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ON THE COVER

Operators working for Jos. J. Albanese demolish the old Macy's building in Sunnyvale, Calif., making way for the construction of a new, mixed-used structure in the near future. (More about this project coming soon.)



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Check-out this month's pin spread, which includes photos of members who recently earned a service pin for having 25 to 75 years of service in Local 3. See which of these brothers and sisters you know and recognize, and if you are due to receive a service pin, contact your District Office.

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As we prepare for the first in-person Semi-Annual Meeting since the COVID pandemic hit, we examine why Local 3's motto, Proud, Skilled, Productive, Committed... Always the Best!, is more fitting than ever.

BACK COVER THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Operating Engineers Local 3 Scholarship Foundation continues to help the children of Local 3 members avoid excessive student debt and pursue their educational goals. Turn to the back page of this edition to see this year's first, second and third-place winners.

Business Manager Dan Reding addresses the membership during the last in-person Semi-Annual Meeting, which was held in 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Proud, Skilled, Productive, Committed ... Always the Best!

Besides the \$5 billion, unaudited, preliminary net return of our Pension Fund (the highest return ever), the other great news is that we are all going to start meeting in person again. This includes next month's Semi-Annual Event, which is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 19 at the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo, CA. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., the meeting is at 11 a.m. and lunch will follow directly after the meeting. Come for the detailed information about just how well our Funds are doing (all-time highs in every one), but also come, because it has been so long since we've all been able to get together. I can speak for your officers and staff when I say that it's very difficult to go from 90-plus in-person meetings a year, to nothing. Maybe I'm old-fashioned, but business is done better and greater connections are made, when you can meet with someone face-to-face. News is better shared in-person. Concerns are better addressed, and you feel more part of a community, when you can all gather for the same cause. With that being said, there is no better time than now to attend this very important meeting, as updates on the Pension, Health and Welfare Funds, organizing numbers, new offered benefits, politics, communication and just how we managed to surpass all previous returns in the middle of a global pandemic, will be shared. Operating Engineers Local 3 truly is the best in the business. Come to the Semi-Annual Event on Sept. 19 to see why. More details about the event can be found on pages 14-15.

It seems things related to COVID-19 are improving. In states where they couldn't, people can now sit down at a restaurant, kids are playing summer sports (with school set to re-open normally) and businesses are opening up, while new ones are being built. The latter has positively impacted us, as private work continues to heat up this summer, including subdivisions. You can read more about this in this month's District Report section.

Our organizing activities have also soared this past year, as numbers from just Jan. 1, 2021 to May 31, 2021 include 37 Master Agreements, 68 Project Agreements, 350 total dispatches from New Agreements and 52 new members from these New Agreements. Expect these numbers to grow, and you will hear the updated ones at the Semi-Annual Event.

This issue contains a lot of information, so I encourage you to read it all. You'll meet the organization's new Technical Engineers business representative and learn about the latest regarding

California's High-Speed Rail (HSR) in Fresno District 50. You'll read how Nevada has been getting the word out to the public about the benefits of being a unionized mine member. You'll hear about the incredible gains in the California Master Agreement, and how these gains were made possible. You'll meet some of the district's Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) subcommittee members, who volunteer their time to help out each district's apprentices in the process of their training, and you'll also meet Local 3's Scholarship Foundation scholarship winners, who are incredible young people, destined for great futures, backed by Local 3's lucrative Scholarship Fund. Finally, we have our pin spread, which highlights some of the many Local 3 members who have 25 or more years of service in their union. These folks are honored, because they have put in the time, and so an agent has hand-delivered them a service pin and taken a photograph of them, many of which are published in this magazine twice a year, in August and February. Please also check-out news about upcoming meetings, the new features of our union-run Credit Union, OE Federal, and how Local 3's Assistance and Recovery Program (ARP) helps, not only those suffering from substance abuse, but the families of those affected by it.

Local 3 certainly is a well-oiled machine, founded with incredible foresight, and then continually improved upon every year, as needs change. I plan to discuss some of these improvements at the next Semi-Annual Meeting, and one of them is our new online dues-pay feature, which lets members pay dues from a laptop or computer by visiting the Local 3 website (oe3.org), rather than having to come into the office. Another improvement is our big push for social media, which includes Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, podcasts, e-mail blasts and more. Learn how to access these at the Semi-Annual Event. (Masks are not required at this time, but protocols may change. We will let you know.)

Obviously, anything can happen between now and Sept. 19, so please check back here, online and with your District Office, as times and dates of all meetings are subject to COVID-19 guidelines. But please do mark this event on your calendar, and let's all get together. After all, for more than 80 years, we are **Operating Engineers Local 3: Proud, Skilled, Productive, Committed Always the Best!** See you there.

Dan Reding

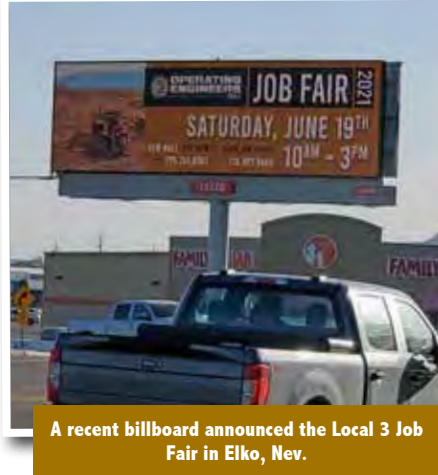


Let's meet together again, like we used to. Join us for the Sept. 19 Semi-Annual Event.

A Northeastern Nevada Update

In Nevada District 11, we continue to have issues/concerns with Newmont/Nevada Gold Mines (NGM). COVID restrictions limited us from meeting face-to-face with our mining membership, but these restrictions are relaxing, and we look forward to regular union/mining meetings again. If you work in the mines and want to get facts about what your union is doing and can do for you, feel free to contact the Elko Hall at (775) 753-8761.

Nevada District Rep. Scott Fullerton and his district staff have been working tirelessly to get the word out about Local 3 representation for mine workers in Northeastern Nevada, as they continue to represent the current membership, as well. One of the ways this district has been targeting growth has been to participate in local events and expos to help spread the word about the benefits of a union career. For those interested folks who showed up at the Elko Job Fair in mid-June at the VFW Hall, we were able to get work (dispatches) for every single one of them! We also had some success in participating at the Elko Mining Expo, as we had an informational booth, got the word out about career options and benefits of a mining career with Local 3 and raised awareness within the mining community in Elko.



A recent billboard announced the Local 3 Job Fair in Elko, Nev.

You may have seen billboards up about Local 3 in the Elko area, and this is just another effort at gaining awareness, interest and support for unionism within the mining industry. Several of our members also participated together, along with some of your union staff, in the Eureka, Nev. Gold Rush Games, which included events for single jack, hand mucking and spike-driving, which celebrate old-school mining practices in a family-friendly way. Stay tuned for more details about how well our team did, as there were multiple first-place finishes.

Also, I want to remind you all about a new feature on Local 3's website at www.oe3.org, where you can pay your dues remotely from any computer or tablet. Just click on the red "Pay Members Dues" icon at the top of the home screen. You can then pay your dues remotely, see your member information and get a receipt for dues paid. You can also access Local 3's Instagram account (@engineersnews), Facebook page, podcasts and YouTube channel from the very top bar on the home page. Check out all of these features now, which are just other ways we are communicating union information to our membership.



Engineers News wants to know what hobbies and interests you pursue when you are off the clock, thanks to the financial stability that comes with Local 3 membership. Send quality photos of you pursuing your hobbies and interests to jmatos@oe3.org, or tag @engineersnews in your related Instagram posts, for a chance to be featured in this section of upcoming issues of *Engineers News*. In this edition, we share what we received from Retiree **STEVE GRAFFE** from Burlingame District 01.

"I recently retired after working as a Heavy Equipment Mechanic at San Mateo County's Grant Yard in Redwood City, Calif. My hobby is welding, fabrication and restoration and this is my Vizion 4x4, which is a hand-built, street-legal metal structure equipped with a 350 Chevy engine, a 400 turbo transmission, jeep axles, a handmade frame and smoked, Lexan polycarbonate body panels."



From left: The exterior, interior and chassis of Retiree Steve Graffe's hand-built Vizion 4x4.

High-Speed Rail is back on track

The approval and funding of infrastructure projects is a bread-and-butter issue for Operating Engineers. Without those two things, work dries up, members get stuck on the Out-of-Work List and our membership loses out on contributions to their Pension and Health and Welfare Funds. Approving and funding infrastructure projects is also the main task for local, state and federal governments. As a result, infrastructure projects almost always turn into political battlegrounds between opposing sides, and it takes a lot of effort and negotiating on our part to make sure Local 3 jobs don't get killed in the crossfire. That's been especially true of California's High-Speed Rail (HSR) project, which has provided employment to thousands of Operating Engineers since work began in 2015, despite being the target of countless political attacks. Local 3 never let up, however, and the latest news on HSR shows us just how important it is that we continue to fight for the project and the union jobs it creates.

