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For The Good & Welfare
By Russ Burns, business manager

## Good things in store for 2015

We have come to the end of another year, and this was a particularly special year for Local 3. We celebrated the union's 75th Diamond Anniversary and really focused on the great history of this organization. To be successful in life, you must acknowledge and appreciate the achievements and mistakes of your past. Looking back at Local 3's 75 years, we all learned more about our union and ourselves. I hope you had a good 2014 and can enjoy Christmas and New Year's with your family and friends.

One of my closest friends and one of this organization's greatest assets, President Carl Goff, recently announced his resignation from Local 3, but he will not be practicing his golf swing! He will be the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) western regional director, which is no small task. Goff has been on the Local 3 staff longer than just about anyone else, starting as a dispatcher in District 90 in 1988. He has worked tirelessly for this membership in many capacities and has served on countless labor boards and apprenticeship committees as an advocate for labor. His wisdom, wit and Texas charm will be missed by all, but he promises to keep in touch and help Local 3 whenever he can. Good luck, Brother!

I want to thank those of you who volunteered your time during the General Election. Members donated thousands of hours union-wide, joining other labor organizations to precinct walk and phone bank to discuss the most crucial races and measures that will impact our way of life.

Thanks to you, Proposition 1 (the major California Water Bond) and Measure BB (the huge infrastructure measure in Alameda County) passed, securing billions of dollars worth of work in our industry spread out over decades on infrastructure jobs as well as treatment plants, pipelines, dams and water storage. Thanks to you, this work is ours, and thanks to you, we will only get stronger because of it. In Hawaii, we helped elect pro-union Gov. David Ige and Congressman

Mark Takai. In Nevada, we voted down a tax that would have hurt our signatories, while re-electing Local 3 members Debbie Smith (senator) and Paul McKenzie (Reno City Council). In Utah, we retained worker-friendly council members in Salt Lake City and picked up a Democratic seat in the House. Check with your district office for more in-depth results.

Also check with your district to see what jobs are on the books or continuing into next year. Many are reporting better hours than at this time last year. Read about this work in our District Reports.

While end-of-year returns had not been finalized as of press time, if trends continue, we will have more work hours than were reported last year. Please see our Financial Reports on pages 4 and 5. We continue to fill the hole from the collapse of 2008, and I believe we are on the right path. Though it is a slower process than we'd all prefer, we must be patient.

We must also be patient with California's High-Speed Rail project. The \$68 billion project just ended a lengthy legal challenge, since California's Supreme Court recently denied an appeal that questioned whether the job's financing was valid. With this denial, bonds can be issued and construction that has already started can continue.

As 2014 draws to a close, we've accomplished much this year, and looking forward, all signs point to good things in store for Local 3 in 2015. Make being involved in your union your No. 1 New Year's resolution!



Yuba City District Rep. Ed Ritchie, left, and Local 3 Political Director Mark Kyle, right, stand with new State Controller Betty Yee, who Local 3 endorsed in the General Election.



# **Report & Review**By Carl Goff, president

### A great ride

I was almost 17 years old and just a "punk kid" from Texas when I joined my first Operating Engineers union, Local 450. I joined Local 3 a short time later, after moving to California, and there is no way I could have known then that I would one day be the president of one of the largest construction trades locals in the United States. But today, it is with some sadness,



Carl Goff is sworn in as Local 3's treasurer from Montana to El Paso, in 2005, later serving as the union's vice Texas and everything west. president and president.

This includes Local 3's

a little nostalgia and a lot of good memories that I share with you that I am in fact resigning from my position as president of Local 3.

I am not, however, being "put out to pasture." I have accepted a position as the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) western regional director, meaning that I will now work for lots of locals across several states, from Montana to El Paso, Texas and everything west. This includes Local 3's jurisdiction. With nearly

35,000 Local 3 members across four states, we forget just how fortunate we are. Our work picture is changing to where almost all of our jurisdiction has an abundance of work and very few members are out of work. Our Funds are seeing surpluses, and at the time of this writing, the stock market has remained strong throughout 2014. I am proud of my tenure with Local 3, and I know that my experience representing all of you in so many different capacities will serve me well as I continue advancing the union movement from a different vantage point.

My ride on the Local 3 train has certainly been an interesting, fulfilling and sometimes crazy one, and I would not take back a single experience, including the nearly 600 Retiree Meetings and District Meetings I attended as an officer. (This is where you really get to know and appreciate the membership.)

My daughters, Leanne and Jillian, grew up knowing nothing else but Local 3. They basically lived a construction worker's life while I operated cranes in the Bay Area. They waited for me to come home after union meetings and later staff meetings once I became a dispatcher in San Jose in 1988. They saw their dad exchange a hard hat for a coat and tie and eventually run Semi-Annual Meetings, and through it all, they depended on Local 3 just as I did – just as so many of us and our families do.

Without this great organization, none of us could see the doctor without going into debt; we couldn't get that pair of glasses or those hearing aids we need; we couldn't have job security and respectable wages; and we couldn't retire with dignity and the priceless peace of knowing that a check will come for us and our families until the day we die.

Local 3 is my family and soon it will include one more, as I am proud to share that I will soon be a grandfather to a baby girl, Kinlee.

Throughout my more than 30 years with this union, I have learned from and greatly respected so many amazing folks who taught me how to listen first and then to lead; negotiate and later manage contracts; settle a grievance; keep my cool under pressure; organize a company; upgrade a dispatch system; use humor to disarm a conflict; edit a newspaper; and strike an anti-union company. One thing I always knew was the importance of doing what was in the best interests of this union's great membership, and I am very proud of that. I am also very proud of all of you, because none of this would be here without you.

I would be lying if I said I have no hesitation as I take on a different role. I am leaving the only home I have known, but I know it is a good time to forge ahead and use the skills I have sharpened here to continue fighting for the middle class. As you all know, it is a never-ending battle! You are in good hands with Business Manager Russ Burns and Local 3's leadership, and whoever they choose to fill my position will be a wise choice. I encourage you all to continue supporting this officer core and its Executive Board, as they have guided us through the roughest times in our 75-year history. I will only be a phone call away to help Local 3 grow larger and more powerful in these times of rapid change.

Thank you, Local 3, for a great ride. I also want to thank my wife, Cindy, my family and most importantly, you, the members of Local 3. As my dad and greatest mentor, Local 3 Retiree Buddy Goff, always says, "Here's to more money and better working conditions!"

I'll see you again on the next big job.



From left: Financial Secretary Pete Figueiredo, Rec. Corres. Secretary Jim Sullivan, President Carl Goff, Business Manager Russ Burns, Vice President Dan Reding and Treasurer Steve Ingersoll.

# Third Quarter 2014 Financial Results

Economic growth in our nation's economy moderated during the third quarter of 2014, after a rollercoaster ride during the first half of the year. Third quarter 2014 Gross Domestic Product (GDP), the output of goods and services produced by labor and property located in the United States, grew a solid 3.5 percent, slightly below the second quarter's robust 4.6 percent increase but vastly ahead of the first quarter's dismal 2.1 percent decline. The healthy third-quarter performance was aided by a decrease in imports and growth in exports, consumer and federal-government spending and nonresidential fixed investment. Negatively impacting growth was a sharp decline in business inventory investment, which accounted for the majority of the 1.1 percent deceleration in the third quarter's GDP. During October 2014, the Federal Reserve concluded its asset purchase program, commonly referred to as Quantitative Easing (QE), while vowing to keep interest rates low for the foreseeable future. The Federal Open Market Committee's actions were based on indicators suggesting that underutilization of labor resources is gradually diminishing, household spending is rising moderately and businesses' fixed investment is advancing, while the recovery in the housing market remains slow. Inflation continues to run below target, most notably due to the recent fall in energy prices.

Job growth continued its strong pace during the third quarter of 2014, with 702,000 new jobs created. The private sector added 683,000 new jobs, including 66,000 in the construction industry; the government sector added 19,000 jobs. For the first nine months of 2014, more than 2 million new jobs were created. Nationally, the unemployment rate for September 2014 stood at 5.9 percent, down 0.2 percent from June 2014 and 1.3 percent lower than in September 2013. Within Local 3's jurisdiction, the third quarter of 2014 saw California's unemployment rate fall from 7.4 percent to 7.3 percent, Hawaii's rate fall from 4.4 percent to 4.2 percent and Nevada's rate fall from 7.7 percent to 7.3 percent. Utah's rate was unchanged at 3.5 percent.

During the third quarter of 2014, Local 3's membership increased by 86 members; however, Year-To-Date (YTD) through September 2014, its membership decreased by 41 members or 0.1 percent. Total membership as of September 2014 stood at 34,040.

Financially, third quarter 2014 results showed a net income of \$1,093,460 for Local 3. Revenues came in at \$12.8 million – a 6.3 percent increase over the same period in 2013. Expenses were \$11.7 million - up 2.6 percent from the third quarter of 2013. YTD through September 2014, revenues stood at \$33.8 million - \$1,721,000 (5.4 percent) above the same period in 2013. YTD expenditures through September 2014 stood at \$34.5 million – a \$1,452,000 (4.4 percent) increase versus 2013. Overall, Local 3's net loss for the first nine months of 2014 was \$651,524. During this same time period, revenues were positively impacted by a 4.3 percent increase in supplemental-dues hours, which resulted in a 6.7 percent increase in supplemental-dues receipts, and 75th Anniversary Celebration receipts; window dues were virtually unchanged. Expenses rose primarily due to increased employment costs, higher legal fees, per capita tax payments and 75th Anniversary Celebration expenses. For the General Fund, YTD 2014 financial results through September 2014 were \$655,052 above budgeted expectations.

Through the first nine months of the construction season, overall work hours for Local 3 are up more than 430,000 hours or 2.1 percent. California, Hawaii and Nevada pension hours through September 2014 are up 2.9 percent, 4.3 percent and 3.7 percent, respectively, versus the same period in 2013, while pension hours for Utah are down 5.9 percent. By industry, Local 3's construction hours through September 2014 are up 2.7 percent versus 2013, whereas rock, sand and gravel hours and surveyor hours are down 8.4 percent and 0.5 percent, respectively.

Fund Balances (\$ in millions)			
	09/30/14	09/30/13	
General	\$34.0	\$34.6	
Hardship, Strike, Lockout	\$5.5	\$5.2	
Emergency	\$15,5	\$14.8	
Defense	\$6.6	\$6.8	
Capital Maintenance	\$0.6	\$0.8	
	\$62.3	\$62.3	

### Third Quarter 2014 Financial Report

(Unaudited; in thousands)

### Profit and Loss Statement (Sept. 30, 2014, Year-to-Date)

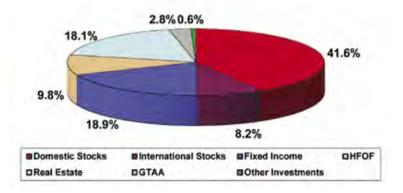
Membership Revenue	\$29,297
Other Revenue	\$4,507
Total Receipts	\$33,804
Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$21,403
Per Capita Taxes	\$4,783
Office & Operations	\$2,702
Depreciation	\$1,118
Professional Services	\$790
PACs & Fund Allocations	\$864
Admin & Public Relations	\$2,796
Total Expenses	\$34,456
Net Income/(Loss)	(\$651)

### Balance Sheet (As of Sept. 30, 2014)

Cash, Investments & Deposits	\$56,385
Employee Funded 457 Plan	\$1,780
Automobiles	\$3,913
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$1,651
Computers & Software	\$10,172
Communications Equipment	\$842
Print Shop Equipment	\$1,017
Less Accum. Depreciation	(\$11,691)
Total Assets	\$64,068
Liabilities	(\$3)
Employee Funded 457 Plan	\$1,780
Consolidated Fund Balances	\$62,292
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$64,068

### Plan Assets (1) Total Investments 3,389,235,879 Domestic Stocks 1,411,027,462

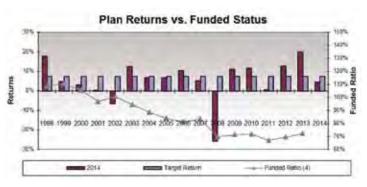
International Stocks 276,959,316 640,765,508 Fixed Income Hedge Fund of Funds 332,000,345 Real Estate 613,850,524 GTAA 93,828,640 Other Investments 20,804,084



#### Notes:

- $1) \ Returns \ are \ gross-of-fees. \ The \ 2014 \ return \ is \ nine \ months \ ending \ Sept. \ 20, \ 2014.$
- 2) Other Investments includes operational cash
- 3) Returns through Dec. 31, 2007 were not calculated by IPS.
- 4) The Funded Ratio is the value of assets used for the annual Pension Plan valuation divided by the present value of accumulated Plan benefits as provided by the actuary. The 2013 Funded Ratio is estimated for Pension Protection Act (PPA) certification and provided by the actuary

		Plan Returns / Funded Status			
		Investment	Target	Funded	
		Return (3)	Return	Ratio (4)	
	1998	17.8%	7.5%	108.9%	
	1999	4.8%	7.5%	110.4%	
	2000	3.2%	7.5%	105.4%	
	2001	0.4%	7.5%	96.9%	
	2002	-6.6%	7.5%	100.6%	
	2003	12.5%	7.5%	94.5%	
	2004	6.7%	7.5%	88.7%	
	2005	6.9%	7.5%	84.0%	
	2006	10.5%	7.5%	81.3%	
	2007	5.2%	7.5%	83.5%	
	2008	-25.7%	7.5%	69.7%	
	2009	11.1%	7.5%	71.2%	
	2010	11.5%	7.5%	71.7%	
	2011	0.7%	7.5%	66.9%	
	2012	12.7%	7.5%	69.5%	
	2013	20.2%	7.5%	72.3%	
(1)	2014	4.4%	7.5%	NA	



Commentary (Third Quarter 2014).

U.S. Equity: S&P 500 returned 1.1 percent for the third quarter and 8.3 percent Year-To-Date (YTD). Corporate earnings are on track to increase 8 to 9 percent with the majority (81 percent) of the S&P 500 members reporting beating third-quarter-earnings estimates. There was a marked retrenchment of small cap stocks in the third quarter evidenced by the Russell 2000, 7.4 percent, compared to large cap stocks, which rose 1.1 percent, measured by the S&P 500 – the two asset classes' widest margin of difference in 15 years.

Non-U.S equity: China's political problems with Hong Kong, Russian incursions into Ukraine and the lack of military response to ISIS all weighed heavily on global-equity markets in the third quarter with the MSCI EAFE Index down 5.9 percent.

Bond Markets: While the Federal Reserve completed Quantitative Easement (QE) 3 at the

end of October, the consensus is to not raise short-term rates until at least the last half of 2015 or in 2016. The Barclays Aggregate gained a modest 0.2 percent during the third quarter with price declines offsetting the current coupon yield. High yield was hit by spreads widening and a -1.6 percent return during the quarter.

Real Estate: The NCREIF ODCE Equal-Weighted Index rose 3.5 percent during the third

quarter and is up 9 percent YTD. Current values are still below replacement costs, leading to soft new construction, which should translate to improving vacancy rates and Net Operating Income

Funds of Hedge Funds: Hedge Funds experienced some dispersion in performance across strategies during the third quarter, as market volatility and concerns over the pace of global economic growth increased. In this environment, the HFRI Fund of Funds Composite returned a modest 0.3 percent for the quarter and 2.4 percent YTD.

