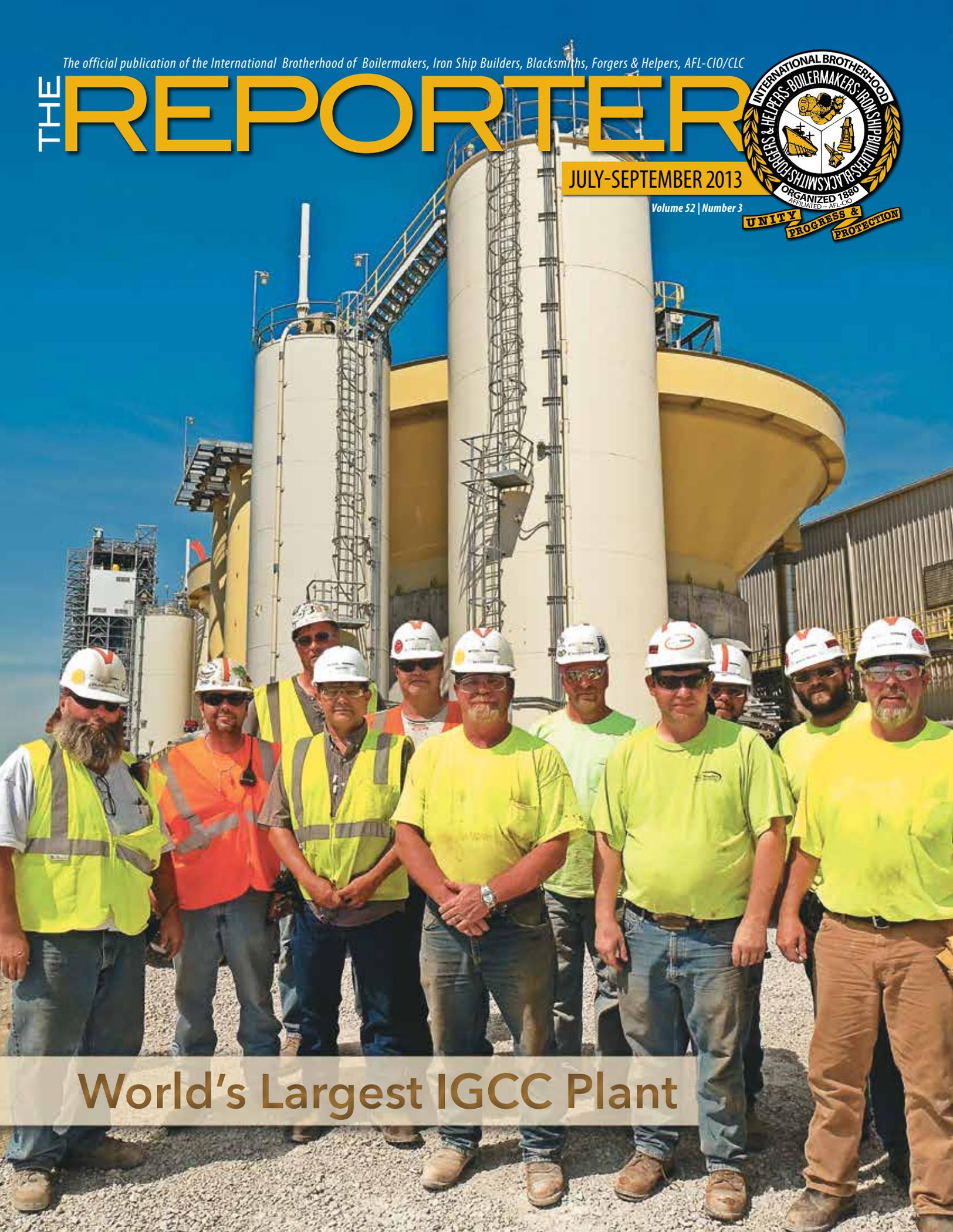
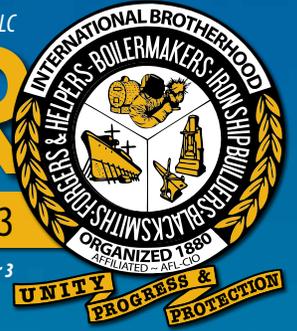


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# THE MOST SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM:

*Keeping the Workplace Drug Free*

*National studies reveal that substance abusers are ten times more likely to miss work than their drug-free coworkers.*

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Since 1991, MOST and the Boilermakers have led the industry in fighting against this workplace trend. The MOST Substance Abuse Program implements mandatory drug screening and offers assistance to employees seeking help.

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have anyone else to turn to," said Van Stephens, Business Manager/Financial Secretary, Local 105. "It gets members back on track and on the job, so they can support their families. We're appreciative of this program."

The safety and well being of our members is a top priority and MOST takes great pride in maintaining that responsibility. Ensuring high standards means implementing stringent rules. Some say these standards are too strict, but the value provided by the program establishes a strong benchmark for the industry to follow.

*"The most important thing is that our guys go to the workplace in one piece and come home in one piece,"* said Ray Ventrone, Business Manager, Local 154.

"The MOST Substance Abuse Program makes that possible because everyone is tested before they go on the job."

As the industry model, the program continually contributes to a reduction in lost time injuries and in compensable rates. Its effectiveness has been so thorough that the program became mandatory in 1996 for all Boilermaker members throughout the country, making the Boilermakers the only building trades union to impose this requirement.

"The benefit of the Substance Abuse Program is three-fold: owners know they have drug-free workplaces, contractors don't have to spend a lot of time drug testing on job sites and members feel confident that they are working in a safe, drug-free environment," said Timothy Ruth, Business Manager and Secretary Treasurer, Local 101.

To access forms for the MOST Substance Abuse Program, visit the MOST Programs website at [MOSTPrograms.com](http://MOSTPrograms.com)

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**BOILERMAKERS HAD A KEY ROLE** in building Duke Energy's Edwardsport, Ind., IGCC plant — the world's largest. Some of the 150 Local 374 (Hammond, Ind.) members who worked on the project are, left to right, front row: William "Grizz" Mitchell, Tyler Hobbs, Rick Risse, Bill Puckett, Daniel Rowe, and Rick Brewer. Back row: Tom Begle, Robert Bovair, Mike Monninger, Shane Higginbotham, and Mike Miller. In the background is the plant's raw water treatment facility. One of the two gasification towers can be seen at far left in the distance.

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# EPA carbon rule does more harm than good

*“The EPA’s hyper-restrictive CO<sub>2</sub> regulations do virtually nothing to resolve global warming. They serve only to satisfy a questionable legal ruling about CO<sub>2</sub> as a pollutant and the narrow mindset of constituent environmentalists and their political surrogates. And, tragically, these regulations have potentially devastating economic consequences for this important domestic industry and its dependent workforce, reliant businesses and the millions of hard-working households whose energy bills will go nowhere but up.”*

## Agency’s emission strategy is wrong-headed, damaging

BOILERMAKERS WHOSE livelihoods depend at least in part on the use of coal-generated electric power learned with great alarm and frustration of the EPA’s new rule that will essentially block future plant construction. The agency announced its Proposed Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants September 20 as “its first steps under President Obama’s Climate Action Plan.”

About half of all union Boilermakers in the United States are employed in the construction and maintenance of coal-fired power plants. Other members mine coal for a living. Largely because of restrictive EPA rules, hundreds of power plants have been shut down already, and many that were planned have been cancelled.

Now, the latest EPA rule threatens the very future of coal-fired electric generation in America. It sets carbon dioxide emission limits so low as to make building new plants economically and technologically infeasible.

On many levels, the EPA’s carbon emission strategy is wrong-headed and damaging to America.

## Setting a standard that cannot be met

UNDER THE EPA rule for new source coal-fired generation, the carbon dioxide emission limit plummets from 1,768 pounds per megawatt-hour to 1,100. The agency readily admits that the only way to achieve this reduced level is through carbon capture and storage (CCS).

The major flaw in EPA’s thinking is that CCS is an affordable alternative that is commercially available. If it were feasible — economically and technologically — we would see evidence that utilities are beginning to employ it beyond test sites. But they are not.

Whether by misreading the economics and science on CCS or through a premeditated, calculated decision to ensure no new coal-fired plants are constructed, the EPA standards are a formidable barrier to the future use of coal as an energy source.

## Rule ignores emission control progress

ONE OF THE more frustrating aspects of EPA’s position is that it seems to ignore the major advances and billions in investment already made to clean up emissions. Today, advanced new plants are capable of reducing up to 98 percent of sulfur dioxide, 90 percent of nitrogen oxide, and 90 percent of mercury.

These are amazing achievements by the industry, and Boilermakers have been at the forefront of installing the enabling equipment and systems. We have also helped build the first ultra supercritical coal-fired plant in the United States and the world’s largest integrated gasification combined cycle facility in the world. These cutting edge technologies reduce the amount of coal required to create the same amount of energy produced by a conventional coal-fired power plant. Less coal means lower carbon emissions per megawatt-hour.

Research into other technologies holds great promise to further restrict carbon dioxide emissions. America should be investing in these technologies with the intent of sharing

them throughout the world. Only then can global emission levels be reigned in.

Unfortunately, EPA's insistence on CCS technology for new coal-fired plants throws cold water on currently available advanced technologies as well as continued research.

### We cannot save the climate alone

IT APPEARS THAT the EPA is charging ahead with carbon restriction rules as though the United States can unilaterally solve climate change. This cannot be done. As I have recently written, according to various sources, developing countries far exceed the U.S. in new coal-fired generation projects. While we are essentially at zero now, other countries are steadily expanding their coal energy use. In many cases, there are far fewer emission controls being installed than would be required in the United States.

The conclusions reached by these recently cited sources bear repeating:

- “China’s greenhouse gas emissions are twice those of the United States and growing at 8 percent to 10 percent per year. By 2020 . . . China will emit greenhouse gases at four times the rate of the United States, and even if American emissions were to suddenly disappear tomorrow, world emissions would be back at the same level within four years as a result of China’s growth alone.”

*Source: Elizabeth Muller, Executive Director, Berkeley Earth (New York Times, April 12, 2013)*

- “Despite . . . a boom in renewable energy over the last decade, the average unit of energy produced today is basically as dirty as it was 20 years ago.”

*Source: Maria van der Hoeven, Executive Director, International Energy Agency*

- “At the end of 2012, approximately 1,200 coal plants were being planned across 59 countries — about three-quarters of them in China and India.”

*Source: World Resources Institute*

While coal-fired generation continues to grow outside the United States, many in government and industry see hydraulic fracturing, or “fracking,” as a solution to controlling carbon emissions. Yet natural gas obtained from this method is not carbon free. Methane and carbon dioxide are released in the fracking process, and CO<sub>2</sub> also is emitted when natural gas is burned.

Natural gas prices have fallen during the current boom, but they are sure to rise again as demand catches up with supply. An overreliance on natural gas will bring utility price spikes as we have seen in the past.

### Collateral damage ignored?

UNILATERALLY MARCHING forward with strict emission controls handcuffs the U.S. economy while world competitors go forward. At a time when we can least afford it, EPA emission rules have cost American workers thousands of good jobs and decimated the economic base of numerous small communities. Additional good jobs will never be realized, because new coal generation plants will not be built under the EPA’s excessive rules.

The construction trades as well as nonunion workers involved in building and maintaining coal-fired power plants have already lost many millions of man-hours of work. All of this takes a tremendous toll on our economic recovery. Yet the EPA and the current administration seem to accept this collateral damage without much consideration.

We can and we must do better.

### We are wasting precious time

THE EPA AND the Obama administration would do well to give more attention to the industries and workers who provide reliable and affordable electricity to this country and less to environmentalists, some of whom openly admit they have an agenda to end coal use altogether, no matter how clean it becomes.

As a nation, we cannot afford to sacrifice so many good jobs for the sake of making a statement about climate change. We are wasting precious resources and precious time. The Obama Administration should be leading the world to develop affordable CCS technology for all of the world’s coal-fired power generation systems. Without it, we are faced with at least 50 more years of ever-rising world CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

The EPA’s hyper-restrictive CO<sub>2</sub> regulations do virtually nothing to resolve global warming. They serve only to satisfy a questionable legal ruling about CO<sub>2</sub> as a pollutant and the narrow mindset of constituent environmentalists and their political surrogates. And, tragically, these regulations have potentially devastating economic consequences for this important domestic industry and its dependent workforce, reliant businesses and the millions of hard-working households whose energy bills will go nowhere but up.

Perhaps, as I suspect is the view of most Boilermakers, it would be a more effective fix for global warming if the EPA would devise emission control regulations for the steady stream of political, legislative, and regulatory pollution emanating from Washington, D.C., on this and so many other important issues facing working and out-of-work America.





# ISO Conference has record attendance

## Event offers numerous learning opportunities

MORE THAN 250 members attended the Industrial Sector Operations Conference July 22-25 in Las Vegas, setting a new record for participation. The event was held at Planet Hollywood and featured three days of speaker presentations and break-out sessions.