Just a few short years ago, the future of HSR seemed to be in jeopardy, as the Trump Administration rescinded nearly \$1 billion in federal funding from the project in 2019. Without those funds,

the project was scaled back, thousands of union jobs evaporated and doubts arose about the United States' ability to even construct a high-speed rail system in its most populous state. That's all changed now, thanks to Local 3 and its allies in the Building Trades, who worked closely with the California Governor's Office, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CalHSRA) and the Biden Administration to work out a deal that restores that federal funding. This new deal, combined with the \$4.2 billion slated for HSR in California's latest

budget, means our signatory employers will be able to keep Local 3 members busy on the project for years to come, creating tens of thousands of good-paying, union jobs in the process!

As Operating Engineers, our primary goal continues to be a simple and straightforward one – securing the work our membership depends on. Achieving that goal may not always be as simple and straightforward, but we will continue to turn that goal

into reality using the tools we have at hand: political engagement, union strength and solidarity with our allies in the Labor Movement.



FROM VICE PRESIDENT

By Justin Diston, Vice President

Introducing new Technical Engineers Rep. Adam Gibson

Prior to becoming the Sacramento district rep, John Rector served for 10 years as the Technical Engineers representative. Once he took on his new role, we began the search for who would fill his shoes. (Local 3 represents about 1,500 Technical Engineers, surveyors and special inspectors, who account for around 2 million man hours annually. Of that 1,500, we have about 220 surveyor apprentices and 150 testing and inspection apprentices.)

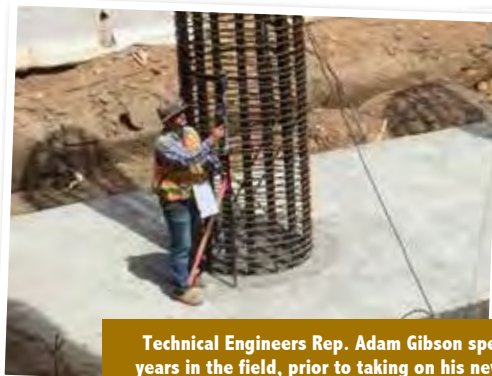
Many members applied for the Technical Engineers rep. position, and ultimately Adam Gibson was hired. His Local 3 involvement/commitment and field experience made him the right choice.

Prior to joining the Operating Engineers, Adam became an Eagle Scout and was an Army Airborne Ranger Medic, serving our country at the 5th Ranger Training Battalion in Dahlonga, Georgia. After his honorable military service, he joined Local 3 in 2005 as an apprentice land surveyor with Wood Rodgers, Inc. and became a Certified Party Chief after just a few years of experience in the field. In total, Adam has had 16 years of field experience and nearly a decade of experience as Chief of Party. He is honored to hold this position.

"I believe my complex problem-solving skills will continue to be utilized in this role,

as we continue to address industry issues and an ever-changing construction market," he said. "I am proud to be a union member and supporter of the Union Trade Movement."

Adam came onboard in the fall of 2020, right in the middle of the pandemic and has proven to be a great asset to the membership. Please reach out to him at (916) 203-6475, if you have any surveyor-related issues or concerns, and continue to work hard and work safely. If you have any questions related to Technical Engineers Apprenticeship, contact (510) 748-7413 and stay tuned for the next Local 3 *Breaking Ground* podcast, which will provide insight into this unique and lucrative career.



Technical Engineers Rep. Adam Gibson spent 16 years in the field, prior to taking on his new role.



Second wage increase now in effect from CA Master Agreement

Last year was challenging in many ways, especially when it came to ratifying our California Master Agreement. Normally, four ratification meetings would have been held, but we added a fifth, printed thousands of fliers and started getting the word out to our membership. Then COVID-19 hit, Shelter-in-Place (SIP) orders were issued and all gatherings were temporarily canceled, including all union meetings. That hold on all meetings and gatherings ended up not being as temporary as we thought, and as time went on, it became clear that things would not be returning to normal any time soon. That further complicated things, as there was a very real risk that employers, facing the economic conditions created by the pandemic, would attempt to back out of our Tentative Agreement (TA). Any attempt to do so would have been challenged by our legal team, creating unwanted costs and possibly delaying the implementation of the contract in the process. This would have been an unfortunate outcome, as we had successfully negotiated

some very important gains, which our membership had identified as priorities during pre-negotiation meetings. Chances were high that we would lose those gains if we didn't act fast.

Your officers and I discussed the problem and turned to our Bylaws and Constitution for options on how to move forward. Waiting until we could hold in-person meetings again wasn't going to work under the various health orders issued in response to the pandemic, so we decided to have the Executive Board ratify the agreement on behalf of the membership. The Executive Board did just that, and as a result, the richest Master Agreement in the history of this local was ratified. I'm happy to report that, as of June 28, our members working under that agreement have received their second wage increase (\$2.50), and when combined with the first wage increase from the previous June, they are now enjoying a total hourly wage increase of \$4.90, since ratification. That's not even counting other direct benefits to our members, which includes increases to their

annuity and their sick and vacation pay, the additional wage increase that will go into effect next June or the fact that there was no need to allocate any additional funds to our California Health and Welfare Fund for the third year in a row!

If you work under the California Master Agreement, remember to keep an eye on your paychecks to make sure you are and have been receiving the \$2.50 per hour wage increase since it went into effect on June 28. Thank you all for your commitment to this great union, which makes it possible for Local 3 to negotiate the kinds of wage increases, benefits and working conditions that so many other working people can only dream of.



Operator Rodney Sanchez gives a thumbs up as he works on Hwy. 1 for Granite Construction.

UNIT 12

Decision time as members vote on Unit 12 contract

By James Garnett, business representative

The state is opening back up, and our Unit 12 members have a big decision to make: how to vote on our new contract. Because of the diversity and size of our membership, it's hard to please everybody, but your brothers and sisters on the bargaining team have worked tirelessly to get you a contract that is a move in the right direction and which we can all be proud of. Please vote, and make sure your voice is heard! For more information, visit www.unit12.org.



Caltrans workers Josh Markl and Travis Faught work on a lateral support near Groveland for the Groveland Unit 12 Yard .

Contract updates for Nevada Public Employees

By Ralph Handel, business representative

The City of Sparks non-supervisory contract has been re-titled as the city-wide skilled workforce agreement, and members will vote on a one-year, 3 percent wage increase with a \$50 increase, for a total of \$75 a paycheck, with matching, deferred compensation.

The negotiations team (Mark Reynolds, Les Lorber and Daniel Szoke) put in the time and effort to secure this pending, one-year contract, which was reached at the end of June, and they did it all during non-work hours. (Sparks does not allow negotiations during business hours without our members using leave, even though the section governing this was repealed and the Sparks Fire Department is allowed to negotiate and conduct union business during work hours.)

The Supervisory Unit with the City of Sparks will vote on the same deal and under the same restrictions. Supervisory Emergency Dispatcher Moe Dyette was the negotiation team member and has

been invaluable during my first negotiations with the City of Sparks. (Thanks, Moe!) The City of Fallon negotiations continue, and the team looks forward to finishing before the end of August.

With the state of Nevada opening up, post-COVID, and the American Recovery Act, local government employees' positions should improve; however, as of this article, there has been little discussion about this funding at the table. While other states use the funds to reward essential workers, many of Northern Nevada's local government agencies are choosing to ignore the workers who came to work every day and risked possible exposure. Our members are the employees who keep local governments operating and the services we use every day available. They should be compensated, as such!

Stay tuned for further updates.

City of Clearlake members get recognition

By Carl Carr, business representative

I represent two units at the City of Clearlake, the Clearlake Municipal Employees Association and the Clearlake Police Officers Association. These units recently received some well-deserved appreciation and recognition from the City's management, as the staff provided a catered lunch for these units from Boar's Breath Catering in Clearlake that included barbecue tri-tip, pork

and chicken, as well as delicious sides of beans, salads and bread. Besides the good food, our members enjoyed some camaraderie and even received a few recognition awards. It was a nice reprieve from the pandemic of the last year-and-a-half, and it was great for our members to feel recognized for their non-stop efforts during so many emergencies.



City of San Jose members negotiate three-year agreement

By Mary Blanco, business representative

City of San Jose members were essential workers during the pandemic and provided important services to residents. Because of their hard work during this time period, OE3 was able to negotiate a three-year contract with a 3 percent pensionable salary increase for each year. In addition, in recognition for their contribution during the pandemic, a \$1,000 bonus was also negotiated for full-time employees. Part-time employees are eligible for a pro-rated bonus based on their benefit level.

It is important to recognize this bargaining unit's contribution to the City of San Jose residents during the pandemic. OE3 only had two classifications (out of 68) that were deemed non-essential, and within a couple of weeks, those two classifications were re-deployed as disaster service workers to assist the community at the food banks and shelters.

OE3 also negotiated increases to Class A/B license pay (from \$40 per pay period to \$75) and shift differential (swing shift from \$1.55 to \$2 per hour; graveyard shift from \$1.75 to \$2.35 per hour) and obtained three new special pays in this agreement. The Qualified Applicator Certification (QAC) and the Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester Incentive will bring in an additional \$50 per pay period, while the Crane Certification will increase members' base salary by 5 percent per pay period.

