IMPORTANT GENERAL ELECTION INFO INSIDE

See pages 10-15 for Local 3’s ballot recommendations.

ELECTION COMMITTEE NOTICE
See page 27 regarding the 2018 election of Bylaws Committee and Geographical Market Area Committee (GMAC) members.

ROSS ISLAND:
UNIQUE INDUSTRY OFFERS EFFICIENT ADVANTAGE

IMPORTANT GENERAL ELECTION INFO INSIDE
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Why is your Local 3 President Dan Reding voting No on Prop. 6? He’ll tell you all the reasons, making the failure of this ballot proposition an urgent matter for all Local 3 members living in California. Don’t miss his compelling arguments.

Despite the Janus ruling, your Local 3 Public Employee membership is stronger than ever, growing in size, winning great contracts and enjoying safety protections they could never have without their union representation.

The mental and emotional toll of retirement can sometimes lead to chemical dependency. See how to avoid this through healthy ways of coping with extra time, new finances and big life changes that happen to everyone when they first retire.

Election Day draws near. Do your part! Find your state, your district and your county and VOTE UNION Nov. 6 by using Local 3’s election recommendations found here. (Find the most up-to-date list on the “Politics” section of our website at www.oe3.org.)
Dozer Operator Dan “Hambone” Authier deals with the spoils from the Port of Stockton’s San Joaquin River. See more of his work with Ross Island Sand and Gravel company’s giant 3,000-horsepower cutter suction dredge on pages 18-19. The spoils from the pipe in this photo are suctioned using Ross Island’s Dredge No. 8.

ON THE COVER

Working behind the scenes for Ross Island Sand and Gravel, deckhands Alex Netto, left, and Chad Meyer make sure the giant 3,000-horsepower cutter suction dredge is in good working order to clean up the San Joaquin River at the Port of Stockton. See Dredge No. 8 and the rest of its mighty crew in action on pages 18-19.
Politics or bust

First of all, I want to thank every one of you who has participated in a recent Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) event. In every district, we’ve been phonebanking and precinct walking for local candidates and statewide initiatives. We’ve met candidates at picnics and meetings and heard their visions for middle-class households. We’ve attended California’s No on Prop. 6 press conferences and rallies, and we’ve been spending entire weekends SuperWalking in Nevada, educating middle-class voters about the swing state’s need for a pro-union governor (Steve Sisolak) and state senator (Jacky Rosen). All in all, the effort has been very productive, as families have responded encouragingly to our phonecalls and our discussions on their doorsteps, as we’ve politely explained our position. Working with other Building Trades, we’re part of a giant movement to keep labor ahead and middle-class families’ concerns at the forefront of politicians’ agendas. These efforts help to ensure that when anti-union initiatives, like California’s Prop. 6, reach the ballot, we fight back with a vengeance. Besides the VOTE awards received, members get to be part of something greater than themselves, a cause that is not just about finishing a project, but securing their future and the future of their family.

Election season is quickly coming to an end, so if you are not an early voter or a Permanent Absentee Voter (PAV), please be sure to vote for Labor Nov. 6. It’s becoming easier in many of our districts now, as you can often vote at grocery stores, malls and other convenient locations in your neighborhoods. This means, there’s no excuse not to take your Engineers News with you to your voting location, find your district and your county, and make sure Labor is heard loud and clear on Nov. 6. You’ll also be receiving letters from me with Local 3’s endorsements. Please read the letters carefully and vote accordingly. Remember, we’re never going to get involved in social issues – that’s your business. But when it comes to attacks against collective bargaining rights and much-needed funding for infrastructure projects, that’s OUR business, literally. Unions must get involved in politics or lose all they’ve fought so hard for. You’ll find current endorsements here on pages 10-15, as well as local projects threatened if California’s Prop. 6 passes on pages 20-25.

Besides attacks against us from non-union agendas, we are constantly fighting attacks from non-union companies. Take for instance, the Carr Fires in Shasta County. Our Organizing Department has had to constantly thwart-off fly-by-night contractors swooping in to provide the cleanup work in those devastated areas, hoping to exploit people’s pain by promising quick cleanups that are done poorly and unsafely. I commend our Organizing Department staff for their quick efforts to educate neighborhoods in Shasta County about being wary of out-of-state cleanup crews lacking a valid contractors’ license and promising results that are not deliverable. Local union contractors have stepped-up to the plate again, providing Hazmat-certified operators who are from the areas affected and have much more invested in getting these neighborhoods back to normal safely and effectively. If you see an out-of-state contractor pilfering poor services, contact the Redding District Office or Organizer Casey Tull at (530) 635-6126.

Many of us will spend time with family this month, and we may talk about what we’re most thankful for. As your business manager in charge of one of the largest construction trades locals in the country, I’m thankful for the opportunity to lead you to greater successes than we’ve already enjoyed this year. I’m grateful for increased work hours, our well-funded Pension Funds, the huge interest in our Apprenticeship Programs and our ever-growing applicant pool. I’m grateful that we’ve been able to add more benefits to our Health and Welfare Funds this year, thanks to our conservative approach to these funds during the Great Recession. I’m grateful for seeing Local 3 iron everywhere, from high-rises in San Francisco, to giant dirt spreads in Fresno. I’m grateful that our members continue to answer the call in these trying times of fires by often being first responders, and that we continue to get the safety certifications we need to get the job done right and in a safe manner. I’m grateful that no matter where I travel throughout our jurisdiction, I see Local 3 stickers on trucks, windows, offices, sign poles, hardhats and meeting hall doors. I’m grateful that in labor conferences nationwide, Local 3 is always well-represented through our top-notch organizing efforts, political plans, public relations exposure and communications. I’m grateful to my Local 3 family, who has been hugely supportive of me and your fellow officers’ dedication to further this union’s scope, benefits and power. I’m also grateful to the family I come home to at night, who tolerates the long hours, late-night phone calls and weeklong work trips, understanding that these sacrifices are for a huge cause with enormous impact: the betterment of middle-class union families. I’m grateful for all of you, and I hope you have a great Thanksgiving!

By Russ Burns, business manager
Why I voted NO on Prop. 6 and why you should too

When the California State Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 1 last year, it was a great victory for Operating Engineers and our allies. After spending years trying to persuade state politicians to invest in the infrastructure projects that our members rely on to feed their families, state legislators allocated $52 billion over the next decade to improve our roads and bridges. We didn’t stop there, however, as we’d seen before how a bill promising to fund infrastructure can quickly become just another source of revenue for politicians’ pet causes. To prevent this, we immediately went to work getting Prop. 69 on the Primary Ballot in June, which would prevent politicians from using SB1 money for anything other than transportation infrastructure. Voters overwhelmingly passed it.

With funding for transportation infrastructure secured by SB1 and placed in a lockbox politicians could never raid, nearly 7,000 projects immediately popped up all over the state, putting thousands of Operating Engineers to work and contributing to one of the busiest work seasons we’ve seen since the Great Recession. Work hours were up, members were off the Out-of-Work list, contributions to our Health and Welfare and Pension Funds came flooding in, demand for the skilled members of Local 3 was through the roof and our Organizing Department was seeing unprecedented success in signing new members and contractors. Then came Prop. 6, which made it onto the November ballot... and is currently threatening all of it.

If Prop. 6 passes, it’s not politicians who will be hurt by the repeal of SB1, nor the billionaires who are funding the campaign to pass Prop. 6. It’s the operators, gradesetters and paving hands who won’t be working on that nearby highway widening project. It’s the crane and concrete pump operators who won’t be setting forms and pouring new columns for that nearby bridge. It’s the operators at your local Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) plant who won’t be producing material for use on a range of nearby projects. It’s the Caltrans workers who won’t have the funding to fill potholes and resurface your local roadways. It’s the public employees who’ll miss out on that long-overdue cost-of-living raise thanks to a lack of revenue. In short, if Prop. 6 passes, the rank-and-file members of Operating Engineers Local 3 and their families will lose.

There are few times when voters have such a meaningful opportunity to oppose a direct attack on the kinds of well-paying, union jobs working people rely on to make it into the middle class. Prop. 6 is one of them. VOTE NO on Prop. 6. Let’s continue on the path to prosperity for Operating Engineers and working people throughout California. To see what projects Prop. 6 is threatening in your local area, please see this month’s District Reports on pages 20-25 and visit www.NoProp6.com for more information.
Member becomes a steward to protect his coworkers

By Carl Carr, business agent

Steward and Heavy Equipment Mechanic (HEM) Lead Worker Barry Love works for Caltrans at the District 4 Maintenance Station on Burma Road in Oakland (Bay Bridge). Although he has worked for Caltrans for more than nine years (seven as a HEM and the last two as a Lead Worker), Barry has been a mechanic his entire life. He sought a career with Caltrans because he believes in civil service, something he learned from his father who worked for Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART). Barry was also drawn to the stability of a good retirement plan and other great benefits. About eight years ago, while working at Caltrans Shop 4 in San Leandro, he decided to get more involved in Local 3 and became a steward.

"Shop 4 was not being represented, so I stepped up to help protect my coworkers," he explained.

Barry has stayed in contact with his Shop 4 coworkers since moving to his current position at the maintenance station in Oakland.

As a steward, Barry is someone I work with closely in regards to what is happening at the different District 4 locations in the Bay Area, and his coworkers know he is the go-to guy for help with work or information about their union.

Are you a Unit 12 member and interested in becoming a steward? Call (916) 993-2058 for more information.

Steward Barry Love works as a HEM Lead Worker for Caltrans.

Hawaii’s pro-labor political relationships are strong

At the time of this writing, we have just finished our round of Retiree/District Meetings in Hawaii District 17. It is always such a pleasure to visit the great state of Hawaii, not just for its beautiful islands but for the members there, who are always so generous and welcoming to Local 3 officers and union representatives.

Hawaii District 17 is also well-known for having a very strong pro-labor political backing, and we had many opportunities on this recent trip to meet with union-friendly politicians. Hawaii District Rep. Pane Meatoga, the member-elected Political Action Committee (PAC) and the Hawaii Operating Engineers Stabilization Fund (HOEISF) staff do a great job of vetting local candidates and working to create pro-labor legislation that supports our membership and their communities. One of these strong supporters of labor is Derek S. K. Kawakami. He has a passion for serving the people of his homeland, including our Local 3 membership. As a devoted spouse and father, Kawakami understands the importance of family and building and maintaining infrastructure for communities. His commitment to safe and secure infrastructure and his understanding of our issues make him an easy choice for mayor of Kauai. Local 3 proudly endorses him.

Kawakami served on the Kauai County Council from 2008-2011 before a gubernatorial appointment to the Hawaii State Legislature representing District 14 from 2011-2015. Councilmember Kawakami was re-elected to the Kauai County Council in 2016. Kawakami has participated in many community organizations, including as a charter member of the Lihue Business Association.

“My approach to leadership is honoring our past, while building our future,” Kawakami said. “If we can maintain this focus, we’ll be able to move forward in a respectful, responsible and productive manner.”

