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# News

## November 6 Endorsements

The November 6 general election is only weeks away. Our political action committees interviewed dozens of candidates and the delegates approved the final list on October 9.



We hope you'll consider these candidates when you head the the polls on Election Day.

To view the complete list, [click here](#).



## Your Vote

*"When someone says it won't make a difference if they vote, I tell them there are a lot of people who think just like you and all those votes **will** count."*

Check out...and share...the UBC latest Voting Matters [video](#).



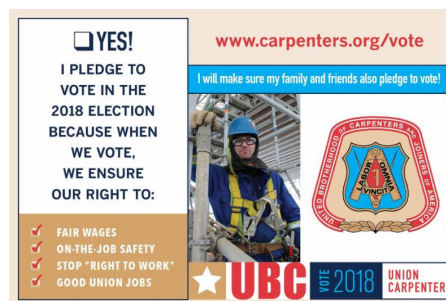
We're less than two weeks away from the all important midterm elections.

We're getting our message out in preparation for the Nov. 6 general election, making sure that our candidates and issues prevail. If you'd like to volunteer, contact us ... it takes teamwork!

[volunteer@carpdc.org](mailto:volunteer@carpdc.org)

## Take the Pledge

Want to protect good union jobs, workplace safety and protection from "Right to Work" ? Go to [carpenters.org/vote](http://carpenters.org/vote) and make a pledge to vote on November 6th.

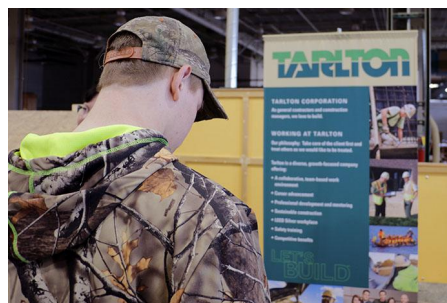


## Tug of War

The St. Louis County Council ignored County Exec. Steve Stenger this week by **overriding his veto** of a misguided and potentially dangerous measure aimed at weakening construction training requirements on public projects.

## Young Ones

The Bureau of Labor Statistics says nearly half a million **younger workers** have joined unions in recent years. While real wages have barely budged, the cost of health care and housing have increased. Unions give young people collective bargaining power in the face of financial uncertainty.





## BUD Program Boasts 85 Percent Placement Rate

Four years ago, the Carpenters helped lead the charge in the development of the Building Union Diversity (BUD) Program.

Since the program began, almost 150 participants have completed the pre-apprenticeship program and 85 percent of those graduates have been placed into employment with area signatory contractors.

[Read more.](#)



**Oct. 24:** (Left) Director of Organizing Keith Taylor talks elections and voting with Carpenters on the job at the St. Louis University Hospital expansion underway in Midtown. (Right) Representatives Kevin Haynes, Greg Hefele, Dan Neiswander and Roberto Pastrana hand out T-shirts and other goodies to the crew.



**Oct. 22:** Director of Training and Workforce Development Dr. John Gaal tapes a promo segment at KMOV Channel 4 in St. Louis. Once again, the regional council is partnering with KMOV and Habitat for Humanity for their Home 4 the Holidays build day benefitting families in need.





**Oct. 20:** Local 1925 showing Carpenter pride at Mizzou's annual homecoming parade (Photo: Local 1925 Facebook page.)

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Your voice needs to be heard on Capitol Hill about our inland river locks and dams. Sign up by texting **LOCKS to 52886**. You can also visit [this website](#) to learn more.

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**Health Fairs & Clinics - Thank YOU!**



### Every Choice Makes A Difference.

Many of you made the choice to come out and see what our health fairs and health clinics are all about this year. To you, we say THANK YOU for taking advantage of this unique opportunity and choosing to take charge of your health! We care about your health and are here to support your in your journey to greater health.

For those who participated in the biometric screenings at the outlying mini-health fairs or health clinics, final raffle prizes will be drawn in November. The winners will be contacted directly by phone prior to Thanksgiving.

For photos of some of our events, check out the [Benefits Facebook page](#). You can also Like us on Facebook to keep in touch with us on a regular basis!

### St. Louis and surrounding areas: *Try the Y! in October*

Try the Gateway Region YMCA for positive change. We're down to the last week of this offer for 2018. What's stopping you? Try the Y!