Another benefit obtained during this negotiation was a City Paid Parental Leave Pilot Project that provides eligible employees with 40 hours of continuous time off for births, adoptions or foster care placements that occur after implementation of the program and the use of up to 120 sick leave hours.

Join me in congratulating the membership for their service during this very trying time!

Meet your Fairfield OE3 JATC subcommittee members

Did you know that besides their own unique apprenticeship coordinator, every district has a member representing the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC)? This unique group of members belongs to the OE3 JATC subcommittee and is responsible for sitting in on apprentice interviews and all disciplinary actions. They give of their time and

energies outside of their regular day jobs, and they do it to give back to the industry that has provided them a lifelong career. Below are your Fairfield District 04 OE3 JATC subcommittee members, and as a thanks, we are highlighting them going forward and providing them with a special coffee mug.



MICHAEL BURNESON SYAR Industries, Inc.

“I started this career with SYAR Industries in 1977 as a mechanic welder and operated various heavy equipment at the quarry. I am currently the plant manager. I am a state licensed blaster, past president of the Golden West Chapter of the International Society of Explosives Engineers. I enjoy hunting and fishing in my spare time. I have been involved with the Fairfield Subcommittee multiple times throughout my career.”



DJ WOODS KDW Construction, LLC

“I started in the construction industry in 1999, repairing levees, and in 2013, I co-founded KDW Construction, LLC. With more than 20 years’ experience mentoring staff, building relationships with clients and trade partners is not only my job, but more importantly, my passion. I enjoy golfing and spending time with my family when I am not working.”



DON SILVA American Civil Constructors, LLC

“I started with the Operating Engineers Local 4 in Boston, Mass. in 1976. Throughout my career as an engineer, I was the equipment manager on projects across the United States such as “The Big Dig” and the Bay Bridge. I was on the Northern California Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) written exam committee, and I am a certified equipment manager by the association of equipment professionals. I recently retired from American Civil Constructors as a project equipment manager.”



JOE BROWN DeSilva Gates Construction

“I was raised on a farm in the Napa Valley, which started my love of tractors early on. I started my career as a heavy equipment operator in 1979 with Local 3 and became a foreman in 1998. I served on the Fairfield Subcommittee since 2007 and will continue to do so.”



AUGIE PEREZ KDW Construction, LLC

“I have been in the construction industry since 2004 as a dispatcher/equipment fleet manager for signatory contractors. I have been with KDW since 2019. I continue to stay involved with the Fairfield Subcommittee to keep in touch with the up and coming apprentices, and it is a great reward to see the growth many of them go through.”

Retirees Association Meetings on-hold for now

Due to the continued uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, the Retirees Association Meetings will not be held in the third quarter. The Local 3 Officers remain cautiously optimistic and will continue to evaluate whether the meetings can be held some time during the fourth quarter.

While we are anxious to begin holding these meetings again in the very near future, the safety and well-being of our Retirees, spouses and families remains our highest priority. As the situation continues to develop, we will keep you informed of the likelihood of a meeting this year. Thanks for your patience!

District Visits *Available through phone or teleconference*

Fringe Benefits district visits will continue to be conducted as phone appointments. Please call (800) 532-2105 to schedule a phone appointment or possibly a teleconference. While we

understand that suspending in-person meetings is not ideal, we do appreciate your patience and flexibility as we work through these challenging circumstances together.

OE3 **TRUST FUNDS**

By Bob Miller, fund representative/client services

Retiree Medical and Dental Benefits

When OE3 members are ready to retire, the usual questions are, "When can I go, and how much will I get?" "What about Health and Welfare?" Many other crafts and trades no longer have subsidized retiree benefits, meaning their members will spend most or all of their pension paying for medical coverage at a time when it is needed the most. We should all be very grateful for the benefits OE3 provides!

SOME GENERAL INFORMATION AND TIPS:

- ▶ **THE OE3 RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE PLAN PROVIDES 80 PERCENT COVERAGE, AND THERE IS NO DEDUCTIBLE.**
- ▶ **THE COST IS \$500 PER MONTH, WHETHER THE PARTICIPANT IS MARRIED OR SINGLE. THE COST DROPS TO \$250 WHEN THE PARTICIPANT TURNS AGE 65.**
- ▶ **DEPENDENTS ARE \$179 EACH (UNDER AGE 26 OR PERMANENTLY DISABLED OVER AGE 26).**
- ▶ **THE PLAN COVERS HOSPITAL, DOCTOR, PRESCRIPTIONS, HEARING AIDS AND VISION CARE.**
- ▶ **DENTAL IS AN EXTRA COST, RANGING**

FROM APPROXIMATELY \$65 MONTHLY FOR A SINGLE PERSON TO \$150 A MONTH FOR A FAMILY. (THERE ARE DIFFERENT PLAN OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM.)

- ▶ **AT AGE 65, MEDICARE BECOMES THE PRIMARY INSURER AND PAYS 80 PERCENT OF THE BILL, AND THE OE3 PLAN IS SECONDARY. (IT PAYS 80 PERCENT OF THE REMAINING 20 PERCENT THAT MEDICARE DOES NOT COVER.)**
- ▶ **YOU HAVE A CHOICE OF BLUE CROSS (COMPREHENSIVE PLAN) OR KAISER.**
- ▶ **UPON THE DEATH OF THE PARTICIPANT, ENROLLED SURVIVING SPOUSES MAY CONTINUE COVERAGE.**
- ▶ **AFTER YOU RECEIVE YOUR FIRST PENSION PAYMENT, THE TRUST FUNDS WILL MAIL YOU AN ENROLLMENT PACKET FOR PENSIONED HEALTH AND WELFARE, IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE.**



The time we will all need top-notch medical coverage is in our golden years, and Local 3 provides the very best. The Local 3 Officers and Trustees constantly strive to make Plan improvements beneficial to the members. We are all blessed to have such a great Retiree Health and Welfare Plan, which provides security in later life.

District Visits *Available through phone or teleconference*

Please call (510) 671-8827 to schedule a phone meeting or teleconference regarding your benefits. This is in place of the in-person district visits. You may also call your District Office, as they can arrange things. We, at Zenith American Solutions, stand ready to help with all your Trust Funds Fringe Benefits needs and can assist you in any way. Local 3 continues to service the members in

every district during the COVID-19 emergency.

Your health and safety is of the utmost concern to Business Manager Dan Reding and the officers of Local 3, as well as all of us at the Trust Funds. We regret any inconvenience and hope to resume the popular face-to-face, in-district visits, very soon. Please be safe!

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A Local 3 service pin represents the loyalty and commitment of our members to each other, their industry and their union. These pins come in five-year increments from 25 to 75. If you are eligible to receive a service pin, please call your district office. You too could be featured in the next spread!* These run twice a year, in February and August.

** Please note: These are not all of the pin recipients. Photos are chosen based on quality and spacing requirements.*



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30 YEARS



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25 YEARS



JOHN AGUILERA
45 YEARS



ANDREW AHYEE
25 YEARS



BRIAN ANDERSON
25 YEARS



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TOMAS GOMEZ JR.
30 YEARS



JORGE GOVEA
25 YEARS



HERB GRINNELL
35 YEARS



ALAN KUMALAE
45 YEARS



PERFECTO LABRADOR
50 YEARS



RALPH LAKES
40 YEARS



RANDY LANEY
45 YEARS



DAVID B. MARCUSE
25 YEARS



WALT MARTINEZ
25 YEARS



ITALO NEGRINI
30 YEARS



ROBERT NEWBERRY
30 YEARS



BRUCE NORTH
35 YEARS



KEKANE PA
25 YEARS



KENT PACLEB
25 YEARS



KAWILA PALMA
30 YEARS



WILLIAM RICHARDSON
40 YEARS



DALE RODONI
40 YEARS



ANTHONY SALADO
25 YEARS



JESSIE SAYLOR JR.
25 YEARS



WILLIAM SHATTUCK
30 YEARS



JACK SHUPE
55 YEARS



DWAYNE TOGAMI
25 YEARS



JOHANNES VELDMAN
25 YEARS



BILL WAGNER
30 YEARS



ROBERT WAINWRIGHT
30 YEARS



ANDREW WALLACE
30 YEARS



ROBERT WAMSLEY
50 YEARS

PIN RECIPIENTS!