If you haven’t already voted, you have a great opportunity and responsibility to do so on Nov. 6. For the rest of Hawaii District 17’s endorsements, as well as our entire union jurisdiction’s recommendations, please visit pages 10-15 in this edition, or visit our website at www.oe3.org.

From left: Vice President Steve Ingersoll and Kauai mayoral candidate Derek S.K. Kawakami.
Balancing family, friends and funds during the holidays

Do you want to become financially savvy this holiday season? Educating yourself on financial topics, such as holiday-spending, is a great place to start. The holidays are an excellent time to learn how to be budget-friendly, as well as how to balance family, friends and funds. As you know, holiday expenses can be numerous: presents, wrapping paper, cards, decorations, food and travel. If you don’t have the funds to buy everything, a little bit of creativity and energy can get you through the holidays. Below are a few tips to consider from OE Federal’s financial education partner, BALANCE.

» Gifts
Homemade gifts are a great way to save, as many people appreciate them more than store-bought ones. Baking is another great option. What about offering your services? You could do some work around the house for a family member or friend.

» Gift-wrapping
Skip the fancy wrapping paper and bows, and look around the house to see what you can use. There’s more in your house than you think. It just takes some creativity.

» Cards
Creating your own cards can help you save. You can also send cards electronically.

» Decorations
You can avoid buying decorations by seeing what is lying around the house. Making a garland out of popcorn is a classic holiday decoration, or if you want store-bought decorations, consider waiting until after the holidays to buy. Most stores sell them at deep discounts, post-holiday.

» Food
If you host holiday dinners or parties, you may find yourself spending a significant amount of money on food. Potluck dinners are an easy way to save. You could also provide light appetizers and desserts or avoid expensive items, like meat and wine.

» Travel
Airfare is generally more expensive during the holidays. If you want to celebrate with far-away family, why not have a “holiday” dinner during an off-peak time of the year, when airfare is cheaper?

You don’t need to spend a lot of money to have a good time during the holidays. It’s just about being with the ones you care about most. If you’d like some more ideas, BALANCE offers an online webinar, “Breezing through the Holidays” that focuses on holiday spending, budget strategies and tactics to avoid. Visit https://oefcu.org/education/financial-education/

If you want to become a member of OE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION this holiday season, I encourage you to join. Visit OEFEDERAL.ORG or call (800) 877-4444 to learn more.
City of Porterville achieves a solid, one-year agreement
By Allen Dunbar, business representative

The City of Porterville’s city and safety workers recently agreed on a one-year term, and the City and OE3 agreed that if a special sales tax passes in November, it may create millions of dollars for the General Fund.

The City workers agreed for special adjustment raises for the following classifications:

• Water Utility Worker 1 moved from Range 150 to 155
• Water Utility Worker 2 moved from Range 160 to 164
• Water Utility Worker 3 moved from Range 170 to 182
• Engineering Specialist 2 moved from Range 175 to 177
• Building Inspector 1 moved from Range 180 to 186
• Building Inspector 2 moved from Range 190 to 196

Members will also receive a one-time payment of 2 percent of salary paid in December 2018, right before Christmas.

I would like to thank bargaining team members Brice Wood and Donna Silvas for all of their hard work and dedication.

Who’s the real RAT?
By Mike De Anda, business representative

In El Dorado County, it was recently brought to my attention by OE3 employees that management wanted several of them to remove a large amount of hazardous mold from the jail facility in Placerville. The employees’ job descriptions do not include this, as they are not trained on the health and safety hazards associated with the removal, remediation, containment and disposal of mold, potentially putting employees’ health and safety at risk. Having this done properly and legally would cost more money than management wanted to spend, but somehow it is OK to put the employees’ health and safety at risk to save a dollar.

When I contacted the management staff, it was downplayed as very little mold, “like you would find in your shower at home,” “hazardous vs. non-hazardous,” and the request was for the employees to bleach the mold, not remove it. I informed management that the amount stated to me by the employees was much more than described by management, and bleaching was never discussed. Management staff stated they would double check, and if the amount was “a different amount than before,” the County would consider hiring a private contractor, licensed to do this type of work.

After a few days, I was contacted by the employees again, and management was still trying to get the employees to remove and dispose of the mold, not just bleach it. When I contacted management again, they denied this and stated they were actively searching for a company to do this work, even though no evidence was provided when I asked for documentation. I then asked to tour the facility, so I could see the mold issue myself. The County stalled my request repeatedly and when pressed more, I was denied access to visit the jail without any reason other than it is a safety issue with me touring the facility (even though I had toured the facility in the past and other groups have done the same.) I also informed management that reports from the employees were coming to me that a certain management employee was going around asking which “RAT” contacted the union about this issue. When this was brought up with management, they assured me that this comment would not happen again. This management should be careful asking such questions, as the “RAT” could be someone they recognize when they are looking in the mirror!

After several weeks of pursuing this issue, the County hired a contractor to perform the hazardous job, keeping the employees in line with their job descriptions. Working together, the employees and the union kept management in check on this battle, so on to the next one! Thank you, OE3 employees, for sticking to your resolve!
Good union work begins in City of San Pablo
By Felix Mario Huerta Jr., business representative

The City of San Pablo recently acknowledged Operating Engineers Local 3 as the official representative of the City of San Pablo Administrative, Maintenance and Technical Unit, and these 33 employees, which range from maintenance workers and inspectors to clerical and technical staff, couldn’t be happier.

"Without a strong union, you’re basically a human with no vertebrae,” said Maintenance Worker Lance Willis. “We need a backbone, and if we have good union support, the union won’t allow management to intimidate us.”

“I think it’s a good thing,” said Administrative Clerk Elise Velize, about Local 3 representation. Her husband is unionized, and she sees the positive difference it has made in his life.

During our first meeting, we worked to compile salary survey information and discussed issues that can be addressed through representation, like compensation for performing duties out of class job description and bilingual pay, as well as the budget cycle with the city. Bargaining team members and alternates were also nominated.

I stressed to the members present that the contract we work on is their contract, and I am just the liaison between them and their employer. Because of the Janus ruling, their membership dues are solely voluntary, but the strength of their union rests with their monetary and physical support.

“This union is not made up of me, but all of you,” I said. “All of us working together will strengthen your contract. If we do not participate in the bargaining process, the salary survey and the union, your contract will reflect that,” I said.

This unit is very excited about the possibilities of union representation, and I will share more with you as the negotiating process goes along. Congratulations to these City of San Pablo workers who believe enough in themselves and in their union to ask for what they deserve!

City of San Pablo Administrative Clerk Elise Veliz.

Change is coming to Lake County
By Joe Louis Wildman, business representative

Bargaining with Lake County has been stalled for two years. The County is now operating with facilities open to the public just four days a week. There have been devastating fires, and the public recently rejected a ballot measure to bring the sales tax in the unincorporated areas up to the rate currently in effect in the County’s two cities, Lakeport and Clearlake.

The inability of the County to put any money on the table has had a predictably negative effect on morale and labor relations. Therefore, the employees of the OE3-affiliated Lake County Employees Association proposed that the County and OE3 consider switching to a technique known as Interest-Based Bargaining (IBB) to get bargaining moving again.

On Sept. 17, Rachel Lev, a mediator from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, conducted a full-day training on the techniques of IBB at the Courthouse in Lakeport, and the leadership of the OE3-affiliated Lake County Safety Employees Association attended. The participants for the County were Administrator Carol Hutchingson, new Human Resources Director Pamela Nichols, Interim Deputy Human Resources Director Jesse Puett and Attorney/Lead Negotiator Margaret Long.

Much has been written on the differences between traditional collective bargaining, where the parties pass proposals back and forth, and the collaborative brainstorming and joint-proposal development by the parties in IBB. This article can’t do justice to the topic. In fact, the all-day training on IBB just scratched the surface. However, it was clear that there are benefits from IBB that Local 3 and the County can obtain. Local 3 is hopeful we can achieve better communication with management, improve working conditions, correct practices that contribute to bad morale and forge a stronger partnership to tackle the economic problems challenging the County.

With a new Human Resources director, two new County Supervisors elected in 2016 and two new County Supervisors elected in 2018, change is coming to Lake County. The members of OE3 have a real opportunity to work with the County to drive that change in a positive direction.

If you want to discuss the situation in Lake County or in hearing more about IBB, please feel free to call me at (707) 653-3162.
Local 3 General Election Recommendations
Vote Union Nov. 6!

If there is a particular race that does not appear on this list, then a recommendation may not have been reached at press time or that race was not deemed worthy of our endorsement. Visit www.oe3.org for the most up-to-date list.

**CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE RACES**

U.S. Senate
Diane Feinstein

Governor
Gavin Newsom

Lieutenant Governor
Ed Hernandez

Attorney General
Xavier Becerra

Secretary of State
Alex Padilla

Controller
Betty Yee

Treasurer
Fiona Ma

Insurance Commissioner
Ricardo Lara

Superintendent of Public Instruction
Tony Thurmond

Board of Equalization
District 02
Malia Cohen

**SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY**

Board of Supervisors
(No. 1) Nick Josefowitz
District 02
(No. 2) Catherine Stephani
District 02
(No. 1) Gordon Marr
District 04
(No. 2) Trevor McNeil
District 04
Matt Haney
District 06
Rafael Mandelman
District 08
*Shamann Walton
District 10
**Theo Ellington
District 10

Board of Education
Alison Collins
Faauuga Moliga
Michelle Parker
Josephine Zhao

CCSF Board of Trustees
Victor Olivieri
John Rizzo
Thea Selby

BART Board District 08
Jonathon Lyens
Melanie Nutter

**BURLINGAME DISTRICT 01**

Congressional
Jared Huffman District 02
Nancy Pelosi District 12
Jackie Speier District 14
Anna Eshoo District 18

State Senate
Mike McGuire District 02

State Assembly
Mark Levine District 10
David Chiu District 17
Phil Ting District 19
Kevin Mullin District 22
Marc Berman District 24

**SAN MATEO COUNTY**

Belmont City Council
Julia Mate
Charles Stone

Board of Education
Sepi Richardson
Henry Sutter

Daly City City Council
Ray Buenaventura
Pamela Digiovanni

Millbrae City Council
Reuben Holober
Anne Oliva

Redwood City Council
Jason Galisatus
Giselle Hale
Diane Howard
Diana Reddy

San Carlos City Council
Sara McDowell
Laura Parmer-Lohan
Adam Rak

San Mateo County Community College Board
Richard Holober
Tom Mohr

**FAIRFIELD DISTRICT 04**

Congressional
John Garamendi District 03
Mike Thompson District 05

State Assembly
Cecilia Aguiar-Curry
District 04
Jim Frazier District 11

**SOLANO COUNTY**

Solano Board of Education
Dana Dean Area 03
Ginger Dunn Area 06

Solano Community College Board
Sarah Chapman
Karen Sims

**Ballot Measures**

**Prop A**
(Embarcadero Seawall Earthquake Safety Bond)

**Prop B**
(City Privacy Guidelines)

**Prop C**
(Business Taxes to Fund Homeless Services)

**Prop D**
(Additional Tax on Cannabis Businesses; Expanding the Businesses Subject to Business Taxes)

**Prop E**
(Partial Allocation of Hotel Tax for Arts and Cultural Purposes)

**Prop F**
(Partition of Hotel Tax for Arts and Cultural Purposes)

**Prop G**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop H**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop I**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop J**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop K**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop L**
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**Prop M**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop N**
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**Prop O**
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**Prop P**
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**Prop R**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop S**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop T**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop U**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop V**
(Restoration of Local Control of Federal Education Funds)