“Preparing for the future is what this conference is all about,” International President Newton B. Jones told ISO members in his opening remarks. “And to do that, we need to expand our knowledge and skills as union leaders.”

IP Jones described the many challenges facing unions today, including the assault on labor by the far right, political extremism, new free trade deals, and oppression by multinational corporations. He stressed the importance of working with other unions on a global basis to counter anti-labor forces.

He concluded with an introduction of Carlo De Masi, Secretary-General of the Italian Federation of Electrical Utility Workers (FLAEI), who offered greetings from his union and welcomed cooperation between FLAEI and the Brotherhood. IP Jones presented De Masi and FLAEI

National Secretary Vito Loiacono with a sculpture signifying excellence in Boilermaker craftsmanship. The sculpture depicts a human form holding a rivet gun and is named the Charles W. Jones Award in honor of our late President Emeritus.

Among other guest speakers were Brian Doherty with ULLICO, Phee Jung-sun with IndustriALL, and Bob McCall and Bill Arnold with Bank of Labor.

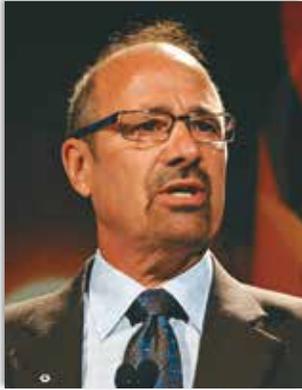
## Canada’s top labor leader addresses group

KEN GEORGETTI, President of the 3.3-million-member Canadian Labour Congress, gave the keynote address July 23. He described how the war on labor has forced Canadian unions to adopt new strategies to counter extreme anti-union legislation.

He said Bill C-377, passed by the conservative-dominated House of Commons, would have created onerous new financial reporting requirements. The bill went on to the Senate, which is also dominated by conservatives, with expectations that it would become law.

PHOTO ABOVE: MEMBERS PRACTICE HANDLING A GRIEVANCE during a breakout session led by Ruth Needleman of the National Labor College.

Georgetti described how labor succeeded in gutting the bill by building broad coalitions with groups that have not traditionally been strong union supporters. Instead of contesting the legislation through protests and other conventional tactics, Canadian unions amassed support by focusing on shared interests and the overall unfair nature of the proposed law. The coalition convinced 16 conservative senators to support amendments that essentially blocked the bill's passage.

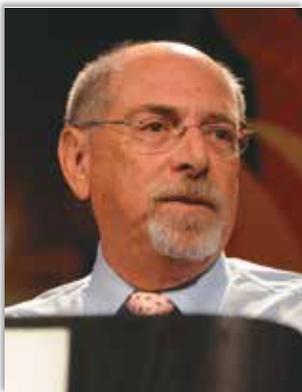


**CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS PRESIDENT KEN GEORGETTI** discusses new strategies in the war on labor.

“The surprising thing [about anti-union forces in Canada and the United States] is the attacks are the same, the funding comes from the same sources, and they do the same things,” Georgetti said.

### Bluestone traces rise and fall of U.S. economy

NOTED LABOR ECONOMIST and professor Barry Bluestone of Northeast University in Boston gave conference participants a review of economic history in North America since the 1920s.



**PROFESSOR BARRY BLUESTONE** explains the rise and fall of the American economy.

He said the concentration of wealth in the hands of a small number of wealthy individuals coupled with too little money for consumers to drive the economy led to the Great Depression.

“We had soaring stock prices but underneath it a weak economy,” he noted. “This was the 1920s. Sound familiar? If you don’t have much consumption and you don’t have much investment, and you don’t have government spending, and you can’t export, the economy falls apart.”

Professor Bluestone said key pillars of the robust U.S. economy during the 1950s, 1960s, and early 1970s included a strong Labor Movement and government investments in education, technology, infrastructure, and other areas.

He said the United States must return to major government investments and a resurgent Labor Movement if the American economy is to regain its strength in the future.



**FLAEI GENERAL SECRETARY CARLO DE MASI**, left, and National Secretary Vito Loiacono, right, receive the Charles W. Jones Award sculpture from IP Newton B. Jones in recognition of the Italian union’s friendship and cooperation.

### Listening session, breakouts promote discussions

IN A FIRST-of-its-kind initiative created by the AFL-CIO, the ISO Conference conducted a listening session in which conference participants were invited to engage. The goal was to encourage members and staff to share recommendations about how the federation should proceed in an era of declining membership and raging anti-union attacks. AFL-CIO-affiliated unions across the country were also invited to take part during their own meetings and conferences.



**L-647 BM-ST LUKE VOIGT** makes a point during the AFL-CIO sponsored listening session held during the ISO Conference.

An ISO panel that included AAIP/D-ISO Tyler Brown, DGA D-PA Bridget Martin, and O-ISO Bobby Godinez II, moderated the session. They later forwarded recommendations to the federation for consideration at its September convention in Los Angeles.

Breakout sessions covered topics such as lodge finances, collective bargaining, grievance handling and arbitration, health and safety, healthcare, organizing, mediation, and railroad issues. The breakouts were led by Labor attorneys, government officials, academics, and International staff members. ■

# Boilermakers union leader, Golden Gloves boxer Michael ‘Woody’ Wood dead at 93

By Maureen O’Donnell, © 2013 Chicago Sun-Times, reprinted with permission

HIS GOLDEN GLOVES fists helped him fight for his union — and feed his family.

Michael “Woody” Wood grew up in Humboldt Park, the oldest of four children of Russian and Polish Jews. His father worked for a clothing workers’ union.

Young Woody’s neighborhood was “a hothouse for gangsters,” according to a 1939 Chicago Daily News story. It produced outsized personalities and talents like movie-maker Mike Todd and authors Nelson Algren and Saul Bellow. Kids there learned to keep their wits sharp and their dukes up.

Woody found a haven at the Deborah Boys Club, then at 2441 W. Division. The club, founded by a Jewish women’s organization, was a refuge for him and the other wisenheimers and toughies looking for a place to belong.

Decades later, he named one of his children Deborah in honor of his home-away-from-home.

He read the books in the club’s library and played softball. And though he stood only about 5-foot-6 and weighed 145 pounds, the welterweight learned to box so well that he became a Golden Gloves fighter. The prizes from his bouts helped feed his family during the Great Depression. His skill in the ring also came in handy when he worked as an organizer for the boilermakers union.

Mr. Wood, 93, died Thursday [June 13] of cardiac arrest at Glenbrook Hospital in Glenview.

Despite his pugilistic expertise, family and friends recall him as an exceptionally kind and gentle man.

As an amateur boxer, he couldn’t take prize money. But fighters could accept a new watch. After a match, jewelers lined up to buy those timepieces, and the money helped pay the bills for Mr. Wood’s family.

The contests were marked by a raucous showmanship that was breathtakingly politically incorrect by today’s standards. Promoters drummed up interest by pitting ethnic groups against each other. At one of Mr. Wood’s bouts, he faced off against an Italian fighter who wore a Jewish star on the seat of his pants.

Mr. Wood trounced him. And, as he told it, for months afterward, every Jewish restaurant on Division Street fed him for free.



IVP MICHAEL “WOODY” WOOD

He was the kind of young man who always had a couple of jobs going. He rose at 4 a.m. to work on a bread truck, running in to stores and restaurants with deliveries, then heading to class at Marshall High School. At one point, he owned a hot dog stand that he called “MGM,” which stood for Many Good Mouthfuls.

During World War II, he joined the Navy, where he learned to swim. Sailors were taught to course through water on their backs to conserve their energy, and for the rest of his life Mr. Wood stayed in shape by swimming the backstroke several times a week at the Jewish Community Center on Touhy on the city’s far North Side or at the old Howard Johnson’s on Skokie Boulevard in Skokie. He also came back from the service with another skill: a killer game of gin rummy.

Mr. Wood met Gloria Janssens at a dance and married her. They were wed for 65 years.

He went to work at A. Finkl & Sons, a precision steel manufacturer. Soon, he landed a job with the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, a union of blacksmiths, shipbuilders and manufacturing workers, among other professions. He worked as an organizer, bargainer, writing specialist and national chief of staff. He topped off his career by being elected an international vice president.

# Refinery safety bill passes California legislature

## Measure would create job opportunities for state building trades

THE BOILERMAKERS and other unions of the Building and Construction Trades Council of California (BCTCC) are applauding the passage of a bill to ensure that only highly-trained, highly-skilled tradesmen and tradeswomen may perform outside contractor work at the state's petroleum refineries and other hazardous chemical plants.

SB 54 passed overwhelmingly: 51-24 in the state Assembly and 26-11 in the state Senate.

Sen. Loni Hancock (D-Berkeley) introduced the BCTCC-sponsored bill. The legislation requires that only journeymen and apprentices who have graduated from a state-approved apprenticeship program with advanced safety training may be used. In addition, it establishes appropriate journeyman levels. In-house workers are not affected by the legislation.

SB 54 also requires that outside contract workers be paid prevailing wages, a provision which discourages the economic incentive to hire lower-skilled workers at lower wages.

"These high-risk facilities should employ the most skilled and qualified workers possible," said BCTCC President Robbie Hunter.



**MEMBERS OF LOCAL 92 AND LOCAL 549** receive an update on SB 54's progress in the California state Assembly. Seated at far back is Tom Baca, IVP-Western States and BCTCC secretary-treasurer.

Tom Baca, IVP for the Western States and BCTCC Sec.-Treas., praised International Rep Jim Cooksey for leading the lobbying effort by members of Local 92 (Los Angeles) and Local 549 (Pittsburg, Calif.). "Our members did an outstanding job of making the case for this important legislation," he said. "SB 54 promotes public safety in facilities that, by their nature, are dangerous. All Californians should rest easier knowing that union trades will be on the job at these hazardous facilities."

SB 54 awaits Gov. Jerry Brown's signature. ■

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During the heat of one organizing campaign, he punched a factory foreman, sending him to the hospital. Mr. Wood visited him there and told him: "You fell."

The foreman actually liked Mr. Wood. "I fell," he agreed.

"Mike was a strong leader, a tough guy but kind," said Tom Balanoff, president of SEIU Local One.

In another campaign, Mr. Wood was trying to unionize a factory where workers were being exploited, said his son, Doug. He lay down on the factory railroad tracks to keep a train from leaving. As the anecdote was re-told over the years, the train got closer and closer, until it stopped only inches away.

He wasn't just a man of muscle. When his wife and her friends gathered at the house for Mahjong night, Mr. Wood took his son to the movies, especially Charlie Chaplin films and foreign offerings by Francois Truffaut. "The Wild Child" was a favorite. He enjoyed the New Yorker; the works of Joyce Carol Oates and the Lyric Opera.

A dapper dresser, he liked to wear nice suits. In the 1960s, he sported the fashions of the era: peace medallions, bell bottoms and Nehru jackets.

A socialist at heart, he and his wife bought their first property, a Glenview condo, about a decade ago. He read everything he could on the Hollywood blacklist era that saw writers and directors frozen out of work and sent to prison for alleged Communist leanings.

In addition to his wife, Gloria, and son, Doug, Mr. Wood is survived by three daughters, Justine Schoor, Deborah Wood and Wendy Shure-Morell, and nine grandchildren.

*Editor's Note: IVP Michael Wood became a Boilermakers District Representative in 1957. He was appointed as an International Representative in 1961, Assistant to the International President in 1978, and Director of Organization and Education in 1983. He was elected International Vice President for the Great Lakes Section in 1986 during the 27th Consolidated Convention. IVP Wood retired in 1990. ■*



## IBB WINS EIGHT ILCA AWARDS

CREATIVE WORK PRODUCED by the Boilermakers International received eight awards for excellence at the International Labor Communications Association biennial convention in Los Angeles in September.

The Boilermaker History Preservation Department and Wide Awake Films won three awards in the audio/video category, including first place for the Bank of Labor series (long promo/public relations), second place for the “Craftsmen” series (documentary/social issues), and second place for “Ivanpah” (short video).

The Bank of Labor series explains how a union-owned, union-staffed, and union-operated bank offers the best solution to big Wall Street banks that work against labor; the “Craftsmen” series highlights the pride and excellence of Boilermakers in various industries; “Ivanpah” cites members who worked on the largest solar-thermal project in the world, in California’s Mojave Desert, led by Local 92, Los Angeles.

The Boilermakers Communications Department won five awards for *the Boilermaker Reporter* and the International website, including second place for best front page/cover (“Brotherhood honors Gateway Arch builders”), third place for general excellence, and third in the Saul Miller Award category for the article, “Non-union PMSI contractors to pay their dues.” The article recalled union organizing work in the construction industry using the Boilermakers’ innovative “Fight Back” strategy and the corruption of a notorious contractor and his wife who were ultimately brought to justice.

*The Reporter* also took third in the visual communications category for a photo of a graduate apprentice taken during the National Apprenticeship Competition at Local 169, Detroit.

