

**Building
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of New Jersey**

MONTHLY UPDATE

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Labor Binder Update

So as to ensure your labor binder contains the most updated information, please make certain you received and replaced the following:

B-#68-10 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Operating Engineers, Local No. 825
7/1/10 - 6/30/11

Market Recovery Agreements

As we reminded you in Bulletin #64-10, market recovery agreements have been adopted with the New Jersey Regional Council of Carpenters, the Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Locals No., 2, 4& 5 and the New Jersey Building Laborers District Council to help signatory union contractors compete on certain types of projects and in specific markets. The bulletin and copies of the agreements and application forms can be accessed through the "Members Only" section of the BCANJ website, www.bcanj.com, or by contacting the Association office at 732.225.2265.

Presidents' Scholarships

On June 22, 2010, at the BCANJ's 12th Annual Presidents' Scholarship Awards Program at Mayfair Farms, West Orange, scholarships totaling \$10,000 were awarded to these four students: Samantha Burgagni of North Arlington, for Rutgers University; Lauren Collins of Wilmington, DE, for Loyola University in Baltimore; Kristin Kelly of Staten Island, for Ithaca College; and Rachel Miller of Flemington, for Northwestern University. These students and their impressive academic and community achievements will be featured in the next *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-10, due out in August.

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Alliance for Action Higher Education Forum

BCANJ was a sponsor of an Alliance for Action seminar entitled "New Jersey Higher Education Capital Construction: Building for Tomorrow's Leaders," held on June 8, 2010, at the Lafayette Yard Marriott Conference Center in Trenton. Representatives from eight New Jersey colleges and universities presented plans for capital construction projects. Members may request copies of the presentations by calling the BCANJ office.

New Good Neighbor Awards

Congratulations to these BCANJ members who were recognized for their projects at the 2010 New Good Neighbor Awards Luncheon on June 4, 2010, at Pines Manor in Edison:

Hunter Roberts Construction Group
445 South Street, Bedminster

March Associates Construction, Inc.
Inserra Supermarkets, Bayonne

Torcon, Inc.
Biotechnology Development Center,
North Brunswick

New ConsensusDOCS Matrix

As we told you in Bulletin #59-10, ConsensusDOCS has released a free matrix that compares more than 30 standard clauses in ConsensusDOCS 200 (2007), AIA A-201 (2007) and EJCDC C700 (2007) contracts. Also newly released is the ConsensusDOCS 290 Guidelines for Obtaining Owner Financial Information and the 290.1 Financial Questionnaire. Members can access the bulletin online at the "Members Only" section of the BCANJ website.

LEED Study Group

We announced in Bulletin #57-10 that BCANJ, in cooperation with AIA New Jersey, will host a LEED Study Group in October of this year to help members prepare for the Green Associate Exam. For complete details, visit the "Members Only" section of the BCANJ website.

NJBIZ Top Construction Management Firms

A third of the 50 Top Construction Management Firms on the 2010 NJBIZ List are members of BCANJ. Based on number of New Jersey employees, the rankings are as follows:

- #4 Skanska USA Building Inc.
- #7 URS Corp.
- #12 Torcon Inc.
- #13 Turner Construction Co.
- #14 Damon G. Douglas Co.
- #16 Bovis Lend Lease
- #18 Epic Inc.
- #21 Tishman Construction Corp. of NJ
- #24 Wm. Blanchard Co.
- #30 Gilbane Building Co.
- #31 Barr & Barr
- #33 Hunter Roberts Const. Group
- #38 Stanker & Galetto Inc.
- #43 Nurminen Construction Corp.
- #46 J.R. Prisco, Inc.

Building Contractor

We will again feature "Membership News" and "Employment Opportunities" in our upcoming issue of *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-10. Please submit your information *as soon as possible*, using the forms sent with Bulletins #61-10 and #62-10, or e-mailing it to jschiff@bcanj.com.

Labor News...

For information on key national labor issues, please refer to the enclosed report.

George H. Laufenberg Scholarship Awards

The George H. Laufenberg Scholarship Fund awarded 32 scholarships worth \$47,500 to graduating high school seniors during the 15th Annual Scholarship Luncheon at the Robert B. Meyner Reception Center at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel on June 23, 2010. BCANJ is a supporter of the Scholarship Fund, which benefits the children and grandchildren of union carpenters. Look for the list of recipients in the next issue of *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-10.

Legislative News...

Following are brief reports of recent legislative activities of interest to our members. Look for more information in the full Government Affairs report in the July Update.