**Prop W**
($2.4 billion for San Mateo County Transit District)

**Ballot Measures**

**Measure JJ**
(City of Brisbane: General Plan Amendment Measure)

**Measure K**
(City of Millbrae: Bond Measure)

**Measure L**
(Jefferson Elementary School District: Bond Measure)

**Measure M**
(Jefferson Union High School District: Parcel Tax Measure)

**Measure N**
(Prop A: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure O**
(Prop B: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure P**
(Prop C: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure Q**
(Prop D: San Mateo County Transit District)

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**Measure AA**
(Prop N: San Mateo County Transit District)

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**Measure CC**
(Prop P: San Mateo County Transit District)

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**Measure CCC**
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(Prop UU: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure VVV**
(Prop VV: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure WVV**
(Prop WW: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure XXX**
(Prop XX: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure YYY**
(Prop YY: San Mateo County Transit District)

**Measure ZZZ**
(Prop ZZ: San Mateo County Transit District)

*Candidate is part of a dual endorsement.*
**POLITICAL IMPACT REPORT**

**ENGINEERS NEWS**

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**Ballot Measure**

**Measure S**  
(City of Vallejo: $194 million school repair bond)  
**VOTE YES**

**ROHNRERT PARK DISTRICT 10**

**Congressional**

Jared Huffman District 02  
Mike Thompson District 05

**State Senate**

Mike McGuire District 02

**State Assembly**

Jim Wood District 02  
Cecilia Aguiar-Curry District 04  
Mark Levine District 10

**SONOMA COUNTY**

**Marin Water District**

Jack Gibson, Board of Directors

**Sonoma City Council**

Rachael Hundley

**Mayor of Petaluma**

Mike Harris

**Petaluma City Council**

Scott Alonso  
Robert Conklin  
Dennis Pocceay

**Rohnert Park City Council**

Jackie Edword  
Gerard Giudice

**Rohnert Park-Cotati School Board**

Leif Brown  
Joe Cimino

**Ballot Measures**

**Measure N**  
(Santa Rosa's Housing Recovery Bond) Provides $124 million to assist in housing recovery and develop affordable housing within Santa Rosa.  
**VOTE YES**

**Measure O**  
(Temporary Emergency Funding to Protect Vital Services) Provides $9 million annually to help Santa Rosa recover from the recent fires, rebuild infrastructure and preserve emergency services.  
**VOTE YES**

**OAKLAND DISTRICT 20**

**Congressional**

Mike Thompson District 05  
Jerry McNerney District 09  
Mark DeSaulnier District 11  
Barbara Lee District 13  
Buffy Wicks District 15  
Ro Khanna District 17

**State Senate**

Bob Wieckowski District 10

**State Assembly**

Jim Frazier District 11  
Tim Grayson District 14  
Buffy Wicks District 15  
Rob Bonta District 18  
Bill Quirk District 20  
Kansen Chu District 25

**ALAMEDA COUNTY**

**Alameda Superior Court Judge**

Tara Flanagan

**District Attorney**

Nancy O’Malley

**Auditor-Clerk Recorder**

Melissa Wilk

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

**District Attorney**

Diane Bectron

**Concord City Council**

Dominic Aliano

**Martinez City Council**

Debbie McKillop

**Antioch City Council**

Tony Tiscareno

**Richmond City Council**

Demnlus Johnson  
David Schoenthal

**Richmond Mayor**

Tom Butt

**San Leandro Mayor**

Pauline Cutter

**Oakland Mayor**

Jesse Arreguin

**Hayward Mayor**

Aisha Wahab

**Vallejo Mayor**

Jesse Arreguin

**San Leandro Mayor**

Deborah Cox

**Alameda Mayor**

Jesse Arreguin

**Oakland Mayor**

Sheng Thao

**Contra Costa Mayor**

Pauline Cutter

**San Leandro Mayor**

Barbara Lee District 13  
Buffy Wicks District 15  
Ro Khanna District 17

**Vallejo Mayor**

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School Board
Cherise Khanud
(Mount Diablo Unified School District)

STOCKTON DISTRICT 30

Congressional
**Jessica Morse District 04
Jerry McNerney District 09
No Recommendation
District 10

State Assembly
Heath Flora District 12
Adam Gray District 21

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
Stockton City Council
Susan Lothius District 03
Christina Fugazi District 05

Tracy Mayor
Robert Rickman

Tracy City Council
Dan Ariola
Veronica Vargas

 Manteca Mayor
Steve DeBrum

 Manteca City Council
Mike Morowitt
Jose Nuno

Lathrop Mayor
Sonny Dhalival

Lathrop City Council
Paul Akinjo
Steve Dresser

Lodi City Council
Alan Nakanishi

San Joaquin Delta College
Janet Rivera Area 03
*Charles Jennings Area 04
*Diane Oren Area 04
Catherine Mathis Area 07

STANISLAUS COUNTY
Board of Supervisors
Tony Madrigal District 03
Frank Damrell District 04

Turlock Mayor
Amy Blulak

Turlock City Council
Autumn Salazar District 01
Andrew Nosrat District 03

Patterson City Council
Cynthia Homen

Riverbank City Council
Luis Uribe District 01
Leanne Jones-Cruz District 03

Waterford City Council
Elizabeth Talbot

Turlock Unified School District
Mary Jackson Area 04
Keristofer Seryani Area 06

Superintendent of Schools
Scott Kuykendall

CALAVERAS COUNTY
Board of Supervisors
Mike Oliveira District 03
Ben Stopper District 05

TUOLUMNE COUNTY
Board of Supervisors
Ryan Campbell District 02

EUREKA DISTRICT 40

Congressional
Jared Huffman District 02

State Senate
Mike McGuire District 02

State Assembly
Jim Wood District 02
Mark Levine District 10

HUMBOLDT COUNTY
Eureka Mayor
Susan Seaman

Eureka City Council
Leslie Castellano Ward 01
Natalie Arroyo Ward 03
Kim Bergel Ward 05

Arcata City Council
Brett Watson
Sofia Pereira

Humboldt Bay Harbor Commissioner
Stephen Pullmann 3rd Division

Ballot Measure
**Measure I
(Raises $2.2 million for road maintenance in Eureka)

VOTE YES

DEL NORTE COUNTY
Ballot Measure
**Measure C
(Raises revenue to save the Crescent City Harbor)

VOTE YES

FRESNO COUNTY
Board of Education
Kimberly Tapscott Area 01
Fresno Unified School District
Robert Fuentes Area 01
Genoveva Islas Area 04
Nasreen Johnson Area 07

Madera City Council
Santos Garcia District 05

TUOLUMNE COUNTY
Porterville City Council
Daniel Penaloza District 01

YUBA COUNTY
Supervisor
Andy Vasquez District 01

Alton Wright District 05

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**PACT REPORT**

**BUTTE COUNTY**
Chico City Council
Kasey Reynolds

**REDDING DISTRICT 70**
Congressional
Audrey Denney District 01

State Senate
No Recommendation District 04

State Assembly
No Recommendation District 01
Open Endorsement District 03

**SACRAMENTO DISTRICT 80**
Congressional
John Garamendi District 03
Jessica Morse District 04
Doris Matsui District 06

State Senate
No Recommendation District 04
Richard Pan District 06
Paulina Miranda District 08

State Assembly
No Recommendation District 01
Cecilia Aguiar-Curry District 04
Kevin McCarty District 07
Ken Cooley District 08
Jim Cooper District 09

**EL DORADO COUNTY**
El Dorado Irrigation District
Dale Coco Division 04

**PLACER COUNTY**
Ballot Measure
**Measure B**
(Maintain Quality of Life in Roseville) Raises up to $19 million annually for safety, roads, libraries, parks and economic development, including up to $10 million for Local 3 work.

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY**
Citrus Heights City Council
Porsche Middleton

**Proposition 1**
(Homeowner’s Property Tax Relief Initiative) Allows homeowners to adopt rent control.
No Recommendation

**Proposition 2**
(Permanent Daylight Saving Time Measure) Establishes permanent, year-round daylight savings time.
No Recommendation

**Proposition 3**
(Ambulance Employees Paid On-Call Breaks, Training, and Mental Health Services Initiative)

**Proposition 5**
(Property Tax Transfer Initiative) Allows homebuyers who are age 55 or older or severely disabled to transfer their tax assessments from their prior home to their new home.
No Recommendation

**Proposition 6**
(Voter Approval for Future Gas and Vehicle Taxes and 2017 Tax Repeal Initiative) Takes away the $52 billion transportation infrastructure funding that voters approved last year, along with halting current and future construction projects intended to improve the safety and longevity of California’s terrible roads.

**Proposition 7**
(Permanent Daylight Saving Time Measure) Establishes permanent, year-round daylight savings time.
VOTE NO

**Proposition 8**
(Limits on Dialysis Clinics’ Revenue and Required Refunds Initiative) Requires dialysis clinics to issue refunds to patients or patients’ payers for revenue above 115 percent of the costs.
VOTE YES

**Proposition 9**
(Healthcare Provider Reporting Initiative) Requires healthcare providers to report adverse drug events.
No Recommendation

**Proposition 10**
(Local Rent Control Initiative) Allows local governments to adopt rent control.
No Recommendation

**Proposition 11**
(Ambulance Employees Paid On-Call Breaks, Training, and Mental Health Services Initiative)

**Proposition 12**
(Farm Animal Confinement Initiative) Bans the sale of meat and eggs from calves raised for veal, breeding pigs, and egg-laying hens confined in areas below a specific number of square feet.
No Recommendation

**Ballot Measures**

**Measure T**
(San Jose: Raises $650 million for Public Safety and Infrastructure)

**Measure V**
(San Jose: Raises $450 million for Affordable Housing)

**Measure U**
(Sacramento: Restoration of Services) Raises $50 million annually to maintain and enhance city services, including public safety, and allows the city to invest in affordable housing and economic development.

