As the construction industry struggles to combat a labor shortage, a new report says our workforce is getting older. The median age of construction workers now stands at 42. “Aging construction workers and the ongoing labor shortage are two major headwinds for home builders and the overall construction industry.”

A record number of political campaigns in 2019 are unionizing. So far, staffers on four Democratic presidential campaigns have organized - a first in presidential-level politics and what insiders believe will be the new norm. “Having an organized staff is going to be expected. It's going to be the new standard and anyone that doesn't do it is going to stand out.” While this trend has emerged within Democratic politics, there’s no word on any Republican campaign workers following suit.

The St. Louis YouthBuild program offers select St. Louis adjudicated youth a highly successful alternative education
A new class met at the St. Louis Training School this week, beginning a journey to learn skills that will allow them to brighten their futures, both in the workplace and back home in their communities. Considering steady work with good pay and benefits may be an option for them caught the attention of many of the youth in this particular class. "You have to work hard," says instructor Mike Moore. "Your hard work will pay off!"

The goal of YouthBuild class which is held at the Training School is to provide the training, help these students to meet all of the program requirements and finish their program ready to join the union as pre-apprentices in just a few short months. Read more.

Up & Away

Kansas City’s biggest construction project took a major step this week with demolition of outdated airport Terminal A. The billion-dollar renovation of KCI is the largest public works project in the city’s history and the Carpenters played a major role in promoting the campaign to finally modernize the 47-year-old airport.

Dream Home

Tickets are now on sale for your chance to win the 2019 St. Jude Dream Home in St. Charles. For the past several years Carpenter volunteers have pitched in to build the home, which gets raffled off to raise money for the renowned children’s hospital. This year’s house by Payne Family Homes features three bedrooms, 4,700 square-feet and is valued at $487,000.

Secova Dependent Audit Continues

Most recent dependent audit statistics indicate
that, to date, members have voluntarily dropped a total of 407 dependents, no questions asked. **This equates to just over $1 million in potential savings to the health plan annually.** These are your hard-earned dollars! We want to make sure these dollars are spent wisely only on those who should be covered under the Plan.

At the same time, those dependents who are entitled to coverage should continue with coverage under the Plan. If you haven’t responded to Secova’s request for confirmation of your dependents,* there’s still time. A grace period deadline has been established so non-responders have a little more time to get their documents in.

You may securely upload, fax or mail your documents to Secova. More information is available on our website. Call Secova today with questions, Toll-Free 877.692.9165.

*Carpenters’ Dependent Audit excludes dependents covered until United Healthcare Medicare Advantage Program.

**Busy Hands:** Kids at Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic School in East St. Louis proudly show off the bird houses they learned how to build, thanks to some expert instruction by Kenny Roche and Cathy Cook from our Belleville training center.

**Moving Vietnam Wall:** Pictured above are Carpenter apprentices who helped install the stake foundation for the Moving Vietnam Wall and the walkway leading up to it. The Wall will be on display in Harrisonville, MO June 27 - July 1.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carpenters Annual Golf Tournament

Sept. 7, 2019
St. Louis Forest Park

$100/per person $400/per team
First come, first serve.
Entry form here

2019 Health Fairs: Wellbeing NOW!
Be Your Own Superhero!

Carpenters Kansas City Health Fair
Saturday, September 21, 2019
8a - 12p

Carpenters’ St. Louis Health Fair
Saturday, September 28, 2019
8a - 12p

Members who are unable to attend either of the two health fairs but would still like to participate in the biometric screenings will have the opportunity to receive their screening at a lab close to home.
Watch for more information in coming months.

Local 32 Helping Hand Clay Shoot June 29

Carpenters Local 32 Clay Shoot will benefit the Helping Hand fund, which helps members and their families in their time of need.

June 29
8am - 3pm
Blackhawk Valley Hunting Club
1259 Brevator Rd.
Old Monroe, MO 63369

This is a 4-person team event, $50 per person or $200 per team.
Entry fee includes 56 targets per shooter, lunch and refreshments. Shooting Stations can be sponsored for $100 per station.

Raffle tickets available for $10 for a chance to win a Remington 870 or the 50/50 raffle.
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.

Summer Discounts

It’s that time of year again!
Log on to carpdc.org (under the Member Discounts page) and download your cost-saving coupons to fun summer attractions, including Six Flags and Silver Dollar City.

Calling All Kansas City Royals Fans!

The Kansas City Royals Carpenters Day at the K is officially on the calendar!

Royals’ Game day: Sunday, September 1 @ 1:15 pm
Ticket price: $34
Sections 212, 213

Tickets for this game are available by calling the Kansas City Carpenters Council office at 816.931.3414.

Calling All St. Louis Cardinals Fans!

The St. Louis Cardinals Carpenters Day at the Ballpark are still available online - get them early to get the best seats possible for your group.
Cardinals’ 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.

To purchase your tickets or for more information, login to Member Discounts on carpdc.org.

COUNCIL CALENDAR

Council Events

Local Meetings

June 17
Local 918

June 18
Locals 97, 662

June 19
Locals 32, 92, 315, 1839

June 20
Locals 110, 311, 716

June 21
Local 2298

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.

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.
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.

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
June / July / Aug 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. 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.
Reg:istration 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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