### 2014 HEALTH AND WELFARE PLAN BENEFITS\*

Jan. 1 - June 30, 2014

PLAN	MEDICAL <sup>1</sup>	PRESCRIPTION DRUG	DENTAL	OTHER DISBURSEMENTS <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL RECEIPTS	NET CHANGE
NO. CALIFORNIA	\$58,792,221	\$6,220,358	\$7,958,572	\$5,956,577	\$78,927,729	\$89,829,707	\$10,901,978
PENSIONED	\$24,335,479	\$20,100,915	\$2,732,401	\$3,636,186	\$50,804,980	\$44,673,991	\$6,130,989
NO. NEVADA <sup>3</sup>	\$8,625,844	\$1,851,309	\$531,138	\$854,688	\$11,862,979	\$10,097,557	\$1,765,422
HAWAII	\$7,452,316	\$1,195,785	\$1,051,188	\$842,229	\$10,541,518	\$9,851,807	\$689,711
UTAH	\$2,957,320	\$930,939	\$479,751	\$710,772	\$5,078,783	\$6,516,563	\$1,437,780
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES	\$6,481,917	\$1,248,398	\$1,062,130	\$601,158	\$9,393,602	\$11,040,998	\$1,647,396
TOTAL	\$108,645,097	\$31,547,704	\$13,815,180	\$12,601,610	\$166,609,591	\$172,010,622	\$5,401,031

- Medical includes regular and Kaiser medical (including Kaiser drug), stop-loss and Medicare reimbursements.
   Other Disbursements includes vision care, life insurance, burial benefits, hearing aids, physical exams, disability, chemical dependency and operating expenses.

<sup>3.</sup> Northern Nevada is on a fiscal year of Sept.1 – Aug. 31, so the numbers above are for the 10 months from Sept. 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures based on unaudited financial statements.

### Signing up with Local 3 is a win-win for all

National Blending has worked in Fairfield District 04 for several years, and thanks to the great efforts of district staff and our Organizing Department, the company recently joined Local 3. According to Fairfield District Rep. Dave Harrison, "The experience since signing has been outstanding for the company and our members working there."

National Blending's Local 3 crew recently completed a weekend job for the Hwy. 37 closure from Vallejo to Infineon Raceway. The company utilized two crews in 12-hour shifts and worked almost 48 hours straight making asphalt-rubber binder for Syar Industries, the supplier of the bonded-wearing course mix.

Well done, and welcome to one of the largest construction unions in the country!

> Clockwise, from bottom left: Trevor Kennedy, Mikey Morton, Shaun Schultz and Nick Elam work for National Blending on Hwy. 37.



below. We encourage you and your

spouse to attend and become familiar

with all aspects of your retirement

benefits. These benefits have a direct

bearing on your financial security and



**Fringe Benefits**By Charlie Warren, director

### **Pre-Retirement Meetings**

Pre-Retirement Meetings begin next month. Participants 50 years of age and over will receive a postcard reminder of the meeting in their area, though participants of any age are welcome to attend. Please check the schedule

All meetings convene at 6 p.m.

REDDING Tuesday, Jan. 6 Operating Engineers' Building 20308 Engineers Lane

YUBA CITY Wednesday, Jan. 7 Hampton Inn 1375 Sunsweet Blvd.

STOCKTON Tuesday, Jan. 13 Operating Engineers' Building 1916 N. Broadway Ave.

FRESNO Wednesday, Jan. 14 Operating Engineers' Building 4856 North Cedar Ave.

ROHNERT PARK Tuesday, Jan. 20 Operating Engineers' Building 6225 State Farm Drive

EUREKA Wednesday, Jan. 21 Labor Temple 840 E Street

FAIRFIELD Thursday, Jan. 22 Courtyard Marriott 1350 Holiday Lane

CONCORD Wednesday, Jan. 28 Centre Concord 5298 Clayton Road

OAKLAND Thursday, Jan. 29 Operating Engineers' Building 1620 South Loop Road Alameda, CA SACRAMENTO Wednesday, Feb. 4 Operating Engineers' Building 3920 Lennane Drive

deserve your attention.

AUBURN Thursday, Feb. 5 Auburn Recreation Center – Lakeside Room 3770 Richardson Drive

FREEDOM Wednesday, Feb. 11 VFW Post 1716 1960 Freedom Blvd.

MORGAN HILL Thursday, Feb. 12 Operating Engineers' Building 325 Digital Drive

RENO Tuesday, Feb. 17 Operating Engineers' Building 1290 Corporate Blvd.

SANDY Thursday, Feb. 19 Operating Engineers' Building 8805 South Sandy Parkway

BURLINGAME Tuesday, Feb. 24 Transport Workers Union Hall 1521 Rollins Road

NOVATO Wednesday, Feb. 25 Novato Oaks Inn – Redwood Room 215 Alameda Del Prado

### Christmas greetings

We would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season. It was good to see so many of you at the meetings this past year – we always encourage and appreciate your input regarding the benefit plans.

We wish continued good health to you and your families. We would also like to offer our condolences to those of you who lost a loved one this year. We recognize it makes the holidays particularly difficult. We encourage those who can to pick up the phone and call a friend during this time. Drop by the home of one of your fellow Operating Engineers and talk about old times. A hopeful spirit encourages many.

Thanks to our officers, district representatives and staff for their dedicated work, and a special thanks to our Retiree Chapter Chairmen: Tom Aja, Ephraim Bergau, Brian Bishop, Lewis Bratton, Curtis Brown, Alban Byer (emeritus), Leon Calkins, Leo Cummins (emeritus), Mario Dumlao (emeritus), Ed Lieberman, Bill Marshall, Norman Morell Jr., Gary Morthole (emeritus), Myron Pederson, Jack Short, Norman Smith, Randy Stage, Larry Summerfield, Del Surette, Robert Toscano (emeritus), Marin Vallejo (emeritus), Denny Wright and Bob Yturiaga.

### **District visits**

There will be no Fringe district visits this month. Visits will resume in January and follow the regular schedule.



**ATPA** By Bob Miller, ATPA senior account executive

### Healthy and happy holidays from ATPA

The entire team at Associated Third Party Administrators (ATPA), your Trust Fund administrators, extends our best wishes to you and your families for the holiday season. We take much pleasure in serving you and look forward to continuing our long relationship in 2015. You are our No. 1 concern, and our goal is to always provide the quickest, most accurate and most professional service possible. We now process nearly 100 Pension applications and more than 40,000 medical claims monthly!

We also encourage all of you to consider a healthy resolution for the new year. Try to eat a bit better, stop smoking, lose a few unwanted pounds or simply take a 20-minute walk every day. Each year I get older, and each year I lay out my goals and priorities for the new year. I always find that my main goal is simply to live another year! When I review my time-management, I often find that I spend about 1 percent of my time on my first priority. (Something is wrong there!) Realizing this helps me focus more on the most important thing: A long, healthy and happy life.

I am coming up on 37 years of membership in Local 3 (22 years as a staff member) and five years with ATPA. I really appreciate all of you. You are my extended family, and the best part of my current job is that I get to work with all of you individually on Fringe Benefits issues. I wish you a safe and healthy 2015.

### Pre-Retirement Meetings

Please check page 6 for the Pre-Retirement Meetings schedule. Fringe Benefits Director Charlie Warren and I will be coming to each district to provide the latest information and counseling for those approaching retirement. Please plan to attend and bring your spouse, as retirement is a major life decision. We look forward to seeing you.

### ATPA district visits

Rohnert Park Tuesday, Dec. 2 Wednesday, Dec. 3 Eureka

Tuesday, Dec. 9 Burlingame Wednesday, Dec. 10 Oakland Thursday, Dec. 11 Fairfield

Tuesday, Dec. 16 Redding Wednesday, Dec. 17 Yuba City Thursday, Dec. 18 Sacramento

Stockton Tuesday, Dec. 23



Talking with the Treasurer By Steve Ingersoll, treasurer

# **Public Employee Division stays** strong

This year seemed to fly by. I was told, the older you get, the faster time goes. I'm looking forward to the challenges that lie ahead in 2015.

Recently, I was able to sit in on a Public Employee staff meeting. Director Rick Davis had all the agents come to the Alameda Headquarters for training. There was discussion about the economy, how it is affecting the public sector and the difficulties of trying to bargain agreements when a city or county cries poor. (Usually the public sector is about a year or two behind the private sector in feeling the recovery.) I want to commend Davis and his staff for not just staying status quo but growing through organizing new Public Employees, such as the Carlin Senior Center in Nevada District 11. See page 9 for more details. The Public Employee Division is currently working on several new bargaining units throughout Local 3's jurisdiction.

Next year is going to bring new challenges. The Nevada Legislature starts, and after the November results, we anticipate more attacks on prevailing wage and public employees than ever. As I have said in the past, when we interview and endorse candidates, it's not about Democrats or Republicans; it's about who will stand up and protect workers' rights and what Operating Engineers stand for. I want to thank all of our volunteers this year for the time they put in phone banking, precinct walking and rallying for labor. Though our work is never done, everything you do for your union helps us move forward. Here's to growing stronger together next year.

I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season, and I look forward to seeing you at the next round of District Meetings.

Be safe, and let's have a good 2015!

# JBLIC EMPLOYEE NEWS



**Public Employee News** By Rick Davis, director

# Making my list, and checking it twice

We have all made it through another year, and since it's another year further from 2008, it has been a better year. Many of our units have seen some givebacks, and I believe most people are more positive.

As has become my tradition for the Christmas edition, I will look back on the units we represent and make my Christmas list - who gets a Christmas card and who gets a lump of coal in their stocking. Last year, the biggest recipient of coal was soon-to-be-former San Jose Mayor Chuck Reed. Since I'm in the Christmas spirit, I figure that "Chucky" gets just one lump of coal this year. He got beat-up all year anyway, since his statewide ballot initiative for public-employee-pension reform went down in a ball of flames, and he lost most of his posse and all of his support. Chucky still managed to decimate the city of San Jose, but fortunately, he will be gone soon.

Monterey Regional Waste Management District (MRWMD) gets a nice Christmas card. I recently attended one of its monthly employer/employee lunch meetings and was impressed with the interaction management officials attempted to have with their employees. I hope our members appreciate the effort. Believe me, it is rare! Negotiations - though long - went well, and our members got a fair contract.

Another unit that gets a Christmas card is the city of Cupertino Public Works Department. I attended an employer/ employee lunch there this past year and was impressed with our members and the management staff. If more of our entities went to such lengths to have relationships with their employees, we would all be better off. I also want to include El Dorado County Transit on the list for a Christmas card. According to the business agent assigned there, labor negotiations went well. From my personal experience, I find management officials there to be fair and open to good communication.

A few other entities are definitely getting a lump of coal in their stockings, including the little town of Rio Vista. Officials there managed to pass a ballot measure last year that took the town from the brink of bankruptcy, brought back some much-needed services and made current employees whole, only to overspend all the monies from the tax increase and ask for takeaways again this year. If stupid was a felony, Rio Vista City Council members and administration would all be in jail.

City officials in Clearlake get the next lump of coal. We have been trying to get the city to the negotiation table for two years. We had to file a Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) complaint, which got officials' attention and finally got them to the negotiations table, but then they lied about receiving documents that had been sent to them and blamed the union for the delays. I'm not sure they should receive anything for Christmas!

Moving down the list, Stockton has a lot of problems, such as bankruptcy and stripping employees of a lot of benefits, but now officials want to take away safety shoes! We're talking \$175 to \$200 for each employee who utilizes safety shoes. It is an industry standard, Stockton! Lump of coal for you!

This year, the biggest lump of coal goes to the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, which was very busy in 2014 investigating our members in the correctional unit. Harassing, demoting and terminating - those are this sheriff's Christmas wishes. In the 37 years I have worked in either law enforcement or labor, I haven't seen anything like this. Over the past year, there have been 35 internal-affairs interviews of our members. (We only have 78 members! Does anybody else see a problem here?) From 2012 to 2014, there were 62 internal-affairs interviews of our members. Really, Sheriff? Is this how you run an efficient department? Do you really want to make it a great place to work, leaving your employees feeling comfortable, safe and secure? It would be interesting to know how many harassment complaints have been filed with the El Dorado County Human Resources Department specifically naming a certain captain in corrections as the violator. Here is a little Christmas secret, Sheriff: Just because people have brass on their collars doesn't mean they are right. I think your captain in corrections has a bit of an inferiority complex, but that is just a Christmas guess. So, one big lump of coal to the sheriff and an even bigger lump of coal to the captain. Merry Christmas to all the correctional staff and hope for a better new year. You're going to need it. (I believe Placer County is hiring.) Ho, ho, ho!

Whether it's Hanukkah, Christmas or Kwanzaa that you celebrate, enjoy the holidays with family and friends. Be careful out there, and see you all in 2015.

### **Union welcomes East Contra Costa Irrigation District**

By Allen Dunbar, business representative

Contra Costa Irrigation District (ECCID) has been in operation since 1926. The district covers about 40 square miles, including Brentwood, portions of Oakley and Antioch, and several other municipalities in Contra Costa County. ECCID supplies irrigation water for agricultural and landscape uses and raw water for treatment and delivery to other areas.

The operators and maintenance workers employed at ECCID use

pumps and various gates to supply farmers with water. They keep things running smoothly by installing new pipes and gates and maintaining buildings and equipment, fleet vehicles.

Please join us in welcoming our new Public Employee Division members at ECCID. And special thanks to member John Granado who helped make it all possible!



Members with ECCID include, from left: Ricky Gonzalez, Joe Maloney and John Granado.

### Part one in a series

### **Welcome, Carlin Senior Center employees**

Congratulations to new Public Employee members Gaylene Ferguson and Bobbi White, who recently joined Local 3 as part of the Carlin Senior Center – a newly organized unit within the City of Carlin Bargaining Unit. White is the head cook/kitchen manager at the center, and Ferguson is the assistant to the cook. Welcome to Local 3!



From left: Carlin Senior Center employees Gaylene Ferguson and Bobbi White recently joined Local 3.

# Some answers about your right to representation

By Mary Blanco, business representative

### When is a member entitled to union representation?

From a legal standpoint, a member is entitled to union representation when he or she is asked to meet with his or her supervisor/superior/investigator and the purpose of the meeting is to obtain information that may later be used to take disciplinary action against the member. For example, if a citizen or co-worker files a complaint against a member and a supervisor or Office of Employee Relations (OER) investigator is assigned to interview the member to determine if he or she did in fact violate policy, the member is entitled to union representation, because if the results of the interview support the complaint, disciplinary action may be taken against the member.

### What constitutes a disciplinary action?

Disciplinary action refers to a formal adverse action and includes dismissal, demotion, reduction in pay or suspension. Members are not entitled to have a representative present during routine-business communications that occur between a supervisor and an employee, such as during performance evaluations, training, job audits, counseling sessions and work-related instructions.

Members should be aware that a meeting between a supervisor and employee could begin as routine communications but shift into more of an investigation. If this happens, ask your supervisor if the information obtained during the meeting could lead to adverse action. If the supervisor answers yes or is not sure, ask that the discussion/meeting be rescheduled so that you have time to contact your OE3 business representative. If your request is denied, continue with the meeting, but let your supervisor know that you are answering the questions under duress. We always caution members to obey now and grieve later to avoid being charged with insubordination. Contact me as soon as possible after the meeting. (E-mail me at mblanco@oe3.org or call me at (408) 289-9691, ext. 9106.) I will do everything possible to right the wrong!

# 'Carve-Out' a new path

By Fred Klingel, business representative

Workers' compensation has always been a long and painful process for those who have been injured on the job, but there is a more humane way to deal with the challenges. It's called "Carve-Out."

No, it's not something on the dinner menu, but it may have a place at the negotiation table. In short, Carve-Out is an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) method. It may provide the opportunity to establish an improved benefit-delivery system for injured workers and encourage labor and management to collaborate toward this end.

Those of you who have been injured on the job have probably filled out the required workers' compensation forms after going to the Emergency Room or visiting your physician. Then you waited to see what treatment you needed and if your employer agreed that your injury was work-related. Many doctors no longer deal with workers' compensation cases because they wait forever to be paid and the employer's physician also has to examine you and formulate a report about your injury and the recommended treatment for the employer's workers' compensation insurance company. While waiting for all this to get settled, you are off work and probably worrying about the future. (You want to make sure you get treated for the injury, get back to work as quickly as possible and continue getting a paycheck.)