FRED BACA
35 YEARS



JAMES BARRETT
40 YEARS



TONY BELMODIS
25 YEARS



DOUG BRADSHAW
25 YEARS



WAYNE BUCHANAN
45 YEARS



ROSS BUSTOS
45 YEARS



JOHN "HENRY" COTTER
25 YEARS



MARK COUMBS
25 YEARS



MICHAEL DORAN
30 YEARS



KEVIN DOUGLAS
25 YEARS



MARIO DURLAO
60 YEARS



GEORGE FERNANDEZ
50 YEARS



DONALD GUADAGNINO
30 YEARS



JERRY GUTIERREZ
35 YEARS



ED HARO
40 YEARS



THOMAS HULIHEE SR.
30 YEARS



JOHN KARSTENS
25 YEARS



GENO KIA
30 YEARS



HERMAN MEEK
25 YEARS



HERB MEYERS
35 YEARS



GREG MOREAU
30 YEARS



JOSE RICK MORENO
40 YEARS



VIRGINIA MORGAN
25 YEARS



BEN MORNENO
25 YEARS



GIUSEPPE PANTANO
25 YEARS



MIGUEL PENA
25 YEARS



JAMES PERRY
25 YEARS



WESLEY PHILLIPS
35 YEARS



STEVE RAMOS
30 YEARS



JASON RAPAL
25 YEARS



HENRY SILVA
30 YEARS



PAUL SNEDCOR
25 YEARS



DENNIS STANLEY
25 YEARS



DANTON SUGAI
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CHRIS TENTIS
30 YEARS



LEANDA KAIPO TILTON
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MIKE WILDE
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WILLIAM WILLIAMSON
25 YEARS



BRUCE WOODS
25 YEARS



ERIC WYLIE
25 YEARS



ROBERT C. YERION
25 YEARS



STEVE ZAHN
30 YEARS

SEMI-ANNUAL

PROUD, SKILLED, PRODUCTIVE, COMMITTED ... ALWAYS THE BEST

The Local 3 motto, “Proud, Skilled, Productive, Committed ... Always the Best!” is a tribute to our diverse membership and their craft. Please join the Local 3 officers, staff and your fellow brothers and sisters, as we finally gather in-person and in a normal setting (Masks are not required at this time, but protocols may change. We will let you know.), complete with a catered lunch following the 11 a.m. meeting. Besides visiting with union friends and family, this is a meeting you don’t want to miss, as you can expect to hear a full report on Local 3, and why we should be proud of how we were able to handle the past year-and-a-half so well.



PROUD

First and foremost, at this special Semi-Annual Meeting, Business Manager Dan Reding will talk about the union’s funds, every one of which is at an all-time high, with Pension returns hitting an unheard of milestone – over \$5 billion – and Health and Welfare Funds for both Retirees and active members also setting records. You’ll hear how we were able to achieve this in the middle of a pandemic that struck down many industries and threatened the entire economy.

SKILLED

Despite training center shutdowns, creative classroom setups and limited class offerings during COVID, all training centers have come back roaring, with class numbers back to normal, regular schedules and overall apprenticeship interest soaring. Operating Engineers are the most skilled and trained in the business, and thanks to the many precautions we took this past year-and-a-half, not a single COVID case was reported from any of our training centers, meaning we are not only skilled; we are also safe.



PRODUCTIVE

While we all experienced a drop in work hours during the initial two weeks of shutdowns, construction was considered essential, thanks to our tireless efforts at communicating to local politicians and the general public that we were necessary and we were already practicing many of the social distancing protocols by the sheer nature of our work. Hear about what else we did to ensure your jobs remained available and just how much of a demand there is right now for skilled and essential construction workers and Public Employees. Most industries are reporting worker shortages. Get more of these details during the meeting.



SUNDAY 09.19.21

8:30^{AM} REGISTRATION | 11^{AM} MEETING*

SOLANO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

900 FAIRGROUNDS DR., VALLEJO, CA

*LUNCH TO FOLLOW MEETING

COMMITTED

In no other time in history can we look back and see how others handled a truly global pandemic. Yet, considering the many emotional, financial, psychological and social consequences it caused for many, Local 3 did amazingly well, and that is in large part due to the commitment of your staff and your fellow members. We all stayed committed to communicating to one other, to staying safe on the job, to securing the best agreements in the union's history and working with industry leaders to keep our jobs open. Hear all the ways we have communicated to the membership and will continue to do so, even as normal meetings begin happening.

... ALWAYS THE BEST

Since 1939, Local 3 has been facing and overcoming challenges, from anti-union legislation and natural disasters, to economic recessions and pandemics. We come together, we find a way and we roar back stronger. 2020 and 2021 have been no different. Hear how our industry did compared to others, why we achieved this, and why our resilience has been one of the biggest mainstays of who we are, since Local 3's founding more than 80 years ago.



So, if you want to safely gather with people you haven't seen in a long time, come to the Semi-Annual. If you want to get a detailed report in a true meeting format, come to the Semi-Annual. If you want to get a free, catered lunch and participate in a raffle with prizes, come to the Semi-Annual. And if you want to celebrate overcoming the difficult time we endured and look to a very bright future as an Operating Engineer ... come to the Semi-Annual Meeting!

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL NO. 3

ENGINEERS

NEWS





District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
EUREKA	40	1330 Bayshore Way, Suite 103, Eureka, CA 95501	(707) 443-7328	Jeff Hunerlach

Title

Further skills needed, as Local 3 secures more projects in the region

Report

Most of our district is busy, as we near the end of the summer. **Golden State Bridge (GSB)** is working on a slide repair project on Hwy. 36 at Hwy. 101 in Del Norte County. **Mercer-Fraser** is paving on Hwy. 299 and on Hwy. 36 at the Van Duzen Bridge. The company is also constructing a soldier wall and improving the divide between the north- and southbound lanes on Hwy. 101 near Fields Landing. **Granite Construction** is working on a project at the southern end of Alderpoint Road. Further north,



Steelhead Constructors is working on Alderpoint Road near Blockburg.

Underground Construction is working on a Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) project on Myrtle Avenue in Eureka.

Brotherton Corporation is also working onsite. **Mercer-Fraser's** Gravel Harvest will be gearing up after Labor Day.

« Wahlund Construction's Ryan Wahlund receives a new mug, as a gift of appreciation for serving on the OE3 JATC subcommittee.

Our district is looking forward to some big projects going out to bid, including a \$45 million overpass project on Hwy. 101 at Indianola Avenue in Bayside. This is great news for our members who live and work in the area, as there have been many traffic accidents there, and Local 3's signatory employers are prepared to secure the work for our membership.

Nordic Aquafarms, which signed with Local 3 this last May, is working on an Environmental Impact Report for the proposed fish farm on the Samoa Peninsula. The report has delayed the project until next year, but once the report is completed, it will help us win community support for the project, as it goes through the permitting process. Many of you e-mailed in support, and we appreciate that!

Now is a good time to think about opportunities to be in greater demand, work sooner and make more money. Several Local 3 employers are looking for gradesetters, and the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) is offering classes to train in this area. Another skill that is currently in high demand is that of a certified crane operator. Not everyone is cut out for crane work, but if you have an interest, reach out, as there are projects coming to our district that will need operators with crane certifications, whether for construction, demolition or at the harbor. For more information about crane certifications, visit www.NCCCO.org, then contact the District Office or call (916) 354-2029 to speak with someone at the OE3 JATC about training opportunities. We also want to congratulate new OE3 JATC Subcommittee Member **Ryan Wahlund**, longtime member and Vice President of signatory Wahlund Construction.

Don't forget, training can also be done at the International Union of Operating Engineers' (IUOE's) Training Center in Crosby, Texas! For information about training at that facility, visit www.iuoe.org/training/heavy-equipment-operator.

Congratulations to **Yoshi Yashiki-Jansen** who completed the Apprenticeship Program to become one of our newest journeyman!

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
REDDING	70	20308 Engineers Lane, Redding, CA 96002	(530) 222-6093	Dave Kirk

Title

Multi-year projects wrap up, as new ones are awarded

Report

The heat is on in District 70, and summer is not yet over, so make sure you are staying hydrated and eating enough to keep your energy up throughout the day. Remember, heat stroke is nothing to play around with, as it can cause permanent damage or death.

Several multi-year projects are expected to wrap up this season. Some of the larger projects include **J. F. Shea Co.'s** \$134 million Fix Five project in Anderson, **MCM Construction Co.'s** \$35 million Jellys Ferry Bridge replacement project between Cottonwood and Red Bluff, **Steelhead Constructors'** \$24 million bridge replacement project on Hwy. 36 near the Hwy. 3 junction and **Golden State Bridge's (GSB's)** \$21 million bridge replacement project on Hwy. 36 north of Yreka. **Clark Brothers, Inc.** was also awarded a new, \$20 million, multi-year improvement project at the Waste water Treatment Plant (WWTP) in Mt. Shasta. In the Palo Cedro area, **Stimpel-Wiebelhaus** is working on a private subdivision. Other work going on in our district includes bridge retrofits, culvert replacements, rock fence work and concrete and asphalt paving projects.



» From left: Operators Corkey Harmon, Jerry "Chris" Coughlin, Kenneth "Rusty" Loerzel, Calvin "Brad" Williams and Cameron Harmon work for Stimpel-Wiebelhaus.

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
STOCKTON	30	1916 North Broadway, Stockton, CA 95205	(209) 943-2332	Dean Fadeff

Title

Take time to appreciate those who make your job possible

Report

Our members are busy throughout our district, and that is especially true of our Heavy Duty Repairers (HDRs), who are often the first on a jobsite and the last to leave. These brothers and sisters spend hours working on and under equipment, exposed to the dust and summer heat, so operators can perform their jobs. If you are an operator, take a minute to thank an HDR on your jobsite for everything they do to make your work possible. There are Local 3 members working behind the scenes to make sure HDRs can perform their jobs, too. These include members like **Steve Polk** and **Alissa Miller** who work in the parts department for **Holt of California**.