A second-place award also went to the Boilermakers International website for best content.

All awards were for work performed in 2012, with the exception of websites, which were judged live in 2013. The Boilermakers International competed at the national/international level. Competition was also held at regional, state, and local levels.

Founded in 1955, the ILCA is the professional organization of labor communicators in North America. The organization’s several hundred members produce publications with a total circulation in the tens of millions. ■

## UFCW REJOINS AFL-CIO

THE 1.3 MILLION-member United Food and Commercial Workers union has re-affiliated with the AFL-CIO



after an eight-year separation from the federation. The UFCW and six other unions formed a rival federation — Change to Win — in 2005. Other unions in the Change to Win group included the Teamsters, the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), the United Farm Workers (UFW), the Carpenters, the Laborers, and Unite HERE.

Change to Win sought to focus operations more around an organizing model and less on political action.

Preceding the UFCW’s return to the AFL-CIO were Unite Here in 2009 and the Laborers in 2010. The Carpenters left Change to Win in 2009 and now operate as an independent union.

## BOILERMAKERS MAKE FORBES TOP 10 FOR HIGH-PAYING JOBS

A STORY BY Jacquelyn Smith that appeared in Forbes Magazine June 5 ranked Boilermakers in the top 10 for high-paying blue-color jobs (at number 9), with average incomes of \$55,830. The average income for the top 10 percent of Boilermakers was listed at \$77,970.

Smith relied on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for her article. She does not separate out statistics for nonunion vs. union workers, although union craftsmen typically have better overall compensation, including pension, healthcare, annuity, and other benefits (in addition to better training and safety standards).

Smith’s complete list is shown below:

1. Elevator Installers and Repairers (\$74,140)
2. Electrical and Electronic Repairers, Powerhouse, Substation, and Relay (\$67,380)
3. Transportation Inspectors (\$66,470)
4. Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers (\$62,280)
5. Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, and Gaugers (\$60,730)
6. Surveyors (\$59,180)
7. Subway and Streetcar Operators (\$58,220)
8. Rotary Drill Operators, Oil and Gas (\$56,540)
9. **Boilermakers (\$55,830)**
10. Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians (\$55,690)

# DOE offers help for beryllium exposure, silicosis

## Eligible employees, contractors could get compensation, free medical care

WORKERS EMPLOYED AT 11 Department of Energy sites across the United States who were made ill by exposure to beryllium or silica dust may have a claim for compensation and free medical care under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA).

The program went into effect July 31, 2001 with the U.S. Department of Labor's implementation of Part B. Part E implementation began Oct. 28, 2004.

Part B provides lump-sum compensation and medical benefits to current and former workers who have been diagnosed with cancers, beryllium disease, or chronic silicosis, and whose illness has been caused by exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while working directly for the DOE, its contractors or subcontractors, a designated atomic weapons employer, or a beryllium vendor.

Part E provides federal compensation and medical benefits to DOE contractors and subcontractors who work at covered facilities and sustained an illness as a result of exposure to toxic substances.

Survivors of qualified workers may be entitled to benefits as well.

Workers or survivors who believe they may have a qualified claim may contact one of the 11 DOE Resource Centers for information and assistance (see listings below).



Another great place to start is the Building Trades National Medical Screening Program or BTMed. The BTMed program offers guidance and a two-step process to determine if you are a likely candidate for compensation. This includes a work history interview (in person or by phone or a secure website) to determine possible exposures and is followed by free medical screening at a nearby clinic. More information is available at 1-800-866-9663 or at [www.btmed.org](http://www.btmed.org).

The BTMed Program is coordinated by CPWR – the Center for Construction Research and Training and is supported by the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO. ■

## DOE Resource Centers

### Savannah River Resource Center

1708-B Bunting Drive  
North Augusta, SC 29841  
866-666-4606

### Espanola Resource Center

412 Paseo De Onate, Suite D  
Espanola, NM 87532  
866-272-3622

### Idaho Falls Resource Center

Exchange Plaza, Suite 250  
1820 E. 17th Street  
Idaho Falls, ID 83404  
800-861-8608

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## Dispatcher appreciates MBDS

*Addressed to Kyle Evenson, ED-CSO/AD-AAIP*

JUST WANT TO send you a big “Thank You” for all your hard work on getting the MBDS to where it is today. The new system makes my job as dispatcher much easier. Whether I need B&W tube welders or EESI plate welders, the search options and the filter system make it much easier than searching MOST profiles for hours. I also think it is really catching on with our “older” members who refused to use it in the beginning. They are finding out how much money the system is saving them because of not having to drive to each Local’s hall and sign the books to get on the traveler list. Now, with the MBDS, it is as easy as a click of a mouse. I see a bright future for the Boilermakers because of new innovations and ideas like the Most Boilermaker Delivery System.

WES HEVENER

*Boilermakers Local 627 (Phoenix)*

*Assistant Business Manager/Dispatcher*

## Thankful for union benefits

I was a late starter [in a Boilermaker career], because we had lost the main ranch, and I had two uncles in the trade who invited me to join. I put in 20 years and am recently retired and very thankful for all the benefits offered.

If it hadn’t been for the Boilermakers union, I would be out in the cold by now. So thank you for the good days and forget the bad days.

Sincerely and happily retired – and proud to have been part of such a great organization.

TERRY HAGBERG

*Local 11 (Helena, Mont.) retiree*

## Safety record not the first

I would like to correct your kudos article in the Jan-Mar issue of the Reporter, titled “Kiewit praises Local 29 [Boston] safety performance.” The article stated that a project at the Brayton Point power plant involving Kiewit and Local 29 marked the first time the OSHA VPP (Voluntary Protection Program) Star Award has been given in New England. However, Black & Veatch Construction Inc. and Local 29 received an OSHA VPP STAR Safety Award in 1999 for a project at the Berkshire power plant.

WILLIAM GILCOINE

*Local 29 retiree*

## Buswell thanks leadership

There is such a feeling of pride of membership in this union for what is arguably one of the best occupations a craftsman can have.

I think of all the firsts our leadership brought to the membership, the MOST programs [are the best]. We were, I think, one of the first unions to realize we had to sell our product to those customers who had the option to choose to use union or nonunion labor. We had to show them that we had, in our union labor, a superior product. Over the years, we have mostly done that.

The leadership of our Brotherhood made it possible for us to enjoy our “golden years” at far above the poverty levels some non-union folks exist on.

For [that] and for a wonderful 35 years of employment, I thank you and those who have gone before for your unending care of the membership.

FRED BUSWELL

*Local 154 (Pittsburgh) retiree*

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# MOST holds project management training

## Week-long class held in Kansas City

TWENTY MEMBERS REPRESENTING 12 Boilermaker lodges met in Kansas City, Mo., July 14-19 to attend a project management training class sponsored by MOST, the Boilermakers' Mobilization, Optimization, Stabilization, and Training Fund.

The class was established by MOST, the Boilermakers International union, and the National Tripartite Committee to teach Boilermakers how to manage projects in a business-like manner, make decisions that positively impact project goals, and provide an overall benefit to the owner, contractor, and union.

Construction Division Services Director Skipper Branscum, Pittsburgh Local 154 retiree Gerry Klimo, and Madison Industrial's Mark Schneider taught the course, in coordination with MOST Representatives Bridget Connors and Brian Loftus.

Participants pictured include, left to right, front row: Kristian Harmon, L-83 (Kansas City, Mo.); Francis Limburger, L-83; Darrell Manroe, L-83; Wendell Jacobson, L-85 (Toledo, Ohio); James Ellerbush, L-85; Timothy Barker, L-85; and Bridget Connors.



PROJECT MANAGEMENT TRAINING, JULY 14-19, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Middle row: Jonthan Smith, L-5/Z-175 (New York); Joseph Wood, L-627 (Phoenix); Gregory Arman, L-667 (Charleston, W.Va.); Jeffrey Rose, L-107 (Milwaukee); Michael McCoy, L-667; Don Stapleton, L-627; Steve Collins, L-40 (Elizabethtown, Ky.); Shawn Morris, L-363 (East St. Louis); and Skipper Branscum.

Back row: Gerry Klimo, instructor; Tony Sonneman, L-647 (Minneapolis); Kory Olson, L-647; Jeffrey Jackson, L-83; Richard Wilson, L-110 (Hattiesburg, Miss.); Nathan Boyte, L-582 (Baton Rouge, La.); Maxwell Richardson, L-108 (Birmingham, Ala.); Brian Loftus, MOST; and Mark Schneider. ■



**TRAINING EMPHASIZES TEAMWORK.** Left to right: Tony Sonneman, L-647; Nathan Boyte, L-582; Darrell Manroe, L-83; and Timothy Barker, L-85.



**ENGAGED IN PROBLEM SOLVING.** Left to right: Nathan Boyte, L-582; Kory Olson, L-647; and Wendell Jacobson, L-85.

# School for Workers Basic Class draws 23

## Lodge leaders attend learning sessions in Madison, Wis.

TWENTY-THREE MEMBERS representing 12 local lodges from across the United States and in Canada attended the 2013 School for Workers Basic Class in Madison, Wis., June 9-14.

The week-long “Boilermaker Summer Institute” offered participants intensive training in fundamental union leadership skills involving contract administration, grievance handling, collective bargaining, and numerous other topics. Classes were taught by the faculty of the University of Wisconsin Extension, along with International staff.

This was the 56th year that the Brotherhood has participated. The Advanced Class was not held in 2013; however, those who have attended a Basic Class in 2013 or a prior year can apply for the Advanced Class in 2014. Information about next year’s summer sessions will be published on the International website and in future issues of the Boilermaker Reporter and the digital Boilermaker Magazine.

Participants in the 2013 Basic Class included: Allen Adam, Local 344 (Ridgecrest, Calif.); Janet Aviles, Local 684 (Norfolk, Va.); Hunter Bishop, Local D23, (Clinchfield, Ga.); Christine Bogdanski, Local 696 (Marinette, Wis.); Garrett Kollmann, Local 696; Joshua Dilliner, Local



84 (Paola, Kan.) Nathan Eichorn, Local 84; Moises Fernandez, Local 5 (New York); Johnny Gallon, Local 549 (Pittsburg, Calif.); Ana Garcia, Local 1600 (St. Charles, Ill.); Michelle Kohuf, Local 344; Brian Kruger, Local 650 (Lake City, Minn.); Jeffrey Nasta, Local 5; Ryan Mroz, Local 1600; Alger Olson, Local 696; Nicole Reynaga, Local 344; Lashaun Singleton, Local 1247 (Chicago); Scott Sauve, Local 696; Troy VanAllen, Local 650; Daniel Weber, Local 193 (Baltimore); Gordon Weel, Local 359, (Burnaby, British Columbia); Alison Wilson, Local 684; and Christopher Winemiller, Local 1247. ■

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## Local 456 welcomes first apprentice class

### Training center named for IP Newton B. Jones

THIRTEEN FIRST-YEAR apprentices are now receiving instruction at the newly-completed Newton B. Jones Regional Training Facility at Local 456 in Rock Hill, S.C. (near Charlotte, N.C.). The 10,000-square-foot facility features 18 welding booths, a 12-foot-tall indoor rigging structure with monorails, 2,400 square feet of classrooms, and other shop and office facilities.

Local 456 BM-ST Adrian Hemby said an existing building was totally renovated to accommodate the needs of the local lodge, which was chartered Dec. 1, 2012 to achieve the merger of Local 30 (Greensboro, N.C.) and Local 687 (Rock Hill, S.C.).