You may get some relief if you qualify for "4850 Time," which aids injured safety personnel, and supplement this with sick time and vacation time, which you will want to get back once you settle your injury. This will keep food on the table and pay your bills for awhile, but what about recovering from your injury so you can work again? Treatment can take forever if your employer and your employer's insurance company fight you or if the doctor takes his/her time to send a report to the insurance company and its doctor disagrees with the treatment. Sometimes you may wonder if the doctors even know how to write the proper reports. In the meantime, your treatment is waiting in the wings.

You and your employer have to consider the cost of insurance, paying you while you are off and paying for someone to replace you at time-and-a-half. I know, you are in pain and want to get treated, and so what if your employer has to pay, right? Right!

In comes Carve-Out. It has been around for awhile, but has not been used as often as it could be. It's a different option, and others are finally paying attention. Some employers have hired a labor-friendly Southern California law firm as a consultant to write up a separate agreement involving Carve-Out called "Labor-Management Workers' Compensation Alternative Dispute Resolution Agreement Between Your Employer and Your Bargaining Unit."

This is just a preview. I have more information to share with you and will go into greater detail in the coming months, so stay tuned. E-mail me at fklingel@oe3.org for more.



**Credit Union**By Jim Sullivan, Credit Union secretary/financial officer & recording - corresponding secretary

### Let's ring in the new year!

As the year draws to a close, we hope our union brothers and sisters have a wonderful holiday season filled with family, friends and good times. Like we do every year around this time, let's recap some of the Credit Union's accomplishments and review what the new year may hold.

This past year was an incredibly positive one, as the economy continued to grow stronger. The work picture, specifically jobs in Northern California, improved and put many of our members back to work. This had a direct impact on the Credit Union and resulted in a steady increase in growth, putting us in a stronger financial position than in previous years.

This year also marked the Credit Union's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and we celebrated all year long. Each month, OE Federal held member-appreciation days, where we spoiled our members with gratitude. Several promotions were held, including a Ford Mustang sweepstakes. The new vehicle was delivered to a lucky member. (Congratulations, again!) We also held an open house and time-capsule ceremony, which paid homage to the past while looking to the future.

Our Golden Anniversary also marked a more productive year. We grew our member base by offering new products and services, particularly in the online/mobile-banking realm. Most notably, we introduced several services that make our members' lives more convenient. We implemented an enhanced Mobile App that includes features such as a better ATM/branch locator and mobile deposit, which allows members to deposit a check by taking a picture of it with a Smartphone. We also introduced our personal finance manager software, OnTrack Personal Finance, which allows members to track and monitor their family's spending, budget and savings.

Of course we also continued to offer historically low loan rates, particularly for our auto and real-estate loans. Many members are now driving a new vehicle or living in a new home due to our financing, and that is what OE Federal is all about – helping our members!

As we move forward and welcome the new year, we want to assure you that OE Federal is in a strong financial position and remains devoted to serving our members and their financial needs.

If you are not currently a member or one of your immediate family members wants to join, call (800) 877-4444, visit our website at www.oefcu.org or contact your local branch to learn more.

Happy New Year's to you and your family. We are excited for 2015 and hope you are too!



# Training their own

By Carl Carr, business representative

"What we learn to do, we learn by doing."

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn." - Benjamin Franklin

Our brothers and sisters in Bargaining Unit 12 who work for the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) have the opportunity to advance their careers by gaining valuable experience, certification, equipment qualifications and licensing at the Caltrans District 04 Hercules Training Center. And when these trainees arrive at the center, who do you think provides the quality instruction needed to improve their job skills? Their fellow Local 3 members, of course! The instructors are 17-year member Charles Hightower, 15-year Gary Tenbroek, 14-year member member Terry Vande Hoven, 12-year member Mark Bester and eight-year member Chris Youngson. While these members perform the full-time duties of a Maintenance Equipment Training Academy (META) instructor by training their fellow Caltrans employees from throughout the entire state of California, they are officially classified as Caltrans highway-maintenance leadworkers.

One of the main trainings provided by the Hercules Training Center is a hands-on preparation for a California Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Whether it be a Class B with any endorsement needed or a Class A with endorsements, members get up to speed in the proper equipment with the knowledge to ace the test. This training is a major benefit for employees, because having a CDL provides them the opportunity to promote within Caltrans. Preparing trainees to get their CDLs is one of the most-liked parts of these trainers' jobs. Like Youngson said with a big smile, "It's a good feeling when you help someone learn a new skill; you know that it will eventually help them to make more money in life by providing them the opportunity to promote." Hightower added, "You can't beat the satisfaction you get when you take someone who has never been in anything larger than a Toyota and you put them in a 10-wheeler with a 5 and 2, and by the end of the day, they have that truck singing a tune as they go through the gears. It is a wonderful thing."

The instructors also provide hands-on training to help their co-workers become proficient and safe on the machines they use daily in their jobs, as they are

certified to qualify trainees on equipment such as backhoes, graders, 10-wheelers, loaders, dozers, JLG lifts and cranes. The instructors enjoy providing this training, as it allows them to not only impart their knowledge to others but helps reinforce their own knowledge. It also helps break up any monotony they may experience by allowing them diverse topics to train others on. They also provide certificationtraining for forklift operators and in CPR.

When they're not working at the Hercules Training Center, these members have other ways of bringing happiness to their lives. Vande Hoven enjoys dirt-track racing. You can try to eatch a glimpse of him on a Saturday night at the Antioch Speedway in the Contra Costa County Fairgrounds, but you have to look fast, as he drives his super-stock racecar at high speeds. For Youngson, he enjoys the dirt as well, but not driving on it. He likes to garden and is known for his flavorful heirloom melons. Hightower enjoys working as a tour guide. On his days off, he drives a tour bus through San Francisco, sharing his knowledge and love of the city with those who are lucky enough to be riding around with him. The two other instructors aren't shy about talking but weren't available when I came to interview them, as they were out with trainees, getting them ready for their upcoming CDL tests.









# Member loses house in fire, keeps perspective

### Operators clean up wreckage

Story and photos by Mandy McMillen, managing editor

The shell of a motorcycle. The brick frame of a fireplace. A child's motorized car. A For Sale sign flapping in front of a flattened piece of property. These objects stand out only because they are somewhat whole among the unidentifiable

remains of Angel Valley, one of several neighborhoods that was destroyed by a 516-acre fire that roared through Weed, Calif. in mid-September.

Then there's member Gary Dohrn standing in front of what was once his house ... with a smile on his face?

That's right. The 32-year Local 3 member who has lived in Weed "all but eight years of my life," lost his house in the fire that started near Boles Creek, yet somehow he has kept a cheerful disposition.

"My wife and I moved into that house on May 20, 1980," said Dohrn. "Our first child, Jerry, was born on June 7," before the young couple even had time to unpack.

Thirty-four years later, all that's left of the time he spent at 90 Pine is a plot of dirt that's been leveled and inspected for asbestos.

The 2,900-population town most known for its interesting name came into being because of the infamous winds that whip through it sometimes at 45 mph. These winds helped dry out the logs at the big mill that was founded there more than a century ago by Abner Weed, but they also helped a small grass

fire grow into a ruthless destroyer this fall, leaving behind only piles of ash and a few random belongings.

But Dohrn, who is a certified wastewater-treatment-plant operator for the city of Weed, seems remarkably adjusted to

having lost so much.

"Someone's house had to burn," he joked. "It might as well have been mine. I just take it [life] as it comes. I can't unburn my house."

Dohrn was working when he learned of the fire's location on the afternoon of Sept. 15, and by that time, all that was left of his property was "a bird bath ... my pickup and the clothes I was wearing," he said.

Instead of freaking out, Dohrn helped out by providing running water where needed and putting up cones and barricades.

Since he could have been injured, or worse, Dohrn considers himself "doggone lucky."

He also considers Weed a great place to live, since most residents, he said, would give the shirts off their backs, if necessary.

"It's a tight-knit community," he said. "The fire brought the best out in most people ...

Since it destroyed two neighborhoods besides Dohrn's, part of a school and two churches, there wasn't a single Weed resident who wasn't affected by it. Local volunteers provided



Thirty-two-year member Gary Dohrn stands next to an address marker, the only thing left of his property after the Boles Fire in September.



Working for Sukut Construction, Operator Scott Hembre removes some of the worst damage from the Boles Fire.



Scott Fiscus removes hazardous materials and scrap from a property in Angel Valley for Pacific States.

food and shelter and assisted local and regional firefighters. Other agencies involved included Caltrans, California Highway Patrol (CHP) and the American Red Cross.

Several Local 3 excavator operators with Pacific States, A.J. Diani and Sukut Construction have also been onsite to demo the remains and remove and recycle the debris. Wearing protective clothing and face masks to avoid breathing in harmful asbestos and other pollutants, these operators worked carefully to make the sites clean and safe.

Pacific States' Robert Meadows said the work is not challenging as long as you follow the proper procedures, which include removing the steel first and then the ash. He explained that it's important to stay inside the foundation of a burned-down structure.

"Consolidate in one area ... all the flat work," he said. "Then grade it out."

Dohrn said crews have "done fantastic work, working 6-12s."

This pace has slowed down recently, but erosion control may continue through the winter.

Though Dohrn's living arrangements have been understandably unstable - he's been splitting time between a trailer and a motel until more permanent housing becomes available – he's been managing just fine and enjoying his meals at the local Hi-Lo Café, a favorite tourist stop.

"We take a lot of things in life for granted," he said.

We never know when it could literally or figuratively all go up in smoke!



Excavator Operator Shaun Moore removes debris from a property damaged by the Boles Fire that started Sept. 15. More than 150 homes were destroyed.





### BOLES FIRE FACTS

LOCATION: City of Weed in Siskiyou County

DURATION: Five days (started Monday, Sept. 15 at 1:38 p.m.; contained by Friday, Sept. 19)

DESTRUCTION: 516 acres, including 157 single residences and eight commercial properties

CAUSE: Under investigation (a suspect is in custody for possible arson)

TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL: 453

LOCAL 3 SIGNATORIES ONSITE: Pacific States, A.J. Diani, Sukut Construction



Rancho Murieta Training Center for apprentice to journey-level operators By Tammy Castillo, director of apprenticeship

### Get your Apprenticeship Spotlights here

From time to time, I will highlight Local 3's apprentices, because they really are our future, and their success is everyone's success.

This month, we congratulate Construction Equipment Operator (CEO) Eric Racks, who currently works for Ghilotti Bros., CEO Gary Snider and Lube Technician Eduardo Gonzalez, as they all journeyed out in October.

We also want to highlight Marcus Walker, who came into the Apprenticeship Program through Job Corps. He is good with numbers and always wants to do a quality job and learn.

According to Walker's mentor, Bobbie Standridge, "When I see someone who wants to learn, I don't mind training them.'

Walker has been very active in the Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program this year and enjoys spending time with his family. He is currently gradesetting for DeSilva Gates.



New CEO Gary Snider.



New CEO Eric Racks.



New Lube Technician



Apprentice Gradesetter Marcus Walker.



Organizing By Bruce Noel, director

# Political involvement pays off

Season's greetings from the Organizing Department. We hope you and your families enjoy the holidays. We would also like to thank all of the members who came out and helped phone bank and walk precincts. Politics not only play a big role in what we do as an organization but they have a tremendous effect on how we organize the non-union.

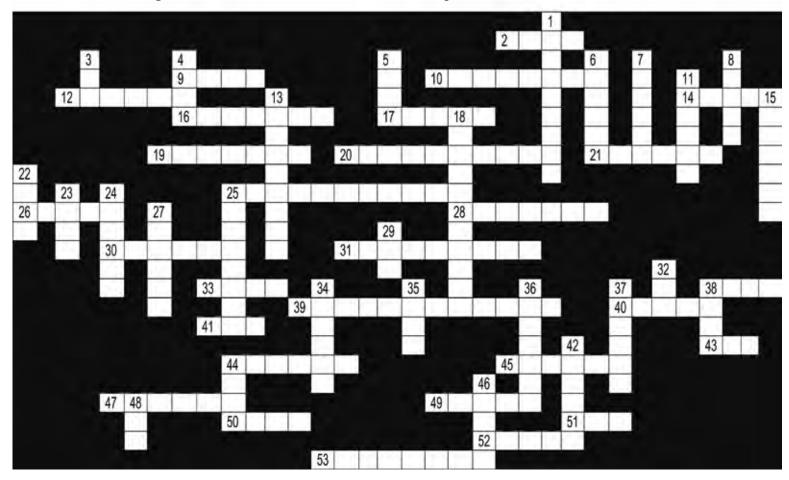
One such example is California Assembly Bill (AB) 2272, which was recently signed by the governor and goes into effect Jan. 1. This bill, authored by Assemblyman Adam Grey out of Stanislaus and Merced counties, amends section 1720 of the California Labor Code to include infrastructure projects funded by the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) through the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that are deemed to be public-works projects. This means contractors working on these projects must pay prevailing wages and follow California's apprenticeship laws. This is great news for our signatory employers, as it gives them a level playing field when they bid on this work. This bill came about because of a coverage determination that the Organizing Department was successful in obtaining from the director of the Department of Industrial Relations in November 2013. This is just one example of how all

the hard work we do phone banking and precinct walking pays off and how politics plays a big role in organizing.

Shifting gears, we would like to share with you the number of agreements signed and dispatch totals. Through September, we have signed many "new" employers to Master Agreements, bringing our new agreements total to 135, which includes project agreements. Because of our organizing efforts, we have 68 new members and a total of 501 new dispatches. These numbers are on par with where we were last year at this time, and we expect to keep improving on them. Organizing is a team effort, and the districts play a big role. We could not have the level of success we have without the contributions of others. We constantly get tips from agents about contractors working in their areas. This is a valuable resource that allows us to stay up-to-date on contractors working throughout our jurisdiction. Of course you, the membership, help us out as well. Whether it is a contractor that is working down the street from where you live or a friend who is working non-union, this kind of information is valuable. It takes all these things to be successful when it comes to organizing.

In closing, we would like to wish you a very prosperous 2015.

### A crossword puzzle for the mechanically inclined



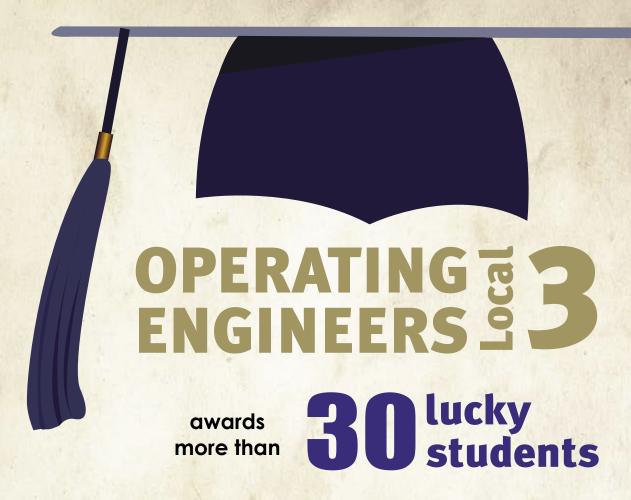
### Across:

- 2. Fastener; part of a rifle
- 9. Enforces safety laws
- 10. Controls engine speed; Jerry Brown's title
- 12. Varies resistance; "Return to \_\_\_\_\_"
- 14. Supports and guides track
- 16. End of the exhaust system
- 17. Used to cut metal
- 19. Type of crane; interlaced structure
- 20. Used to make precise measurements
- 21. Required for motorcycles and welding
- 25. Slotted or Phillips
- 26. Controls direction of oil-flow; replacement part of fishing reel
- 28. Hearing protection
- 30. Twisting force
- 31. Oil's resistance to flow
- 33. Part of a lifting device; fishing bait goes on the \_\_\_
- 38. Safety garment
- 39. Allows wheels to turn at different speeds
- 40. Used for communication
- 41. Commercial Driver's License
- 43. 2,000 No.
- 44. Cylindrical, open container; on the end of an excavator
- 45. One path for current flow; World \_
- 47. Lacking movement; radio interference
- 49. Device with small current controlling a large current
- 50. Prefix for 1,000
- 51. Lubricates to reduce friction
- 52. Series of metal links used for fastening
- 53. Used to check engine's oil level

### Down:

- 1. Epicyclic gear-train
- 3. Cuts external threads
- Type of gear-train; bait
- Tied in a rope
- 6. Hand tool
- 7. Used to dig a ditch
- Controls hydraulic oil pressure, direction and flow
- 11. Type of fuel
- 13. Electricity is the flow of \_\_\_\_
- 15. Opposite of forward
- 18. Reduction in volume with an increase in heat
- 22. Flexible tube conveying fluid
- 23. Roll Over Protection Structure
- 24. Disengages power
- 25. Electromagnetic device resulting in mechanical movement
- 27. Resilient, helical metal coil
- 29. Pressure unit of measurement
- 32. Fishing; on the end of a crane
- 34. Removes unwanted debris
- 35. Fifty-five gallons; brake
- 36. Contains electrolytes
- 37. Thick oil to reduce friction
- 38. Electromotive force; potential difference
- 42. Cylindrical part moving in a cylinder
- 44. Dollar; male deer
- 46. Main engine structure
- 48. Used to cut internal threads in material

For answers, visit us online at www.oe3.org.



