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NEWS

Unique Employment Opportunity for New KCI Airport is Under Way

The [KCI Workforce Training Program](#), a three-week training program for workers with little to no construction experience, kicked off in Kansas City this week as the city prepares to have construction ramp up on the new airport.

The program provides 120 hours of classroom training, a \$400 stipend and placement with an airport subcontractor and registered apprenticeship program.

[Hear our Western Region Director of Organizing Dave Wilson](#) discuss what a unique opportunity this is for anyone looking for a job in the trades.

Know someone interested? [This Saturday is the last chance to register.](#)



Requiring Prevailing Wage

The St. Louis Board of Alderman are taking steps to [require prevailing wage](#) on projects that have city tax incentives. The bill, which ensures all workers receive a fair wage when their tax dollars are involved, received committee approval yesterday.

St. Louis County recently passed a similar requirement.

Prevailing Wage



Fighting Back

In Illinois, where the landmark Janus decision originated, a new law mitigating the damage is about to take effect. Mark Janus, a state employee, successfully sued to essentially create a national "Right to Work" law for public-sector workers. However, [Illinois lawmakers struck back](#), passing a law that won't undo Janus, but will give back significant power and rights to workers who want to unionize.



Bombshell

There's even more evidence that organized labor is [needed now, more than ever](#). The Brookings Institute has released a bombshell study showing that 44% of working Americans are stuck in low-pay jobs, with a median wage of just \$10.22 per hour. *"Nearly half of all workers earn wages that are not enough to promote economic security."*



Efforts Paying Off

Missouri has become a leader in [promoting the benefits of apprenticeship programs](#). Four years ago, state officials pledged to get more people into skilled apprenticeships and the effort has clearly paid off. The Show-Me State now ranks second in the country for the number of trainees who have completed a registered apprenticeship.



Above: Members of Local 1596 share some good food and a good time at their annual holiday party.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



HOLIDAY parties



2019 Christmas Parties

It's that time of year! Keep checking here for our list of CRC locals' holiday parties.

Local 97: Tuesday, **December 17** @ 7pm

Local 92: Wednesday, **December 18**, doors open @ 6pm

Nobody Has Time to be Sick

It's a busy time of year, one that you would prefer to spend with family and friends, instead of bundled up in bed. Your primary care physicians' offices might be closed for the holidays, and ERs or urgent care facilities can have extra-long wait times.

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Avoid the Wait! Call Before You Come.

Carpenters Wellness Center accepts same-day appointments for acute and sick care, but please understand that patients are scheduled based on severity of symptoms.

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

[314.955.WELL \(9355\)](tel:314.955.WELL)



Please note: Carpenters Wellness Center will be closed for the holidays on Tuesday, Dec 24 & Wednesday, Dec 25, Tuesday, Dec 31 and Wednesday, Jan 1. The Center will operate on a holiday schedule, open 8 am - 4 pm on Thursday, Dec 26, Friday, Dec 27 & Monday, Dec 30.

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?

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



COUNCIL CALENDAR

Council Events

Local Meetings

Dec. 16
Local 918

Dec. 17
Locals 97, 662

Dec. 18
Locals 32, 92, 315, 1839

Dec. 19
Locals 110, 311, 716

Dec. 20
Local 2298

TRAINING



UBC LEADERSHIP



ICRA TRAINING

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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.

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](#)

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