« From left: HDRs Dylan Hicks, Seth Nelson and Joe Stallings work for George Reed, Inc.

In Yosemite National Park, members with **Steve Manning Construction** are working on the two-year Tioga Pass Day-Use Area rehabilitation project, which will greatly improve the public's experience inside the park, once it is completed. At Peaceful Oak Road and Hwy. 108 in Sonora, **Sierra Mountain Construction** is working on new on- and off-ramps. **Sinclair General Engineering** has members **Willard Williams** and **Ron Pool** working at Berkeley Tuolumne Camp off Hwy. 120. **George Reed, Inc.** is working on overlay rehab projects on Hwy. 88 in Amador County and Hwy. 4 in Calaveras County. Remember to work safe, look out for your brothers and sisters and stay hydrated during this summer.



» From left: HDRs Tom King and Steve Shandel work for Independent Construction.

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
BURLINGAME	01	828 Mahler Road, Suite B, Burlingame, CA 94010	(650) 652-7969	Charles Lavery

Title

Members build affordable housing and expand food bank

Report

In San Francisco, off 19th Street and Bryant Street, **AMPCO North, Inc.** has Excavator Operator **Miguel Lugo** demolishing an old warehouse. The building was originally built shortly after the 1906 earthquake and was one of the few remaining brick buildings in that neighborhood. Its demolition will make room for a new, \$50 million, six-story, affordable housing structure with 68 units. In addition to putting our members with **AMPCO North, Inc.** to work on this project, the developer has committed to use Local 3 contractors with the dig-out and shoring, as well as tower crane and hoist work. Nearby, members with **Jos. J. Albanese, Inc.** are building a new research center behind the General Hospital Trauma Unit. Pump Operator **Daniel Fink** is currently pouring the third floor. Crane Operator **A. J. Moreno** is on the job and running a 90-ton Rough Terrain (RT) crane for **Liberty Equipment**. Hoist Operator **Richard Middleton** is also onsite with **Engel Holdings, Inc.**

The SF-Marin Food Bank at 900 Pennsylvania Ave. in Potrero Hill has been helping the hungry since 1987. It is now expanding in order to help the increased number of people in need of food assistance due to the COVID-19 pandemic. **Ghilotti Construction** has Foreman **Gerardo Morales** and Excavator Operator **Darrin Fix** doing demolition and grading to make way for three new building pads.

UCSF has a new project south of the Chase Center in Mission Bay. The tower will have 160,000 square feet of space and a 500-space garage. **DeSilva Gates** has Foreman **Greg Simonson**, Gradesetter **Thomas Hally**, Excavator Operator **Chris Fink**, Compactor Operator **Surendra Lagan**

and Lube Tech **Tom Worthington** working on the grading and ground improvements. Soil and material testing is being done by Inspector **Ramon Serrano** with **Smith-Emery**.

In San Mateo County, **Skanska Constructors** is working on a \$105 million project to replace the Cordilleras Mental Health Facility in Redwood City. **Evans Brothers, Inc.** is doing the site work with operators **Carlos Loera**, **Jose Padilla**, **Juan A. Magallon**, **Ruben Vasquez**, **Chuck D. Cooper**, **Isaac Reyes**, **Vincent Haas**, **Gabriel Esparza** and **Antonio G. Montenegro Jr.** In San Carlos, **Silverado Contractors, Inc.** is demolishing the old Kelly Moore offices to make room for a 1.6 million-square-foot bio-tech campus with six buildings and two parking garages. Operators include **Alfredo Pena**, **Javier Pena**, **Gustavo Sandoval** and **Angel Gonzalez**. In Brisbane, **Condon-Johnson** has operators **Marck E. Gatbunton**, **Theodor J. Stephens**, **Michael T. Cross**, **Rory M. Brown**, **Pedro R. Castaneda**, **Fakaosi Talakai** and **Michael Harnedy** installing 1,800 steel piles for the Life Science development.




« Operator Alfredo Pena works for Silverado Contractors, Inc.



» Operator Miguel Lugo works for AMPCO North, Inc.

District FAIRFIELD	Number 04	Address 2540 N. Watney Way, Fairfield, CA 94533	Phone Number (707) 429-5008	District Representative Jim Jacobs
Title Housing developments keep multiple companies and crews busy				
Report <p>DeSilva Gates has picked up a lot of work throughout Solano County. In Fairfield, members with the company are widening Manuel Campos Parkway just north of Claybank Road, a project that will continue into the Fall, and performing pad work for the next phase of the Villages, a housing development. In Vacaville, the company is performing pad work for new housing off Leisure Town Road. In American Canyon, members with DeSilva Gates are also working on the Canyon Estates project. Work began on this project last Fall when Garney Pacific connected a water main to Vallejo. (Half of the water for this subdivision will come from Vallejo, while the other half will come from American Canyon.) Six operators with Garney Pacific will continue to install all wet utilities throughout the remainder of the project. The \$9 million project will also include new roads, five one-acre custom lots and 30 half-acre home sites. Foreman Mark Gill is overseeing this work, which is being performed by 12 operators. In Fairfield, members working for KDW are doing pad work for the One Lake development off Vanden Road and putting in new roads for the next phase of the development.</p>  <p>DeSilva Gates is keeping crews like this one busy throughout Solano County.</p>				

District OAKLAND	Number 20	Address 1620 South Loop Road, Alameda, CA 94502	Phone Number (510) 748-7446	District Representative Richard Krimm
Title School project being done under Project Labor Agreement				
Report <p>In Fremont, D&V, Inc. has Apprentice Alyssa McGowan, Gradesetter Joshua Merrill and operators Marceli “Chapo” Macias and Alejandro Trejo on a \$54.6 million project for the Fremont Unified School District that includes demolition, new underground utilities, new concrete, grading and paving. Azul Works is also onsite with operators Enrique Silva and Fredy Bruno demolishing old utilities. All of this is being done under a Project Labor Agreement (PLA). Mitchell Engineering has operators Conrad Guriel, Juan Macias and Chris Cushnahan working on a fiber optics project in Hayward.</p> <p>In San Leandro, TDW Construction, Inc. has Operator Carlos Gomez repairing sewer laterals and installing a new storm drain. JJ Nguyen, Inc. has Operator Jose Miramonte onsite and installing landscape irrigation. Towill, Inc. is also onsite with surveyors Khoa Dao and Chase Peterson staking out wet utilities and handicap ramps. Just up the street, Columbia Electric Operator Robert Manduca is digging trenches for street lighting with a brand-new Case 580 Super N backhoe. At Ohlone College, Tri-Valley Excavating has Operator Jose Pena Rodriguez working on a parking lot pavement rehabilitation project. Snelson Co. has pipeline stewards Buff Block and Eddie Deguzman working on a couple of projects in the district. Please enjoy the rest of the summer with your friends and family, and always work safe.</p>  <p>From left: Surveyors Khoa Dao and Chase Peterson work in San Leandro for Towill, Inc.</p>  <p>Apprentice Alyssa McGowan works in Fremont for D&V, Inc.</p>  <p>Operator Robert Manduca works for Columbia Electric.</p>  <p>From left: Gradesetter Joshua Merrill, Apprentice Alyssa McGowan and operators Marceli “Chapo” Macias and Alejandro Trejo work in Fremont for D&V, Inc.</p>				

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
FRESNO	50	1635 Shaw Ave., Ste. 101, Clovis, CA 93611	(559) 229-4083	Wyatt Meadows

Title

Massive crane used to place 525,000-pound girders for High-Speed Rail

Report



New Member Tim Groen works on the Hwy. 99 improvement project in Atwater for Sturgeon Electric.



Asphalt Grinder Operator Brandon Martin works on Clovis Avenue for Pavement Recycling in Fresno.

Crane Operator Kevin Hoover works on the Hanford/Corcoran stretch of High-Speed Rail (HSR) using a 650 Manitowoc.



From left: Cal Valley Construction operators Mike Brown Jr. and Tony Torres work on the new Fresno City College West Campus.



From left: Operators John Ramirez and Paul Wallis work for Emmett's Excavation on a \$2 million water main installation project for the City of Fowler.

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
SACRAMENTO	80	3920 Lennane Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834	(916) 993-2055	John Rector

Title

Construction booming at and around airport

Report

As we enter into the middle of the work season, things continue to look good in our area. The housing market does not seem to be slowing down, as members work on housing projects around Folsom, Lincoln, Roseville, Woodland and Natomas. Signatory companies, including **Teichert**, **Goodfellows**, **DeSilva Gates**, **Bragg Crane** and **Weber** are working at the Metro Air Park, which is next to the Sacramento International Airport and consists of a group of massive, tilt-up warehouses for various retail companies. This work is keeping a lot of members busy with underground utility work, grading and paving. With the opening of the Metro Air Parkway overpass, trucks going to and from Metro Air Park can directly access both sides of I-5, relieving some of the traffic around the airport access area.


