

**Building
Contractors
Association
of New Jersey**

MONTHLY UPDATE

June 2011

New Members

In June, BCANJ welcomed the following companies as new members:

Aliano Brothers, Inc.

Vineland, NJ

B&G Restoration

Lincoln Park, NJ

CFS Steel Company

Bronx, NY

Diamond Huntbach Construction Corp.

Philadelphia, PA

Jersey City Ford

Jersey City, NJ

WeiserMazars, LLP

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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-#68-11 Wages & Fringe Benefits
Operating Engineers
Local No. 825
7/1/11 - 12/31/11

Operating Engineers, Local No. 825 Settlement

In Bulletin #67-11, we outlined the settlement with the Operating Engineers, Local No. 825 that will be effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014. For full details, access the bulletins on the "Members Only" section at www.bcanj.com.

Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters

As we previously reported, the Empire State Regional Council of Carpenters and the New Jersey Regional Council of Carpenters merged and became the Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters. Michael Capelli is the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the new organization. The Empire Region covers all of New York, except for New York City's five boroughs. The carpenters implemented Phase I of a centralized dispatch system on June 1, 2011. Contractors were advised of how this new system works and BCANJ sent out a bulletin as well. Under the new structure, there will be three commercial locals. The team leaders and service representatives for each commercial local are as follows:

Local Union 253: Robert Satriano - Team Room Lead; Peter Gowing - Service Representative. Union Office: 36 Bergen Street, Hackensack

Local Union 254: Anthony Verrelli - Team Room Lead; Andy Pacifico - Service Representative. Union Office: Raritan Plaza II, 91 Fieldcrest Avenue, Edison

Local Union 255: Dan Christy - Team Room Lead; Dennis Garbowski - Service Representative. Union Office: 610 White Horse Pike, Elm

FASB Update

As we told you in Bulletin #64-11, word from the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) sounds promising, as the board tentatively adopted a compromise

disclosure standard at its last meeting in May. The compromise would be far less problematic for employers than the original proposal, which asked employers to disclose an estimate of withdrawal liability that would be neither accurate nor valuable to analysts. Access the bulletin on the "Members Only" section of our website.

Presidents' Scholarships

On June 29, 2011, at the BCANJ's 13th Annual Presidents' Scholarship Awards Program at Mayfair Farms, West Orange, scholarships totaling \$10,000 were awarded to these four students: Keegan Gorman of Randolph, entering Clemson University; Kiera Keller of Whippany, heading to Boston College; Ryan Pembroke of Bennington, VT, attending Northeastern University; and Claire Siegrist of Branchburg, starting at Cornell University. These students and their impressive academic and community achievements will be featured in the next *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-11, due out in August.

BCANJ Members In ENR Top 400 Contractors

These BCANJ members were included in ENR's 2011 list of Top 400 Contractors, based on 2010 revenues:

- #5 The Turner Corp.
- #8 Skanska USA
- #17 Gilbane Building Co.
- #21 Bovis Lend Lease
- #24 URS Corp.
- #27 Hunt Construction Group
- #115 Joseph Jingoli and Son, Inc.
- #179 Torcon Inc.
- #281 Barr & Barr Inc.
- #320 T.N. Ward Co.

Final Reminder:**LEED Grant**

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.

**George H. Laufenberg
Scholarship Awards**

The George H. Laufenberg Scholarship Fund awarded 27 scholarships worth \$38,500 to graduating high school seniors during the 16th Annual Scholarship Luncheon at the Robert B. Meyner Reception Center at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel on June 22, 2011. The Scholarship Fund benefits the children and grandchildren of union carpenters. Look for the list of recipients in the next issue of *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-11.