Pictured above are, first row, left to right, apprentices Curtis Mitchel, Carlos Burgess, and Patrick Young. Middle row, Dist. 57 BM Ed Vance, apprentice Robert Wright; secretaries Betty Farrington and Rebecca Hendrick; apprentice Shawn Lee; instructor Shawn McDaniel; apprentice Randal Horne; and L-456 BM-ST Adrian “Chief” Hemby. Back row, instructor James Dukes; apprentices Oscar Cruz Jr., Nicholas Pesek, Brett Judah, and Andre Young; Instructor Joe Rush; apprentices Joshua Thompson, Cordaro Hill, and Brant Nimon; and contractor rep Vern Jarva. Southeastern Area Joint Apprenticeship Committee (SAJAC) instructors Lee Kemp, not pictured, and Joe Rush are working with local lodge trainers to set up the training program. ■



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# DUKE COMPLETES WORLD'S LARGEST IGCC PLANT

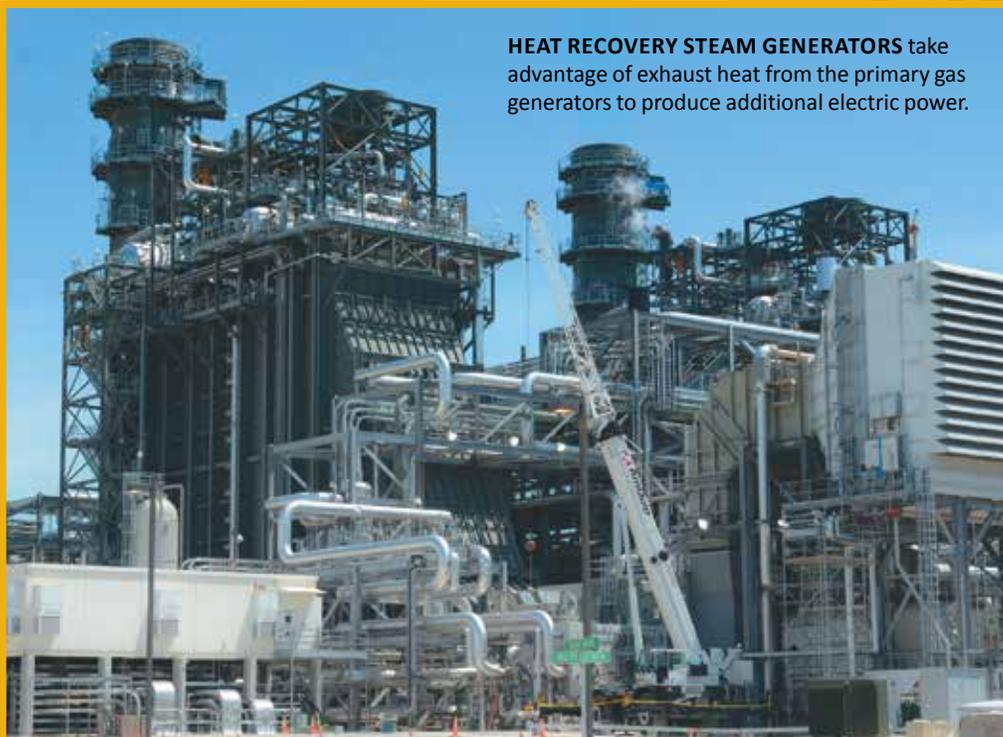
## Local 374 plays key role in project

DUKE ENERGY's 618 MW IGCC plant, the world's largest, began final testing and commercial operation this summer at Edwardsport, Ind. About 150 Boilermakers from Local 374 (Hammond, Ind.) contributed their skills to the \$3.5 billion project.

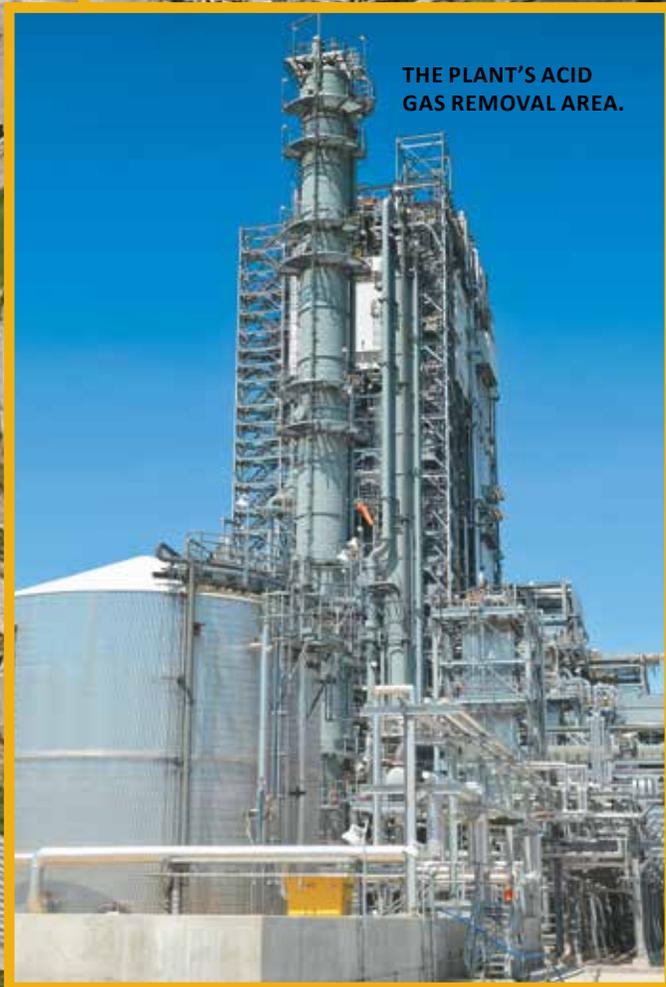
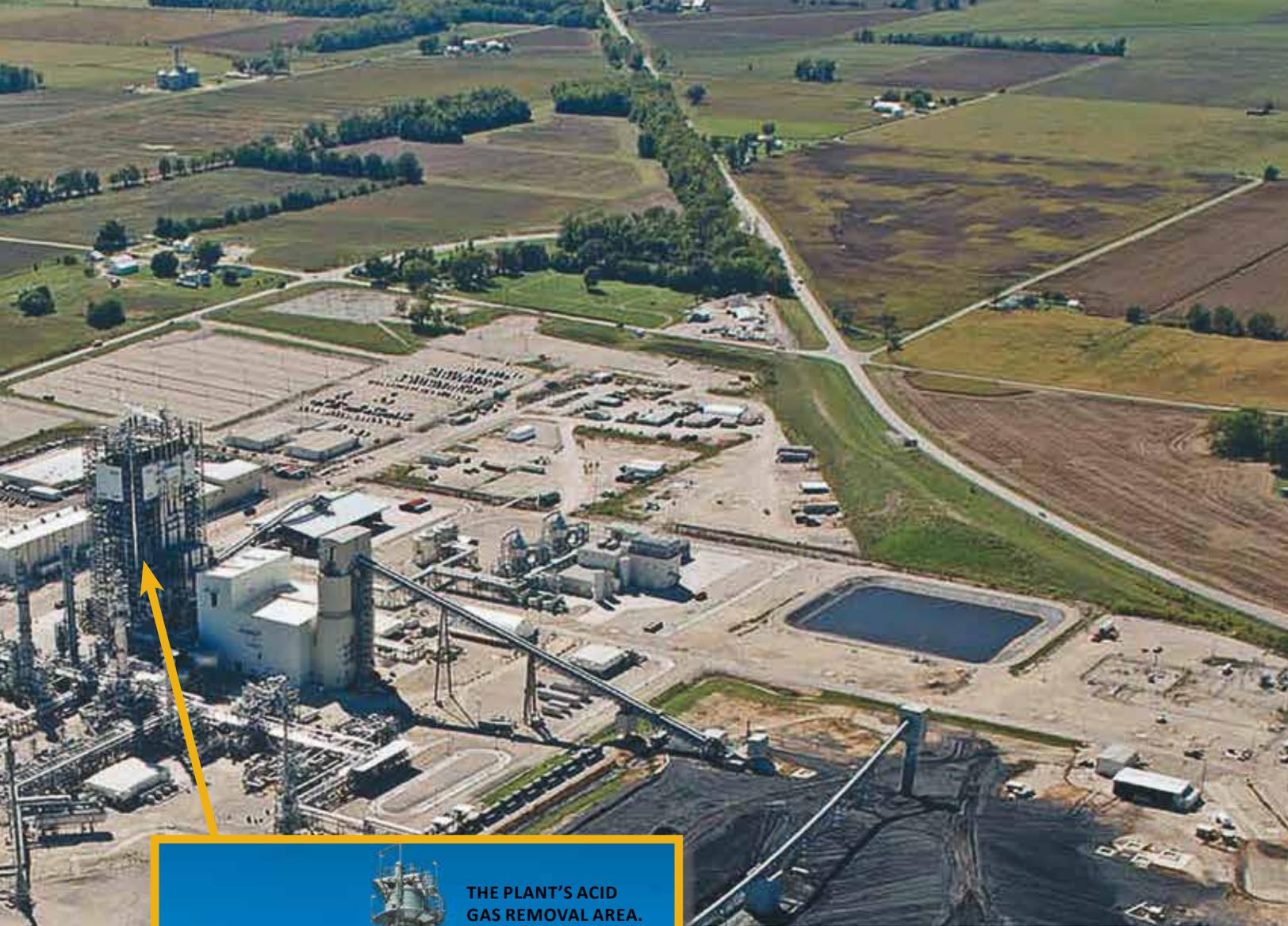
IGCC, or integrated gasification combined cycle, is an advanced technology that converts coal to a synthesis gas and strips out pollutants before it is combusted in a gas turbine. Exhaust heat from the combustion is then used to power steam turbines for additional electricity production.

The Edwardsport facility is the first new coal-fired power plant to be built in Indiana in more than 20 years.

Boilermakers performed a key role in the construction, according to Dave Willis, L-374 business agent for the project. The Boilermaker scope of work included erecting the two gasifier units; installation of two radiant syngas coolers; installation of two heat recovery steam generators (HRSGs) along with the supporting structure and catwalks; and associated process tank work.



**HEAT RECOVERY STEAM GENERATORS** take advantage of exhaust heat from the primary gas generators to produce additional electric power.



**THE PLANT'S ACID GAS REMOVAL AREA.**

Willis praised members on the job for staying on schedule throughout the project and meeting the exacting weld requirements.

“It was a smooth project for us,” he said. “We knocked it out of the park.”

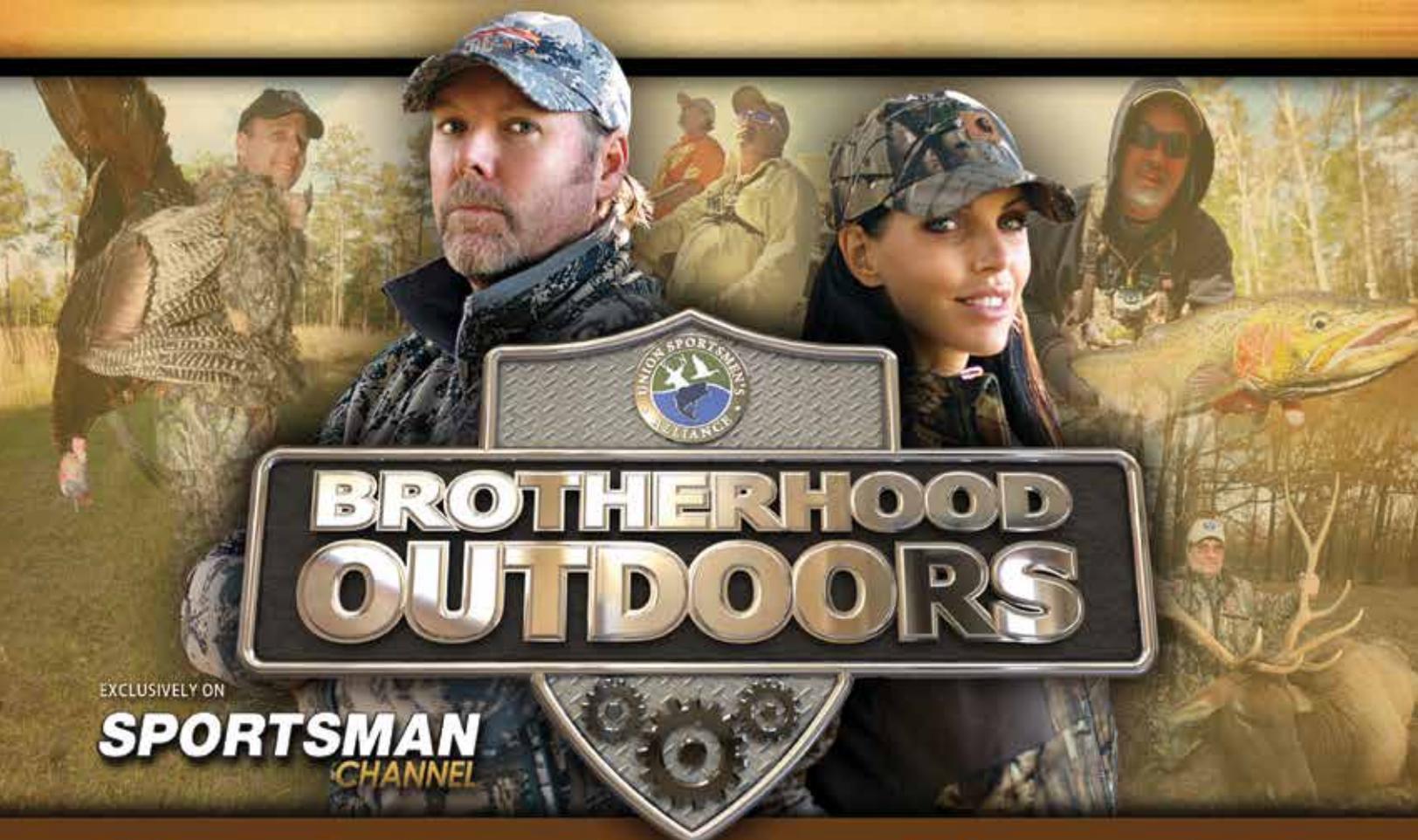
According to Duke, the twin 300 MW units will generate 10 times more power than the older facility it replaces, with about 70 percent less emission of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, and particulates combined, making it one of the cleanest coal-fired power plants in the world.