Legislature Passes FY2011 State Budget

As we told you in Bulletin #65-10, late in the evening of June 28, 2010, the NJ Legislature passed Governor Christie's \$29.4 billion budget, 21-19. The budget bill cuts \$848 million in property tax rebates for seniors and the disabled, \$820 million in school aid and approximately \$450 million in municipal aid. The Governor signed the bill into law Tuesday, June 29, 2010. Access the bulletin on the "Members Only" section of our website, www.bcanj.com.

COAH Developer Fee

In Bulletin #66-10, we detailed the latest

news on COAH's 2.5% Non-Residential Development Impact Fee. With the one-year moratorium on the COAH fee set to expire on July 1, 2010, the NJ Legislature was poised to pass an initiative that would overhaul the entire affordable housing process. But, while it passed the Senate, the General Assembly couldn't come to a consensus before the summer recess. Instead, the Assembly moved legislation to extend the fee moratorium through October 30, 2010. With the Governor and Senate leadership opposed to this extension bill, no action was taken in the Senate. The Speaker of the Assembly has vowed to take up the issue again in the fall.

Unemployment Insurance Payroll Tax Increase Averted

In Bulletin #67-10 we explained that Governor Christie conditionally vetoed the unemployment insurance measure in May. NJ employers were facing a \$1 billion increase in unemployment insurance payroll taxes unless the Legislature upheld the Governor's veto. On June 28, 2010, both houses voted to accept the Governor's recommendations, and thus limited the tax increase to \$130 per employee this year, rather than \$480 per employee if no action had been taken. BCANJ strongly supported the actions of the Legislature.

Safety News...

BCANJ Presents Safety Awards

BCANJ presented 20 Safety Awards to members at our Awards Luncheon on June 22, 2010, at Mayfair Farms in West Orange. Receiving our highest honor, Zero Lost Workdays, were these 17 members: BFC Ltd. of Egg Harbor Twp.; Damon G. Douglas Company, Inc., of Cranford; Willard Dunham Construction Company of South Plainfield; Fitzpatrick

& Associates Inc., of Eatontown; Albert Garlatti Construction Co., Inc., of New Brunswick; Hall Building Corp. of Farmingdale; Hall Construction Co., Inc., of Howell; Ingrassia Construction Co., Inc., of Middlesex; John D. Lawrence, Inc., of Westville; Joseph A. Natoli Construction Corp. of Pine Brook; Nurminen Construction Corporation of Hawthorne; J.R. Prisco, Inc., of Summit; Schnell Contracting Services LLC of Freehold; Skanska USA Building – New Jersey Operations of Parsippany; Sundance Construction Co., Inc., of Lincoln Park; Torcon, Inc., of Red Bank; and Vericon Construction Company of Westfield.

Receiving the award for “Lost Workday Incidence Rate Below the National Average” were these three BCANJ member firms: Fromkin Brothers Inc., of Edison; Let It Grow Inc., of River Edge; and Turner Construction Company of Somerset.

Recognized for their participation in the Construction Industry Safety Partnership (CISP), a program developed cooperatively by BCANJ, the New Jersey General Construction Trades and OSHA, were these five BCANJ member firms: DePalma Contracting Inc., of Toms River; Hunter Roberts Construction Group of Newark; John D. Lawrence, Inc., of Westville; Macedos Construction LLC of Flemington; and March Associates Construction of Wayne.

OSHA Introduces Severe Violator Enforcement Program

In Bulletin #60-10, we told you of OSHA’s new penalty and enforcement program that went into effect June 18, 2010. The program will substantially boost penalties for serious violations and will focus inspections on fatality/catastrophe

situations and primary causes of injuries and fatalities. Access the bulletin on the “Members Only” section of our website, www.bcanj.com.

Employment Opportunities

Part-Time Receptionist

General Contractor with full-time office staff of seven located in South Plainfield, NJ, seeks permanent part-time receptionist, Tuesday - Thursday, 8 am to 4 pm. Candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Office. Other duties include telephone reception, typing, filing, mail and copying. Please fax resume to: 908.226.5512 or e-mail

jobapplication@willarddunham.com.

Estimators

Railroad Construction Company, based in Paterson, has openings for Estimators in its Civil and Building Divisions. Candidates must have experience with competitive bidding, including the assembly of a bid package with scopes of work and preparation of competitive trade contractor list needed for the bid. Candidates should have proven track record with New Jersey Owners, Architects, Engineers, Subcontractors and Suppliers, and must be able to work on several estimates at the same time. Familiarity with estimating software applications is required; familiarity with computer-generated scheduling is a plus. The company seeks a team player and values enthusiasm and integrity. Excellent benefits include medical/dental starting from day one. EOE/AA employer working in a drug-free environment. Please e-mail resume with salary requirements to:

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