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# **REDDING** 20308 Engineers Lane, Redding, CA 96002 • (530) 222-6093 District Rep. Bob Vanderpol

### Lots of work wrapping up

It has turned out to be a great year. Our members have been staying busy on multiple projects in our district. Many of our contractors are finishing projects ahead of schedule as the work season winds down and the holidays draw near. We would like to thank all of our members for their support this past year, as it was a tough political year with many issues affecting our work and prevailing wage. We would like to thank our Unit 12 members for their tireless work to keep our roads safe, as our families travel to and from for the holidays. We would also like to wish all of you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. We look forward to the new year and believe things are going to look up and we will continue to move forward.

The third section of Buckhorn was supposed to bid on Nov. 11. Stimple-Wiebelhaus Associates picked up a \$440,000 water-main project for the city of Redding. J.F. Shea is on track to finish the Hwy. 299 project ahead of schedule. Tutor is making progress on the Antlers Bridge project. Tullis, Inc. will finish its road and bridge project in Trinity County as well as many paving projects in the district. Darren Taylor has had a busy season, as has S.T. Rhoads, which has had many projects out of the area but is keeping crews busy.









From left: Apprentice Chad Alward, nine-year member Joaquin Simons, 12-year member Shawn Meyer and 23-vear member Ron Webb work for

# **BURLINGAME** | 828 Mahler Road, Suite B, Burlingame, CA 94010 • (650) 652-7969 District Rep. Charles Lavery

### Subdivision project has all-union commitment

Raito, Inc. is wrapping up the installation of the soldier beams and Cement Deep Soil Mixing (CDSM) walls for the new SalesForce Tower at the corner of Fremont and Mission. Shimmick will perform the mass excavation with operators Dan Lencioni, Antonio Ochoa, Paulo Maae, Demarco Mackey, Joe Showman, John Sabatino, Rickey Collins and Randy Gheno. Avar Construction will add the tie-backs.

The Transbay Terminal is progressing. Local 3 crane operators working for Shimmick and Balfour Beatty continue the below-grade construction and removal of shoring simultaneously. Operators Jay Huerta and Brandon Patterson work for Shimmick Construction, while Glenn Marr operates the crane for Balfour Beatty. Apprentices Jared Smith and Andy Pereira are onsite, helping out and oiling for the cranes. Rick Holmes and Tricia Miles operate the material hoists for Anvil Construction. Case Pacific is also onsite, drilling for underground Cast-In-Drill-Hole (CIDH) piles, and Nicholson Construction is working on two gigantic slurry panels that will support the future bus ramps.

Also in the city at the corner of Laguna and Fulton, Interstate Pumping and Hatton Crane are working on the new five-story mixed-use complex covering almost half a city block. Brothers Jesse Flittie and Hector Bruno proudly operate the crane for Hatton. At the corner of Ninth and Mission, Pankow has topped out on the new Panoramic building, consisting of 160 micro-apartments. Tower Crane Operator Ricky Malone and Hoist Operator Rick Firebaugh service the interior crafts.

Wastewater work never stops in San Francisco. Shaw Pipelines is performing sewer replacements on Upper Market Street above the Castro with operators T.J. Woods, Bob Ortiz and Paschal Geraghty. Two blocks down the hill, Phoenix Electric is completing a retaining wall with Operator Marco Hernandez.

In San Mateo County, Ranger Pipelines is starting a \$21 million job for the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

(SFPUC). The company will install 4,500 feet of 54-inch, 60-inch and 66-inch waterlines throughout the county. This is the 48th project from the \$4.6 billion worth of work for the Hetch Hetchy Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) Project Labor Agreement (PLA). Operators include Jose Tovar, Angelo Gonzales and Apprentice Chris Bequette. Another WSIP project, the Bay Division Tunnel, is complete. It is the first tunnel under the San Francisco Bay and will transport water from the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, replacing two aging pipelines that sit on the Bay floor and making the water system more reliable.

In Daly City, Lennar Homes of California, Inc. started construction on 80 single-family homes called Crestview Estates. This project has Independent Construction moving dirt and building house pads and retaining walls. Operator Victor Caro is operating a Gradall with a bucket to backfill behind the walls. D W Young is performing the underground utilities with Austin Lemmons, Bill Wagner, Robert Morris, Edgar Buenrostro, Jose Luis Jimenez, Luis Ramirez and Efren Ruiz. This project has an all-union commitment from the builder, thanks to the hard work of the San Mateo County Building and Construction Trades Council.



Brandon Patterson works Shimmick.



Hector Bruno works for Hatton Crane.

# **HAWAII** I 1075 Opakapaka St., Kapolei, HI 96707 • For all branches, call (808) 845-7871 District Rep. Pane Meatoga Jr.

### Better off than last year

This year has been a recovery year for our district. With the rail project trying to get up to full-speed and the high-rise buildings being constructed in the Kakaako area, it feels like we should be in a better position than where we are today. But all in all, we are in a better place than last year in regards to ongoing jobs versus jobs completed, new jobs started and jobs on the contractors' books to start in 2015. The jobs on our signatory contractors' books (jobs awarded) are 35 percent better than last year. With the big dirt jobs getting through the courts (injunctions, lawsuits) and permitting process, it looks like a year of getting our brothers and sisters off the out-of-work list!

Remember, we can't put you to work if we can't contact you. It is very important to have an updated phone number (two if possible) in our system. It is equally important to answer the phone when we call or to return our call as soon as possible. Our computer system recognizes every call made for dispatching. We recommend you identify via caller ID (808) 682-8730 as Local 3 Dispatch. This will help you recognize a call coming from our Oahu office where our dispatcher is located.

The sewer-tunnel job at Kaneohe/Kailua with Southland/Mole Joint Venture (JV) will start to pick up as crews start excavation of the pits in preparation for the tunneling. Hawaiian Dredging, Nordic PCL, AC Kobayashi, DCK and Swinerton continue to dominate the vertical high-rise buildings in Kakaako, Ala Moana and downtown.

At the time of this writing, Hawaii Pacific Concrete will be resurfacing Kamehameha from Ka Uka Boulevard to Waihau Street for \$1.2 million (to be completed by April 2015). Road and Highway Builders started the rehabilitation of Beretania Street for \$9.5 million (to be completed in December 2015). Hawaiian Dredging and Condon-Johnson JV started the demolition and construction of the Collection (high-rise) where the old Comp USA store was for \$180 million (to be completed by December 2015). Watts Construction, Inc. started the MV Hangar job on the Kaneohe Marine Base for \$58 million (to be completed in October 2015).

On behalf of our staff, we wish all of you a joyful and safe holiday season.

# **UTAH** 8805 South Sandy Parkway, Sandy, UT 84070 • (801) 596-2677 District Rep. Justin Diston

### Winter is the perfect time for training

Where has the year gone? Work in Utah has been a little slow compared to the last few years, and winter is now here.

W.W. Clyde completed the Tridell waterline and has continued work on the pipeline from Duchesne to Roosevelt. Work will continue with a skeleton crew until the frost comes and then start up again in the spring.

The phase of the Red Leaf Oil Shale Mine that Ames has been working on is now complete. The next phase will begin in the spring. Again, it will be in Vernal, and a "man-camp" will be available to our members who are working there.

We would like to welcome the new Underground Mining Division of Wheeler Machinery to our union.

This has been a big election year in Utah. We would like to thank each of our members who not only voted but came out to make signs and help with precinct walks and phone banking. Without your support, we couldn't accomplish all these things.

With winter here, it is now a good time to get training to be prepared for the year to come. Our Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) offers classes in Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO), First Aid/CPR/AED and many other areas. A brief summary of our January/February classes is listed at right.

Class	January	February
C-list testing	2	6
CEO apprentice training	5-9; 19-22; 26-29	9-12; 23-26
CRN apprentice training	12-16	2-5
HDR/LST apprentice training	5-9; 19-22	2-6; 16-19
Journey-level upgrade	9; 16; 23	6; 13; 20; 27
Eight-hour MSHA refresher	10; 29	12; 21
24-hour MSHA certification	12-14	9-11
OSHA 10 certification	20-21	
Eight-hour HAZWOPER refresher	24	
40-hour HAZWOPER certification		16-19
First Aid/CPR/AED	27	7
Forklift certification	15	5
CDL training	16	13
GPS rover class	29; 30	
50-hour Pre-NCCCO course		23-27
Rigging/Signal Person certification		2-4

Please contact JAC Office Secretary **Keira Nielson** at (801) 664-6934 to sign up.

From all of us in District 12, we would like to wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday season.



Ames' night shift at the Red Leaf Oil Shale Mine.

# **FRESNO** | 4856 North Cedar, Fresno, CA 93726 • (559) 229-4083 District Rep. Dave Mercer

### Months of work available for the forklift-certified

We may be nearing the end of the calendar year, but there is still plenty of work in the district. Local signatory contractor **Emmett's Excavation** has been busy on a \$10.7 million road and bridge project in Tulare. **Emmett's** has also been awarded a \$7 million pipeline project in Fresno. A \$16.1 million project to widen Avenue 416 in Dinuba and a \$3.4 million overlay project in Tulare have been keeping **Papich Construction** and its operators busy. Also in the South Valley is **Agee Construction**, performing the \$8.6 million reconstruction project of 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue near Hwy. 198 in Hanford.

The construction of new solar farms began earlier this summer, and some larger ones are expected to get underway soon. CSW Contractors, Inc., Klondyke Construction and newly signed Preferred Power Solutions and Valley Trenching,

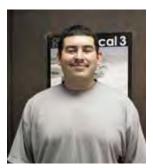
Inc. are a few of the companies performing this work throughout the Valley, and with solar farms comes the need for certified forklift operators! Operators can have months of work through the winter if they possess current forklift certifications.

At the time of this writing, contract negotiations are still going on with **Brake Parts**, **Inc.** of Chowchilla. The negotiation team has had to deal with some challenges, but in the meantime, membership continues to grow. New members of this 300-employee unit have expressed their feelings of enthusiasm in becoming Operating Engineers.

We would like to offer our condolences to the family and friends of **Mike Darnall**, a graduate of the Local 3 Apprenticeship Program and a talented operator, and to the family and friends of **William Ruether**, a 33-year member of Operating Engineers.



Member Kong Xiong works for Brake Parts, Inc.



Member Travis Ramirez works for Brake Parts, Inc.



New member Eric Perez works for Brake Parts, Inc.



Reyes Quinonez works for Emmett's Excavation.

### **SACRAMENTO** | 3920 Lennane Drive, Sac District Rep. Rob Carrion

3920 Lennane Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834 ■ (916) 993-2055 District Rep. Rob Carrion

### Stay safe this winter

This time of year, work slows down. Colder weather is upon us along with shorter days and longer nights. With the times changing, our minds tend to drift to all of the other things occurring in our lives, but we must keep safety and our jobs in focus.

Pay attention during the safety meetings conducted at your jobsite. Don't be afraid to speak up at these meetings or during the workday. If you see something that is unsafe or could become a safety hazard, step up and take corrective action. Don't harass your co-workers about something they did that was or could have been unsafe. Talk to them about it and among the rest of the crew to learn from it and how to prevent it from happening again. Let your co-workers know how much you appreciate them when they are being safe. Do not get complacent. Have a good attitude toward safety by keeping it on your mind and watching out for one another so we can all go home to our loved ones at the end of the day.

But don't just leave safety at the workplace. Take it with you on your drive home, and then share it with your family. Yes, safety can also be used in your home-life to help protect your family and friends.

As for work in District 80, **Kiewit** is still working on the fourth phase of the \$255.17 million Folsom Dam project, which consists of a new spillway chute, stilling basin, upstream approach channel and cutoff walls to direct water to the control structure.

Granite Construction has a \$125.9 million project at Folsom Dam. The company is working on the spillway/control structure, which consists of gates and controls, common rock excavation and rockbolt/shotcrete.

Granite Construction, Suulutaaq and Fisher Industries are working together on the \$95 million Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam project, which consists of mining and processing aggregates along with earthmoving and material-processing for the overlay of the existing dam.

Myers and Sons along with Granite Construction is still moving forward on the \$29.71 million Silva Valley Parkway. Crews are working on a new bridge, culvert, interchange, signalization and roadway improvements.

**Syblon Reid** recently started a flume-replacement job in Fresh Pond for the El Dorado Irrigation District (EID).

If you are on the out-of-work list, please remember to update your registration before it expires. When your registration



Retiree Ben Thompson gets back in the dozer seat for Syblon Reid.

expires, you lose your position on the list.

If you are headed into the mountains this winter, remember to Slow for the Cone Zone and our Caltrans brothers and sisters. They are working long hours to keep the roadways clear and safe for our travels.

A new year is coming, so we should all be looking forward to another good year of work. Happy holidays and happy New Year's from the District 80 staff. We'll see you in 2015.

# **EUREKA** 840 E St., Suite 20, Eureka, CA 95501 • (707) 443-7328 District Rep. Steven Glenn Harris

### Mechanics stay busy in offseason

The rainy season has begun in Humboldt and Del Norte counties.

Safety is the first priority at the Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) Humboldt Bay Power Plant. Even with the rains, the plant must keep working to maintain control over the hazardous material being dealt with there. Our operators are a big part of this project and have contributed a lot to making sure it goes safely according to plan.

Mercer-Fraser wrapped up the gravel harvest toward the end of October and is winding down for the slow season. The company is still finishing the Hwy. 101 paving project, as the rain is a delaying factor. (It usually is this time of year.)

Wahlund will continue to work on the Martin Slough project and the Scotia infrastructure rebuilding but with a small crew during the offseason.

**Steelhead** is still plugging away, but the company will be slowed by the rainy season as well and will pick up again in March

**Peterson** is keeping a few operators busy in the offseason, as many repairs are done while it's slow.

As the weather turns, please Slow for the Cone Zone and remember how slippery those roads can be.

The annual Crab Feed will be a little different this year due to the low numbers of crab forecast for this season. The good news is that District 40 was lucky enough to get Feb. 14, 2015 – Valentine's Day – for our event. It will still be at the Elk's Lodge, though we are still negotiating ticket prices. We appreciate your patience and hope to have more details soon.

Our next District Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 10 at the Best Western Bayshore Inn (3500 Broadway St., Eureka). We hope to see you there. Remember, if you have been in Operating Engineers Local 3 for 25 years or more, you can receive a pin and appear in the *Engineers News* for your service in the union. Call the Hall to check on your years of service, and come by to receive your pin at the District Meeting.

The District 40 staff would like to wish everyone happy holidays and hopes the new year is even better than the last.

# MORGAN HILL | 325 Digital Drive, Morgan Hill, CA 95037 • (408) 465-8260 District Rep. Manuel Pinheiro

### Flood-protection project protects homes, schools

The staff in District 90 would like to wish everyone and their families a merry Christmas and happy new year. As we move into the last month of the year, the work picture is starting to wind down. We have had a good work year in the district, and next year looks just as good.