Bechtel was the prime contractor on the project. Contractors involved in the main Boilermakers scope of work included Industrial Contractors Skanska and Enerfab (gasification block), and Sterling Boiler and Mechanical (HRSGs).

The project created 3,500 construction jobs, according to Duke. The company said the project will also create 140 full-time jobs at the facility and will support an estimated 170 mining jobs. ▣

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## RECOGNIZING BOILERMAKER NUCLEAR WELDING

**ACHIEVEMENTS** are, left to right, John Cole, Senior Labour Advisor, Point Lepreau Refurbishment Project, New Brunswick Power Nuclear; IVP for Eastern Canada Ed Power; L-73 BM-ST Kevin Chaisson; David Galvin, President and CEO, Boilermaker Contractors' Association; and Charlie Ryan, Director of Engineering, New Brunswick Power.

## L-73 recognized for 'world class benchmark' in nuclear welding

*Editor's Note: The letter below, addressed to L-73 BM-ST Kevin Chaisson, was received by the local in March of 2012. In August of 2012, the government of New Brunswick and New Brunswick Power presented IVP Ed Power (Eastern Canada) and Chaisson with a plaque commemorating a "world class benchmark achievement" in nuclear welding at the 635 MW Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station, located on the north shore of the Bay of Fundy. Letters of appreciation were also sent to every member who participated on the project.*

I AM WRITING this letter in recognition of the level of excellence in workmanship and productivity that your members achieved during the recent installation and welding of the lower feeder tubes at Point Lepreau. Our Chief Boiler Inspector, Mr. Eben Creaser, has brought this achievement to my attention and has proudly informed me that this accomplishment has been a world class effort. The Boilermakers along with all New Brunswickers should be very proud of this achievement. Dedication to their trade, pride in workmanship, combined with a rigorous certification and licensing system, will continue to set the frame work for our industries to be safe and competitive in the world economy.

Your members have proven that New Brunswick tradesmen are among the best in the world. Chief Boiler Inspector Eben Creaser states that when using Phase Array Ultrasonic weld inspection a failure rate of 6%, which your members achieved, is next to impossible given the environment in which your members were required to perform this welding . . . This success rate has been documented, and when compared with other projects, has set a new world class benchmark. In comparison to other nuclear generating stations, welders performing the identical job had a failure rate of 13% during their lower feeder installation, resulting in more than twice as many welds to be repaired.

In addition to achieving the highest levels of quality, this difficult task was completed 12 full days ahead of the planned schedule. This equates to substantial savings to all the people of New Brunswick and speaks volumes for your membership and adds to the great reputation of the Boilermakers Union.

Please share with your membership my appreciation and my Chief Boiler Inspector's appreciation and thank them for such a commendable effort and a job well done.

**Hon. Robert B. Trevors**

*Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General*



**ED WARNER** checks out a new robotic weld cell.

## Harsco cites Local 397 member for robotics

HARSCO INDUSTRIAL Patterson-Kelley has been manufacturing heat transfer products for over 130 years. The Compact Water Heater product line has been part of the product offering for over 40 years and has most recently been the focus of continuous improvement. A robotic weld cell was purchased to improve speed, quality, and repeatability in the manufacturing process. The project started nearly two years ago with Ed Warner, a member of Boilermakers Local Lodge 397 with over 25 years of service, leading the effort.

The project is a quantum leap for Patterson-Kelley, as this is the first piece of robotic equipment ever purchased. Ed played an instrumental role in the implementation.

Harsco CEO Patrick Decker welcomed the new technology during a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The company expects this to be the start of many new investments in technology to propel the company into the future.

**Ross McCartney, Operations Manager**

*Harsco Industrial Patterson-Kelley*



AERIAL VIEW OF THE J.W. TURK PLANT. Photo courtesy of SWEPCO

## AEP wins 2013 Edison Award for Turk Plant

### Boilermakers played major role in ultra-supercritical facility

EDISON ELECTRIC INSTITUTE (EEI), a leading utility trade group, has awarded American Electric Power (AEP) the 2013 Edison Award, the electric power industry's most prestigious honor, for the company's completion and commercial operation of the John W. Turk, Jr. Power Plant located in Hempstead County, Ark.

Starting operations on December 20, 2012, Turk is the first U.S. power plant to employ an advanced ultra-supercritical steam cycle.

"AEP is being recognized for its distinguished leadership and for engineering and operating an extremely efficient power plant that utilizes the most innovative technologies to meet 21st-century electricity needs," EEI President Tom Kuhn said.

At its peak, the project employed over 350 Boilermakers. Local 69 (Little Rock, Ark.) had jurisdiction over the work, which drew members from across the United States.

The 600-megawatt plant was designed with state-of-the-art emission control technologies, and the ultra-

supercritical steam cycle uses less fuel and produces fewer emissions to create the same amount of power as other pulverized coal-based power plants.

With Babcock & Wilcox handling much of the construction effort, Boilermakers faced a substantial workload with demanding deadlines. The B&W scope of work included the boiler, selective catalytic reduction equipment, dry scrubber, baghouse, fans, flues/ducts, pulverizers and piping. Shaw Constructors, Inc. was the prime contractor for the project. Alstom Power, Inc. supplied the turbine/generator and boiler feedwater pump turbine.

"We met every deadline we had," said Rodney Allison, who worked on the plant for two years before becoming business manager and secretary-treasurer for Local 69.

Tom Householder, AEP's Managing Director of Labor Relations, said "Boilermakers, with programs such as MOST and Common Arc, and many other training programs, provided AEP the trained workforce with the skill sets needed to complete this project safely, on schedule, and within budget targets." ■

# LOCAL 101 MEMBER BUILDS ALUMINUM DINOSAUR

**Massive 2,000-pound sculpture combines Boilermaker skills, artist's vision**

IT'S A PRETTY safe bet that Rick Kawchack's personal shop in Colorado contains something that can't be found anywhere else in the world: a 2,035-pound, seven-foot-tall, 22-foot long aluminum replica of a Styracosaurus dinosaur.

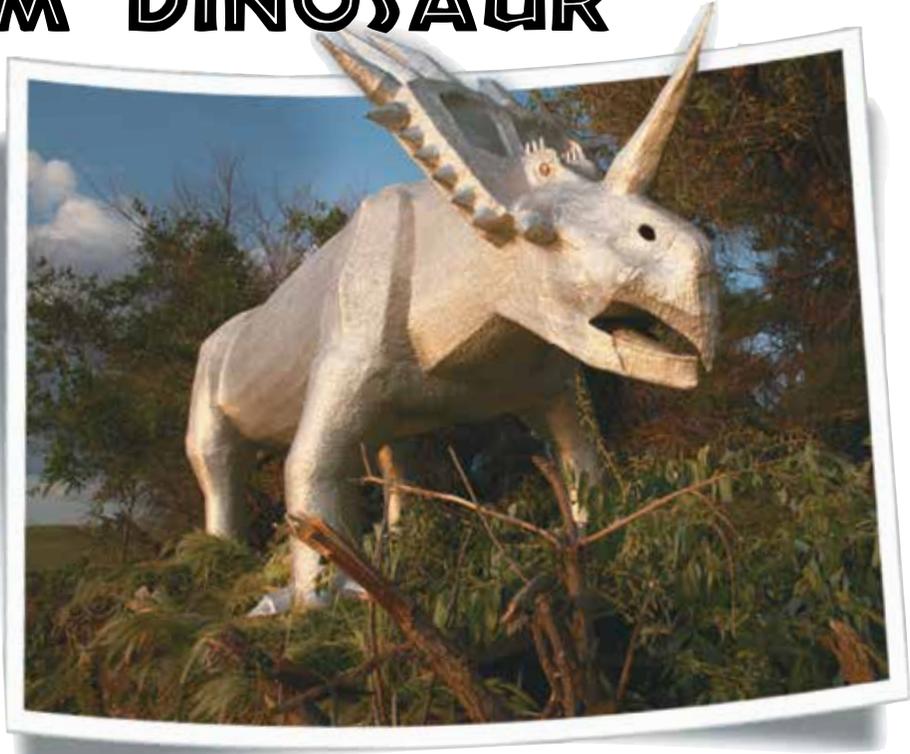
The Local 101 (Denver) member spent 2,000 hours and over two years to build the all-metal beast, his first large metal sculpture. It was something that became a personal challenge, he said. The idea came to him when he received some scrap aluminum tubing that brought to mind what the inner structure of a dinosaur might look like. He began researching dinosaurs and settled on the Styrocasaurus.

Kawchack is a 2000 graduate apprentice who also earned a two-year degree in welding and studied metallurgy. Today he works as a welding instructor for Local 101 when not in the field.

"Everything I learned from being a Boilermaker — from working in confined spaces [he often had to climb inside the belly of the beast] to structural design — contributed to this project, as did my welding and metallurgy training," Kawchack recalled.

He said welding and shaping aluminum is not something construction Boilermakers typically do, and that is where his metallurgy knowledge came in handy.

To move the Styracosaurus, Kawchack built a trailer beneath it. The beast is a real head-turner at art events and parades, he noted. It has also been featured in several metal art trade magazines.



Kawchack said the sculpture is for sale, although it may be difficult to put a price on such a unique work of art. What is a 1-ton dinosaur worth these days?

He gets marketing help from his wife, Annie, a graphic artist who created and maintains a website for the Kawchack Metal Art and Design business ([www.kawchackmetalart.com](http://www.kawchackmetalart.com)).

While the Kawchacks are actively promoting the finished Styracosaurus, Rick is already considering what kind of dinosaur to build next. One decision has already been made, according to Annie: Rick is going to need a bigger shop. His next project will be a dinosaur that makes the Styracosaurus look, well, a bit puny. ■



L-101 MEMBER RICK KAWCHACK and his wife, Annie.

# L-374 member invents safety sling

## Product carries water, tools

A SAFETY SLING designed by Local 374 (Hammond, Ind.) member Chris Still could soon begin appearing at construction sites across the country, that is if the journeyman's invention takes off.

Still hopes the industry will see the value of a product that can safely carry water coolers, work buckets, and other items to elevated work areas. He said he got the idea one day while retrieving a water cooler that was hoisted by its handle 80 feet into the air to his position atop a duct. He considered that should the handle break, the load could hurtle to the ground, causing a serious injury or fatality.

After a year of research and experimentation, Still purchased an industrial sewing machine and assembled the sling from lifting straps. Its flexible basket shape can securely hold a five-gallon water cooler, he said. He later added a fitted canvas bag to carry loose items like tools and welding rods.

Still said he is excited that Vernon Corporation ([www.VernonCorp.com](http://www.VernonCorp.com)) has picked up his patent-pending product and will soon begin marketing it. The Boonville, Ind., com-



**CHRIS STILL DEMONSTRATES** his safety sling with a canvas bag insert. Inset photo: A water cooler rigged for lifting.

pany is an established supplier of slings, hoist clamps, and lifting devices.

Different size slings can be fabricated to lift a variety of personal items or equipment, Still added, and a tag line loop is included for stability and control. Camouflage versions will also be available for hunters using tree stands, he said. □

# Boy Scouts earn welding badges at L-83



NINE BOY SCOUTS from Troop 1428 in Raytown, Mo., spent time at the Local 83 (Kansas City, Mo.) training center July 24, working on their welding merit badges. Scout mother and Boilermaker member Luanne Arroyo arranged the visit. On hand to welcome the scouts were lodge officers and welding instructors, who gave the troop a first-hand look at welding basics, including safety requirements. Pictured

above are, front row, left to right, Dispatcher Casey Jensen, Carl Glosenger, Jedidiah Pilkinton, Elijah Pilkinton, Valentino Arroyo, Andrew Nave, Bobby Stallings, and Scout Master Dave Glosenger; back row, Vice President Chris Urie, Luanne Arroyo, Sean Laney, John Lark, Victor Andonie, Instructor Gerald Calvert, BM-ST Scot Albertson, Instructor Rudi Weis, and Cub Master Ben Stallings. □

# Local 154 rallies to save coal plants

Rep. Murphy, coal miners, and others join effort

WITH TWO FIRST Energy coal-fired plants in western Pennsylvania slated for closure in October, Local 154 (Pittsburgh) hosted a rally outside the union hall to make the public aware of the financial impact on local communities, including the loss of hundreds of good-paying jobs.

Earlier this year, First Energy announced it would shutter the Hatfield's Ferry plant in Masontown and the Mitchell Power Station in Courtney by early October. Nearly 400 employees would be affected. The company blamed the closures primarily on strict new EPA regulations. The agency's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) would require an investment of \$275 million for equipment to comply, according to First Energy, which has already spent \$600 million to upgrade Hatfield's Ferry. The two plants have a combined capacity of 2,080 megawatts.