**Ballot Measure**

YOLO COUNTY
Woodland City Council
Angel Barajas District 03

MORGAN HILL DISTRICT 90

Congressional
Jackie Speier District 14
Ro Khanna District 17
Anna Eshoo District 18
Zoe Lofgren District 19
Jimmy Panetta District 20

State Senate
Anna Caballero District 12

State Assembly
Kansen Chu District 25
Ash Kalra District 27
Evan Low District 28
Mark Stone District 29
No Recommendation District 30

SANTA CLARA COUNTY
Board of Supervisors
Donald Roca District 04
San Jose City Council
Raul Peraldez District 03
Meya Esparza District 07

**Vote YES**

VOTE YES

VOTE NO

VOTE NO
NEVADA STATEWIDE ENDORSEMENTS

U.S. Senate
Jacky Rosen

U.S. Congress
Clint Koble District 02
Susie Lee District 03
Steven Horsford District 04

Governor
Steve Sisolak

Lieutenant Governor
Kate Marshall

Attorney General
Aaron Ford

Secretary of State
Nelson Araujo

State Treasurer
Zach Conine

State Controller
Catherine Byrne

State Senate
Julia Ratti District 13
Wendy Boszak District 14
Tina Davis-Hersey District 16
Curtis Cannon District 17

State Assembly
Sarah Peters District 24
Jill Tolles District 25
June Joseph District 26
Teresa Benitez-Thompson District 27
Mike Sprinkle District 30
Skip Daly District 31
Paula Povilaitis District 32
Patricia Ackerman District 39
Autumn Zemke District 40

Nevada Supreme Court
Elissa Cadish Seat C
Lidia Stiglich Seat G

WASHOE COUNTY

County Commission
Kitty Jung District 03
Lindsy Judd District 05

Reno City Mayor
Hillary Schieve

Reno City Council
Naomi Duerr Ward 02
Paul McKenzie Ward 04

Washoe County Sheriff
Darin Balaam

Assessor
Hugh “Chip” Evans

Washoe County School District
Dian Vanderwell District B
Andrew Benjamin Caudill District C

Ballot Measure
**WC-1**
(Authorizes a property tax of $8 per $100,000 annually to help fund the Washoe County Flood Control Project along the Truckee River Corridor in the Reno/Sparks area) Funding of this project would mean hundreds of millions of dollars’ worth of work for Operating Engineers.

VOTE NO

Question 3
(Amends Nevada State Constitution to deregulate electricity markets) Would allow energy users to walk away from their financial obligations for newly built resources and potentially leave the taxpayers responsible for over a billion dollars of liability for the unfunded resources.

riet NO

Question 4
(Amends Nevada State Constitution for the exemption of durable medical equipment, oxygen delivery equipment and mobility-enhancing equipment prescribed by a licensed provider from taxation)

No Recommendation

Question 5
(Amends the NRS to allow for Automatic Voter Registration at the DMV during renewals or change of address for drivers’ licenses or identification cards)

VOTE YES

Question 6
(Amends the Nevada State Constitution to require Nevada providers and sellers of electricity to get an increasing amount of their electricity from renewable resources)

VOTE YES

UTAH STATEWIDE PROPOSITIONS

Proposition 2
(Utah Medical Cannabis Act) Allows the use of cannabis under certain medical conditions and with a prescription. (Would not change our contractors’ drug policies or legalize cannabis for recreational use.)

No Recommendation

Proposition 3
(Utah Decides Healthcare Act) Expands Medicare for individuals below 138 percent of the federal poverty line. Increases sales tax rate by 0.15 percent to pay for this initiative.

No Recommendation

Proposition 4
(Utah Independent Redistricting Commission and Standards Act) Establishes an independent commission to create boundaries for Utah’s congressional, state legislative districts, etc., providing an unbiased drawing of legislative boundaries.

VOTE YES

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HAWAII STATEWIDE ENDORSEMENTS

U.S. Senate
Mazie Hirono

Governor
David Ige

Lieutenant Governor
Josh Green

Congressional
Tulsi Gabbard District 02

State Senate
Kaialii Kahele District 01
Dru Kanuha District 03
Rosalyyn Baker District 06
Clarence Nishihara District 17
Michelle Kidani District 18
Maile Shimabukuro District 21

House of Representatives
Chris Todd District 02
Richard Onishi District 03
Angus McKelvey District 10
Lynn DeCoite District 13
Mark Hashem District 18
Calvin Say District 20
Romy Cachola District 30
Ryan Yamane District 37
Bob McDermott District 40

MAUI COUNTY
Mayor
Mike Victorino

County Council
Alan Arakawa
Claire Kamalu Carroll
Stacy Crivello
Riki Kokama
Alice Lee
Mike Molina
Yuki Lei K. Sugimura

KAUAI COUNTY
Mayor
Derek Kawakami

County Council
Arthur Brun
Mason Chock
Ross Kagawa
Arryl Kaneshiro
Kipukai Kualii

HONOLULU COUNTY
County Council
Tommy Waters District 04
Brandon Elefante District 08

**Measure or candidate is considered highly important to Operating Engineers, and therefore deserves your special attention.
Choosing to be an Operating Engineer is something to be proud of, because there is so much this industry has to offer to help individuals grow and prosper. Individuals may start-off as young apprentices working hard and long hours. As life develops before their eyes, children are grown and grandchildren begin to arrive. Work life continues on, one day at a time, until the thought of retirement appears on the horizon.

When is it time to retire? How does one know? On the job, many depend on long-term employees for answers and guidance. One may be the recipient of respect on the job from workers as the decision-maker. As members progress in the Operating Engineers, many skills are learned, including patience, modeling, guidance and welcoming new ideas. Oftentimes, good employees train the new employees, so everyone has a chance to grow and be productive in this union. People get promoted and are able to watch their former positions get filled by new and enthusiastic applicants.

Retirement might not be any different. As we come to a point in life, it’s time to rotate out of the job we’ve done and allow new people to come in, grow and flourish. This is a chance to see how well our training skills are by watching newer people grasp the concepts and become excited with their new knowledge. Retiring is an action word, an opportunity to enter into a new lifestyle where one can still be of service but in a new way. Like all job skills, this takes planning. By not planning for retirement, one can feel lost and turn to alcohol, drugs or prescription drugs to dull the pains of the loss of employment with no retirement income.

Problems with alcohol, drugs or prescription drugs can begin later in life. What once may have been a casual use in social settings may turn into increased usage after retirement, as one may begin to isolate and feel depressed. If an individual concentrates on his or her feelings of loneliness later in life, it may be tempting to numb these feelings by using drugs and alcohol. This may seem to help at first, but it won’t work in the long run. Physical ailments often appear as people get older and the body begins to show wear and tear. Oftentimes, there are legitimate prescriptions prescribed by medical doctors for these ailments, but mixing these prescriptions with alcohol or drugs can have deadly consequences.

Even a casual drink can have negative effects when mixed with prescription drugs. The mixture may result in visual and hearing problems. This, of course, can lead to falls that can introduce a whole new set of problems.

Late-onset drug and alcohol use can also happen with major changes, such as retirement, kids leaving home, physical ailments or having to move. In these times of loneliness, the bottle or drugs may become a best friend. This can also happen when one may have been the boss at one time, making major decisions and gaining respect from employees. Then, with a sudden life change and being unprepared for it, one may feel a deep sense of isolation or loss of identity, where the only option for relief seems to be drugs and alcohol.

This does not have to be the solution. Major life changes, such as retirement, can be joyful with proper planning. There are several ways to plan for a prosperous and exciting retirement. With awareness that the day will someday come, it is important to have a vested Pension. Operating Engineers Local 3 has many options to choose from for the best benefits package for retirement needs. Be sure to attend the pre-retirement union meetings to become aware of all of the choices. As inflation occurs, there are also investment opportunities to take advantage of, with proper guidance to help offset costs. It is very important to study first and become educated on options, so one doesn’t fall prey to financial predators. Watch for changes in health. Exercise will become more important than ever to keep the body strong and functioning properly. Making social connections with both new and old friends will fill up time that used to be filled by the job. Community centers have lots of activities that are fun and creative. Don’t forget the family. By now, babysitters are probably needed, and Retirees may be the perfect match.

There is great honor in retiring from Local 3. There are plenty of volunteer opportunities available for Local 3 Retirees. Consider joining the union-driven Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program, where phone banking and precinct walking are great opportunities for people who know from experience how important it is to vote for causes that benefit the union. Retiree Meetings are vital to attend for members to be aware of changes in the Health and Welfare and Pension Plans. Attending union meetings when possible is a worthwhile chance to share knowledge and experiences with apprentices and journeymen.

Escape via drugs and alcohol are not the key in retirement. Being of service to others will keep one busy for a long time, and the benefits are endless and free for the taking. So, enjoy retirement. It’s an earned benefit of life. (One that I am joining soon!) Please remember that the Assistance and Recovery Program (ARP) is always available should any drug and alcohol obstacles occur on the path. Give ARP a call at (800) 562-3277.
How to apply for your Pension benefits

To apply for your Pension, you must request an application from the Trust Funds Office or the Local 3 district office nearest you. You can also obtain an application by visiting www.oe3trustfunds.org. The form, with instructions for completing it, will be mailed to you. Be sure to send the application and any other documents needed, such as proof of age for yourself and your spouse and proof of marriage, to the Trust Funds Office so that it arrives before the month in which benefit payments are due to begin. In most cases, three months are required to process an application. Pension benefits will not be retroactive to a date prior to the earlier of (1) your Pension Effective Date (see “Pension Effective Dates” in the 2014 Pension Summary Plan Description booklet), and (2) your normal retirement age or the date payments are to be made with respect to a Disability Pension.

If you are applying for a Disability Pension, you must submit proof that you have been granted a Social Security Disability Award, as described in the section entitled “A Disability Pension” in the 2014 Pension Summary Plan Description booklet. You should indicate on your Pension application whether you have applied for a Social Security disability benefit. Once you are awarded a Social Security disability benefit, you should send the notice of entitlement to the Trust Funds Office within one year after you receive it, in order to have your Disability Pension begin as early as possible.

Additional information requested to complete the process of your application must be submitted to the Trust Funds Office within one year from the date your application was originally received. If the information is not received within one year from that date, the application process will stop and you will be required to reapply. (This is excerpted from the 2014 Pension Summary Plan Description.)

Pension applications, the 2014 Pension Summary Plan Description, the Health & Welfare Summary Plan Description and the Pensioned Health & Welfare Summary Plan Description are available online at www.oe3trustfunds.org. You may also request copies from the Trust Funds Office at (800) 251-5014 or the Fringe Benefits Service Center at (800) 532-2105.

OE3 Trust Funds district visits

To schedule a one-on-one appointment with a Trust Funds’ representative, please contact your district office or call the Trust Funds Office directly at (510) 671.8810. Walk-ins are also welcome. We will have all your personal Fringe Benefits information available and can assist you in any way necessary. See the schedule below.

First Tuesday (Nov. 6)  Rohnert Park
First Wednesday (Nov. 7)  Eureka
Second Tuesday (Nov. 13)  Burlingame
Second Wednesday (Nov. 14)  Oakland
Second Thursday (Nov. 15)  Fairfield
Third Tuesday (Nov. 20)  Redding
Third Wednesday (Nov. 21)  Yuba City
Third Thursday (Nov. 22)  Sacramento (canceled due to holiday)
Fourth Tuesday (Nov. 27)  Stockton
Fourth Wednesday (Nov. 27)  Fresno
Fourth Thursday (Nov. 29)  Morgan Hill

Fringe Benefits district visits

A representative from the Fringe Benefits Office or the Trust Funds Office will be available to meet with you and answer questions at most district offices twice a month. An appointment is recommended; however, we do our best to accommodate walk-ins. Please contact the Fringe Benefits Office at (800) 532-2105 to schedule an appointment. See the schedule below.