Since the St. Louis - Kansas City Carpenters Regional Council is part of the Y's Wellness Program, you and your family can experience the Y through a **complimentary 2-week trial membership** to "Try the Y." Simply bring proof of employment (or Local Dues Card) and a photo ID on your first visit.

If you join during **October 2018**, you'll receive:

- 100% off the joining fee
- 100% off the first full month's membership dues

Reference **Corporate Code 11004**. You may participate in up to 2 trial periods per calendar year. Visit your local Gateway Region YMCA for details. For a list of all Gateway Region Y locations visit the [Y website](#).

**St. Louis and Kansas City: *Onsite Smoking Cessation Pilot Classes***





**coming soon!**

Interested in smoking cessation but need more support? Our pilot onsite smoking cessation program classes are forming now.

*The Great American Smokeout* begins in November and runs through early December. Times for our classes are still TBD based on interest and availability of interested members.

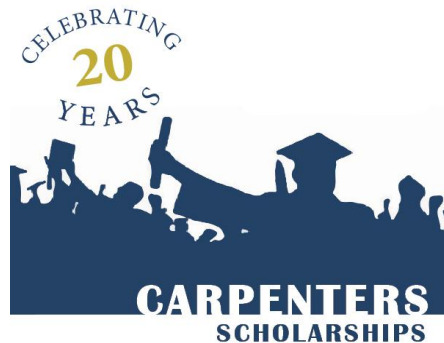
**Join our mailing list** for more information on these classes as it becomes available.

## Announcements

### Scholarships

It's that time of year again. Applications for the annual CRC Carpenters Scholarships are available now (*deadline is Jan 18.*). This marks the 20th year that we've been helping students further their education.

It's only possible due to the numerous fundraising events the council hosts to benefit the scholarship fund, so please keep supporting these essential fundraisers.



Download [applications here](#).



### Mouse Races

Mark Your Calendar

**What:** 14th Annual Mouse Race & Rodent Roulette

**When:** Sat. Feb 23, 2019

**Where:** Carpenters Hall

Call (314) 644-4800 or (800) 332-7188 ext.5250 to reserve your spot. See the [flyer here](#).

*\*Benefiting the CRC Scholarship Fund\**

### Sisters Quilt

Want to show your Carpenters pride and stay warm this winter? Enter the raffle to win this beautiful quilt lovingly made by our Sisters in the Brotherhood. Tickets are just \$10 and benefit the CRC Scholarship Fund. Text Cindy Frank at **(573) 619-5365**, or send check to: SIBS c/o Local 945 5218 Business 50 West Jefferson City, MO 65109



## 2018 Member Discounts on carpdc.org



Members: Log in on [www.carpdc.org](http://www.carpdc.org) and check out the Discounts available to you for the following fun attractions:

Six Flags St. Louis  
Worlds of Fun, Kansas City  
Silver Dollar City, Branson

We can't share these discount codes publicly. [Log in to Discounts/Activities on carpdc](#) today to save money on these attractions!

## Carpenters Annual Golf Tournament

Thank you to everyone who came out to our annual golf tournament--whether to play, volunteer, or donate! The day was a huge success and will benefit the Scholarship Fund.

To view a complete list of winners and sponsors, please [click here](#).



## Council Calendar

### Council Events

### Local Meetings

Oct. 30  
Local 1181

## Training



### ICRA:

**We can't afford to lose.** It's that plain and simple.

The St. Louis - Kansas City 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](mailto:info@carpdc.org).

**New ICRA Best Practices in Health Care - 24 Hour Qualification classes have been posted to carpdc through December 2018.**

### [FIND UPCOMING CLASSES HERE](#)

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.

### Walk-On Safety Classes St. Louis

[Click here for Oct.](#) [Click here for Nov.](#)

### 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. Click [here to register](#).

### Kansas City Builders Association July thru Dec 2018 Safety Classes [here](#)

### Skilled Trades Associate of Applied Science Degree

To view the Completion Guide [click here](#)

### Southeast Missouri CJAP Training

To view upcoming training courses [click here](#)

### AGC MO Safety Course Schedule

To view the upcoming schedule [click here](#)

### Local 32 Safety Training

Newly updates listings for Local 32's Safety Training classes can be found [here](#).

### Welding Shop Hours

To view new shop hours [click here](#).



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