**“WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING WITH THE EPA AND OTHER GROUPS IS THEY HAVE NO ACCOUNTABILITY.”**

— Rep. Tim Murphy (R-PA 18th)

Rep. Tim Murphy (R-PA 18th) helped lead the rally, along with Business Manager Ray Ventrone. About 150 people attended the event. Joining the Boilermakers were repre-



REP. TIM MURPHY (R-PA 18TH), LEFT, AND L-154 BM RAY VENTRONE lead a rally to save two coal plants in western Pennsylvania.

sentatives of the Pittsburgh Building Trades, the Pennsylvania Coal Alliance, and members of the Electrical Workers, Carpenters, and Laborers. In addition, dozens of United Mine Workers drove to the rally directly from their jobs in the mines.

“What’s been happening with the EPA and other groups is they have no accountability,” Murphy told rally participants. “They come up with regulations and they don’t explain them to us. Well, I’m going to make sure they do, and when they do, I’m going to make sure it’s done with scientific rigor and not just someone making up a formula and saying that’s the way it’s going to be.”

BM Ventrone stressed the need to make carbon capture and storage commercially viable. “We need that technology,” he said. “It’s out there. We know they have it, and they know we can use it.” ■

# Local 290 discusses sequestration

AT THEIR JUNE 4 union meeting, members of Local 290 (Bremerton, Wash.) discussed their concerns about sequestration with Western States IVP Tom Baca. Sequestration is a multi-billion-dollar, across-the-board budget cut that went into effect after Congress failed to reach a budget agreement early this year. The majority of Boilermakers are not directly affected by sequestration; however, most of Local 290’s members work for the federal government at the Navy shipyard in Bremerton. The U.S. Navy has to find ways to offset budget cuts, and furloughs are one option that has been considered. ■



IVP Tom Baca meets with members and officers. Left to right, steward Allan Botsford, Joe Elder, trustee Kathy Boink, President Mark Leighton, Recording Secretary Deanna Cain, BM-ST John Kosinski, IVP Baca, and Vice President Ray Aceves.

# L-1998 welcomes shipbuilding orders

## NASSCO to design and build six product tankers

WITH SEVERAL THOUSAND Local 1998 (National City, Calif.) members laid off and a possible two-year gap in future orders, Boilermakers at the General Dynamics NASSCO shipyard in San Diego were facing tough times as 2013 began. Those worries have diminished, however, following news of two new contracts for Jones Act product tankers and an announcement by the Navy that it would move up production of new fleet oilers.

Under the first contract, announced May 31, NASSCO will design and build four ships for an affiliate of American Petroleum Tankers (APT) with an option on four more. Each 610-ft.-long, 50,000-deadweight-ton tanker will have a 330,000-barrel cargo capacity and will be conversion-ready for liquefied natural gas (LNG) propulsion. NASSCO says the new “ECO design” ships offer improved fuel efficiency and incorporate the latest environmental protection features.

Construction of the first tanker is scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2014, with deliveries scheduled to start in the fourth quarter of 2015 and continuing through 2016. The four-ship APT contract will mean approximately 800 jobs at the shipyard during construction and more than 165 seagoing union jobs during the operation of the vessels, NASSCO stated.

On Sept. 11, the company announced a contract for two additional ships of the same design for Seabulk Tankers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of SEACOR Holdings Inc. Construction of the first tanker is scheduled to begin in late 2014, with deliveries scheduled for the second quarter of 2016 and first quarter of 2017.

Under the Jones Act, ships engaging in trade between two U.S. ports must be built in the United States, be U.S. owned and flagged, and be crewed by U.S. citizens.



L-1998 PRES. AND IR ROBERT C. GODINEZ, left, and Asst. Dir. – Shipbuilding and Marine Division Services Steven Beal, right, meet with Navy Sec. Ray Mabus in May.

The lodge also received good news on May 31 from Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus. During a meeting at the Pentagon, Bobby Godinez, L-1998 President and International Rep, and Steve Beal, Assistant Director – Shipbuilding and Marine Division Services, spoke with the Secretary about the cyclical nature of shipbuilding work and the risk of a deteriorating industrial base.

Secretary Mabus advised Godinez and Beal that the Navy plans to accelerate construction of a new generation of fleet oilers, called the TAO(X), moving the start date for a 26-ship order from 2018 to 2016. That change is likely to benefit both the NASSCO shipyard and the Huntington Ingalls yard in Pascagoula, where members of Local 696 are employed. Both shipyards, along with a nonunion facility, have contracted with the Navy to begin studying TAO (X) development.

L-1998 and NASSCO began contract talks for a new collective bargaining agreement in July of this year. ■



NEW ECO-CLASS TANKERS to be built at the NASSCO shipyard. (Artist's rendering)



## Aker, Crowley plan eight new tankers

### Firms sign \$500 million contract

BOILERMAKERS LOCAL 19 and other unions of the Philadelphia Metal Trades Council see more work coming their way, thanks to a new contract signed by employer Aker Philadelphia Shipyard Inc. (APSI) and joint venture partner Crowley Maritime Corp. The contract calls for four 50,000 dwt (deadweight ton) petroleum product tankers with the possibility of four additional ships.

The initial order is valued at \$500 million, with delivery in 2015 and 2016. Construction of the first ship is expected to begin in January 2014. L-19 members are currently constructing two 115,000 dwt crude oil carriers for SeaRiver Maritime, Inc., ExxonMobil Corporation's U.S. marine affiliate. Both of these crude oil tankers are scheduled for delivery in 2014.

APSI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Norwegian company Aker Philadelphia Shipyard ASA. Tankers built by APSI are covered by the Jones Act, which requires that ships engaged in U.S. coastwise trade be built in the United States and flagged, owned, and crewed by U.S. citizens.

The companies stated that Crowley will maintain control over the ownership, technical operation, and commercial management of the vessels while both firms share in the economics of the operation and chartering of the new vessels. Crowley is a U.S. corporation headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla.

Local 19 was chartered as a shipbuilding and marine lodge in 1914. ■

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# International announces scholarship winners

## Twenty-seven Boilermaker dependents earn awards totaling \$54,000

THE BOILERMAKERS' International Executive Council scholarship committee announced the winners of its 2013 scholarship program this past April. The committee awarded \$54,000 to 27 recipients, with \$42,000 being allocated to U.S. applicants and \$12,000 to Canadian applicants.

The one-year grants included five \$3,000 awards, 17 \$2,000 awards, and five \$1,000 awards. The committee selected scholarship recipients from a pool of 107 Boilermaker dependents in their senior year of high school. Applicants were judged on their academic achievements, leadership skills, participation in extracurricular activities, and performance on a 300-500 word essay.

## Five receive top awards totaling \$15,000

DUSTIN ADAM BENNETT, son of Leonard Bennett, Local 108 (Birmingham, Ala.), is a graduate of Dora High School in Dora, Ala. He will attend the University of Alabama and will pursue a degree in computer science. He plans to become a programmer, with the goal of owning a software development company.

KOREY TYLER KELLOGG, son of James Scott Kellogg, Local 105 (Chillicothe, Ohio), is a graduate of Ironton High School in Ironton, Ohio. Korey plans to become an engineer and will attend the University of Cincinnati.

ALICIA L. MEHLING, daughter of the late Mark Mehling, Local 374 (Hammond, Ind.), is a graduate of Castle High School in Mewburgh, Ind. Alicia will attend Indiana University, where she will study dietetics. She plans to go on to earn a masters degree and begin a career at a healthcare organization.

JAYLYN RENEE MILLER, daughter of Brent Miller, Local 374 (Hammond, Ind.), is a graduate of Forest Park High School in Ferdinand, Ind. She plans to pursue a nursing degree with a minor in Spanish. She also plans to earn a masters degree and become a nurse practitioner. She will attend the University of Southern Indiana.

MARISSA STACK, stepdaughter of Daron Moore, Local 7 (Buffalo, N.Y.), is a graduate of Mount Mercy Academy in Buffalo. She plans to major in psychology and go on to obtain a doctorate. She will attend St. John Fisher College.



Dustin Bennett



Korey Kellogg



Alicia Mehling



Jaylyn Miller



Marissa Stack

## Seventeen receive \$2,000 awards

BREANNE MORGAN DMYTRIW, daughter of Sheldon Dmytriw, Local 555 (Winnipeg, Manitoba), is a graduate of Lumsden High School in Lumsden, Saskatchewan. She will attend the Paul J. Hill School of Business at the University of Regina. Breanne plans to open her own business after graduation.

ELLIE ANITA FORKIN, daughter of Eugene M. Forkin III, Local 1 (Chicago), is a graduate of Carl Sandburg High School in Orland Park, Ill. She will attend Syracuse University, where she plans to attend the Whitman School of Business and the Newhouse School of Communications.

JACOB WARREN GARRETT, the son of Mark Garrett, Local Lodge 19 (Philadelphia), is a graduate of Zachary High School in Zachary, La. Jacob will attend Southern Mississippi University, majoring in biological sciences. He hopes to enter medical school with a focus on radiation oncology in pediatric cases.

MICHAEL A. GULLETTE, son of David Gullette, Local 158 (Peoria, Ill.), is a graduate of Dunlap High School in Dunlap, Ill. Michael has been accepted into the University of Northern Alabama, where he will major in culinary arts. He plans one day to own a culinary-based business.

KATY MICHELLE HARLAN, daughter of Michael Lee Harlan, Local 83, Kansas City, Mo., is a graduate of Salisbury High School in Salisbury, Mo. She plans to major in civil engineering and will attend the University of Missouri at Columbia.

ZACHARY HAWCO, stepson of John Curran, Local 203 (St. John's Newfoundland), is a graduate of Roncalli Central High School in Avondale, NF. He will attend Memorial University of Newfoundland and plans to pursue a business degree, become a venture capitalist, and own a business. He would also like to become involved in politics.

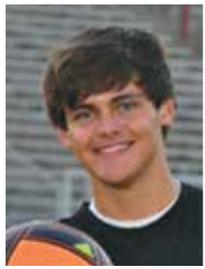


Breanne Dmytriw



Ellie Forkin

KAEN JEFFERY HENRY, son of Kenneth J. Henry Jr., Local 1626 (Champaign, Ill.), is a graduate of Villa Grove High School in Villa Grove, Ill. He will attend Eastern Illinois University and plans to study graphic design and studio art. His goal after graduation is to work as a graphic designer in the music business designing album artwork, event flyers, and posters.



Jacob Garrett



Katy Harlan



Zachary Hawco

HEATHER ANNE HOBBDAY, daughter of Christopher Dennis Hobday, Local 128 (Toronto, Ontario), is a graduate of Northern Collegiate Institute and Vocational School in Sarnia, Ontario. She will attend Sheridan College and hopes to enter Sheridan's highly competitive animation program. Heather's goal is to complete Sheridan's program with honors and go to work for top-flight studios and firms in the area of feature films, television animation, gaming, and advertising.



Kaen Henry



Heather Hobday



Devin Jurczak

DEVIN LEE JURCZAK, daughter of Alfred Jurczak, Local 154 (Pittsburgh), is a graduate of Albert Gallatin Area Senior High School in Uniontown, Pa. She plans to major in mathematics and business and become an accountant, with the goal of one day owning her own business. She will attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania.



Mallory Kelly



Alexandra Kovacevic



Lucas Lanzon

MALLORY JULIANNA KELLY, daughter of Daniel Kelly, Local 73 (Halifax, Nova Scotia), is a graduate of Hampton High School in New Brunswick. She plans to major in humanities and social sciences and will attend St. Thomas University.

ALEXANDRA KOVACEVIC, the daughter of Local 900 (Barberton, Ohio) member Danny Kovacevic, plans to study international relations with the goal of going to work for the CIA as an analyst after serving in the Air Force. Her final college selection was not available at press time.

LUCAS LANZON, son of Craig Lanzon, Local 169 (Detroit), is a graduate of L'Anse Creuse High School in Harrison Township, Mich. His academic interests include secondary education, mathematics, and coaching. Lucas will attend Valparaiso University and will be a member of the school's football team.



Shan Yew Leung



Jennifer Mathias



Edward Michaelchuck, Jr.

SHAN YEW LEUNG, son of Wai Leung, Local 191 (Victoria, British Columbia), is a graduate of Spectrum Community School in Victoria, BC. Shan plans to become a mechanical or electrical engineer and will attend the University of Victoria engineering program.

JENNIFER MATHIAS, daughter of Bart Mathias, Local 696 (Marinette, Wis.), is a graduate of New Berlin West High School in New Berlin, Wis. She plans to become a surgical nurse and nurse practitioner and will attend the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire.

EDWARD C. MICHAELCHUCK JR., son of Edward C. Michaelchuck, Local 28 (Newark, N.J.) is a graduate of Gateway Regional High School in Woodbury Heights, N.J. He will study aerospace engineering and plans to also earn his masters. His goal is to work at NASA or at an aeronautical corporation as an engineer. He will attend Rowan University.



Jacob Watters



Ryan Young

JACOB MORGAN WATTERS, son of Kenneth Watters, Local 483 (Alton, Ill.), is a graduate of Alton High School in Alton, Ill. He will attend Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, majoring in audio engineering. His goal is to work in television, films, or the music industry.