Bay Cities Paving and Grading has been awarded a multi-million-dollar contract to


expand the overnight aircraft parking area at the Sacramento International Airport. **Vanguard Construction** will perform the concrete work. **Broward Builders** is also at the airport, where members with the company are constructing a new fire and rescue facility. The revitalization of West Sacramento continues, as **Graniterock** works alongside subcontractors **MJD** and **St. Francis Electric** on a multi-million-dollar rehabilitation project around West Capitol Avenue. **Maxim Crane** is also working in West Sacramento, where the company has a tower crane and two external elevators running on the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) project.

There are still a lot of projects coming to our district that will provide additional work in the area, so keep your registration current on the Out-of-Work List by checking in with our Dispatcher at least every 84 days. Stay safe, stay hydrated and work hard!



From left: Operators Mike Vilmur and John Lutz work for Bragg Crane.

District HAWAII	Number 17	Address 2181 Lauwiliwili St., Kapolei, HI 96707	Phone Number (808) 845-7871	District Representative Ana Tuiaososopo
Title Members perform emergency culvert repairs on Maui				
Report <p>In March, thanks to heavy rains, the water level of Maui's Waipio Stream rose, causing severe damage to the culvert at the stream's intersection with the Hana Highway. The earth between the culvert and the highway collapsed under the makai lane, creating a major hazard for the public. Goodfellow Bros. is working under a Time and Materials (T&M) contract with the Hawaii Department of Transportation (HIDOT) to complete the Hana Highway Emergency Culvert Repairs at Waipio Stream project. Work includes the construction of a temporary bypass road to ensure continuous traffic flow to the northeast side of the island, demolition of the existing culvert structure, installation of a new, upsized, box culvert, and the reconstruction of the road section, including pavement, concrete barrier and guardrails.</p>  <p>» From left: Roy "RJ" Ferreira, Guy Wicklund and Wayne "Dino" Pagan work for Goodfellow Bros.</p>				

District UTAH	Number 12	Address 8805 South Sandy Parkway, Sandy, UT 84070	Phone Number (801) 596-2677	District Representative Brandon Dew
Title Meet retired Master Mechanic Jerry Comer				
Report <p>Retiree Jerry Comer joined Local 3 in 1964. He was just 19 years old at the time and had been working as a mechanic for a small garage in Coalville. One Friday night, he was at his local watering hole and struck up a conversation with a superintendent from Kiewit Construction. The superintendent was so impressed by Jerry that he offered him a job as a field mechanic, which he accepted. He spent the rest of the weekend finishing the few jobs he had open at the garage, then packed his toolbox and started the next phase of his life on Monday.</p> <p>Jerry was put on the night shift at the Echo Junction project, where he soon learned that Master Mechanic Cliff Osborne and his crew of veteran mechanics weren't going to be as easy to win over as the superintendent. His first task was to remove and replace a water pump on an old, gas, F-800 dump truck, which Cliff told him to finish before his shift was over.</p> <p>"If it leaks, you better hope that garage hasn't filled your position yet," Cliff said.</p> <p>Jerry finished the task and called the oiler over to fill it with coolant, but the oiler told him he'd been instructed not to, as Cliff wanted to inspect it in the morning first. The oiler also told him that five of the company's mechanics had failed to properly complete the task previously. Jerry didn't get a lot of rest that night, and when he returned to the jobsite the following day, the F-800 was parked where he'd left it and Cliff was waiting for him. Cliff had the oiler fill it up with coolant and started his inspection. To Jerry's relief, Cliff didn't find issues and soon put him in charge of a whole fleet of them.</p> <p>"You had to be more of a magician than a mechanic to keep those old trucks running," Jerry remembers, but the quality of his work earned him the trust and respect of Cliff and his crew of veteran mechanics.</p> <p>When the work season started winding down, mechanics started getting laid-off. Each time someone left, Jerry assumed he would be next, but he ended up being the last mechanic standing. Cliff had seen his potential and would go on to mentor Jerry. With Cliff's help, Jerry went on to become a Master Mechanic, and eventually, an Equipment Superintendent. Throughout that time, Jerry helped develop and implement some of Kiewit's equipment policies and procedures, many of which are still being used today.</p> <p>Jerry eventually caught the entrepreneurial bug and opened his own shop and mobile repair business, which grew fast and did better than he'd expected, employing four field mechanics and one shop mechanic at its peak. Jerry had the business for the next 10 years, and was very successful at it, but he started to feel more like a debt collector than a mechanic, so he threw his hat back in the ring in 1996 and became an Equipment Superintendent with Gibbons & Reed/Granite, where he would once again helped develop and implement some new equipment policies and procedures that continue to be in place to this day.</p> <p>Jerry retired in 2006 and enjoys spending more time with his wife, Jeanie, and their 10 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren, who he likes to give free advice to.</p> <p>"That free advice is probably worth just what they paid for it!" he joked, but the truth is that Jerry's knowledge and wisdom goes far beyond his mechanical abilities. With the heart of a teacher, Jerry has mentored so many people throughout his life and career. As a result, he has become so much more than a master mechanic or equipment superintendent.</p>  <p>» Retiree Jerry Comer with his wife, Jeanie, and one of their many grandchildren.</p>				

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
YUBA CITY	60	468 Century Park Drive, Yuba City, CA 95991	(530) 743-7321	Ron Roman

Title

First year is a big one for HMA plant

Report

This is the first full year of operation at **DeSilva Gates**’ new Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) plant off of Hammonton Smartville Road. The plant employs three Local 3 members who work different shifts in order to produce asphalt products for **DeSilva Gates**’ paving crews, as well as those of other signatory employers. The plant is expected to produce 250,000 to 300,000 tons of asphalt by the end of year, keeping these members very busy in the process.

There is a lot of public work in our district, as **Flatiron**, **DeSilva Gates**, **Knife River**, **Teichert Construction** and **MCM** tackle highway projects. Most of this work is happening on Hwy. 99, Hwy. 20 and Hwy. 70 and includes highway widening, realignment and bridge installation projects. In Chico, off of Hwy. 99, **St. Francis Electric** is working on a \$5.7 million project that includes the installation of signals and fiber optic lines. **Knife River** is working on a reconstruction project in Willows and an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and overlay project in Chico. In Paradise, one of Local 3’s newest signatory employers, **Doc’s Mobile Services**, is working on two high school projects and one elementary school project.

In Plumas Lake, private work has been steady for **Marques Pipelines**, **DeSilva Gates** and **Teichert Construction**. In Linda, **Lund Construction** is working on a subdivision project off of Erle Road.



From left: Members James Potts, KC Adamson and Steve Stewart work for DeSilva Gates.

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
MORGAN HILL	90	325 Digital Drive, Morgan Hill, CA 95037	(408) 465-8260	James Riley

Title

Union company grows, thanks to experienced operators and project funding

Report

Picking up speed and never slowing down last year, despite the global pandemic, **Demolition Services & Grading, Inc. (DSGI)** had its best year yet! Currently, Owner/President **Chris Chinarino**, Owner **Giuseppe Pantano**, Foreman **Charles Carranza** and operators **Javier Garcia**, **James Perry**, **Cesar Bautista** and **James Makin** are demoing parts of the San Jose City Yard at 1591 Senter Road to make room for the San Jose Fire Department Training Center and Emergency Operations Center, which is being relocated to the site under a citywide Project Labor Agreement (PLA). **DSGI** has been growing over the last five years, thanks to work like this, which it secured on projects funded by Measure T, a \$650 million disaster preparedness bond that voters passed in 2018 in order to fix roads, prevent floods and improve emergency response

times. In the last year alone, the company’s projects have been impressive. The crew, which has a combined total of 125 years of experience as Operating Engineers, demolished old structures to make way for the new Santa Clara Data Center, Brownell Middle School in Gilroy, Parkside Elementary School in Pittsburg, Salinas Juvenile Hall and a four-story building in Hayward.

“I have been a Local 3 member for over 15 years and I’ve always loved what I did for my occupation,” said Chinarino. “We started with one machine and have grown to having seven. It’s been a crazy road, but with how much experience our team has, we’ve been successful. We strive to be better every day, to stand out and to be the best. We are a union company.”



DSGI Owner/Operator Giuseppe Pantano.



From left: Operators Javier Garcia, Cesar Bautista and James Perry work for DSGI.



Foreman Charles Carranza works for DSGI.

