doerr (314) 644-4800 ext. 5248

[Download the entry form here](#)



2020 Bass Tournament

CANCELLED

Rescheduled for April 24, 2021



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?

[Find out how to get involved.](#)



Silver Dollar City Discount

Save up to 15% on tickets to Silver Dollar City, White Water and the Branson Belle Showboat when you enter code **25421** at silverdollarcity.com/save.



COUNCIL CALENDAR

Council Events

Local Meetings

In accordance with the General Constitution, special called meetings for nomination (May) and election of Local Union Officers (June) are to be held this year. Please note, all CDC guidelines will be followed to ensure the safety of our members.

May 15
Local 2298 at 6:30 p.m.

May 18
Local 918 at 6:20 p.m.

May 19
Local 97 at 7 p.m.
Local 662 at 7:30 p.m.

May 20
Local 315 at 6 p.m.
Local 32 at 7 p.m.
*Local 92 at 7 p.m.
Local 1839 at 7:30 p.m.

May 21
Local 110 at 7 p.m.
Local 311 at 7:30 p.m.
Local 716 at 7:30 p.m.

**NOTICE TO LOCAL 92 MEMBERS: Local 92 will meet Wednesday 5/20/20 at 7pm. NO food or beverages will be provided. Only necessary business will be conducted: nomination of one trustee, communications & bills, reporting by representative or delegate.*

Weather permitting, the meeting will be held in the parking lot to provide additional social distancing for anyone who wishes to attend. If the weather does not allow it, the meeting will be held in Hall 1 & 2. Anyone entering the building will have their temperature checked and be given a mask.

Dues may be accepted only at the CRC dues collection office (Ste 210) before and after the meeting for any member whom needs or wishes to pay dues.

TRAINING





ICRA 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.

TRAINING NOTICE

All carpenter and floor layer apprenticeship training schools--with the exception of Belleville and Kansas City--will reopen to students on Tuesday, May 19. Kansas City will reopen on Tuesday, June 2. At this time, training schools in Illinois will remain closed until Gov. Pritzker changes the state's stay-at-home order.

Students with questions should contact their training coordinator.

****ONLINE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES****

UBC ITC Online Courses

ICRA Refresher: Members may now get their 8-hour ICRA Refresher online through the CITF Learning Management System. UBC members who are trained provide much needed expertise in this crisis to ensure that proper protocol is followed and proper containment measures are being taken. Access it by [clicking here](#).

Trouble logging in? This [resource document](#) can help.

COVID-19 Preparedness Qualification: This course covers guidelines and procedures outlined by OSHA. The course is available to all members through the CITF Learning Management System. Members can access the course by [clicking here](#).

**Please note, this course is not optimized for mobile or tablet. Desktop or laptop computers are recommended.*

***NEW* Online Computer Courses**

Because all Training Centers are currently closed for training, CJAP has added additional online training opportunities for our members. Now is a great time to refresh your safety training, advance your skills or get your upgrade.

Just added: [Assa Abloy](#) door hardware door courses!

Apprentices who complete all four IC3 (4) courses will receive 1-Unit of training for completing and passing ALL FOUR courses in this recommended order 1) Computing Fundamentals, 2) Living Online 3) Word, 4) Excel.

Visit carpdc.org for more information and how to sign up for these online classes.

AdvanceOnline Training Courses

Free AdvanceOnline Training includes the following bundled courses:

- OSHA Focus Four and Electrical Hazards
- OSHA – Exposures to Health Hazards
- OSHA – Managing Safety & Health and Fall Hazards
- OSHA – Introduction and Material Handling Hazards
- OSHA – Preparedness and Response to Hazards
- All Bundles listed above

For more information or to sign up, visit carpdc.org.

AdvanceOnline OSHA-10 and OSHA-30

Check out the details on [carpdc](http://carpdc.org) and sign up for this online OSHA training. This training is free as long as it is successfully completed.

All AdvanceOnline Training Course questions should be directed to AdvanceOnline Customer Service as outlined on our website.