Proven Management is really busy with the lower Silver Creek flood-protection project for the Santa Clara Valley Water District. The first phase that stretched from Hwy. 680 to Story Road was completed in 2013. Work included widening the creek channel, adding floodwalls and raising the Lyndale pedestrian bridge to accommodate high flows from winter rains. The current phase, along with the completion of future work at Lake Cunningham, will protect homes, schools and businesses from a 1 percent flood event (also known as a 100-year flood) and make the area eligible for removal of the flood-insurance requirement currently imposed by FEMA. The work completion date is estimated as December 2019.

Stanford University still has work, although it has slowed down considerably. **Preston Pipelines** is onsite with four crews performing a number of projects. **McGuire and Hester** has been

Sixteen-year member Jason Maynard works on the lower Silver Creek flood-protection project.

working seven days a week paving. Jos. J. Albanese is performing some grading on campus, as is Don Tucker and Sons.

At the Apple project, work is still booming, with erane companies Bragg, Bigge and Maxim all over the jobsite. Top Grade/Good Fellows is still moving dirt with 627 scrapers. Preston is performing the underground onsite. Granite Construction and Lewis and Tibbits are busy working on the outside city streets.

In north San Jose on First Street, the new Samsung building is coming along with Webcor's two tower cranes and three material hoists hard at work. The San Jose Earthquakes' stadium is almost complete, with Robert Bothman working on the field, Jos. J. Albanese performing the grading and Top Grade handling the paving.

In the Santa Cruz area, work is still going on Hwy. 101, with new center divides being installed. Work is also still going strong at UC Santa Cruz, with **Granite Construction** redoing roads and finishing underground projects. The Red Barn project is getting buttoned up for the winter and should be completed by late spring/early summer. **Papich Construction** has a job at Camp Roberts in Bradley. The company is busy grading and installing bioswales. The San Clemente Dam removal job has wound down for the winter but will be going again in the late spring/early summer.

Snelson has a job on Pacheco Road in San Juan Bautista. The first phase of Bay Cities' Hwy. 152 Mt. Madonna project is almost complete, with just the shotcrete part left. Work should be wrapped up soon. Bay Cities Paving and Grading also finished its Hwy. 101 project in Morgan Hill, with new metering lights and widened on-ramps. Sanco Pipelines will be busy for the next few months fusing waterline for the first phase of the 250 homes being built in Gilroy. DeSilva Gates is also onsite. Granite Construction is paving in Morgan Hill with the support of A1 Sweeping. Ferma Corp is busy performing the demolition at the old IBM building on Great Oaks where Garcia Construction is performing the dirt work.

With winter already here, if you are interested in any journey-level-upgrade classes, please call the Rancho Murieta Training Center (RMTC) at (916) 354-2029.

The District 90 staff would like to thank you for calling in every time you see or hear something that is not right on a jobsite.

If you are not working, please make yourself available on the out-of-work list. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Hall and we will be more than happy to help you in any way. District 90 is now able to take credit-card payments for active dues-paying members, so if you need to pay your quarterly dues, please call and we can take care of it for you over the phone.

# **ROHNERT PARK** | 6225 State Farm Drive, Suite 100, Rohnert Park, CA 94928 • (707) 585-2487 District Rep. Chris Snyder



### On the coast of Fort Bragg

This season has been extremely busy one in District 10. We have even had members working on the coast of Fort Bragg. It has been quite some time since the Georgia Pacific property has been touched. Some parcels of property were acquired by the city of Fort Bragg. The site has been moved in on by Granite Construction and Akeff Construction. According to Lorne Chase, Granite's foreman on the project, this is a great place to work. While operating a blade, Chase has been grading miles of an 8-foot-wide path that will have a 4-foot-wide shoulder. Our Retiree called back into action due to a lack of available hands is Richard Kettwig. He has been performing GPS gradesetting on the sidewalks, curb/gutter, swales and pathways being built. We also have member Marty Carr operating an excavator along with a backhoe as needed. On the support blade, Operator Dino Gibson is staying busy on all sections of the project. We would like to welcome him to our Local 3 family.

Some Santa Rosa kids may join the Local 3 family as well! Retiree George Steffensen and Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) Coordinator Holly Brown recently educated more than 1,000 local kids about the benefits of a career with Operating Engineers during a career fair in Santa Rosa.

Happy holidays from the District 10 staff.

# **NEVADA** I 1290 Corporate Blvd., Reno, NV 89502 • For all branches, call (775) 857-4440 District Rep. Rod Young

### Tesla factory will create 3,000 construction jobs

With the end of the year just around the corner, Local 3 members have been busy all year long in Northern Nevada. Contractors are continuing to work on projects throughout the area, weather permitting.

Nevada received exciting news in September. After a long, suspenseful process, Nevada was chosen as the site for Tesla Motors' \$5 billion gigafactory, where the company will manufacture lithium-ion batteries for its automobiles. With the building of this manufacturing plant, Tesla plans on dropping the cost of the batteries by 50 percent. This project just east of the Reno/Sparks area is expected to create up to 3,000 construction jobs, as well as 6,500 factory jobs once it is fully online in 2017. This has the possibility of generating \$100 billion in economic activity over the next 20 years for the state of Nevada!

We want to remind all of our members who have an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) card that they need to have a refresher every five years and there is no grace period. When you are laid-off, make sure you get back on the out-of-work list and re-register every 84 days.

From Elko

Work in northeastern Nevada has been good this year. Many of the jobs at the mines keep our members working year-round. Ames and Granite have been working at Cortez Mine and expect the work to continue. Degerstrom continues to work at Rossi and Argenta Barrite mines, and this work is expected to continue. We will be negotiating the Nevada Mine Strip Agreement this month and next, so make sure you watch for notices about meetings and call our office for information.

**RHB** will continue working on the Mountain City Highway project as long as the weather doesn't shut work down and on the Hwy. 95 Curry job. **Sterling Crane** is working on the Dunphy Bridge replacement.

Elko Town Hall Meetings: Construction Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month, and this month's **Newmont** 

Meeting has been changed to the fourth Tuesday (Dec. 23) due to the Christmas holiday. If you have any questions or need to contact the Elko agents, please call our office.

Hope everyone has a merry Christmas and happy new year.

The Elko union hall has moved to 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104. If you have any problems finding us, please call the office at (775) 753-8761 and we will give you directions.



Justin Anderson works for Sterling Crane on the Dunphy Bridge replacement.

# **STOCKTON** I 1916 North Broadway, Stockton, CA 95205 • (209) 943-2332 District Rep. Nathan Tucker

### Work of all kinds this year

The Stockton District has had an incredible amount of work the past 12 months, and right now, there are two tower cranes over the city of Stockton, like a massive gateway marking the start of great things to come!

From the vantage point of the tower cranes you can look in any direction and see many of the projects under construction.

As far as highway work goes, I-5, Hwy. 99, Hwy. 4 and Hwy. 12 are under reconstruction. The reconfiguration of overpasses and connector ramps and the modification of surface streets will continue through 2016.



From left: Crane operators Richard Valentine and to Carlos Tovar work on the \$270 million San Joaquin to County Courthouse project in downtown Stockton.

For private work, the construction of subdivisions has spread in the Stockton District. Cities such as Tracy, Mountain House, Lathrop, Lodi, Manteca and Ripon have all begun work on subdivisions this year.

Underground work has been steady due to the resurgence of the housing and commercial markets, along with local projects improving underground facilities.

Paving continued to be abundant and steady this entire year, with many large paving projects stacking up in the Stockton District for next spring. These include the \$40 million I-5 job, with 50 miles of bi-directional paving,



Tower cranes rest over Stockton, marking the start of great things to come.

and the \$20 million Hwy. 99 Super Pave Project, running from Hammer Lane north to the Sacramento County line at the Bear Creek Bridge.

The local rock, sand and gravel plants have felt an increased demand for materials being used for projects in the area.

Gas-pipeline work has been very quiet during the 2014 season, with only a handful of projects this year. But next season is just around the corner, and we are all hopeful that gas-pipeline work will see growth in 2015.

# YUBA CITY | 468 Century Park Drive, Yuba City, CA 95991 • (530) 743-7321 District Rep. Ed Ritchie

### Our volunteers are the best!

This year started slow but turned out to be a great year in District 60. Last year left us wondering if there would be much work bidding in 2014 or if all our members would be traveling to find work, but it didn't end that way. By September 2014, Dispatcher Richard Hobbs was making calls to other districts to find qualified hands. We surpassed 2012's dispatch numbers in October, we put a couple of Retirees to work and three of our classifications hit the 15 percent mark. Each of the last few years, we have had the same or less members on our out-of-work lists. Next year should be a good year if the trends continue. This last quarter in 2014, we are seeing jobs already starting to bid for the 2015 season.

Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) Coordinator **Danny Roles** is doing a great job with our apprentices, and the work this season had every apprentice off the list and earning money while learning, just like last year. Please check with dispatch about journey-level-upgrade training and adding another tool of the trade to your qualifications.

We have been celebrating a great year, including great Pension earnings, lots of hours if you are willing to travel, only 50 journey-level operators on our A-in list this year in August, a great picnic at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom and our yearlong 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. However, along with the good, there is some bad news. We lost some big jobs this year to non-union companies in District 60. Business Agent/Organizer Ron Roman has been doing a great job tracking the non-union companies and making their lives miserable every time they cheat their workers out of money. Union workers support our economy and local communities, buy homes and cars and volunteer at our schools and on sports teams. There is a lot more to being union-proud than earning a respectable wage and benefits. Be union-proud and talk about it. Help organize and help yourself, your community, your schools and the future of this great union and the American middle class.

We are very lucky in District 60 to have some of the best volunteers. Have you ever volunteered for yourself? That's what we do when we get involved to shape our future, like these folks have done in 2014: Debbie Card, Jerry Seiff, Frank Newton, Carla Estes, Patrick Bennett, Eric Colligan, Shane Bennett, David Josephson, Lisa Hunerlach, Damien Geddis, Dallace Josephson, Ed Ritchie Jr., Randy Stage, Dominic O'Grady, Trevor Jones, Chuck Adamson, Willard Lipscomb, David Basye, Will Holly, Jeremy Thomas, Christen Meadows, Garrett Brown, Danielle Johnson, Robert Coleman, Jennifer Dupre, Don Grant, Michael French, Jesse Williams, Daniel Barker and John Powell. (Our apologies to any of our volunteers we may have missed.) It's never too late to add your name to our volunteer list, and there are great prizes involved. Contact our Hall to sign up.

District 60 wishes you and your family all the best this holiday season.



From left: Richard Cray, Debra Card, Business Rep. Jeff Hunerlach, JAC Coordinator Danny Roles, Rohnert Park District Rep. Chris Snyder, Dee Dee Brady and Joe Whipple volunteer during a phone-banking event.

# OAKLAND | 1620 South Loop Road, Alameda, CA 94502 • (510) 748-7446 District Rep. Mike Croll

### Basics, basics, basics

As the new year approaches, we in District 20 want to make sure you get the basics covered before you put your expertise to work. Every professional athlete practices the basics routinely, and as professional Operating Engineers, why should we be any different?

There are several basics that, if not practiced, can hinder you. To begin, if you are out of work, you must register every 84 days on the out-of-work list. Your best bet is to call dispatch every month to re-register. That way there is no chance of you forgetting and falling off the list. If you have 10 unanswered calls for work or three job-refusals while on the out-of-work list, your name will drop to the bottom. You must be a member in good standing, which means your dues and/or application fees must be up-to-date. District 20 now accepts credit/debit-card payments over the phone for dues. Our office opens at 7 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and stays open until 8 p.m. on "late nights." It doesn't get any easier than that! Also, you cannot work without a dispatch. If you are 10-year or five-year

eligible (check with your district office), you can solicit your own work, but you still need to be dispatched. If an employer recalls you to work within six months of your original dispatch, you must call dispatch and tell us you have been recalled. All of these basics and more are covered in your Local 3 Bylaws handbook and in the Job Placement Regulations. If you don't have these handy, ask for a copy of each at your district office. With that in mind, it's important to know your home district. Your home district is where you live. If you live within Alameda or Contra Costa counties, your home district is District 20. If you work in another district and have a question or concern, direct your questions to that district's personnel.

The last and most important basic to practice is safety! It's everyone's responsibility, even at home. Stress safety first with everyone around you, be it on the jobsite or with family and friends, and watch out for one another.

The District 20 staff wishes you all a very merry Christmas and the happiest of new years!

# **FAIRFIELD** 2540 N. Watney Way, Fairfield, CA 94533 • (707) 429-5008 District Rep. Dave Harrison

### Napa facelift would be big news for members

District 04 has been buried in election business. We had 34 endorsed candidates for the November election, with phone banking two nights a week and precinct walks every Saturday.

With the help of Local 3 members, family and friends, we were able to amass more than 700 volunteer hours to help get labor-friendly candidates elected to office. We're often asked why politics are so important to Local 3 and its members. In District 04, we have Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) covering the Fairfield/ Vacaville Train Station project, the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) project on Mare Island, \$300 million worth of improvements at Solano Community College and any Solano County project worth more than \$2.5 million. All of these PLAs were approved From left: Apprentice Janet Roberts and by elected officials and provide our members with jobs. Over the past 10 years, District 04

has been successful in getting our endorsed candidates elected about 85 percent of the time. This translates into an 85 percent success rate when labor issues are brought before these same elected officials. This is why politics are so important. At the end of the day, protecting our working conditions and being able to provide for our families is our No. 1 priority.

On the west side of the district, the gateway to Napa is about to get a new facelift! How many years and how many people have had to witness the old ghost-town of Kaiser Steel sitting and rusting away? This once-thriving industry employed thousands of working people, and since its demise, the area's economy has yet to recover. The Napa Redevelopment Project is gaining momentum, and if this project goes through, it means lots of work for our members and a huge boost in the area's economy. Imagine if this were to happen. The millions of people who flock to Napa Valley every year would be witness to a brand-spanking-new community. This 152-acre site has plans for affordable housing; senior housing; mixed residential apartments; condominiums; community buildings; retail buildings, including a Costco; restaurants; and a school. There are plans for the old dry-docks to be reincarnated into a giant community school and an amphitheater. There will also be parks; trails connecting to Kennedy Park; new roads and improvements

to existing roads; waterfront activities; a small harbor; hotels; and the list goes on. If this development passes, Local 3 members could be employed for many years to come. The infrastructure

required for a project of this size is mindboggling and will need all of our members' support. That's why our union meetings are so important. Get involved and support our efforts in supporting you! We may need you to show up to your city council meetings to convince the city of Napa that this project needs to happen.

As for other work on the west side, Maggiora & Ghilotti is finishing its job on the north side of Hwy. 37. Bay Cities is nearly complete on the Hwy. 37 on-ramp to westbound I-80. ARB continues hydro-testing for Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) in southwest Napa. Chester Bross Construction is finishing the overlay phase of Hwy. 128 from Monticello Dam to

Turtle Rock Resort. Atlas Peak Construction has a water-main installation off Soscal Road in Napa.

On the east side of Solano County, between the subdivision work in Vacaville and the freeway work in Fairfield and Rio Vista, the work picture looks good through the end of the year or until the non-existent rains come. Viking is in full swing, driving piles for the overpasses at the I-80/I-680/Hwy. 12 interchange. RGW is working on Hwy. 12 west of Rio Vista, a project that member John Zilich II says will continue into next year.

Remember to get as much training as possible during the winter months to make yourself more valuable to signatory employers. Call the Rancho Murieta Training Center (RMTC) at (916) 354-2029 to sign up for available classes. Also, we strongly urge all members to call the Hall to verify that their current credentials (Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC), Refinery Safety Overview (RSO), Signal, Rigger, National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO), etc.) are in the computer, especially when a credential is renewed. If we don't have your updated credentials in the system, you may miss out on job opportunities.

Last but not least, please join us for our 10th Annual Pancake Breakfast and Motorcycle Toy Run on Saturday, Dec. 13, starting at 8 a.m. at the Cordelia Fire House (2155 Cordelia Road).



Business Rep. Steve Lewis precinct walk for Assemblyman Jim Frazier.