RYAN JOHN YOUNGE, son of Faron Younge, Local 203 (St. John's, Newfoundland), is a graduate of Bay d'Espoir Academy in Milltown, NF. Ryan hopes to become a licensed pharmacist and will attend Memorial University of Newfoundland.

## Committee selects five \$1,000 winners

ALEXA BALTSEN, daughter of Steven Baltzen, Local 1 (Chicago), is a graduate of Bolingbrook High School in Bolingbrook, Ill. Alexa will attend Loyola University in Chicago. She plans to major in cellular biology and hopes one day to obtain her PhD and work at a national laboratory conducting research into various diseases and disorders.

APRIL LYNN BARNETT, daughter of Robert S. Barnett, Local 684 (Norfolk, Va.), is a graduate of Hickory High School in Chesapeake, Va. She will attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla. April plans to complete her bachelor's degree in air traffic management as well as the ROTC program, after which she will be commissioned in the U.S. Air Force. She would like to become a navigator or combat systems operator. After discharge from the military, she hopes to apply for work as a civilian air traffic controller.

CHRISTIAN M. HUTHMACHER, son of Michael D. Huthmacher, Local 7 (Buffalo, N.Y.), is a graduate of Key West High School in Key West, Fla. Christian has been accepted at the Ringling College of Art & Design. He plans to major in motion design, using storytelling in media to influence "ideological change in the next generation."

SALENA ELIZABETH MUZZARELLI, daughter of Larry Muzzarelli, Local 28 (Newark, N.J.), is a graduate of Vineland High School in Vineland, N.J. Salena plans to major in environmental chemistry and explore new energy solutions. She will attend Rutgers University.

MORGAN SHAFFER, daughter of Craig Shaffer, Local 28, (Newark N.J.), is a graduate of Eastern Regional High School in Voorhees, N.J. Morgan plans to study nursing and also obtain a teaching degree. She will attend the University of South Carolina Beaufort.



Alexa Baltzen



April Barnett



Christian Huthmacher



Salena Muzzarelli



Morgan Shaffer

## HOW TO APPLY FOR A BOILERMAKER SCHOLARSHIP

BOILERMAKER SCHOLARSHIPS are open to high school seniors who will be entering their first year of a two- or four-year academic program at a degree-granting, accredited college or university within one year of their high school graduation and who are dependents of Boilermaker members in good standing.

A dependent may be a son, daughter, legally-adopted child, or other dependent of an active, retired, disabled, or deceased member.

Winners are chosen based on a variety of criteria that include grades, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, and a written essay on an assigned topic.

Applications for the 2014 awards will be available from your local lodge at the end of this year and will be accepted from January 1 to March 1, 2014. Applications postmarked after the March 1, 2014 deadline cannot be considered.

Contact your local lodge at the end of December to get an application. The International will not mail applications to individuals.

Some local lodges have their own scholarship programs. Scholarships are also available through the Union Plus credit card program and some state and regional labor councils.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR CFL & LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

DEPENDENTS OF LOCAL 13, Local 83, and Local 108 members who meet the eligibility requirements of the International Executive Council (IEC) Scholarship Program (listed above) may also apply separately to Local 13, Local 83, or Local 108 for their awards program.

Dependents of Local 105 and Local 146 members who are eligible and apply for the Boilermakers IEC Scholarship, are also considered applicants to their respective local lodge award programs.

Dependents of Canadian members who are eligible and apply for the Boilermakers IEC Scholarship are also considered applicants to the Canadian Federation of Labour (CFL) scholarship program.



# Other Scholarship Winners

THE BOILERMAKERS' International Executive Council has announced its selection of scholarship recipients for three local lodges and the Canadian Federation of Labour (CFL).

The committee selected Jose Nathaniel Villanueva Espayos, son of Jose Espayos, Local 146 (Edmonton, Alberta) to receive a \$1,000 CFL scholarship. He will also receive a \$2,000 scholarship from the lodge



Jose Espayos

Jose will attend the University of Calgary, where he plans to major in political science. He would like to join a non-government organization, helping government institutions or local communities attain sustainable economic growth.

Shan Yew Leung, son of Wai Leung, Lodge 191 (Victoria, British Columbia), will also receive a \$1,000 CFL scholarship award. Shan is a graduate of Spectrum Community School in Victoria. He plans to become a mechanical or electrical engineer and will attend the University of Victoria engineering program.

Jerica Elizabeth Ann Matthews will receive a \$1,000 scholarship from Local 146. She is the daughter of Local 146 member Glen Matthews. Jerica graduated from Barrington Municipal High School in Barrington, Nova Scotia. She will pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree at Dalhousie

University and hopes to become a social worker helping people with psychological disorders.

Local 105 (Piketon, Ohio) presented a \$2,000 Don Storey scholarship to Korey Kellogg, son of member Scott Kellogg, and to Seth Goddard, son of member Dave Goddard.

## Local 13 and Local 108 present scholarships

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS were presented earlier this year by Local 13 (Philadelphia) and Local 108 (Birmingham, Ala.) to dependents of their respective memberships.

Local 13 selected winning applicants for 27 academic scholarships and two Jeffrey C. Davis Graduate Awards.

The vocational grant, funded by the widow of apprentice Jeffrey C. Davis (who died in a 2002 job-site explosion), as well as the Jeffrey C. Davis Graduate Award, will be given over a period of two years at \$600 per semester for four semesters.

The Local 13 scholarship committee does not release the names of scholarship winners for publication.

Local 108 (Mobile, Ala.) selected winners for three scholarship awards, including \$2,000 to Alex Lewis, son of retired charter member Joe Lewis; and \$1,000 each for Haley Bean, daughter of member Tommy Bean, and Dustin Bennett, son of member Leonard Bennett. ■

## Local 83 special fund awards five \$3,000 scholarships



**SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND L-83 UNION OFFICIALS TAKE PART IN THE LODGE'S ANNUAL AWARD PRESENTATION IN KANSAS CITY, MO.** Front row, left to right, Heike Talkington, recipient Kimberly Talkington, Dennis Schissel (recipient Danielle Schissel unavailable for photo), Darrell Manroe, recipient Shylo Manroe, Kathy Harlan, recipient Katy Harlan, Michael Harlan, and recipient Jacob Calvert. Back row, Missouri Business Agent Joe Lewandowski, BM-ST Scot Albertson, President Tom Dye, Vice President Chris Urie, Gerald Calvert, and Rec. Sec. John Seward. In addition to a lodge scholarship, Kimberly Talkington also received a \$550 scholarship from the Omaha/SW Iowa Building Trades Council.



# LOCALS AWARD SERVICE PINS

## Local 1 • Chicago

**JOHN SKERMONT, BM-ST of Local 1, Chicago, reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 45 YEARS** James P. McIntyre;
- 40 YEARS** William J. Holmes, John D. Mooney;
- 30 YEARS** Dennis G. Bjorgo; and
- 25 YEARS** Michael Lewandowski.

## Local 60 • Morton, Ill.

**GARY LUSK, BM-ST of Local 60, Morton, Ill., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 65 YEARS** Boyd Bonnewell;
- 40 YEARS** Robert Workman;
- 20 YEARS** Rod Jacobs; and
- 15 YEARS** David Andrae, Kenneth Bee, James Boughton, Brian Brown, Steven Cannon, Gary Darrow, Christopher Happach, Thomas Hutchinson, Michael James, Greg Schultz, Edward Sprengle.

## Local 83 • Kansas City, Mo.

**SCOT ALBERTSON, BM-ST of Local 83, Kansas City, Mo., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 65 YEARS** Jim Reyes;
- 60 YEARS** Edward Foster, Vernon Grant, Roy Gregory;
- 55 YEARS** Glen Johnson, Larry Lentz, Harold Murphy, Kenneth Pentecost, Donald Sparks, George Snell Jr.;
- 50 YEARS** Claud Collins, Donald Conner, Dewain Crouch, Robert Daniels, Donnie Davis, William Dill, Bobby Goad, James Gregg, Clark Martine, Cecil Robinson, Billy Parker, James Thomas;
- 45 YEARS** Paul Benson, Warren Blaske, Jerry Brassfield, Jerry Burgoon, Roy Carroll, William Cron Jr., Bobby Durham, Glen James, Jack Mcfarland, Gary Merritt, Gordon Miley, Delmer Miller, W. Ben Mulder, Bill Shell, Ronald Plaisted, Charles Shipley Sr., Warren Toms, Robert White;
- 40 YEARS** Raymond Allen, Eldon Bay, David Berry, William Crowdes, Billy Davis, Larry Garmany, Robert Grimshaw, John Jenkins, Gary Kampe, Harold Hamilton, Robert Lowe, Marion Manly, James Mason, Richard Miller, Charles Morse, James Otwell, Randall Peevey, James Vanzuuk, Arthur Williams, Steven Smith, David Ussery, Kim Williamson;
- 35 YEARS** Patrick Born, Larry Capehart, Leo Cornick, Alexander Devereux, Rodney Earnest, Charles Eastridge Jr., Danny Fountain, Charles Galbraith, Darien Haeffner, Mark Hammell, Howard Hart, Jerry Heiser, John Henderson III, Billy Jester, Richard Kriz, Paul Lloyd, Fredrick McDonald Jr.,



## L-587 members receive pins for 50 and 60 years

Two members of Local 587 (Spring, Texas) received pins during a ceremony at the lodge recently. Bobby Baggett Sr., left, was presented with his 50-year pin, and L-587 President Melvin Green, at far right, received his 60-year pin. Taking part in the ceremony are, second from left, Lone Star District BM-ST Clay Herford; third from left, District Rep Mack Wilburn; and retired L-587 BM-ST B.E. Herford.

Jim McKenzie, Steven Myers, Carl Prewett, Howard Shelton, David Perkins, Gary Nevils, Stan Severson, Christopher Siela, Lyston Taylor, Rhett Thomas, Eldon Watskey, Daniel Stafford, Mark Suthers, Kenneth Thomas, John Ware Jr.;

**30 YEARS** Dennis Clark, Dan Garoutte, Jack Sauder, Rick Ussery, Jimmy Wade;

**20 YEARS** Monte Bowers, Harold Hardin, Morris Milton, Dan Murchie, John Reynolds; and

**15 YEARS** Floyd Baxley, Charles Bass, Larry Miller.

## Local 374 • Hammond, Ind.

**TIM THOMAS, BM-ST of Local 374, Hammond, Ind., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 65 YEARS** James Price;
- 60 YEARS** Jerry Robbins;
- 35 YEARS** Joseph Draeger, Monty Gilman, William Grambo;
- 20 YEARS** Anthony A. Burns, Michael R. Curtis, Theodore A. Kutscher Sr., Daniel R. Shepperd, Richard D. Spisak, William E. Turner; and
- 15 YEARS** James A. Booth, Ben Mason Jr.

**Local 502 • Puyallup, Wash.**

**DALE MASON, BM-ST of Local 502, Puyallup, Wash., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 55 YEARS** John Bleichner, Robert Eddy;
- 50 YEARS** Earl Force, Tighe Mounts, John H. Nortum Jr.;
- 45 YEARS** Robert Aldo, Michael Begay, John Crawford, Robert Demarce, Ed Eixenberger, Lex Rigsby, John Robinson, James Sams;
- 40 YEARS** Ken Boe, Ed Goebel, David Grundvig, Donald Norris, Michael Olson, Randy Robbins;
- 35 YEARS** David Dooley, Jeff Gilligan, Ken Linden, Johnny Magdaleno;
- 30 YEARS** Michael Copley, John Gaskell, Ed Mathieson; and
- 25 YEARS** Antone Morris, Ralph Weaver.

**Local 647 • Ramsey, Minn.**

**LUKE VOIGT, BM-ST of Local 647, Ramsey, Minn., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:**

- 40 YEARS** Richard C. Drolson, Norbert J. Frie, Leroy B. Goebel, Gary R. Holter, Arthur A. Kiffmeyer, Robert A. Kleve, Gerald W. Konrad, Benedict P. Lapos, Jeffrey S. McPheeters, Paul S. Pendergast, Anthony J. Pilles Sr., Garry D. Ragle, Leslie G. Rinerson, Harlan C. Rost, Gary D. Strand;
- 35 YEARS** James LaBrec Jr., Jay C. Marshall, Gordon A. Sykora, Mark H. Wynn;
- 30 YEARS** Oscar E. Anderson, Raymond Bliese;
- 25 YEARS** Roger L. Barron, Bennie W. Eide, Daniel L. Guerts, Bahram Nikrad, Randy D. Schmidt, Bruce W. Sundin;
- 20 YEARS** Jerry D. Ballensky, Glenn A. Knutson, Jason A. Kuechle, Marco Pfeifer, David P. Ruby, James L. Wolf; and
- 15 YEARS** Timothy C. Koste, Jeremy Magnuson, Michael McCullough.

**DON'T SEE YOUR LODGE?**

We publish only those lists sent from local lodge officers for pins received in the current year. If you don't see your lodge here, please ask one of your lodge officers to send us the list.