Thursday (Nov. 1)  Sacramento
Wednesday (Nov. 7)  Yuba City
Thursday (Nov. 8)  Morgan Hill
Tuesday (Nov. 27)  Burlingame

CALL THE FRINGE BENEFITS SERVICE CENTER NOW! 800.532.2105 | 510.748.7450

President Dan Reding visits with Retiree Edward “Baker” Miguel at the Maui Retiree Meeting.

Retiree Gary Schmidt and his wife, Ann, attend a Retiree Meeting in Maui.

By Sonya Brown, director

By Bob Miller, fund representative/client services
Ross Island Sand and Gravel’s Dredge No.8 works at the Port of Stockton.

Deckhand Alex Netto provides welding on the Ross Island Dredge No.8 and helps maneuver the pipeline on the Deschutes.

From left: Deckhands Chad Meyer, Jason Widdifield, Foreman Steve Crawford, deckhands Alex Netto, Matthew Rizzo and Zack Stewart and Capt. Carl “John” Davidson.
Ross Island Operator/Leverman Carl “John” Davidson operates the dredge tender on the Port of Stockton’s San Joaquin River to and from the giant Ross Island suction dredge and down the river to the fill site. He’s a fourth-generation operator of all things (his son, Cody, is fifth-generation), and he knows his industry well. He seems most at home at the helm of a tugboat, directing deckhands Zach Stewart and Alex Netto on how to keep the giant 5,000-foot discharge pipeline from knotting up on the river’s floor. The pipeline sucks up material to keep ships flowing freely along this vital link to the agricultural industry of California’s Central Valley. Davidson has major respect for the rules of the water and frowns on errant boaters who speed by the dredge, ignoring signs to slow down.

“It’s a hard clay bottom,” he says of the San Joaquin River Delta and is an expert on towing the pipeline to where it needs to go, as it acts as a giant vacuum cleaner connected to the Ross Island suction dredge.

The 3,000-horsepower cutter suction dredge is nearly luminescent, noticeably yellow and giant, and its captain, Foreman Steve Crawford, is also an expert in his field. Quiet and focused, he monitors multiple screens at the helm, while managing the whole operation, from the dredge’s vacuum pipe to its giant cutterhead.

His crew consists of Jay Widdifield, who manages the fill site, Dozer Operator Dan “Hambone” Authier, Crawford and deckhands Netto, Stewart and Matthew Rizzo. They are a water-prone, hardy bunch, who are not afraid to get dirty or wet, as they often shimmy across the immersed pipeline or pull out giant tires tossed to the river.

“We’re a big family,” said Netto, who used to work for Caltrans in Kyburz and is enjoying his second year on the water.

The crew welcomes winter storms, as high precipitation means more dredging is to be done during the season. Ross Island Sand and Gravel boasts one of only a few active suction dredges, which offers more efficiency because of the constant work of the pump. Spoils are offloaded a few miles away on an island, where they are churned with water and scientifically monitored for content.

The Port of Stockton is the largest inland and fourth busiest port in California, meaning these crew members have their work cut out for them! (By the time this goes to press, crews will be dredging the San Joaquin River deep traffic water lanes, working seven days a week, 12-hour shifts, on two shifts.)
Fire cleanup keeps members off the Out-of-Work list

Eleven Local 3 members lost their homes or were displaced by the Carr Fire. Operating Engineers have been trying to help by getting things back to normal after the fire, and over 40 members have been working on the cleanup project. Anvil Builders, RCI General Engineering and Argonaut Constructors are performing a majority of the cleanup work, regularly pulling Hazmat-certified members off of the Out-of-Work list to keep up with the effort.

J. F. Shea is working on a $57 million concrete paving project on I-5 between Dunsmuir and Mount Shasta, a $9.6 million bridge replacement project on I-5 near Weed, a $134 million I-5 widening project between Redding and Cottonwood and a $7.4 million bridge widening project on Hwy. 96 near Seiad Valley. Tullis, Inc. has been busy with a $10.3 million overlay project on I-5 near Corning, $10.5 million worth of overlay work for Shasta County at various locations and a $16.2 million paving project on Hwy. 299 near Whiskeytown Lake. Golden State Bridge (GSB) crews poured the deck on the $25.5 million Shasta Viaduct project and started the $7.7 million Pit River Bridge repair and overlay project on I-5. Knife River is finishing a $3.8 million curve correction project on Hwy. 139 just north of Susanville. Meyers Earthwork has a $3.5 million paving and barrier wall project on Hwy. 299 near Cedarville. Steelhead Constructors is working on a $6.3 million collision reduction project at various locations and a $10 million curve correction project on Hwy. 36 near Forest Glen.

LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:

- Siskiyou I-5 Dunsimuir GAP Pavement Project: $135.8 million
- I-5, Redding to Anderson Widening project: $65.7 million
- I-5 Big and Tall Bridges Project: $39.2 million
- I-5 Big Southern Pavement Project: $26.4 million
- Tehama Hwy. 32 Red Bluff Overlay Pavement Project: $13.9 million

Proposition 6 threatens thousands of projects employing Operating Engineers throughout the state, including the local projects listed below. Tell your family and friends to VOTE NO on Prop. 6! Have a happy Thanksgiving, and stay safe out there.

Preparation begins for annual Crab Feed

Our work is often slow and sporadic this time of year, so consider taking advantage of additional training at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC). For more information, call the Hall, contact the OE3 JATC at (916) 354-2029 or visit www.oe3.org/training-california/. If you are on the Out-of-Work list and have A and B hire status, remember that your registration lasts 184 days. If you have C hire status, you must call and renew your registration before the last day of every month.

Scholarships for children, stepchildren and foster children of Local 3 members are available from the Operating Engineers Local 3 Scholarship Foundation. Applications will be accepted between Jan. 1 and March 30. Call the Hall for more information or check out the scholarship page on our website at www.oe3.org/scholarship-program/.

Our district’s Annual Crab Feed will be on Feb. 16. Space is very limited, so contact the Hall to reserve your tickets early. Payment for reserved tickets is required by Jan. 1. Two Crab Feed tickets will be given away at our next District Meeting on Nov. 27, so be sure to attend. More details about the Crab Feed will be made available in Engineers News.

LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:

- Hwy. 101 Dr. Fine Bridge Replacement Project: $82.4 million
- Hwy. 101 Trinidad CAPM Pavement Project: $50.6 million
- Hwy. 101 Hunter and Panther Creek Bridge Replacement Project: $28.8 million
- Hwy. 101 Redcrest CAPM Pavement Project: $17.4 million
- Hwy. 101 Dominie Creek Fish Passage and Bridge Project: $10 million
**Free labor history classes offered to union members**

Our district is working with the North Bay Labor Council to hold classes that will teach local, state and national labor history to union members free of charge. Come and learn how the labor movement has bettered the lives of working men and women. Contact the Hall to sign-up.

Granite Construction crews safely finished a paving project on Hwy. 253 from Ukiah to Boonville after working through many challenges, including 105-degree weather, steep terrain and traffic hazards. Granite Construction continues to work on many other paving projects throughout the Bay Area, including one on Hwy. 20 from Ukiah to Lakeport. DeSilva Gates recently finished repaving north and southbound lanes on Hwy. 101 from Windsor to Geyserville. The project also kept our members at Syar Industries’s Todd Road Plant in Santa Rosa busy working gravyard shifts, repairing breakdowns on the fly and keeping trucks, aggregate and oil deliveries on schedule to finish the job. Both companies worked very well together and did a great job getting this first phase done. These are just some of the projects funded by Senate Bill (SB) 1. Unfortunately, these and thousands of other projects throughout the state, including the local projects listed below, are threatened by Prop. 6. It must be defeated, as it threatens the employment of Operating Engineers in our district and throughout the state. VOTE NO on Prop. 6, and tell your family and friends to do the same.

**LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:**

- Marin-Sonoma Narrows (MSN) High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes Project: $84.8 million
- SMART Larkspur to Windsor Corridor: $21 million
- Hwy. 1 Point Arena CAPM Pavement Project: $16.6 million
- Hwy. 101 Hopland CAPM Pavement Project: $16 million
- Hwy. 1 Culverts Rehab. Drainage Project: $8.5 million

**MORGAN HILL**

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District Rep. James Riley

High school in San Benito gets new sports complex

Next year, Hollister’s San Benito High School will have a new sports complex and an aquatic center. Funded by local bond measures, Duran and Venables began working on the $20 million project in June by removing the existing fields, digging out the pools and redistributing the spoils throughout the rest of the project. Proposition 6 threatens thousands of projects employing Operating Engineers throughout the state, including the local projects listed below. VOTE NO on Prop. 6, and tell your family and friends to do the same.

**LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:**

- Hwy. 101 Pavement Project: $129 million
- Hwy. 237 Auxiliary Lane Mobility Project: $79 million
- Hwy. 87 2R Pavement Project: $69.4 million
- Hwy. 9 San Lorenzo River and Kings Creek Bridges Project: $23.2 million
- Imjin Parkway: $19 million

**HAWAII**

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Prep work for Puna Kai Shopping Center begins

Goodfellow Bros., Inc. Foreman Tracey Veincen’s crew, which includes operators Terence Salazar, Jesse Donner, Chase Dereis, Bernard Addams and Apprentice Zaynan Sanchez, are working on the new Puna Kai Shopping Center in Pahoa on the Big Island. Site preparation began in October on the $7.8 million project, which is scheduled for completion next June and includes mass grading, excavation and the installation of utilities for a sewer system. Goodfellow Bros., Inc. is also working on phase one of the new $21 million Kihei High School infrastructure project, which is expected to finish by February 2020, and the $9 million Koa‘e Workforce Housing Development project, which will wind down next February. Grace Pacific has $6 million worth of work installing pavement at various locations and will be finished by next August. Nordic PCL is working on the $7.2 million Entrepreneur Sandbox Project and should be finished next March. Isemoto Contracting Co. is keeping our members busy in Kona.

Before you vote, remember to review your member-elected Political Action Committee’s (PAC’s) recommendations on pages 10-15 and on our website at www.oe3.org. As part of our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program, our members are sign waving, phone banking, canvassing and helping at fundraisers. We cannot secure our future without member participation. Thank you for your commitment and for engaging in politics to strengthen Local 3. Have a happy holiday season!
Female apprentice carries the torch as third-generation member

Apprentice Camille Hays is a third-generation Operating Engineer. Her father retired as a Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) for Granite Construction, and her grandfather retired after a career working for Fife Construction and W. W. Clyde.

“It’s in my bloodline,” she said.

Camille works for W. W. Clyde and has been operating an asphalt roller, compaction roller and skidsteer since getting dispatched to the company in July 2017. She spent last season on a finish roller and operating an asphalt roller, compaction roller and skidsteer since getting dispatched to the company in July 2017. She spent last season on a finish roller and currently operates a breakdown roller for a crew that consists of Superintendent Jason Cox, three Local 3

Apprenticeship Program graduates and four current apprentices.