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
NEVADA	11	1290 Corporate Blvd., Reno, NV 89502	(775) 857-4440	Scott Fullerton
Title				
Summer work heats up across Northern Nevada				
Report				
<p><i>From Reno</i></p> <p>Work in Northern Nevada is going strong and should keep our members busy into the Fall months. Granite Construction is working on McCarran Boulevard, replacing a runway at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport and finishing a street rehab project for the City of Reno. Members with Sierra Nevada Construction (SNC) continue to work on several warehouse projects in Reno and Fernley, as well as a street rehab project and a sewer rehab project, both for the City of Reno. Q&D Construction is working on numerous subdivisions and a large effluent water line project east of Sparks. Road and Highway Builders recently completed a project on Hwy. 95 between Fallon and Schurz for the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) and is currently finishing a project by Rye Patch on I-80.</p> <p>Please contact the Hall to update your credentials and contact information, if it has changed, and take the opportunity to meet our new dispatcher, Greg Goss. If you know someone who is interested in joining Operating Engineers Local 3, have him or her call the District Office, as this is a great time to become a part of this great union, either as an apprentice or a qualified journey-level operator.</p> <p><i>From Elko</i></p> <p>Acha Construction has members working on parking lots for NDOT, a parking lot for the Fifth Street Park in Elko, the utility replacement project at the Fire Academy in Carlin and a project in West Wendover. Granite Construction continues to work on Hwy. 93, where operators are paving, widening the roadway and adding a passing lane. In Carlin, Granite crews are working on a mill and fill project and some underground utility work. The company has also picked up a few mine projects in the area. Q&D Construction is on schedule to complete a grinding and paving project on I-80 east of Elko. Members at the quarry in Maggie Creek and the Emigrant pit are busy crushing and producing materials for the company's projects. In Ely, the</p> <p>\$32 million Hwy. 50 rehab project is on schedule to finish this year, with most of the underground utility work completed and paving set to start soon. Road & Highway Builders picked up a paving job on I-80 in the Pumpernickel Valley area and started shoulder and prep work. B. J. Rees is crushing for the project.</p> <p>Remington Construction is working on projects at the Florida Canyon Mine, the Coeur Rochester Mine and the Bald Mountain Mine, in addition to some smaller projects in the area. N. A. Degerstrom is going strong at the Gold Bar Mine in Eureka and gearing up for some work at the Cortez Gold Mine southwest of Elko. Ames Construction is keeping members busy at the Meickle Mine in Carlin and finished a project at the Marigold Mine in Battle Mountain. Canyon Construction finished a \$2.5 million road project in Carlin and picked up some additional work at the Rain Mine.</p> <p>At the time of this writing, gold prices are at \$1,883.11 but fluctuating daily. As we continue to work with the Newmont/NGM membership, stay focused and engaged in the effort to maintain your union rights. This past month, Local 3 participated in the 35th Annual Elko Mining Expo and hosted a booth for mine workers. This was the first time OE3 participated in the event, and our staff received a lot of good feedback from the membership for doing so. As COVID restrictions relax, we look forward to having membership meetings again and getting back to normal. If you have questions, comments or concerns about Newmont/NGM and its current status with the union, or any other issues that need to be addressed, please call the Elko District Office at (775) 753-8761. You can also call your agent directly. For construction workers in Eastern Nevada or Public Employees in White Pine County and Elko County, please contact Business Agent Phillip Herring at (775) 432-5037. For those working in surface mining, please contact Business Agent Josh Jauer at (775) 399-3773. For those working in underground mining, please contact Business Agent Lyman Hatfield at (775) 401-1622. Have a great summer and stay safe during this busy season.</p> <div><p>Member Ryan Rhea works for MKD in Elko.</p></div>				

District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
ROHNERT PARK	10	6225 State Farm Drive, Suite 100 Rohnert Park, CA 94928	(707) 585-2487	Mike Pickens
Title				
Do your part to organize and strengthen our union				
Report				
<p>COVID restrictions are being relaxed and the state is opening up, but there are still some restrictions in place throughout the various counties within our district. Precautions are also in place at our District Office, so please read the signs regarding any requirements before entering.</p> <p>Work is really going strong in the district. As a result, there's a need for skilled operators to fill key positions. Our district staff makes every effort to fill dispatch orders as they come in, but there are times when we simply do not have anyone on the Out-of-Work List with the necessary skills or qualifications to fill these positions. Agents and organizers are always on the lookout for skilled operators, mechanics, surveyors and</p> <p>gradesetters, etc., who are working for non-union employers. Given the large geographical areas that our business agents and organizers cover, it is difficult to hit every non-union job to scout this talent, while also servicing the other jobsites that they have. That is where we rely on your help out in the field. If you know someone who is working for a non-union contractor, grew up working on a ranch or has been in the logging industry, let him or her know about becoming an Operating Engineer. Have them call a business agent or the District Office. It could be a life-changing event for them, as it was for many of us. Be safe and have a prosperous work season.</p>				

The Recovering Family

Recent headlines indicate we are in the middle of a major mental health crisis, post-COVID: “23 million Americans are currently addicted to alcohol or other drugs and only about 1 in 10 of those receive the treatment they need.” “Death toll for the Opioid crisis on the rise.” “Increase in COVID-related relapse.” Especially now, as mental health takes the spotlight, significant time is spent discussing the person in active addiction. The addicted person’s behaviors, consequences, needs and treatment are the main focus of a family, as the pressure mounts for the addict to get better. Unfortunately, little time is spent discussing the family unit. Chemical dependence is a family disease with wide-reaching effects. The entire family, not just the addict, has to heal.

If you have ever dropped a pebble in a clear pond, you can witness the sinking of the stone and the ripples across the surface of the water. This “ripple effect” is similar to what happens to a home touched by active addiction. As the person suffering from active addiction sinks, the influence of their descent touches the lives of those surrounding them. Prevalent roles often emerge within a family unit affected by substance abuse. These roles help family members navigate the chaos in the home environment and can cause lasting consequences. Such roles may include: The **addicted person**, who struggles with substance abuse and lives in a constant state of chaos; the **enabler** (deny, deny, deny), who tries to smooth things over within the family; the **hero**, who is a hard-working, overachieving perfectionist; the **scapegoat**, who is usually blamed for the family’s problems; the **mascot**, who, similar to a class clown, tries to deflect the stress of the situation by supplying humor; and then the **lost child**, usually the middle or youngest, who tries to blend into the background as much as possible. If left untreated, children raised in these homes are four times more likely than other children to have an alcohol or drug use disorder, have an increased risk of adult trauma and are more likely to enter relationships with a person in active addiction, thus beginning the cycle again with their own children.

What happens if your family member is the one in 10 who is fortunate enough to enter treatment? Are you then transported to an alternate reality that resembles *Leave it to Beaver*, or (for the younger generation) *Good Luck Charlie*? Unfortunately, the answer is no. What does begin with treatment is a glimmer of hope, for both the family and the individual. After this hope, comes the real work. Often, the family and individual experience relief and fear. The family may wonder: “Will this work?” “Will she stay sober?” “Is he angry that I wanted him in treatment?” “What will she be like when she stops using?” “Will he behave the same?” The addicted person: “Will this work?” “Can I stay sober?” “Will I really have a job when I complete treatment?” “Will my family forgive me?”

After the dust settles and treatment is wrapping up, families are often faced with some restructuring of past practices. Each person re-evaluates his or her role and settles into the new normal. At this time, outside support for the entire “Recovering Family” is crucial. From 12-step meetings for the addicted person (Alcoholics Anonymous, etc.) to Al-Anon/Alateen for family members, each person can benefit from implementing new coping skills and discarding ones that no longer serve them. Healthier behaviors of the family are just as important as the new behaviors of the person in recovery.

Remember, it takes an incredible amount of courage for a person to reach out for help. They are essentially walking into the unknown. They pick up the phone and call our department with little knowledge of what “getting help” will look like. They trust the Assistance and Recovery Program (ARP) staff to listen and guide them, and depending on the course of treatment, they may pack a bag and enter a facility full of people they don’t know, trusting that there is a better way. It also takes incredible courage for the family to watch them go, to have hope and be a part of the solution. If you or a loved one is suffering from addiction, there is help. **Please call ARP at (800) 562-3277.**





Operating Engineers Local 3
2021 Election of Officers and Executive Board
Official Ballot
District ##

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Only ballots returned by US Mail to Operating Engineers Local 3, P. O. Box 4186, Oakland, CA 94614-9803 by 10:00 a.m. on September 1, 2021 will be counted. The ballot count will begin at the main office of Local 3 in Alameda, California, on September 1, 2021, after 10:00 a.m.

If you make a mistake on your ballot, lose your ballot, or need any materials which accompanied your ballot, you may request a replacement by calling the OE3 Election hotline at 800 683 9879. Duplicate ballot requests will be processed within 24 hours.

FILLING OUT THIS BALLOT

1. Fill in the box completely: ☐
2. Vote for only the number of candidates permitted for each office.
3. Place the marked ballot into the SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE and seal the envelope.
4. Do NOT write your name or any identifying information on this secret ballot envelope.
5. Place the SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE into the Business Reply Mail envelope which contains your voter information. The Business Reply Mail envelope will be processed and separated from the Secret Ballot Envelope prior to opening the Secret Ballot Envelope, so your personal information cannot be linked to your ballot.
6. Seal the Business Reply Mail Envelope and mail. No postage is necessary if mailed in the United States.