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**THE CHARLES W. JONES AWARD**

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At the 2012 MOST National Tripartite Alliance Conference, Fred Keith, business manager for the Local Lodge 85, accepted the Charles W. Jones Award on behalf of the more than 500 Local 85 shop and field construction Boilermakers. He stated, "We, as Boilermakers, touch so many lives on a daily basis and it is great to be a part of this organization."

The 2013 winning Boilermaker Local will be announced on October 8, 2013 at our MOST National Tripartite Conference. To learn more about the annual Charles W. Jones Award and to see the 2013 winning Local, visit [MOSTprograms.com](http://MOSTprograms.com).



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*With deep sorrow,*

the International Brotherhood records the death of these members as reported to the International Secretary-Treasurer's office and extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families.

NTL	Abbott, Robert C.	83	Beaumont, Marvin D.	169	Miller, Glenn A.	584	Stewart, John L.
NTL	Clausen, Allan T.	83	Dupire, Jimmy B.	182	Benson, Larry D.	587	Wagner, Phillip
NTL	Santos, George J.	83	Harbord, Harold	182	Iorg, Robert	592	Ellis Jr., Merlin Q.
NTL	Schooley, Ralph E.	83	Juedeman, Ronald L.	191	Barnsley, Joseph R.	592	Huddleston, Kenneth L.
NTL	Sisk, James H.	84	Harvey, Fred	191	Papas, George	599	Dvorak, Roger W.
NTL	Squire, William B.	84	Puckett, Gilbert L.	191	Smith, Terry G.	627	Quick, Leo C.
1	Considine, Daniel J.	88	Lamb, Charles H.	193	Cobbs, Samuel W.	647	Diercks, Dwain A.
1	Everhart, Ira T.	92	Ferry, Harold E.	193	Riggelman, William G.	647	Hunnell, Jim
1	McQuiston, James L.	92	Hardin, Bobby D.	197	Kieper, John J.	647	Johnson, Frank L.
1	Mroszczak, Joseph F.	92	Majors, Philip L.	197	Rappold, Joseph P.	650	Smith, Kevin J.
1	Staples, Robert L.	92	Roberts Jr., Isiah	197	Reed, John G.	656	Brownlow, Richard L.
5	Cruz, Alfonso	92	Teague, Elbert H.	199	Shiflett, Linwood R.	667	Dingess, Billy E.
5	Vessenmeyer, Fred	101	Cash, Kenneth J.	0263	Davis, Walter D.	667	McDavid, Jack
6	Harding, Raymond E.	104	Bickham Jr., Samuel	0263	Driver, Charles V.	667	Wallis, Jerry A.
6	Loyola, Arnold A.	104	Bramel, Arthur G.	0263	Pittman, Henry W.	677	Flaherty, Thomas R.
6	Martin, Donald R.	104	Brown, Ronald B.	0271	Gaumont, Louis	744	Hill, Justin E.
6	Peten, Cornell	104	Craig, Donald J.	0271	Omara, John	744	Smitley, Larry D.
6	Silverman, B.	104	Crayne, Jesse M.	316	Petersen, Carl A.	752	Kimball, William G.
7	Day, William A.	104	Funk, Philip V.	359	Becker, Donald L.	752	King, Richard E.
13	Knapp, Walter E.	104	Hudspeth, Eugene D.	374	Bowman, John	799	Bilek, Michael L.
26	Bowen, Aldon L.	104	Larson, Lloyd G.	374	Camacho, Frank R.	802	Guyer, George H.
26	Cowart, Joel E.	104	Leitner, Josef	374	Collins, Mark A.	802	Harris Sr., Daniel E.
26	Herrington, Dilburn	104	Towns Jr., Joseph M.	374	Oliver, M. V.	802	Johnson, Otheria
26	Raines, Alfonzo	108	Teague, William D.	374	Schoettlin, David A.	802	Long, Aaron
27	Allstun, Larry B.	112	Barry, Robert M.	374	Smith, Kenneth R.	802	Pinto, Gregorr A.
27	Hanne, Morris F.	112	Rainer, Leland W.	392	Battle, Murray A.	802	Young, David E.
28	Brennan, Joseph P.	124	Caldwell, Willie E.	443	Evenson, Gene D.	900	Bohm, L. J.
28	Devaney, Robert C.	126	Alderdice, William J.	449	Getzloff, Charles P.	900	Life, Virgil M.
28	Gomez, John D.	128	Cockburn, Percy	454	Cash, Johnny A.	906	Richards, Robert B.
28	Smyczynski, Francis J.	128	Gauthier, Leopold	455	Groves, Carl E.	1074	Holowach, Walter
28	Thomas, John W.	128	Mullins, Francis J.	455	Halton, Billy V.	1247	Wood, Michael
37	Morton Jr., Charles H.	128	Palmer, Robert	455	Story, Paul A.	1509	Johnson, Linfred G.
37	Rieuf, Michael J.	128	Szczur, Michael	487	Pontzloff, George E.	1509	Rehak, John H.
37	Stanley, Mathieu A.	132	Estrada, Ruben	487	Walecka, Robert J.	1603	Krahling, Richard
37	Vicknair, George E.	132	Harvey, Andre A.	500	Cordray, Ronald L.	1618	Anderson, Homer E.
40	Adkisson, John T.	132	Jennings, James R.	500	Salisbury, William J.	1622	Frank, Bernard H.
40	Davis, Edward W.	146	Curtis, Kevin	500	Wheelock, Ted D.	1624	Smith, Walter A.
40	Napper, Stewart L.	146	Hawkes, Robert D.	502	Davis, Darrell F.	1637	Ruley, Richard J.
40	Riggle, Robert R.	146	Hrynyk, William	502	Harrison, Phillip L.	1666	Goffe, James H.
40	Yonts, James S.	146	Maric, Ljubo	502	Raabe, John E.	1999	Boone, Richard L.
45	Hayes, Steve M.	146	McDermott, Eucal E.	549	Beeler, Charles D.	1999	Elkins, Billie E.
45	Viar, George D.	154	Elkin, Dwayne E.	549	Bierman, Robert H.	2000	Dudley, Lester L.
69	Smith, Wayne E.	154	Linton, Kenneth A.	549	Egner, Rockie R.	D331	Bibeau, Claude
72	Daugherty, Royce A.	154	Massengill, George R.	549	Russell, Michael W.	D500	Ellenberger, Larry G.
73	Roy, Gabriel	154	Strum, Raymond E.	555	McElmoyle, Sean D.	D533	Rubeck, Douglas E.
74	Davidson, Billy J.	158	Warnke, Steven L.	568	Wasson, Leslie G.	D547	Wagner, John C.
74	Haggard Jr., Milton E.	169	Hoppe, Robert F.	577	Bliss, Elmer L.	D579	Isenor, Randy N.
74	Woodworth, Richard K.	169	Jordan, Clarence W.	582	Iasigi, William C.	S1978	Vorn, Robert C.
83	Batts, Daniel	169	McDowell, Earnest R.	582	Jennings, Carey A.		



DEATH BENEFITS

The death benefit plan under the Boilermaker-Blacksmith National Pension Trust has paid the beneficiaries of the following deceased members who were covered by the plan since the last issue of our publication.

If you have not yet been furnished this information, contact your local lodge, secure the beneficiary forms, complete the required information, and forward to the Administrative Office of the Pension Fund, 754 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 522, Kansas City, KS 66101, at the earliest possible date. *NOTE: These additional death benefits can only be derived for members who worked under a collective bargaining agreement with an employer contributing to the Boilermaker-Blacksmith National Pension Trust.*

INTL	Achen, Roland P.	3,000.00	29	Dubin, Gary S.	6,000.00	433	Milligan, Billy D.	6,000.00
INTL	Klenklen, Alice	6,025.00	29	Flaherty, Donald D.	6,000.00	433	Parry, Millard J.	6,000.00
INTL	Orman, Curtis	6,000.00	29	Munro, Peter	6,000.00	449	Laurent, Allen J.	6,027.00
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29	Barreira, James S.	6,000.00	105	Gibson, Michael G.	4,996.91			

## Death Benefits

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667	Hurlow, William K.	6,000.00	777	Feliz, Maximo	6,000.00	906	Haller, Curtis A.	2,963.75	1600	Thorn, Kermit E.	6,001.00
667	McDavid, Jack	6,000.00	799	Bilek, Michael L.	6,000.00	1003	Kemper Jr., John A.	5,245.76	1603	Krahling, Richard H.	6,000.00
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			806	Morgan, Anna	3,000.00	1509	Navarro, Dante	6,000.00	2000	Dudley, Lester L.	6,000.00
			898	Shepherd, Hobert H.	3,000.00	1509	Wasikowski, Harvey P.	1,500.00	6500	Ellenberger, Larry G.	6,000.00
			906	Arnold, Jeffrey A.	10,759.82	1600	Pierce, Stanley B.	4,240.77	D500	Greene, Frederick L.	6,000.00

## A NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES SUBJECT TO UNION SECURITY CLAUSES

EMPLOYEES WORKING UNDER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS CONTAINING UNION SECURITY CLAUSES are required, as a condition of employment, to pay either monthly dues or fees to the union. This is their only obligation to the union, regardless of the wording of the clauses. Individuals who are members of the Boilermakers pay monthly dues. Individuals who are not members pay fees.

These dues and fees, which are authorized by law, represent your fair share of sustaining the broad range of programs offered by the Boilermakers in support of you and your fellow workers. The most important job right you can have is the right to collective bargaining. The working conditions of all bargaining unit employees are improved immeasurably when the union gains higher wages, better health care and pensions, fairness in the disciplinary system, overtime pay, vacations, and many other improvements in working conditions at the bargaining table.

Because they negotiate together through their union, employees who are represented by a union typically receive higher wages and better benefits than nonunion workers doing similar jobs in the same industry. Strength in numbers is what makes this possible. The stronger your union, the better your contract. We urge all employees to participate and become part of your labor organization.

An objecting nonmember who is subject to a union security clause has a legal right to file objections to funding expenditures which are not germane to the collective bargaining process. Fee-paying nonmembers who choose to file such objections should advise the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers in writing, in the form of a letter, signed by the objector, and sent to the International Secretary-Treasurer of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, 753 State Ave., Suite 565, Kansas City, KS 66101. The letter must contain the objector's home address and local lodge number, if known.

Upon receipt of the objection, the International President shall provide a description of the procedures to be followed. This objection must be filed every year during the month of November, or within the first 30 days in which the objector is required to pay dues or fees to the union, or within 30 days after the objector becomes a nonmember. Examples of expenditures germane to the collective bargaining process are those made for the negotiation, enforcement, and administration of collective bargaining agreements, meetings with employer and union representatives, proceedings on behalf of workers under the grievance procedure, arbitration proceedings, servicing the bargaining units that we represent, internal union administration, and matters related to these activities.

Examples of expenditures not germane to the collective bargaining process are those made for political purposes, for general community service, for charitable activities, for non-worker related legislative activities, for members-only benefits, and for certain affiliation costs.

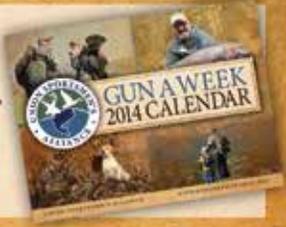
In considering these matters, you should be aware that only members have the following rights:

- to vote on the terms of your collective bargaining agreement;
- to participate in the development of contract proposals;
- to nominate and vote for local union officers;
- to attend International conventions as a delegate;
- to participate in strike votes; and
- to numerous other benefits available only to members, such as those described above and qualified Union Plus programs.

It is clearly to your advantage to continue to be a full, active member of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers. Only through unity and solidarity can we better our working conditions and reap benefits for ourselves and our families. ■



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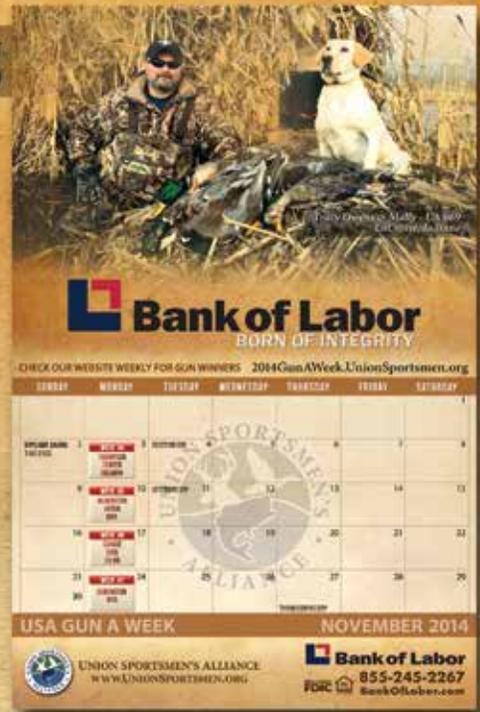
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