### Honoring membership service

Business Manager Russ Burns, the officers and Executive Board congratulate the following members with 51 years and more of membership. Local 3 also has 3,435 35-year Honorary Members with gold cards and about 265 members who will

receive a 50-year gold timepiece next year. Our 50-year members will be announced in the July 2015 Engineers News. Operating Engineers Local 3 wishes all of its members and their families happy holidays and a prosperous new year.

### **51 YEARS**

Larry Adams William Adolpho Jim F. Aira **Howard Akamine** Ernest K. Akao Reynold Ako Gary Aksland lan T. Allan Alfred Anderson Hal E. Anderson Cleo Anthony Gary W. Armstrong Victor Baker Duane C. Bakke Ambrose Balcazar Fred A. Barber **Edward Bardelmeier** Jesse Bates Bill Baugh **Bob Baxley** Douglas D. Bender Gary D. Bender Truman Bennett James F. Benson Carmen J. Bernal Victor Berri Joe Bilbrey Donald E. Bloom August Bonfiglio Milorad Boskovic Ken Bottari Danny Bradbury Charles R. Brown Jay T. Brown Ed Broyles Robert L. Bruce Robert Brugger Larry "Bob" Bryant David C. Burns Fred J. Bushnell Marvin Bushnell Arnold Caldeira D.W. Callison **Buddy Campbell** Henry Campbell Odell Campbell Gordon Candee William Card David Cardinalli Gordon T. Carreira Bobby R. Carrell Clarence P. Carrick Renato J. Casetta Sal Chaidez Fred B. Christie John C. Collingwood Norris M. "Cookie" Cook Claude Couture William Coyle Paul L. Crawford Larry K. Crivelli Christopher da Silva George Davis Robert E. De Young Frank DeBenedetto Don Deeds Dario Della Maggiore Anthony J. Dent Jim Dille

Wayne Early Wayne E. Edelman Floyd "Slim" Edwards Jesse S. Enos Jr. Herman F. Eppler Felipe J. Espinoza James H. Eubanks Roger B. Farmer Rafael R. "Raffie" Fass Ted Fellrath George W. Fernandez Leland G. Finch Alfredo Francisco Ambrosio R. Franco Jim Frasier Yutaka Fujimoto LeRoy A. Fuller William E. Galvin Enrique Garcia Robert Gavron **Douglas Gerstner** Jack Leroy Gingrich Norman Ginocchio Carlton R. "Carl" Gomes Oliver "Ollie" Gomes Kenneth J. Goulardt Eddie "Ed" Gourley Jim Grant William A. Green Jack A. Griner James Grubb Raymond L. Guerrero Sr. James C. Haggard Vernon J. Halev Joe R. Halkyard Allan B. Harmer Glendale Harmon Robert "Stubbie" Harper Donald Harrell Robert L. Harrison Stanley Hashimoto **Bud Hayes** Jerry L. Hayes Ed Heilman Charles Heimsoth Harvey Henderson Ramon H. Hernandez Leo W. Herrick Asamitsu Hiromura Ronald Hochgraef Leonard "Slim" Holthouse Richard E. Horn Raymond Horton Jacques L. Hough Al Hylton Don Incardona Ron Jaffray Frank Jardin Peter Jennings Gardell Jensen James L. Jenson John M. Johnson Ted Johnson Kenneth Jolivette Paul R. Jones William Joseph

William Kahiamoe

James L. Kinslow

Jim Klein

Joseph Kaiponohea Kaili Jr.

Henry Ralar Sr.

Jim Ralston

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Bob E. Williams

Lawrence Winter

George P. Williams

Wendell "Wink" Winkelkotter

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Frank Snow

Carroll W. Dunkel

**Donald Sprague** John L. Starks Murray Stevens Stanley Stevenson Harley L. Stow Donald R. Strate Ray Stroud Don Tarr William G. Thorman Wilmer Townsend James R. Urguhart John Welsh Robert A. Wheeler James A. Wilbanks Bob D. Wilkerson Bill W. Wright Earl Yoneoka

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Jack Kubo

Dean Kyte

Robert Lynn

Robert Patrick Lynch

Russell "Buck" McConnell Dennis W. McCosker Lloyd McCusker Richard A. McGill Albert L. "MAC" McKeague John A. McKinney Leland D. Millett Roger E. Millett Tony Minardi Dennis J. Mohr Jerry Moore Raymond R. Moore Edward "Ski" Morawski Dale L. Morlan E. Lani Naauao Robert Nicholson Robert Nilmeyer Frank E. Parker Reinhart J. Peterson Leonard Preader Martines Rego Carl R. Richofsky Harold C. Rideout Jr. Martin Rivera Sr. Julio Robles Felix H. Rodriguez Don Rogers Wayne G. Rose Gil Rothweiler Raymond R. Rover Arimichi Sato Ralph "Tony" Sgambati Lloyd H. Short David John Silveira Richard T. Siri Joseph M. Spiteri Robert Stoddard Edwin Suganuma Richard Swanson Lloyd A. Thill Lee E. Thompson Peter M. Thornton Bill D. Tims **Bert Tipton** Sidney L. Usry Daniel Waegele Eugene H. Wagner William Waltz Hugh Webb David E. Williams Richard C. Wing Clarence E. Winter David Woodard W.A. Woods

Manuel E. Machado Sr.

# Albert Zayas

Kenneth P. Wright

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Marvin Charley

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Myron Weber

Ulus Whiffen

Ray Whittle

Russ Wilson

Paul B. Wise

Aubrey J. White

Harold H. White

Joe Woodard Bob L. Wright

**56 YEARS** Gordon Akuna John B. Amuchastegui Fred W. Anderson F.B. Archer Jr. Martin K. Archuleta Jr. S. Atkinson Russell Babcock William Bachman John L. Barnard Leon Barnett Martin Baston Jim Bean Elwood Beckman Norman G. Blair Richard Boune Bob Bowden Jerry Brazil Francis Bristow Boyd L. Brown Curtis Brown Ron M. Bryan Paul Bunten Lynn Checketts Don Colburn Anthony Costa Charlie W. Crane James Dale Donald M. Davis Nick Demianew Edd Dempsey Edward Derby William J. Derrick Frank J. Dipuma Arthur Dockter Frank Dorr Virgle Dryden Carl R. Edmondson Marvin Edwards Samuel Eidson James W. Every Victor Eyheralde Joe Frank Herman Gaither Paul Garcia Stephen Gilbert Frank F. Gomes Alton J. Gordon Frank H. Goulette David E. Gray Eugene Hall Kenneth G. Hamnes Robert Harvey Weslev Hav Duane Hope Felix Iturraran Milton Jackson Harry Johnson Jack L. Jones John S. Kerr Louis Kinas Allan L. Kotrc Edward R. Kozacek David Kuykendall Mederic Lachapelle James Lafond Gary Lanterman Elmer E. Lathrop Harris Lawler John C. Lesher Cecil E. Lewelling Antonio Luevanocastil Wayne Marvin Richard McDougald F. Layne McNally Jr. Glendon Mills Charles M. Moller

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**57 YEARS** Robert L. Baker Ray C. Basquez Andrew J. Belli Rudy E. Benno Emilio Betancourt Ken Bettis Jack Bickerdike Tom Bills Raymond Bisaillon Robert M. Blair Ralph Blenn Charles Boarts **Bobby Boggs** Bob D. Branaugh **Bob Brannan** John L. Brotherton Merlin Buck William Burton George Bushton Norman Cabassi Donald L. Campbell Marvin Capps Lee R. Ceccotti Odell V. Christensen Mike Clarkin Jimmy Clary Iver "Ike" Clausen James Cole Rav Crum **Everett Crutchfield Eugene Davis** Bert Dayton **Denton Denny** J. Michael Devine Vernon F. Dias

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**58 YEARS** Frank Aguilar Donald L. Allen Finis F. Allen Frank Alvarez Melvin L. Anderson Ralph Andrade Norm Ash William Avila William Avist Nick Banducea Jr. Richard H. Banes David Bardelmeier William Bosworth Dave M. Bristow Glenn E. Buckner Bradley K. Burghardt Alban E. Byer William G. Byers Douglas W. Carter Raymond R. Chattman Charles Franklin Cross Al Crumb Leo A. Cummins Wallace F. Davidson James P. Davis Patrick Day David Deboer Stacey P. Delong Daniel E. Delsanti Geno Dericco Ken H. Dillinger Richard Kevin Donohoe James "Corky" Donovan Glen E. Duncan Melvin J. Elliott Jim Eychner Tom Eychner Bill R. Fakes Robert E. Ferguson Don Firanzi Albert "Al" Fowler Robert L. "Buck" Frank Kenneth D. French Henry Friese Jerry L. Galvin Doyle B. Graybill Douglas Green James "J.R. Barney" Gruber Herb Haskins Kenneth Hathaway Kenneth Henley Robert John Henson Robert "Bob" Herring Rod Hocking Ed Hunt Earl L. Hutchinson Warren Jennings

Bob Jimenez

Billy D. Karnes

Carl Keller Jr.

Joe Klein Earl J. "Chuck" Kohler Robert H. Lang Donald Larson Cleatus "Cleat" Ledbetter Charles Dillion Lee Dave Leonard Vern Leonard Bruce Leutholtz James Ray Lewis Don Liggett Richard C. Linhares Alpha G. Love William W. Lyness Buck J. Madruga James A. Mallonee **Bob Mayfield** Robert E. McCov James E. McGee Lester McKindley Jerry L. Menefee Edward G. Mestek Pete Montoya Laroy "Buddy" Morris Myrl L. Moxley Herbert Myers Laverne "Vern" Nolan Jr. Duane W. Nye Robert L. Olofson Loren Oswald Joe A. Pacheco Nicholas A. Paras Donald M. Parker Ivan Norris Pearson Vernon P. Pendleton Ted Perry Richard E. Peterson Ralph Phillips Hartley A. Postlethwaite IV Clyde K. Rasmussen Vern Rau Raymond Raumer Charles E. Reagan William V. Rickman Loren A. Ross Vincent B. Russo Herb Sawyer Hastings Lee Schmidt Marvin Seal Bob L. Smith John E. Smith Richard Smith William C. Spears Wally F. St. Clair Jim Sullivan Douglas Sutterfield Fred Sweet Chuck Taylor Jerry R. Taylor Clifford A. Teem Orval E. Thompson John A. Toney Charles Ussery Melvin E. Vandagriff James Veerkamp Pete Visalli Terry Waddell Kenneth "Duffy" Walther Charles Ward Eugene Wayman T.J. "Tommy" Weatherford John David Winchell Thomas Zaro William L. Zundel

### 59 YEARS

Robert Aquiar Joe Aidnik William H. Akins Andy Anderson

G.A. Benzonelli Harry Binder Robert Bleazard Clyde Bonner Raymond Bruno Robert Cavallero-Aiaipixeh Frank R. Chilcott James B. Christensen David L. Cook John O. Cook William W. Cook L.H. Cope Leonard R. Cuillard **Kayle Cummings** Tony Debenedetto Louie De Martin III George A. Dias Gilbert Duran Robert Ellington Daniel Ellis Douglas Ence Ron Farrell Warren J. Fenner Ken Fetch Walter R. Finnas Richard L. "Grizz" Flanders Clarence Richard Flick Wes Frey George Garrett Len J. Genetin Albert George Thomas Glage Ronald W. Glantz Dana Gollenbusch Tony Gomes Paul Greney Calvin Harris Lawrence Harrison Thomas A. Hester W.D. Hokanson Jim "Doc" Holliday Alfred E. Huntington James E. Johnson Curtis R. Jones Harry Kunz Ira O. Lawson Jim Lehman Luciano Malfitano Edward Mamola William E. Martin Richard Martinez **Hugh Matthews** Robert McNair Frank McNelis Theodore A. Mertz Ervin R. Millard Robert Moebus Frank Morales Gary Morthole Hank Munroe Harold Nelson William Revoe Parker Sr. Alberto Paulazzo Leonard E. Penrod Arthur O. Peterson Karl Poss Merle Powell Rolla J. Powell **Bob Powers** Lynn T. Reese Jeff Ringer Don S. Robertson Stanley Rose Jack Santos Vern Seim Ron Sindorf

Sam J. Sorce

Lawrence A. Sousa

Carl C. Stebbins

Fred J. Bennett

Walter Strate Al Swan Jack Taddei Jerry Terry Leonard M. Turner Joe H. Vera James P. Villa Lavern "Buzz" Wagner Marland J. Wilson John T. Wood Leon C. Zach

### **60 YEARS**

Nicola Ackel James Alexander Warren G. Amrine Verlyn M. Andersen Melvin Armstrong Ed Barrington Douglas Bratton Alvin Cardoza William L. Cissney Erwin E. Cripps Charles Crohare Dewie Dabbs Buddy A. Dory Rodger Eliason Alvin R. Foster Charles W. Fox Joseph Freitas Thomas Garahana George J. Giovannoni Ray Gonzales Jack W. Hartley Sheldon Homer Arnold Macklin Albert Mata Larry McDonald Carlos Murillo Keith Nelson Claude Odom Caesar Palestini Lewis Peterson Dwaine Pierzina Stanford W. Salonius Charles J. Schafer Ray Scott Laverne Smith Harold N. Steagall Johnny Suazo Lind Swanger William A. Sylvia Gordon Taylor Claude Thomas Charles Tomlinson Carl O. Torgersen D.L. Tucker Richard Wise

### **61 YEARS**

Robert Bloch Bill J. Bly Patrick Carlin George Carlson J.E. Colopy Jack Colvin Chaunce K. Crittenden John Davies **Darrell Davis** Reuben Dockter Johnny Evans Joe Fanfa Thomas Findlay Stan W. Fredricks Herb Hachman Jr. V.P. Harris Hallvard Haugnes Armand Herrera Robert Huebner Arden F. Johnson

Buz Sanders

Jack Short

Jim Sinnott

Jim C. Snow

Robert Sandow

Vernon A. Smith

Robert David Jones James Kolesar Thomas Koop Paul C. Long James E. Melton Jordan Morse Karl Nelson Richard Nunez Alfred R. Radtke Carl Rasmussen Frank Relyea Sammy J. Reynoso Michael Robertson Frank Shephard Darwin Smith Robert W. Smith Stan Soito Leroy E. Stanton Clifford Trott **Daniel Trover** Robert Vandepol Clifford Vincent Marv J. White

### **62 YEARS**

Neal E. Andrade Earl C. Barker John P. Bramlage Bill Bridges M. Gene Bruner Claude E. Clark Glen E. Daly Clarke Eikenbary Clinton Erickson Lloyd Farwell Manuel R. Francis Ray Frederickson Marvin J. Grana Richard R. Hallett T. Hawkins Jimmie C. Hilton Russell H. Hutchinson **Edward Jones** Arthur Junqueiro Dick Lake Harold K. Lewis Blanko M. Markovich Lawrence Marsili Jack R. Mauser Robert McDonald John R. McFadden Earl H. Moore Norman L. Mueller Patrick Peters Jimmie W. Posey Kenneth M. Pruett Jim Reeves Natale Repetto Ray Robbins Edward J. Roberts William N. Rogers John M. Schwartz Howard P. Thomas George M. Vandenberg Paul Vansteenberg James H. Wallace Robert Warman Billy Williams Donald E. Wycoff

### **63 YEARS**

Alfred Alviso Les Arnett Billy J. Austin **Everett Beckwith** Raymond Bond Tom Butterfield Randall Chrisholm Don T. Christensen George O. Clough Manuel Contreras **Donald Cooper** Eddie Cox Don Cushman

M.L. Darrough Byron Deleeuw Fred Freitas Frank A. Genoni Herbert Hooper Frank Knuedler Henry Little Floyd McLemore Jr. Leslie Mears Mike Mecca Donald A. Medford Robert L. Miller **Donald Mitchell** Attilio Molinari Roy Moore Derl Olsen Clyde W. Pitts Clement Sala Gene H. Scott John Small James M. Smallin Jay C. Sulser Robert P. Theron George Varozza Jessy Vincent

### **64 YEARS**

Ernest Bean Arnold Boehm William Daugherty Don E. Davis John Dorton **Boyd Dresser** Eric Glasgow L.W. Haymond M.D. Jeffries Donald Lebon Charles Luke Isaac Manley Junior McKinney Keith Milliron Raymond Monteverdi Roy D. Moore Sudduth Moore Charles Page Kenneth Palmer Salvato Papetti Henry Petersen Jr. Richard Rego William C. Squibb Layton Stephens Eugene Vierra Floyd Webb Oliver Wilson

### 65 YEARS

Ronald D. Buchholz Charles H. Carlton Richard L. Davidson Romeo Grasseschi Rex W. Matthews James J. McNickle **Eugene Peters** Raymond Piombo Jack Powell James H. Reynolds Rex Roggasch Jack Simmons Fred Spaulding **Edward Swan** John Tabacco Clay Thompson **Ernest Walker** Kenneth Williams

**66 YEARS** Herbert Bailey Dale Barney **Thomas Carter** William S. Conner Henry Gwynn John Huiting Harold Lane Henry Matoza Jr.