To sharpen her skills on a loader and backhoe, Camille takes advantage of additional training opportunities offered at the Joint Apprenticeship Training Center (JATC). Because she puts forth the effort and shows dedication to developing her skills, W. W. Clyde hopes to employ her throughout her career. Great job to Camille, W. W. Clyde and our apprenticeship staff and committee for continuing to represent what is so great about Local 3!

Midtown Reno rehab begins

From Reno

In midtown Reno, Sierra Nevada Construction (SNC) is working on the first phase of an $80 million rehabilitation of roads and pedestrian traffic areas. This phase will include the installation of 80,000 linear feet of joint trench conduit, 12,000 linear feet of storm drain and 4,000 linear feet of waterline. The second phase will begin next spring with the placement of over 22,000 linear feet of curb, 214,000 square feet of concrete flat work and 400,000 square feet of asphalt.

Q&D Construction continues to work on the $42 million I-80 project from Keystone Avenue to the California state line, and Ames Construction is working on a five-mile water line project in Six Mile Canyon.

KG Walters was awarded Truckee Meadows Water Authority’s (TMWA’s) $19 million Mount Rose Water Treatment Plant.

If you’re looking to obtain or renew a needed certification, or learn some new equipment skills, visit the Training section of our website at www.oe3.org or call the Reno Office for a list of classes being held at the Nevada Training Center in Wadsworth.

From Elko

RHB has been busy with the $15 million Ely Airport project, performed $7 million worth of roadwork between Beowawe and the Cortez mine, completed the $4 million Secret Pass/Hwy. 229 overlay and did a fantastic job on Hwy. 227 in Spring Creek.

Remington Construction has been busy in Osino with a $1.5 million paving job on the main road through the area, making travel a lot safer. The company’s chip seal crews have also been working hard in Spring Creek on the $500,000 Corral Hollow Lane project. On Hwy. 237 in Carlin, Remington is building a new $800,000 passing lane for trucks entering the area’s mines. At the Zunino/Jiggs reservoir, work on a $1.1 million boat ramp is underway in preparation for next year’s boating season.

Area levee work creates hundreds of jobs

AECOM Energy and Construction began working on the $50 million Southport Levee in 2017. Since then, subcontractors Bigge Crane and Rigging, Associated Concrete Pumping, Fox Loomis, Raito Inc., W. C. Maloney, Inc. and Blue Iron have been onsite. There is still millions of dollars’ worth of levee work needed in the Sacramento area, which will keep many of our members busy for years to come.

Teichert Construction is finishing the Kentucky Avenue Project in Woodland and working on a waterline project in West Sacramento. Lund Construction and Marques Pipeline, Inc. crews are busy building pads and doing underground work on new housing developments in Winters and Woodland.

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LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:
- Hwy. 50 Rehab. Pavement Project: $278.3 million
- I-5 Road Rehab. Pavement Project: $267.4 million
- I-5 Permit Load Mobility Improvement Bridges Project: $247.2 million
- I-5 West End Viaduct Bridges Project: $156.8 million
- Hwy. 50 Multimodal Corridor Enhancement Project: $110.3 million

**Members with Associated Concrete Pumping work on the Southport Levee improvement project.**
Funding from Senate Bill 1 kicks roadwork into high gear

This has been another tremendous year for work hours. Members working for DeSilva Gates, Independent Construction, Goodfellow Bros., Inc. and Teichert Construction have been busy, as the housing boom continues. Thanks to Senate Bill (SB) 1, roadwork was kicked into high gear this year on I-580, I-680 and the I-880 corridor. Because of this, local plants and quarries have been working around the clock. With winter right around the corner, $10 million in last-minute repairs for the Zone 7 Water Agency and the Contra Costa Water District are underway at around 35 different locations.

As much of our work winds down for the season, consider scheduling some journeymen-upgrade training at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC), and make sure your certifications for Hazmat, Refinery Safety Overview (RSO), Mine Safety Health Administration (MSHA) and Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) are up-to-date. If you do not have them, be sure to sign up for classes to get them. If the OE3 JATC does not have a slot open for you, ask about going to the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Training Center in Crosby, Texas. If you are not working, call the District Office and get put on the Out-of-Work list.

Proposition 6 threatens thousands of projects funded by SB1, which are currently employing Operating Engineers throughout the state, including the local projects listed below. VOTE NO on Prop. 6, and tell your family and friends to do the same.

Remember to thank our veterans and show your appreciation for their service as we celebrate Veterans Day on Sunday, Nov. 11. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:
- 7th Street Grade Separation: $175 million
- I-80, I-580 and I-880 MacArthur Maze Vertical Clearance Bridges Project: $128.4 million
- I-80 Roadway Rehab. 2R Pavement Project: $76.8 million
- I-880 CAPM Pavement Project: $55.2 million
- I-80 University Avenue Vertical Clearance Bridge Project: $39.8 million

Diverse projects throughout San Francisco and the Peninsula

In the Marina, Precision Engineering has operators Dave Gerke and Miguel Diaz replacing a three-mile sewer main. Roadway Construction is repaving the project with operators David Martinez, Michael Godinez, Victor Reyes, Juan Valle, Juan Carrillo and Francisco Garcia. In Cow Hollow, Shaw Pipeline has Jason Vaz and Robert Golden installing sewer mains and laterals on steep hills. In Noe Valley, McGuire and Hester has Operator Oscar Maldonado working on new sidewalks and ADA-accessible ramps in front of St. Luke’s Hospital. In Potrero Hill, Harty Pipelines, Inc. is performing road repair with operators Stephen Harty and Javier Flores. On Third and 18th Street in the Dogpatch neighborhood, DeSilva Gates is performing mass excavation with operators Darrin Judice, Victor Cook, Greg Hartman and Foreman Robert Ludden. Farrell Design-Build is putting in pipes for the foundation support. Malcolm Drilling will perform shoring and ground improvements on the project. Silverado operators David Zolczynski, Eric Fraze and Larry Thomason are working on the renovation of Kaiser Permanente’s Geary Street campus renovation. Hanson Aggregates operators Jose Zavala and Ernest Clark are processing sand at the end of Amador Street to supply local concrete plants.

Sanco Pipelines, Inc. has operators Jason L. Kenyon, John Anaya and Marc B. Gales installing 6,000 feet of 16-inch water main in Redwood City. In San Carlos, Granite Rock is excavating for an underground parking structure with operators Cory G. Kelly, James Parker and William J. Luker. Malcolm Drilling is performing the Cutter Soil Mixing (CSM) with operators Justin M. Langro, Craig Chaffee Jr., Flint R. Plaster, William W. Messenger, Curt Cutshaw, Richard Rampersad, Va Yang and John Sparks. At Burlingame Point, Hathaway Dinwiddie is working on an 18-acre tech campus with four office buildings and underground parking. Evans Brothers, Inc. is working on the utilities with operators Luis J. Lopez, Ernesto Cruz Arce, Javier Magallon, Francis Munoz, Robert Kloтовich, Luis Corena and Mark Celestial. BKF has a survey crew onsite with Tyler E. Gillis and Antonio E. Valdez. In South San Francisco, Farrell Design-Build is installing 250 displacement pipes with operators Cory L. Stelter, Zachary R. Snipes, Micaula A. Weber, Wayne D. Bullard and Ian Perkins. Also in South San Francisco, Walsh Construction is upgrading the Mel Leong Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) with operators Timothy L. Sjostrom and Anthony Ward.

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LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:
- Valley Transit Authority’s (VTAs) BART Silicon Valley Extension, Phase II: $730 million
- Transbay Corridor Core Capacity Program: $318.6 million
- Hwy. 101 Managed Lanes Project: $233.2 million
- Peninsula Corridor expansion: $164.5 million
- Transit Capacity Expansion Program: $26.8 million
Thank you, Local 3 veterans!

Thanksgiving usually comes to mind when we think of holidays in November, but there’s another special day this month that should cause us to reflect and be thankful: Veterans Day. Nov. 11 honors the men and women who served our great country and risked their lives to defend our rights and freedoms. Local 3 is proud of all its members, but we give special recognition to our military veterans this Veterans Day.

Signatory companies are looking forward to next year’s work season, which should be a busy and prosperous one. Ames Construction continues on a $13 million fencing project for the Department of Water Resources (DWR) in Oroville. Knife River Construction is paving at the Chico and Oroville municipal airports. McM Construction is working on the Fifth Street Bridge in Yuba City, and Lamon Construction is building its new approaches. Flatiron is working on the realignment of Hwy. 20 just outside of Smartsville. Dispatcher Chuck Adamson keeps the job board updated, so come by the Hall to check it out.

Our next District Meeting is on Nov. 15 at the Southside Community Center in Oroville, and it will be a great opportunity to find out what’s in store for 2019. Hazmat Refresher training is available in our district on Nov. 17 with classes starting at 7:30 a.m. Space is limited, so contact the Hall soon to get more information on this and other upcoming events.

Thank you to all of our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) volunteers for helping out as we approach the General Election on Nov. 6. You make a difference. Remember, this month’s ballot includes Proposition 6, which threatens thousands of projects employing Operating Engineers throughout the state, including the local projects listed below. VOTE NO on Prop. 6, and tell your family and friends to do the same.

LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:
- Yolo and Colusa I-5 Vertical Clearance Bridges Project: $22.5 million
- Hwy. 99 Live Oak Rehab. Pavement Project: $20 million
- I-5 Permit Vehicle Clearance Bridges Project: $18.3 million
- Hwy. 99 Cottonwood Creek Bridge Replacement Project: $12 million
- Hwy. 99 Chico ITS Mobility Project: $11.6 million

How political endorsements are decided

In Fresno, West Valley Construction is working on a $3.5 million water main project, and Emmetts Excavation is widening Belmont Avenue at Clovis Avenue and Fowler Avenue. American Paving is making $5.4 million worth of improvements to the athletic fields at McLane and Roosevelt high schools in Fresno and improving Heritage Park in Parlier. Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc. (SMCI) is doing tree removal in Mariposa and Tuolumne counties. Clark Bros., Inc. is working on the $16 million Farmersville Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). There are many other contractors working on projects in our area, so please come by the Hall, if you’d like more information.

Please attend our next District Meeting on Nov. 14 at the Clovis Veterans Memorial Building. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Because politics affect our union and the industries our members work in, we must remain relevant. A common question people ask is, “How does the union decide which politicians to support?” Members elect three rank-and-file union members to serve on their district’s Political Action Committee (PAC). These PAC members, along with the District Representative and the district’s Executive Board member, interview candidates, asking them tough questions and making sure they know what issues are important to our membership. Once your PAC members have settled on endorsing a candidate, you can be sure he or she will work to create jobs for our members, put more money in our pockets, strengthen our benefits and protect the rights we’ve fought so hard to obtain. Whenever you have a large and diverse group of people, like we have in Local 3, many political issues can be divisive. However, we can all agree on the importance of earning a good, livable wage with solid benefits and a great retirement. Please see the Local 3 recommendations on pages 10-15.