**Laborers Scholarship
Awards**

The Construction Craft Laborers Training and Apprenticeship Fund of New Jersey and Delaware awarded seven scholarships worth \$140,000 to graduating high school seniors during the 2011 Scholarship Awards at The Cranbury Inn in Cranbury on June 21, 2011. As with the George H. Laufenberg Scholarships, BCANJ is a supporter of the Laborers Scholarship Fund to benefit the children and grandchildren of union

laborers. We will also include the list of recipients in the next issue of *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-11.

**Building Contractor
Magazine**

We will again feature "Membership News" and "Employment Opportunities" in our upcoming issue of *BUILDING CONTRACTOR* Magazine, Vol. II-11. In addition, we would like to promote the good works and volunteer efforts of our members in our "Giving Back" section. Please submit your information *as soon as possible*, using the forms sent with Bulletins #61-11, #62-11 and #63-11, or e-mailing it to jschiff@bcanj.com.

FCINJ Brochure

In Bulletin #60-11, we sent you a PDF of the recently revised brochure from the Floor Covering Institute of NJ. Check the website at www.fcinj.org for further updates and to download the PDF.

Legislative News...**COAH Fee Moratorium**

As we reported in Bulletin #69-11, the New Jersey Legislature passed legislation placing a moratorium on COAH's burdensome 2.5% non-residential development fee. Details include a two-year moratorium on the fee through July 1, 2013, retroactive to the reimposition of the fee on July 1, 2010. The bills now head to Governor Christie's desk for signature.

**Governor Signs Bill to Avert Payroll
Tax Hike**

In Bulletin #70-11, we told you Governor Christie signed legislation to avert a

sharp payroll tax hike that would have been automatically triggered to replenish Unemployment Insurance funds. The newly enacted legislation allows payroll-tax increases to be phased in over the next three years at the more gradual rate of approximately \$130 per employee per year.

3% Withholding Fee

In Bulletin #66-11, we sent you the link for an AGC of America survey designed to gauge the impact on construction firms of the 3% withholding tax scheduled to go into effect January 1, 2013, for all federal, state and local government contracts. AGC will share the results of the survey with members of Congress to make the case for repealing the tax provision. We will continue to keep you updated.

Safety News...

BCANJ Presents Safety Awards

BCANJ presented 21 Safety Awards to members at our Awards Luncheon on June 29, 2011, at Mayfair Farms in West Orange.

Receiving our highest honor, Zero Lost Workdays, were these 16 members: Damon G. Douglas Company, Inc., of Cranford; Drill Construction Co. of West Orange; Willard Dunham Construction Company of South Plainfield; Epic Management Inc., of Piscataway; Albert Garlatti Construction Co., Inc., of New Brunswick; Hall Building Corp. of Farmingdale; Hall Construction Co., Inc., of Howell; John D. Lawrence, Inc., of Westville; J.R. Prisco, Inc., of Summit; Michael Riesz & Co. of Fords; M.E. Sabosik Associates of Pt. Pleasant; Seacoast Builders Corp. of Freehold;

Sundance Construction Co., Inc., of Lincoln Park; Tishman Construction Corp. of Newark; Torcon, Inc., of Red Bank; and Turner Construction Company of Somerset.

Receiving the award for "Lost Workday Incidence Rate Below the National Average" were these five BCANJ member firms: Wm. Blanchard Co. of Springfield; Fromkin Brothers Inc., of Edison; Edward Leske Co. of Union; Nordic Contracting Co., Inc., of Ledgebrook; and United Hoisting & Scaffolding Corp. of Long Island City, NY.

AGC Representative Joins Federal OSHA Committee

As we reported in Hot Topics, Kevin R. Cannon, AGC of America Director of Safety and Health Services, has been appointed for a two-year term to the US Department of Labor's Advisory Committee on Construction Safety and Health. The committee meets at least twice a year and reports to OSHA head David Michaels.

Labor News...

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

Associate Members

In this Update, we are pleased to include information from the following member:

Montecalvo Disposal Services

Keasbey, NJ

On the BCANJ website in July, we are pleased to feature **United Rentals**.