Keith D. Mayne Robert S. Miller Alvin B. Petrie Pat F. Rice Cy Shephard Robert Skidgel Rodolph Walters Jr. Wayne E. Williams

### **67 YEARS**

William Adams Joseph Athenour Pat Campbell Charles Casarotti **Bert Charley** Vincent Delaney Wayne Desnoyer M.J. Dunham Albert Erickson Keith L. Hardy T.L. Huff Eugene Keeley Peter B. Madrid Walter Proebstel Jack Silva Richard Snow Carl Straub

### **68 YEARS**

Norris Casey Arthur Cereda William Derby Logan C. Elston Frank Ferguson Ben E. Hutcheson Martin Lovrin Gilbert Machado Russ W. Phillips Robert Shields Albert N. Walker

### 69 YEARS

B.J. Elston John Goulart Robert Nichols Lonnie Pike Harold Puckeylow **Donald Streitz** 

### **70 YEARS**

Freeman Haas Adam C. Holt

### **71 YEARS**

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All meetings convene at 7 p.m.

### **DECEMBER 2014**

9<sup>th</sup> District 17: Kailua Kailua High School 451 Ulumanu Drive

### **JANUARY 2015**

No meetings scheduled.

### FEBRUARY 2015

No meetings scheduled.

### TOWN HALL MEETINGS

### December 2014

8th District 17: Kauai Meeting: 6 p.m. Kauai Beach Resort 4331 Kauai Beach Drive, Lihue

10<sup>th</sup> District 11: Elko Construction Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

10<sup>th</sup> District 17: Kona Meeting: 6 p.m. Courtyard Marriott King Kamehameha Hotel 75-5660 Palani Road

11th District 17: Hilo Meeting: 6 p.m.Hilo Hawaiian Hotel 71 Banyan Drive

12th District 17: Maui Meeting: 7 p.m. Maui Arts and Cultural Center One Cameron Way, Kahului

23<sup>rd</sup> District 11: Elko Mine Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

### January 2015

14<sup>th</sup> District 11: Elko Construction Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

28th District 11: Elko Mine Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

### February 2015

11th District 11: Elko Construction Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

25th District 11: Elko Mine Meeting: 6 p.m. Silver Crest Business Center 555 W. Silver St., Ste. 104

### Important registration reminder

Please remember to renew your registration on the out-of-work list before it expires! Registration for individuals with A-hire or B-hire status is good for only 84 days. After the 84th day, your registration expires, and you

will lose your place on the out-of-work list, if you don't renew it. We will do everything we can to notify you in advance, but it is your responsibility to contact the district office to renew your registration prior to the 84<sup>th</sup> day.

### **Honorary Membership for Retirees**

Retirees with 35 or more years of service in Local 3 are eligible for Honorary Membership. Eligible Retirees will receive their Gold Membership Card and a reduction in dues. To find out if you are eligible or to apply for Honorary Membership, please contact your district office or the Recording-Corresponding Secretary (RCS) office at (510) 748-7400.

This month's Honorary Members can be found below.

### **Honorary Membership**

The following Retirees have 35 or more years of membership in Local 3 as of October 2014 and have been determined eligible for Honorary Membership effective Jan. 1, 2015.

Dennis Bachman	1584272
District 80: Sacramento	
Ronald Baker	1339372
District 01: Burlingame	
Wayne Bashaw	0879690
District 60: Yuba City	
Blaine Bliss	1725509
District 12: Utah	
Leland Brown	1820581
District 80: Sacramento	
Angelo Cellini	1820587
District 04: Fairfield	
Terry R. Chiccino	1598050
District 90: Morgan Hill	
Steve Crawford	1829236
District 30: Stockton	
Spencer K. Crittenden	1825980
District 12: Utah	
Albert W. Crum	1793820
District 80: Sacramento	
Stanley A. Ford	1262986
District 70: Redding	
Victor L. Ginochio	1519705
District 30: Stockton	
David R. Giordano	1270842
District 90: Morgan Hill	100/01/
James W. Hamon	1826316
District 80: Sacramento	
Evangeline Hodges	1774984
District 60: Yuba City	15/01/1
Donald N. Holee	1760441
District 01: Burlingame	1202502
William B. Jenkins	1203583
District 30: Stockton	0022707
Peter Jennings	0932786
District 01: Burlingame	1155570
Leon Jones District 04: Fairfield	1133370
Lawrence K. Kamakele	1391944
District 17: Hawaii	1391944
Larry Kissinger	1786472
District 80: Sacramento	1760472
David A. Lucero	1651981
District 60: Yuba City	1031701
Roger L. Lumibao	2062718
District 20: Oakland	2002710
Luis Maldonado	1774461
District 20: Oakland	1114401
Glenn Martin	1440261
District 17: Hawaii	1110201
Daniel R. Musch	1774822
District 30: Stockton	1111022
District 60. Districti	

James S. Nielsen	1661619
District 12: Utah	
David Nierhake	1196510
District 10: Rohnert Park	
Robert Nilmeyer	1055026
District 90: Morgan Hill	
Joey A. Rodriguez	1786680
District 30: Stockton	
Gary Sanders	1715156
District 30: Stockton	
Darell Wayne Steele	1467145
District 80: Sacramento	

### District office business hours

In California, Utah and Nevada, "late night" will be as follows:

- November-March: Late night will be the fourth Wednesday of the month.
- April-October: Late night will be the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

Office hours:

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Designated late nights: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

In Hawaii, please call the Hall to confirm available late nights.

Office hours:

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Designated late nights: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### Important notice about Medicare

Members and spouses covered under the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Trust Fund and eligible for Medicare benefits who fail to enroll in both parts A and B of the Medicare program will have to pay more for their health costs. Therefore, it is strongly advised that these members enroll in BOTH PARTS.

### Service pins

In honor and remembrance of years of service in Local 3, service pins are available to members with 25 or more years of membership. These pins come in five-year increments from 25 through 75 years of service. Please contact your district office to receive your pins.

A gallery of some pin recipients can be found online at www.oe3.org.

# Give the gift of EDUCATION

Providing financial help to college students may be the best gift you can give them, as an education will benefit them well into their future. It may benefit you too! A year-end charitable donation may provide you a tax break.

For more information, call Rec. Corres. Secretary Jim Sullivan at (510) 748-7400 or visit our website. You should also consult your financial advisor for tax advice.

Donate quickly and easily at www.oe3.org.



### 2015 Political Action Committee Election

Rec. Corres. Secretary Jim Sullivan has announced that in accordance with Article X, Section 9 of the Local Union Bylaws, the election of Political Action Committees (PACs) will take place at the first District Meeting of 2015 in each respective district. No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected or hold the position of PAC Member:

- Unless he or she is a Member in the Parent Local Union for the two (2) years preceding nomination and not suspended for nonpayment of dues during those two years and a registered voter (with proof of current voter registration) in the District where he or she is seeking nomination;
- Unless he or she was continuously a Member of the Parent Local Union for not less than two (2) years next preceding his or her nomination;
- 3. If he or she is retired, is an Officer of, or is on the payroll of the Local Union or a related entity;
- 4. If he or she is an Owner-Operator or a Contractor;
- 5. No Member shall be nominated unless he or she is present at the meeting, or unless he or she has filed prior to the meeting with the Recording-Corresponding Secretary or District Meeting Secretary on the day of the meeting before the meeting commences, a statement in writing, signed by him or her, to the effect that he or she is eligible to be a PAC Member and will accept the nomination if nominated.

Please see next month's edition for the schedule of meetings at which these elections will be held.

### Proof of voter registration for Political Action Committee nominees

Proof of voter registration may be obtained by going to your county Registrar of Voters' or county clerk's office. The cost for a certificate varies by county but is usually nominal (\$1) or free. All Political Action Committee (PAC) nominees: Please bring a copy of proof that you are registered to vote to the District Meeting at which nominations take place. Any member seeking nomination who does not bring proof of registration to the meeting will be required to fill out a new voter-registration form at the meeting before nominations begin. (You will need your driver's license when filling out a new voter-registration form.)



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Recording-Corresponding Secretary James K. Sullivan

Dear brothers and sisters:

As you all know, our local union is large and encompasses four large states. All official union business, including the nomination and election for union-wide offices, Bylaws, elections and Political Action Committee (PAC) delegates, will be conducted at locations close to the main district office in your specific home area.

As a result of the large geographic jurisdiction of Local 3, the business manager can, at his discretion, establish subcommittees. Business Manager Russ Burns has currently authorized four subcommittees to be located in Elko, Nevada; and Hilo, Kauai and Maui, Hawaii. These subcommittees will have their own PAC to deal with local concerns. Please note: The payment of dues for subcommittee PAC members will be at the discretion of the business manager.

If you are interested in becoming a PAC member, the business manager strongly encourages you to attend your first-quarter District or Town Hall Meeting (see next month's edition for meeting dates and locations), so that you may be nominated and then elected.

Fraternally yours,

Jim Sullivan

Recording-Corresponding Secretary

### DEPARTED MEMBERS

Bihl, Don Newark, CA District 20 08-27-14

Boynton, Steven Marysville, CA District 60 09-12-14

Brandon, Lester Millbrae, CA District 01 09-12-14

Byers, William Oakland, CA District 20 09-16-14

Crinklaw, Ian Anderson, CA District 70 09-19-14

Darnall, Mike Fresno, CA District 50 09-20-14

Dimarzio, Dino Brookings, OR District 99 09-23-14 Gwynn, Henry Salt Lake City, UT District 12 09-08-14

Hanohano, Charles Jr. Honolulu, HI District 17

Hartley, Jack Oakdale, CA District 30 09-22-14

09-25-14

Hasebe, Charles Kailua, HI District 17 09-09-14

Keck, William Auburn, CA District 80 10-02-14

Kyte, Dean Hayward, CA District 20 09-22-14 Lankford, Donald

Lankford, Donald Milpitas, CA District 90 09-04-14 Laviolette, Charles Gridley, CA District 60 09-06-14

Little, Donald Twin Bridges, CA District 80 09-28-14

Martin, George Honolulu, HI District 17 09-21-14

Match, Burt Salt Lake City, UT District 12 09-14-14

Nielsen, Edward Pleasant Grove, UT District 12 09-20-14

Paganini, Robert Petaluma, CA District 10 08-31-14

Pauole, William Kailua, HI District 17 09-03-14 Polastri, Joseph Antioch, CA District 20 09-07-14

Rose, Mike Salt Lake City, UT District 12 09-05-14

Ross, Zane Helena, MT District 99 07-30-14

Ruether, William Mariposa, CA District 50 09-14-14

Shields, Arnold Delta, UT District 12 09-18-14

Silva, Jack Dayton, NV District 11 09-10-14

Steele, Dorman Pine Grove, CA District 30 09-19-14 Tavares, Clarence Kihei, HI District 17 09-23-14

Wahler, Thomas Kingman, AZ District 99 09-02-14

Williams, David Tuolumne, CA District 30 09-22-14

# **DECEASED DEPENDENTS**

Ancheta, Pedro. Husband of Ancheta, Joanne 09-06-14 Ashley, Joanna.

Wife of Ashley, Ronald (dec) 09-19-14

Barney, Nadine. Wife of Barney, Don 09-09-14 Cavana, Jane.

Cavana, Jane. Wife of Cavana, Cloyd 10-01-14 Cross, Carole. Wife of Cross, James (dec) 07-15-14

Estocondo, Connie. Wife of Estocondo, Pablo (dec) 09-19-14

Gray, Wilma. Wife of Gray, Floyd (dec) 08-19-14

Halnais, Mercedes. Wife of Halnais, Amando (dec) 09-07-14

Horton, Sandra. Wife of Horton, Dale 09-22-14

Jackson, Emma. Wife of Jackson, Lawton (dec) 08-30-14

Kanoho, Cynthia. Wife of Kanoho, Ronald 09-16-14

Lima, Harriet. Wife of Lima, Sterling (dec) 09-04-14 Miyazaki, Joyce. Wife of Miyazaki, Larry (dec) 09-16-14

Moore, Dawyla. Wife of Moore, Robert (dec) 04-28-14

Nason, Charlotte. Wife of Nason, Gary (dec) 09-18-14

Rich, Evelyn. Wife of Rich, Mervin (dec) 09-11-14

Smith, Lois. Wife of Smith, Ken (dec) 08-30-14

Thomsen, Gloria. Wife of Thomsen, Peter 09-14-14

Walker, Judith. Ex-wife of Walker, Mike (dec) 09-13-14

Williams, Kathryn. Wife of Williams, John (dec) 07-26-14

# OE3 Trust Funds Health. Security. Service.

## Season's greetings!

As we come to the end of another year, it's a good time to consider how we can close out 2014 in a healthy and informed way and get a head start on 2015. That brings to mind some unique programs offered to our participants and their family members - Watchdog and Health Dynamics' Preventive Care and Unify programs.

### Watchdog - know what you need to know!

Watchdog was recently introduced to our Plan participants as a one-of-a-kind service that may help make your health-care decisions easier, while saving you money. The best thing? It is available to OE3 Trust Fund members at no extra cost!

The Trust Funds have partnered with Anthem Blue Cross to create Watchdog to help you locate the best doctors and facilities in your area and track the precise costs they charge. Watchdog representatives will provide you with the quality measures and costs of more than 400 different medical and surgical procedures. They will also help determine your basic benefits and estimate any of your out-of-pocket costs, and you'll have all of this important information before you decide which steps to take next.

For more information, active members can call the Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Trust Fund at (855) 279-2128 and Retirees (non-Medicare only) can call the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Trust Fund at (855) 229-7822. Find out more today!

### Preventive Care and Unify programs - be proactive! It's worth up to \$500!

Dynamics offers participants and their spouses two ways to be proactive in assessing their overall health, and they can each earn a \$250 medical-expense card!

The Preventive Care Program consists of a thorough prevention-based health exam for men and women that is covered

at 100 percent. The exam includes a physical, fitness and blood tests, urinalysis, EKG, blood-pressure check, cancer-screenings and more!

After the exam, you will receive personal consultation with the physician to review your results and get any of your health questions answered. Once the consultation is complete, you and your spouse will each receive a \$250 medical-expense card in the mail from the Associated Third Party Administrators (ATPA). Visit www.HealthDynamics.com for more information or call (414) 443-0200, ext. 1.

The Unify Program starts when you call Health Dynamics at (866) 443-0164, ext. 1 and request a Preventive Care Program packet. Once you supply a representative with some basic health-plan information about you and your spouse over the phone, you will receive a health-riskassessment questionnaire in the mail, which will include a section for your doctor to complete once he or she has examined you.

Make an appointment for an annual preventive-care exam with doctor and take the packet, including the questionnaire with your portion completed and signed, to the exam. Ask your doctor to complete the necessary information in his or her section and mail it to Health Dynamics in the enclosed, stamped envelope.

Health Dynamics representatives will enter your information into their secure database, send you a personal health report via mail and help you set up an appointment for a phone consultation with one of their expert health coaches. During that confidential consultation, you will review your results and have the opportunity to ask questions and receive guidance on any health changes you may want to make.