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LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:
- Hwy. 99 Selma and Fowler Rehab. Pavement Project: $99.9 million
- Hwy. 99 Cottonwood Creek Bridges Replacement Bridge Project: $36.4 million
- Hwy. 41 Stratford Kings River Bridge Replacement Bridge Project: $33.3 million
- Hwy. 41, I-99, Hwy. 168 and Hwy. 180 Fiber Optic Mobility Project: $20.4 million
- Mariposa Hwy. 49 CAPM Pavement Project: $19.8 million
Organizing opportunities abound with increase in work

Our work does not appear to be slowing down anytime soon and this has provided great opportunities to grow our membership and increase our market share by organizing new employers and stripping top hands from non-union competitors.

George Reed, Inc. is wrapping up paving projects throughout our mountain counties, and Steve Manning Construction is performing specialized work along Hwy. 4, Hwy. 88 and Hwy. 89. Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc. (SMCI) crews are working diligently to remove dead and dying trees along Hwy. 108, Hwy. 120 and Hwy. 140, which will ensure the safety of the traveling public. In Blue Lake Springs off Hwy. 4, Mozingo Construction is placing 11 miles of six and eight-inch waterline and installing over 500 laterals.

Our Caltrans brothers and sisters, like those working at the Woodfords Maintenance Station near the Nevada state line, maintain our highways through the harshest of conditions, carrying out every task assigned to them with pride and professionalism. Thank you to all of our Caltrans members for making sure we have safe highways.

Happy Veterans Day, and thank you to all of our members who served in the Armed Forces. Be sure to attend our next District Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 13 and remember to take advantage of minimum qualification testing and journeymen-upgrade training offered at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) this winter.

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LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:

- Valley Rail: $500.5 million
- Hwy. 4 Pavement Project: $38.1 million
- Hwy. 99 Widening: $29 million
- Hwy. 108 Long Barn CAPM Pavement Project: $22 million
- Hwy. 132 West Freeway/Expressway Phase 1: $21 million

From left: Members Mike Imberi, Craig Ferris, Brian Walker, Ed Epps, Fritz Dexter and Scott Angel work at the Caltrans Woodfords Maintenance Station.

Development on Vallejo’s Mare Island continues

Garney Pacific is replacing water main and sewer lines on a nearly $14 million project on Mare Island. Foreman Chris Haverkamp, his father Roy Haverkamp and Operator William Talbot will be working through next February on the project, which will utilize a boring technique to pull new pipelines underneath the Mare Island Strait about 95 feet north of the bridge and 75 feet below the river bed.

Bigge Crane and Rigging has been busy at Chevron and Andeavor (formerly Tesoro), and Maxim Crane Works has been busy at Shell and Conoco Phillips. Members with a National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) card can take the recertification test up to one year in advance of the expiration date without losing their original expiration date. Be sure to schedule the test early, so your card doesn’t expire.

Dutra has been performing maintenance on the inner and outer shipping lanes at the Port of Oakland, while Ross Island Sand and Gravel and Camenzind Dredging have been working in the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers. Pipeline work is going strong with contractors like ARB, Abercrombie, Michels, Snelson and Underground Construction. Projects vary from hydro-testing to removal and replacement of existing pipe and integrity digs. Bran Eubanks, our former special representative in charge of pipeline, recently retired. We wish him all the best! Please contact new Special Rep. Al Sousa, if you are interested in pipeline work.

Our 14th Annual District 04 Pancake Breakfast and Motorcycle Toy Run will be on Saturday, Dec. 1. Bring a new, unwrapped toy, enjoy a free breakfast and spend your morning helping kids in Solano County who may not otherwise have a Christmas. Donations can also be dropped off at our Hall in Fairfield prior to the event.

Be sure to check the expiration date for your credentials, such as Hazmat or Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), and make plans to update or renew them this winter. If you’re out of work, take advantage of the journeymen-upgrade classes offered at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC).

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LOCAL PROJECTS THREATENED BY PROP. 6:

- The Northern California Corridor Enhancement Program: $80.3 million
- I-80/I-680/Hwy. 12 Interchange, Package 2A: $53.2 million
- I-80 Bridge Project: $19.1 million
- Napa 29 York Creek Bridge CAPM Pavement Project: $12.8 million
- Solano Regional Transit Improvements: $10.7 million

Nov. 11 is Veterans Day. Thank you to all who have served. Have a happy Thanksgiving!

From left: Foreman Chris Haverkamp, his father Roy Haverkamp and Operator William Talbot work in Vallejo for Garney Pacific.

From left: Members Mike Imberi, Craig Ferris, Brian Walker, Ed Epps, Fritz Dexter and Scott Angel work at the Caltrans Woodfords Maintenance Station.
Instructors jump in the seat during last POP class photo

It seems fitting that during the photo session for this year’s last group of Pre-Orientation Period (POP) apprentices, our Operating Engineers Journeyman and Apprentice Training (OE3 JATC) Crane Instructor Ron Schulte and Construction Equipment Operator (CEO) Instructor Tracy Mayes used their own well-earned skills to show the students how it’s done. Their flawless work proves that our instructors know what they’re talking about way beyond the classroom! This year, I’m thankful for the OE3 JATC staff – their dedication to their students, their craft and the union message. We could not be where we are without you. I’m also thankful for our great apprentices who continue to amaze me with their perseverance and dedication to our program and their union.

For you active journey-level operators, please continue to visit Local 3’s website to find all the classes available this winter for Supplemental-Related Training (SRT). November offers crane, loader, National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO)/Hazmat refreshers and excavator trainings. You can find the schedule here: www.oemj.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/2018-9-13-Training-JATC-Calendar-WEB-4th-QTR.pdf
ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Election of Bylaws Committee Members
Per Article XXX, Section 2 (a) of the Local Union Bylaws, the following eligibility requirements have been established for the Bylaws Committee member nomination and election to be held at the regular fourth quarter District Meetings (see page 28 for schedule) in the year immediately following the election of Officers and Executive Board Members by secret ballot vote of those Members present:

1. Shall be a registered voter (with proof of current voter registration) in the District where he or she is seeking nomination.
2. Shall have been a Member of the Parent Local of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 for five years preceding nomination and not suspended for nonpayment of dues during those five years.
3. Cannot be an Employer or on the payroll of the Local Union or a related entity.
4. 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 to the 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 serve on the Bylaws Committee and will accept the nomination if nominated.

Proof of Voter Registration for Bylaws Committee Nominees
Proof of voter registration may be obtained by going to your county Registrar-of-Voter’s or County Clerk’s office. The cost for a certificate varies by county, but is usually nominal ($1) or free. All Bylaws Committee 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 submit proof of registration will not be eligible to hold office.

Election of Geographical Market Area Committee Members
Election of Geographical Market Area Committee Members (GMAC) will take place at each district’s regularly scheduled District Meeting, except for Hawaii, during the fourth quarter of 2018. In accordance with Article XXXI of the Local Union Bylaws, elections shall be held at the fourth quarter District Meeting (see page 28 for schedule) of the year in each district after the election and installation of Officers.

Eligibility rules are as follows:
(a) Must be dispatched and working under a Local 3 Construction Agreement or registered at the Operating Engineers Job Placement Center seeking a dispatch to work under a Construction Agreement in his or her district/geographical market area.
(b) Must be a Member of the Parent Local continuously for the two years preceding nomination and not suspended for nonpayment of dues during those two years.
(c) Must be living in the Committee’s district geographical area.
(d) Must be an “A” list Journey Operator.
(e) Cannot be an Owner-Operator.
(f) Cannot be a Retired Member, an Officer of the Local Union, or on the payroll of the Local Union or a related entity.
(g) 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 to the 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 serve on the GMAC and will accept the nomination if nominated.

2019 0E3 CRUISE
10-Night Inside Passage Cruise
May 26 – June 5, 2019
Roundtrip from San Francisco aboard the Grand Princess
Spend two days sailing from San Francisco up to the Pacific Coast to Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Tracy Arm Fjord and Victoria, spending four days at sea.

Prices start at $1,399 per person!
Fares does not include taxes of port charges of $250 per person; based on double occupancy. Air and insurance available at an additional cost.

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MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
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DISTRICT MEETINGS
All meetings convene at 7 p.m.

November 2018

13th District 04: Suisun City
Veterans Memorial Building
427 Main St.

13th District 30: Stockton
Operating Engineers’ Building
1916 North Broadway Ave.

14th District 50: Clovis
Veterans Memorial District
808 Fourth St.

14th District 70: Redding
Operating Engineers’ Building
20308 Engineers Lane

15th District 60: Oroville
Southside Oroville Community Center
2959 Lower Wyandotte Road

15th District 90: Morgan Hill
Operating Engineers’ Building
325 Digital Drive

19th District 11: Reno
Sure Stay Plus Reno Airport Hotel
(former Best Western)
1981 Terminal Way

20th District 12: Sandy
Operating Engineers’ Building
8805 South Sandy Parkway

27th District 40: Eureka
Operating Engineers’ Building
1330 Bayshore Way, Ste. 103

27th District 80: Sacramento
Operating Engineers’ Building
3920 Lennane Drive

28th District 10: Rohnert Park
Operating Engineers’ Building
6225 State Farm Drive

28th District 20: Martinez
Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 159
1308 Roman Way

29th District 01: Novato
Best Western Novato Oaks Inn
215 Alameda Del Prado

December 2018

3rd District 17: Honolulu
Ala Moana Hotel
410 Atkinson Drive

January 2019

No meetings scheduled.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Retirees with 35 or more years of service in Local 3 are eligible for Honorary Membership. To find out if you are eligible, please contact your district office or the Recording- Corresponding Secretary (RCS) Office at (510) 748-7400.

The following Retirees have 35 or more years of membership in Local 3 as of September 2018 and have been determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective Oct. 1, 2018.

Steven Badarello 1774954
District 20: Oakland

Thomas E. Baldocchi 1945410
District 20: Oakland

Andrew E. Cook 1834150
District 99: Out of Area

Ben M. Garcia 1916192
District 04: Fairfield

Curtis Hall 1904172
District 12: Utah

Vernon Hansen 1291358
District 50: Fresno

Richard S. Murphy 1941665
District 10: Rohnert Park

Roy Petroni 1547594
District 20: Oakland

Melvin Self 1271087
District 99: Out of Area

Robert Thacker 2396436
District 12: Utah

Rogelio Vega 1935918
District 30: Stockton

Raymond Vega Jr. 1855303
District 11: Nevada

Correction: The following members were inadvertently left off of the August edition this year and were determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective July 1, 2018.

Joseph Aranyos 1732976
District 11: Nevada

Harvey Brown 2262430
District 30: Stockton

Randy C. Dowse 1745536
District 12: Utah

Danny R. Langdon 1875594
District 80: Sacramento

Samuel Spencer 1834545
District 17: Hawaii

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE IN JOB PLACEMENT REGULATIONS

The following administrative change in the Operating Engineers Local 3 Job Placement Regulations for Northern California, Northern Nevada, Hawaii and Utah became effective April 1, 2016:

If any Local 3 Job Placement Center is unsuccessful in reaching an individual on the Out-of-Work list in California, Nevada, Hawaii or Utah 10 times within a 90-day consecutive period, the individual will be removed from the Out-of-Work List.

