

**Building
Contractors
Association
of New Jersey**

MONTHLY UPDATE

April 2011

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-#44-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Northeast Regional Council of
Carpenters
Effective 5/1/11

B-#45-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Northeast Regional Council of
Carpenters
Flooring Local No. 251
Effective 5/1/11

B-#46-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Bricklayers & Allied
Craftworkers, Local Nos. 4 & 5
Effective 5/1/11

B-#47-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Cement Masons & Plasterers,
Local No. 2
Effective 5/1/11

B-#48-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
NJ Building Construction
Laborers
Effective 5/1/11

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Carpenters Organizational Restructuring

As we told you in Bulletin #43-11, Frank Spencer, Vice President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America's Eastern District, recently announced the Empire State Regional Council of Carpenters will merge into the New Jersey Regional Council of Carpenters. Michael Capelli will remain as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the new organization, which will be renamed the Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters. A comprehensive analysis of both Councils found the membership of the region would be best served by a streamlined regional council and that consolidation of local unions within each state would help create more man hours and market share. New Jersey will now have seven locals. For more information, members can access the bulletin on the "Members Only" page at www.bcanj.com.

Operating Engineers Agreement

To update you since we issued Bulletin #42-11, on April 8, AGC of NJ reached a tentative agreement with Operating Engineers, Local #825. BCANJ's agreement with Operating Engineers, Local #825 does not expire until June 30, 2011. Further details on AGC of NJ's settlement will be forthcoming.

Special Labor & Legislative Briefing

In Bulletin #50-11, members of BCANJ, BCA of Atlantic County, BCA of South Jersey and the Floor

Covering Institute of NJ received an invitation to attend a special Labor & Legislative Briefing, "How You Will Do Business in the Future," scheduled for May 25, 2011, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the BCANJ office in Edison. We urge you to attend this very important meeting as we, joined by industry representatives, begin to address the challenges you face: non-union competition, limited construction opportunities and burdensome regulations. To register for the briefing, please access the bulletin on the "Members Only" section of the website, www.bcanj.com, or call BCANJ at 732.225.2265.

BCANJ Annual Golf Outing

BCANJ's Annual Golf Tournament & Dinner is scheduled for Monday, June 27, 2011, at Eagle Oaks Golf & Country Club, Farmingdale. Sponsorships as well as reservations for the 12:30 p.m. shotgun start are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The day includes a buffet lunch before golf and a cocktail hour and elaborate buffet dinner after golf. Space is limited for this popular event, so we urge you to return your reservation forms as soon as possible.

Membership Meeting

Save the date for BCANJ's Mid-Year Membership Meeting: Tuesday, June 29, 2011, 12 Noon at Mayfair Farms in West Orange. The luncheon will be followed by the presentation of the BCANJ Safety Awards and the Presidents' Scholarship Fund Awards. You will receive an invitation with full details and a registration form in the near future.

BCANJ Members Support FDU Students

BCANJ and our Fairleigh Dickinson University Student Chapter extend thanks to BCANJ members for their support of the 2011 Metropolitan Regional Conference in April. For the second consecutive year, the students were able to host a dinner and business meeting, two breakfasts, the Steel Bridge & Construction Competition and Awards Ceremony, and the Concrete Canoe Competition and Awards Ceremony.

BUILDING CONTRACTOR Magazine

In the recently released issue of the BUILDING CONTRACTOR Magazine, Vol. I-11, the feature article reviews the public and private efforts to revitalize Atlantic City's economy. If you did not receive this issue or would like additional copies, please contact BCANJ at 732.225.2265.

CRT Scholarship Program

The Construction Roundtable of New Jersey announces its 2011 scholarship program, available to students enrolled in a county, community or other college who have been accepted at or are planning to attend a New Jersey four-year college or university as a first-semester junior. Rising juniors already attending a four-year college in New Jersey are eligible as well. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in a construction-related field. Applications are available online at www.CRTNJ.org. Deadline for submitting applications is May 31, 2011.

New Jersey Special School Election Results

Construction referendums were approved in five of eight school districts in the special elections on Wednesday, April 27, 2011. Look for a follow-up bulletin with full details. The next scheduled construction referendum is scheduled for September 27, 2011.

Safety News...

Reminder: OSHA 30-Hour Course

Per Bulletin #39-11, BCANJ is hosting the next OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Course, May 23-26, 2011 (Monday-Thursday), at the Association office in Edison. Cost for attendance is \$349 per person (BCANJ and Affiliated Association members), which includes the price of food and materials. ***For your convenience, a registration form is enclosed.***

Construction Safety Courses

As we told you in Bulletins #40-11 and #49-11, in addition to the BCANJ-hosted OSHA 30-Hour programs, the training centers affiliated with the general construction trades offer OSHA 30-Hour and other construction safety programs on a regular basis for their members. For the May schedule, access B-#49-11 on the "Members Only" section at www.bcanj.com.

Workers Memorial Day

As we discussed in Bulletin #41-11, April 28 was Workers Memorial Day. If your company commemorated the day with a special event or activity, please let us know. We'd like to promote it an upcoming issue of BUILDING CONTRACTOR Magazine.

Legislative News...

For information on key legislative and governmental issues, please refer to the enclosed report.

Labor News...***Voluntary E-Verify Self Check***

The US Citizenship and Immigration Services has released an E-Verify Self Check application that allows any individual to confirm eligibility to work in the United States. A voluntary service, E-Verify Self Check is currently available for residents in five states and the District of Columbia, and will be rolled out in other states throughout the year. CIS hopes prospective employees will use the program to check eligibility and correct any errors that may pop up before they are hired.

Georgia Passes Arizona-Style Immigration Law

In mid-April, the Georgia legislature passed a tough immigration law that will allow police to check the immigration status of suspects under investigation for criminal offenses and require many businesses to use E-Verify to confirm employee eligibility to work. Georgia's undocumented population is estimated at 425,000. Like Arizona's law, this one could be subject to legal challenges. Also in April, a federal appeals court upheld the freeze on key provisions of the Arizona law.

New Good Neighbor Awards

Enclosed with the mailed copy of this Update is the information and registration flier for the New Jersey

Business & Industry Association's 51st Annual New Good Neighbor Awards Luncheon on Friday, June 3, 2011, at the Pines Manor, Edison. Information is also available at www.njbja.org.

LEED Grant

As a reminder, BCANJ received a grant from the State Employment Training Commission to provide reimbursement to members for taking the LEED Green Associate, LEED AP+ or Specialty Exam between January 1 and July 1, 2011. Offered on a first-come, first-served basis, this grant has limited funding. Please refer to Bulletin #09-11 for details or contact the Association Office.

Resume on File...***Part-Time Accountant***

Intelligent, highly motivated and responsible individual seeks part-time accounting position. Nearly 30 years' experience in a variety of industries, holds accounting degree from Seton Hall University. For a copy of the resume, please contact BCANJ at 732.225.2265.

Associate Member

We are pleased to include information from the following member:

Montecalvo Disposal Services

Keasbey, NJ

Memorial Day

Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 30, 2011. It is a holiday for the general construction trades. Please refer to the Contract Summary in your labor information binder for provisions regarding holidays.