Shortly after the phone consultation, you and your spouse will each receive a \$250 medical-expense card in the mail from ATPA.

Questions about either program? Call Health Dynamics at (414) 443-0200, ext. 1.

### Do you know your numbers?

Cholesterol, blood pressure, blood sugar and Body Mass Index (BMI) are some of the key indicators of your risk for serious illness. If you know these numbers, you can make changes to improve your health and reduce your risk of developing heart disease, diabetes and other serious illnesses.

### Total cholesterol – goal is <200

The normal range for total cholesterol is 200 or less. You also need to know your "good" HDL cholesterol and "bad" LDL cholesterol. The optimal range for HDL cholesterol is more than 60, and LDL cholesterol should be less than 100.

### Blood pressure – goal is 120/80 or less

High blood pressure (hypertension) increases your risk of heart attack, stroke and kidney disease. It can also damage your brain, eyes and arteries. Anyone can have high blood pressure, and many people do not have symptoms, so it's important to check with your doctor and know your numbers.

### Blood sugar (glucose) – goal is <130

Glucose is sugar stored in your blood as your body's main source of energy. The average blood sugar range is between 80 and 120. If your blood sugar is too high or too low, you may have diabetes. Left untreated, diabetes can lead to heart disease, kidney disease and other complications.

### BMI – goal is <25

BMI measures your weight in relation to your height. A BMI over 25 means you are overweight, and a number over 30 indicates obesity. Extra weight can lead to high cholesterol, heart disease, diabetes and other serious illnesses.

Know your numbers, and spend some time with your primary doctor discussing them. If you need to take action, you and your doctor can come up with a plan to get your numbers where they need to be!

Swap Shop ads are offered items and/or real estate. Please notify the office if your item has been sold.
Business-related offerings are not eligible for inclusion in Swap Shop. Engineers News reserves the right to edit ads. Ads received by the 1st of the month will run the following month Limit two

To place an ad, type or print legibly and mail to:

Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 Sacramento, CA 95834 ATTN: Swap Shop\*

(916) 993-2047, ext. 2506

Or fax ads to: Swap Shop (916) 419-3487

Or e-mail to: jjohnston@oe3.org

\*All ads must include Member Registration

FOR SALE: 1988 Chevrolet 2500 4X4 pickup. Automatic overhauled motor. New battery and alternator. \$2,900 or offer. (775) 677-1936. Reno, Nev. Reg# 0889055.

FOR SALE: Experimental Wheeler Express w/c tail and V8 Call Chuck at (208) 936-4016 or (208) 957-3906. Reg# 1203625.

FOR SALE: Winchester 12 12-gauge shotgun. Pre-64 model 12 Trap gun. Barrel length 30" and full choke. Deluxe walnut stock. \$1,495. 725-8303. (916)2161164.

FOR SALE: Saltwater Rod and Reel Fenwick 6-1/2' 20-50 pound Penn Senator 4/0 Special. Used once. \$89. Ladies 14K yellow-gold diamond-cluster ring set with 28 round brilliant cut diamonds totaling 3.25 carats. SI1-Vs2-H color. Have appraisal certificate. Appraisal value is \$5,900; \$2,500. asking (916)725-8303. Reg# 2161164.

FOR SALE: Two older houses and a small commercial lot in downtown Fresno, Calif. \$160,000. (559) 292-2641. Reg# 1312793.

FOR SALE: D4 (2T) Cat dozer with wench. Needs pony-motor work. Excellent condition. \$5,800. 1959 MM rubber-tire tractor with motor model Big-Mo 400. \$1,450. LeTourneau cable scraper D (carry-all) 4-yard. Needs TLC. \$1,450. Ingersoll ram 5-horse compressor. Bought new. Been stored. \$850. Airplane ladder hydraulic raise. Jacks up to 10 foot standing height. \$350. (775) 225-5478. Reg# 1768974

WANTED: 1968-72 Ford F-250 under-bed-in-frame fuel tank. skid shield, and hardware. Bought a 1970 F-250, and this truck came with only the in-eab tank: want to install the under-bed-in-frame tank. F-100 or F-350 tanks may fit. If you have one for sale or know where to locate one. please let me know. (925) 899-2161. Reg# 2233664.

WANTED: 50th anniversary belt buckle. Missed getting the 50th, but did get the 75th. Call Earl at (520) 366-0263 or (520) 266-5149. Reg# 2332660.

FOR SALE: New 34" Proto chrome socket sets in box (std. and met.). \$550 each. Proto wrenches: 1-5/16 through 2-1/2". New. \$1,000. BS500 used wacker jumping jack (runs good). \$800. Make deal for all at \$2,600 Call Dave at (707) 429-0503. Reg# 1804382.

FOR SALE: Two electric leather Laramie bucket seats for Ford Super Duty. In good condition. \$500 for both. In Lake County. (707) 533-3354. Reg# 1117569.

FOR SALE: Winchester Mod 1894, Hex Barrel 26", 30-30 Win., serial# 215514(1900), no saddle ring, gun is in great shape, not reconditioned. Make offer. Also: 2003 Harley Davidson Heritage, gear drive installed, gun metal blue. 27,000 miles, many extras. Look at Craigslist for photos. \$12,500. (707) 720-7700 or hendoo00769@aol.com. Reg# 1914388.

FOR SALE: 06-F250 Diesel, Lariat Ford extended warranty until August 2015. 48,000 miles, Super Cab 4X4, automatic, buckets, 10,000 pound package, tool box fuel tank, air bags. Comes with 2000 Komfort 25' fiberélass 5th wheel trailer solar, updated converter, two inverters, TV, E-rated tires, new refrigerator 8 cu/ft. One owner, golf-cart batteries, extras. Both for \$28,000 firm. Call BJ at (916) 786-5012. Reg# 1477896.

FOR SALE: Crypt at Chapel of the Chimes, Hayward, Calif. Valued at \$7,000. Will take best offer. (530) 241-6427. Reg# 1179355.

FOR SALE: 1999 Fleetwood Flair 35' motor home. Very clean and well taken care of. North Bay Area. \$24,000. Call Jim at (707) 824-8814. Reg# 2004077.

FOR SALE: Two 1" air impact guns 1-HT short shaft: \$900. Set 1" impact/chrome sockets to 4": \$1,500. 3/4" air impact gun: \$300, 3/4" impact/ chrome sockets to 3": \$500. 34" Snap-On torque wrench

600 pound: \$400. Set end wrench 1" to 2": \$400. Set micrometers: \$500. Much more. (209) 329-5625. Reg# 1514866.

FOR SALE: More tools! Set stone hones: \$300. Heal/pry bars: \$300. Assorted lifting/ rigging chains HT: \$800. Assorted pullers: \$400. Three 20-ton hydraulic jacks one low profile: \$500. 12/20 pound hammers: \$100. Assorted Cat tooling engine and tractor: \$500. Assorted adjustable wrenches to 24": \$300. Assorted pipe wrenches to 24": \$300. Hydraulic/trans. test equipment. Will separate. Much more. (209) 329-5625. Reg# 1514866.

FOR SALE: Bass boat, 90 horse Evinrude motor, two raised seats, push buttons at all three seats to raise and lower motor. Has about 34 hours on it. Two fish finders, nearly new vented cover. Yuba City. \$6,500. Also: 2005 27-foot RV trailer with slide-out. Clean. Books for \$16,900; selling for \$13,500. (530) 671-4485, (530) 701-2842 or (208) 520-2515. Reg# 0336937.

FOR SALE: 8" top-notch used Red Wing work boots. Model 2412, size 10.5 E. Haven't worn for five years. Very good condition. Features steel toe, plate in sole (punctures), GoreTex waterproof, Thinsulate for cold, non-slip electric hazard Vibram sole, padded tongue/calf. Well cared for (cleaned-oiled). Paid more than \$300 new. Will e-mail photos. Clean/ fresh. \$125. (925) 899-2161. Reg# 2233664.

FOR SALE: 1962 Dodge Powerwagon 4X4. V8 318 engine. Just over 100,000 miles. \$6,800. Call or text 204-8405. (916)Reg# 1166732.

FOR TRADE: For Northern California. 20+acres: barn, carports, power, two wells, water rights, fenced/ cross-fenced, gated entry. Tinnie, N.M. (575) 973-2694. Reg# 2110811.

FOR SALE: Beautiful one-owner, 2,466-square-foot 55+ home in gated neighborhood; you own the land. Better than new triple has block foundation. oversized two-car garage, porch, patio, easy-care landscaping. Nice clubhouse with swimming pool, much more. \$80 monthly dues. Roseburg, Ore. \$262,000. (541) 784-2261. Reg# 0899573.

FOR SALE: Combination wrench set. Proto and Craftsman. From 2-1/8 to 1-3/8. Total of 10. Like new. \$600. (435) 864-3493. Reg# 1359602.

FOR SALE: Lots of tools from retired heavy-equipment mechanic. Too much to list. In Modesto. (209) 521-7422 or (209) 499-6330. Reg# 1137677.

FOR SALE: Beautiful Tuscan-style home Mesquite, Nev. 3 bd/2.5 ba, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan. 2,155 square feet. Built in 2008, first owner occupant. Many custom features. Photos available. Oversize garage and lot, walk-in shower master bath, immaculate. No state taxes, low property tax and utilities. Handicapaccessible, golfing, ATV-ing, near Vegas and St. George. \$259,900. (435) 879-9155. Reg# 2070046.

FOR SALE: 12-drawer black Snap-On roll-away toolbox with lots of tools. Only \$5,000. Call Jeff at (707) 319-7622. Reg# 1742672.

FOR SALE: 33' Alfa 5th wheel and hitch. Two extra-deep expandos. New linoleum. Wood grain. New carpet. Both pro-done. New toilet. New tires. Spotless. \$9,000 OBO. Looking for about 22 Tow Behind. May trade up or down. Two recliners. Fold-out. couch Pro-cleaned by S&S Trailer in Loomis, Calif. In storage. Call Bob any time at (408) 672-8092. Reg# 2049636.

FOR SALE: 1993 Yamaha 180 R/T dirt bike with green sticker. \$850 OBO. Tires: 4 37-by-14.50-by-15 - fit ½-ton Chevy 4X4, Toyota and Nissan 4X4s, 90 percent rubber. \$1,800 OBO. (707) 293-7564. Reg# 1733041.

FOR SALE: 1987 Chevy Suburban. 4WD. Very good condition. New tires. Chrome wheels. Fully equipped, air conditioning and all. (916) 663-3537. Reg# 0676326.

SALE: FOR Timeshare. Paradise Village Beach Resort and Spa in Mexico. Five-star rating. (Under interval: can use all over the world.) Membership type is full-term. Use of plan is full-term. Unit type is studio ocean. Maximum occupancy is four. \$5,000 OBO. (650) 201-7409. Please leave a message. Reg# 1555830.

FOR SALE: Five acres, Trinity County, Weaverville, Calif. Westerly facing 210+ degrees of exposure. End-of-road privacy. Forested on south end (lots of firewood). 2" municipal water service in and paid for. Zoned 1/2-acre minimum/sub-dividable. Road surfaced with 8" of shale. Two 24" culverts installed on both seasonal creeks. \$150,000 with possible owner financing. Call Tom at (530) 623-2598 or e-mail Bullseve@snowcrest. net. Reg# 2614081.

FOR SALE: One Snap-On seven-drawer roll-away tool One Snap-On side One Craftsman top box. box. All tools Snap-On and Mac. \$3,500. Call for more information. (928) 897-8419. Reg# 2256137.

FOR SALE: Five beautiful acres that are ready to build on in Colfax, Calif. Desirable, private, end-of-the-road property. Has public water, underground electricity and has been perked for a five-bedroom septic system. Also have house plans that will be sold with full-price offer. \$184,500. Can be viewed on Craigslist. (916) 300-9178. Reg# 2495977.

FOR SALE: (Donner Lake, Calif.) Campsite that you own outright at Tahoe Timber Trails. Site C18 has French drain for gray water (honey wagon comes around to dump your tank), across from hot showers and bathrooms. Large, shady site - big enough for two RVs or boat/trailer/ ear. Visit www.ttrails.com or Craigslist to view facility. WiFi, pool, kids' area, activity center. \$12,500. 300-9178. Reg# 2495977.

FOR SALE: 1958 Edsel four-door. Very hard to get. Engine is good for three years. Engine has been redone but needs work. Doesn't run; selling as is. \$5,000. (209) 339-8049 or (209) 401-7997. Reg# 2292849.

FOR SALE: Fifth Wheel Hitch (Vintage) made in 1978 for Ford pickup and 35' travel trailer to haul all over beautiful USA and parts of Mexico. Call or text (801) 358-9064 or e-mail tyrant2zzandra@q.com. Reg# 2344593.

FOR SALE: Show-winning 1947 Dodge Restorod P.U. 318 V8, AT 4X4. Must see to appreciate fine workmanship. \$25,000 OBO. (707)984-8654. Reg# 2157296.

FOR SALE: 2004 Fatboy with 8.746 miles and a lot of extras. Rims and rotors have been changed, all cables in the beach bars, lower, stage 1 screaming eagle, pipes, lots of chrome and still have all stock parts. Excellent condition. \$11,000. (530) 672-8080. Reg# 1837551.

FOR SALE: HDPS. 7,000 kw, heavy duty, low noise, diesel generator. New, never used. Retails for \$6,400; asking \$4,500. (530) 586-1194. Reg# 2443716.

FOR SALE: TA-011 gas air compressor, Kohler motor, duel torpedo tanks 6-1/2 hp. New, never used. Retails for \$1.699; asking \$1.100, (530) 586-1194. Reg# 2443716.

# **FIELD PERSPECTIVE:**

What the members are saying

What would you put in Local 3's 75th anniversary time capsule, knowing it would be opened in 25 years?



"Top 20 music list." - Michael Busch, apprentice



"The current, new iPhone." Justin Lord, apprentice



"An old Super C Tournapull.' - Keith Milliron, 64-year member



'The monuments; what we built."

- Jerry Mendes, 47-year member



### A cold Winter Wonderland more than 40 years ago

Our highway workers are heralded all year long but especially during the winter. Whether they're employed by the city or the state, they work tirelessly during this time of year, sometimes around-the-clock, to make our roadways safe despite Mother Nature's seasonal "gifts" of snow and ice.

In the winter of 1972/1973, eastern Nevada was hit with temperatures of 40 degrees below zero, and the Carlin Tunnel job at that time was shut down because of a shortage of propane! According to an Engineers News article published in January 1973, for the operators in the Silver State who were "fortunate enough to be working, or unfortunate, depending on how you look at it, all the warm clothing one can manage to get on is the order of the day."

Fighting the freeze, keeping the roads clear and "helping snowbound citizens dig out," were the main tasks of many of District 11's operators that winter.

Even parts of Northern California experienced record lows that season, causing the Yuba City/Marysville area to enjoy an unusual snowfall, which "was enough to turn an ordinary run-of-the-mill day into a day few will ever forget, since ... for many children, it was the first time they'd seen snow," reported the Engineers News. Temperatures in District 60 were down to 19 degrees. The last time a similar snow had occurred there was in 1942!



Members keep roads in the Yuba City/Marysville area open in 1973, as District 60 experienced record-low temperatures and unusual amounts of snowfall that

"Brother Engineers in the city of Marysville Public Works Department kept the Fifth Street Bridge and approaches cleared of ice, and the Yuba City crews sanded approaches to the 10th Street Bridge and around Yuba City schools," stated the Engineers News in January 1973.

To our operators involved in weather clean-up this year, we wish you a safe and happy winter season. To all of our members, please drive carefully in inclement weather and be aware of the brave crews tasked with snow- and ice-removal during the next few months!



Member Tom Nail moves snow in front of the Kmart shopping center in Sparks, Nev. in 1972. The state experienced 40-degrees-below-zero temperatures that winter, which put many operators to work clearing roads, while others were stuck at home until the weather improved.