All successful and/or unsuccessful call attempts made by any Job Placement Center are logged and tracked by the dispatch computer system. Upon reaching the tenth unsuccessful call attempt, the individual’s registration will be deleted. A new registration will not be created. Individuals affected by this will need to call into a District Job Placement Center to get on the Out-of-Work List.

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.
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.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

November 2018
No meetings scheduled.

December 2018

4th District 17: Kauai
Meeting: 6 p.m.
Kauai Beach Hotel
4331 Kauai Beach Drive
Lihue

5th District 17: Hilo
Meeting: 6 p.m.
Hilo ILWU Hall
100 W. Lanikaula St.
Hilo

6th District 17: Kona
Meeting: 6 p.m.
Sheraton Kona Resort at Keauhou Bay
78-128 Ehuakai St.
Kailua-Kona

7th District 17: Maui
Meeting: 6 p.m.
Maui Arts and Cultural Center
Alexa Higashi Room
One Cameron Way
Kahului

January 2018
No meetings scheduled.

NEW MEMBERS

The Local 3 officers would like to welcome the following new members, who were formally initiated into the union before the Local 3 membership at their third quarter District Meetings.

Burlingame
District 01
Omar Ayar
Diego Calvillo
Maurice Caviness
Joseph Cervetto
Michael Fuimaono
Damarko Jackson
Marcus Johns
Tamra Luft
Charles Michael
Hector Munguia
Alicia O’Brien
Paul Pierotti
Raymond Prieto
Terry Venegas
Anastasia Willoughby

Fairfield
District 04
Kirk Adams
Kristopher Alexander
Ryan Benson
Zachery Brenner
Mitchell Dana
Aaron DeHaro
William Fowler
Sierra Harvey
Jonathan Hayes
Taylor Hines
Matthew Kiddier
Eric Meyers
James Ogando
Zachary Packham
Jerrell Rouse

Rohnert Park
District 10
Dylan Hongolá
Charles Kane
Matthew Mauvais
Wendy Quan

Nevada
District 11
Shane Feldman
Alex Mendoza-Reyes
Chris Nelson

Utah
District 12
Ricardo Cintron
Jason Kezior
Slade Taylor

Oakland
District 20
John Barnes
Mark Churchill
Alex Espinoza
Daniel Gabriel
Ulises Garcia
Alexandro Gonzalez
Taylor Johnson
Erika Kowalcy
Ferlan Tobar Mendez
Branden Ostrander
Jesse Peacock
Raul Solis Jr.
Angel Urbina
Michael Volynsky

Stockton
District 30
Amanda Elrod
Steve Langley
Isai Montoya
Mason Rabe
Mathew Spray
Jason Strapp
McKayla Wabs

Eureka
District 40
Ray Filyau

Fresno
District 50
Santiago Magana
Elia Santillan

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District 60
Mike Hoskins

Redding
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James Bayless

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Stephen Campos
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MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DONATIONS

The OE3 Scholarship Foundation would like to thank the following individual for his generous donation to the Scholarship Foundation:

Steven P. McDonald

The Scholarship Foundation is able to help young people further their education due to contributions such as this from our members and their loved ones.

Deceased Dependents:

Allen, Patricia. Spouse of Allen, Everett 09-01-18
Andrade, Lois. Spouse of Andrade, Neal (dec) 08-04-18
Bartel, Mildred. Spouse of Bartel, Kenneth (dec) 08-20-18
Berry, Lisa. Spouse of Berry, Robert 08-22-18
Braun, Verena. Spouse of Braun, Fritz (dec) 08-16-18
Cole, Dolores. Spouse of Cole, Thomas 08-17-18
Corbett, Paula. Spouse of Gonzalez, Daniel (dec) 07-10-18
Costa, Cindy. Spouse of Costa, Steven 08-08-18
Herring, Vonda. Spouse of Herring, Ira (dec) 07-09-18
Herring, Frances. Spouse of Herring, Robert 08-05-18
Hoffin, Jean. Spouse of Hoffin, Albert (dec) 08-25-18
Kurosawa, Elaine. Spouse of Kurosawa, Shigeshi 07-26-18
Laufenberg, Joan. Spouse of Laufenberg, Bernard (dec) 09-07-18
Moody, Mikala. Daughter of Moody, Jeffery 07-26-18

Ruskie, Dorothy. Spouse of Ruskie, Robert 08-13-18
Schooly, Patricia. Spouse of Schooly, David 08-23-18
Tabiyo, Rachel. Spouse of Tabiyo, Louise (dec) 08-11-18
Virgil, Winona. Spouse of Virgil, Smith 04-17-18
Warnes, Ruth. Spouse of Warnes, Richard 08-12-18
Young, Kristin. Spouse of Young, Patrick 09-05-18

*KMEMBER OBITUARIES

Family members of a recently deceased Local 3 member may contact the member’s local district office for a brief obituary to be included in the Engineers News district section. Contact information for the district offices is on pages 20-25 in this edition.
FOR SALE: Preferred RV resort membership. Located 60 miles from Las Vegas in Pahrump, Nev., near shopping and casinos and on the way to Death Valley. $1,000 plus $200 transfer fee. Call (831) 449-8232. Reg# 1855538.

FOR SALE: Falcon 2 tow bar with 2 safety cables, drop hitch, electrical wires and 2 Receivers. $500. Call Ron at (209) 367-1142 or (209) 224-7697 (cell). Reg# 1737629.

FOR SALE: 10%-foot Typhoon inflatable boat with 8 horsepower Yamaha outboard engine and foldable plywood floor. $2,600. Call (209) 239-5526. Reg# 1858286.

FOR SALE: Assorted vintage outdoorsman magazines. “Field & Stream,” issues from ‘00 and ‘01; “Guns & Ammos,” issues from ‘70, ‘72, ‘73; “Petersen’s Hunting,” issues from ’74, ’75, ’76 and ’77; “Fawcett’s Hunting Journal,” issue #1 from ’75; “Gun World,” June ’70. All reasonable offers considered. Call (408) 274-5591. Reg# 2105272.


FOR SALE: 9.1 acre organic farm certified by CCOF: 6 acres apples, 1/2 acre chestnuts, 1/2 acre lavender, 2 acre bare farm ground, 7-foot deer fence, NID water, 15,000 gal. water storage tank. Farm equipment included in sale. 1,360 sq. ft. 3 bed, 2 bath home. 40x40 ft. metal shop, $695,000. Call (350) 346-2918. Reg# 1270153.

FOR SALE: CAT D4 with angle dozer J series. Has a lot of work done but needs work too. $1,000. Logon metal lathe 10’, 24’ between centers with lots of tooling, $1,200. Five thurmonds for D7 or D8. Used, but good. $50. Call (350) 346-2918. Reg# 1270153.

FOR SALE: 2003 Chevrolet Tracker ZR2. Silver, 4X4, 4-door, 6-cylinder, rack on top, tire rack with cover, 35,340 original miles. Looks new. One owner. $5,500. Call or text (209) 931-2085. Reg# 1022395.

FOR SALE: 1955 Chevy stepside pickup. $500 or best offer. Call (714) 679-0424. Reg# 1317611.

FOR SALE: 1937 Chevy coupe street rod project with lots of work done and lots of new parts. Call (775) 781-8608 for more information. Reg# 1115391.

FOR SALE: Pin collection. 870 box. $111. Call (707) 747-9291 and ask for Tony or Se, email ynot9696@yahoo.com. Reg# 2072159.

FOR SALE: 1994 Silverado C1500 5.7 extra cab. Clean with Glasstite shell. (Call (510) 895-6543 or (510) 915-8837. $5,995. Reg# 9815793.

FOR SALE: Tombstone earth homes on 1 acre. One house is 98 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom. Second house is 1,300 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Large shop 30x40x12. Located in the heart of the Cabinet Mountains. Great fishing and hunting. Call (595) 977-7847 or (595) 886-3587. Reg# 1070212.


FOR SALE: Luxury 2015 33’ bounder. Striking painted exterior, 2 slides, L-shaped sofa queen bed, 3 TVs, hi-end surround, full awning, fireplace, stainless appliances. 2 AC’s, residential Samsung fridge, ice maker, micro/conv. oven. Private master, king bed, TV, bathroom, 2 color remote control. New batteries, new tires, new awnings, 2 ACs and 2 TVs, $38,000. Call Ed at (775) 852-4167. Reg# 1296063.


FOR SALE: 1971 GMC Sprint. Very rare, top condition, completely restored and show ready. Selling due to a stroke. $20,000. Call Dean (530) 243-0546. Reg# 1265020.


FOR SALE: 1983 Cal Pacifica Mini Day Cruiser. 23-foot with new Chevy engine (2007, max speed 75 mph), steering wheel, step decks, rebuilt engine and gear and rim bench, CD player, ski rope and tube, spare prop and anchor. Trailer has new tires and wheels, brake system and lines, axle bearings with Bearing Buddies, side boards, wiring and lights. $8,000. Call Dave at (650) 294-0054. Reg# 2018329.

FOR SALE: White Tonneau cover for 2011 Chevy Silverado longbed. Like new, for only two months. Paid $2,000, asking $1,000. Call (530) 824-3707. Reg# 1661023.

FOR SALE: Double sheeps foot, 9’x5’. $1,800 o. 3 axle trailer. $200. Brand new 50cc motorcycle motor. $100. Brand new Coast to Coast Shp rototiller. $100. Craftsman 3hp air compressor, like new. $100. Electric BBQ on stand for $100. Bose 321 surround sound system. $150. Call (408) 316-3890 for more information. Reg# 1797514.


FOR SALE: 1929 Ford AA truck. Needs 4 used 600x20 or 700x20 tires to rebuild the truck on. (707) 363-3075. Reg# 1562992.

FOR SALE: 2004 C32 AMG Mercedes Benz. In good condition, has 138,000 miles and an auto transmission that can be driven manually. Engine, trans, suspension, brakes and steering are all racing. Located in Aptos, CA. (831) 684-1710. Reg# 1793996.


FOR SALE: Falcon 2 tow bar. 2 safety cables, drop hitch, electrical wires and 2 Receivers. $500. Call Ron at (209) 367-1142 or (209) 224-7697 (cell). Reg# 1737629.

FOR SALE: Cargo carrier. $75. Call Ron at (209) 367-1142. Reg# 1737629.
For half a century, Vallejo's Solano County Fairgrounds regularly featured horseracing, but that came to an end about 10 years ago. Since then, the horse track, grandstands and 1,000 horse stalls have become a dilapidated eyesore sitting on 13 acres of prime Bay Area real estate. That's all changing, however, with the adoption of a development plan by Solano County and the City of Vallejo called Vallejo 360, which will turn this unused property into a mixed-use residential, retail, entertainment and transit center. The demolition work began earlier this year when a crew from CVE Demolition started tearing into the old grandstands with excavators and separating material to be hauled away.

"I love it!" said Excavator Operator Jonathan Tellez. "Demolition work is fun."

Crew members will soon move on to the horse stalls and plan to finish their portion of the work by December, rain or shine.

"In this line of work, rain doesn't shut us down," said Foreman Tony Banchero. "We just keep working."

A crew from Pacific Coast Grading is performing the grading work in preparation for construction scheduled to begin next year.