FILL IN THE BOX COMPLETELY: ☐

Business Manager

Vote for 1

- ☐ Dan Reding, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Tony Delfino, Superintendent

President

Vote for 1

- ☐ Steve Ingersoll, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Kenneth Mendoza, Foreman

Vice President

Vote for 1

- ☐ Justin Diston, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Herbert DeCambra, Crane Operator

Recording-Corresponding Secretary

Vote for 1

- ☐ Bruce Noel, Appointed Incumbent

Financial Secretary

Vote for 1

- ☐ Dave Harrison, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Andre J. Burnett, Heavy Equipment Operator

Treasurer

Vote for 1

- ☐ Nate Tucker, Appointed Incumbent

Trustee

Vote for up to 3

- ☐ Brandon Dew, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Jim Jacobs, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Charles Lavery, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Kenneth Holback, Heavy Duty Repairman
☐ Glen Knight, Foreman

Auditor

Vote for up to 3

- ☐ Scott Fullerton, Appointed Incumbent
☐ John Rector, Appointed Incumbent
☐ Jim Riley, Appointed Incumbent

Conductor

Vote for 1

- ☐ Chris Snyder, Elected Incumbent

Guard

Vote for 1

- ☐ Dean Fadeff, Appointed Incumbent

District XX Executive Board Member (Vote for 1)

- ☐ Candidate Name, XXXXXXXX
☐ Candidate Name, XXXXXXXX

Executive Board Member (Vote for 1)

NOTE: Ballots for each District will be shown as illustrated in the Sample Ballot above. The only difference will be the Executive Board candidates' names shall be shown by district below.

District 01 <input type="checkbox"/> David Daneluz, Elected Incumbent	District 20 <input type="checkbox"/> Mario Giovannetti, Elected Incumbent	District 50 <input type="checkbox"/> Danny Henry, Elected Incumbent	District 80 <input type="checkbox"/> Frank Fuller Jr., Elected Incumbent	District 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Nichols, Elected Incumbent	District 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Justin Pentz, Elected Incumbent
District 04 <input type="checkbox"/> Ronald Kultti, Appointed Incumbent	District 30 <input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Dorton, Appointed Incumbent	District 60 <input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Seiff, Elected Incumbent	District 90 <input type="checkbox"/> Larry Watson, Elected Incumbent	<input type="checkbox"/> Loren Allen, Foreman	<input type="checkbox"/> Travis Penny, Foreman
District 10 <input type="checkbox"/> James D. Spain, Elected Incumbent	District 40 <input type="checkbox"/> Frank J. Rojas, Elected Incumbent	District 70 <input type="checkbox"/> Korey Wygal, Appointed Incumbent		District 17 <input type="checkbox"/> Jamie Harvest-Silva, Elected Incumbent	

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 (4th) quarter district meetings 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 3 for five (5) years preceding nomination and not suspended for nonpayment of dues during those five (5) 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 (GMAC) members will take place at each district’s regularly scheduled district meeting, except for Hawaii, during the fourth (4th) quarter of 2021. In accordance with Article XXXI of the Local Union Bylaws, elections shall be held at the fourth quarter district meeting 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 (2) years preceding nomination and not suspended for nonpayment of dues during those two (2) years.
- c. Must be living in the GMAC’s district geographical area.
- d. Must be an “A” list journey-level 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.

VOTE RIGHT: CHECK YOUR MAILING LABEL FOR YOUR REGISTRATION NUMBER

In 1997, the Local 3 Election Committee voted to add members’ registration numbers to the address labels on the *Engineers News*. This makes it easier for you to properly fill out nomination forms and also return the election ballot with the correct information.

P01-23-4567

Encrypted Social Security Number

JOE ENGINEER 0000000

Your Registration Number

123 YOUR STREET

ANYTOWN

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

All meetings convene at 7 p.m.



AUGUST 2021

No meetings scheduled.

SEPTEMBER 2021

13TH DISTRICT 04: SUISUN CITY

Veterans Memorial Building
427 Main St.

13TH DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON

Operating Engineers'
Building
1916 North Broadway Ave.

13TH DISTRICT 70: REDDING

Operating Engineers'
Building
20308 Engineers Lane

14TH DISTRICT 40: EUREKA

Red Lion Hotel
Redwood Ballroom
1929 4th St.

14TH DISTRICT 50: CLOVIS

Operating Engineers'
Building
1635 Shaw Ave.

14TH DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO

Operating Engineers'
Building
3920 Lennane Drive

**15TH DISTRICT 10:
ROHNERT PARK**

Operating Engineers'
Building
6225 State Farm Drive

15TH DISTRICT 60: GRIDLEY

Butte County Fairgrounds
Butte Hall
199 East Hazel St.

**15TH DISTRICT 90:
MORGAN HILL**

Operating Engineers'
Building
325 Digital Drive

16TH DISTRICT 01: SAN MATEO

Laborers (LIUNA)
Local 261
300 7th Ave.

16TH DISTRICT 20: MARTINEZ

Plumbers & Steamfitters
Local 159
1308 Roman Way

22ND DISTRICT 11: RENO

SureStay Plus by
Best Western
1981 Terminal Way

23RD DISTRICT 12: SANDY

Operating Engineers'
Building
8805 South Sandy Parkway

27TH DISTRICT 17: HONOLULU

Ala Moana Hotel
410 Atkinson Drive

OCTOBER 2021

No meetings scheduled.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS



AUGUST 2021

No meetings scheduled.

SEPTEMBER 2021

29TH DISTRICT 17: HILO

Meeting: 6 p.m.
99 Aupuni St., Ste. 101
Hilo

OCTOBER 2021

No meetings scheduled.

NEW RETIREES



ANAYA, ERNEST	CA
BELL, MAX	UT
BOBILLOT, DAVID	UT
CARDENAS, DAVID	CA
CARTER, JERRY	UT
FICHTER, MICHAEL	CA
JAMES, BRIAN	CA
KIRBY, DARREN	CA
KIRKLAND, BRADLEY	WA
LONG, STEPHEN	CA
MCINTIRE, MICHAEL	CA
MCSHANE, ALFRED	HI
MORANZ, DAVID	HI
MUNDON, LLOYD	HI
NAKASONE, GLENN	HI
PETERSON, JOHN	CA
SEQUIN, GLENN	HI
SHANNON, JACK	CA
THOMAS, JOANN	CA
THOMPSON, WILLIAM	CA
VAN ZUYEN, CARL	CA
WESTBAY, STEVEN	CA
WINN, ROGER	UT
WORLEY, RONALD	NV

Effective May 2021

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 May 1, 2021 and have been determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective July 1, 2021, unless otherwise noted.

DENNIS BRAND	1840691
District 50: Fresno	
GREG J. DIENER	1989873
District 30: Stockton	
GARY FINCHER	2004922
District 60: Yuba City	
THOMAS L. FISCHER	2004923
District 99: Out of Area	
JAMES GERMAN	2004077
District 10: Rohnert Park	
JERRY Z. HUNT	2007483
District 20: Oakland	
LARRY M. MERRIOTT	1989907
District 50: Fresno	
JEFFREY MILLER	1878198
District 20: Oakland	
DAVID ORR	1594894
District 99: Out of Area	
MERL SWITZER	0939952
District 80: Sacramento	

**2021 INSTALLATION HELD AT
ALAMEDA HEADQUARTERS**

Please be advised that the 2021 Installation of Newly Elected Local 3 Officers and Executive Board members will take place immediately after the vote count on September 1, 2021 at the Operating Engineers Headquarters in Alameda, California.

In accordance with Article XII, Section 3(g) of the Local 3 Bylaws, the Newly Elected Local 3 Officers and Executive Board members shall be sworn in at the Semi-Annual Meeting in September. Regardless of the meeting date, the terms for all Officers shall commence on September 1, unless the General President directs a different date.

BUSINESS HOURS 

Please contact your District Office to get the latest information on business hours.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Rec-Corres. Secretary Bruce Noel has announced that the next Semi-Annual Meeting of the membership will be held on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021 at 11 a.m. at:

Solano County Fairgrounds
900 Fairgrounds Drive
Vallejo, Calif.

Due to COVID-19, an announcement will be made if there is a schedule change. Please check on www.oe3.org and upcoming issues of *Engineers News*.

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. See pages 12-13 for this month's pin spread.



⤴ Forty-year member George Hall is one of our many pin recipients.



⤴ Bernard Stokes fills out a reinstatement form to get back into the union in Burlingame District 01, after falling on hard times during COVID. Welcome, back, brother!



YOU CAN PAY
YOUR UNION DUES
WITHOUT LEAVING
YOUR HOUSE!



1. VISIT OE3.ORG
2. CLICK ON PAY MEMBER DUES
3. LOGIN
4. REGISTER
(IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY)

NOW YOU'RE
READY TO
PAY YOUR
DUES!

DEPARTED MEMBERS*

Andona, John Dayton, NV 6-6-21	Bryan, Ron Mission Viejo, CA 5-23-21	Harper, Gerry Elko, NV 5-19-21	Knopp, Raymond Rio Vista, CA 6-10-21	Marshall, Donald Sierra City, CA 6-7-21	Papetti Jr., Sam Concord, CA 5-16-21	Toy, Steven Stockton, CA 4-25-21
Barradas, William San Leandro, CA 5-20-21	Buenrostro, Servando Hayward, CA 5-19-21	Heitman, Henry Cottonwood, CA 5-16-21	Kubo, James Hayward, CA 4-1-21	Mattos, Anthony Fort Collins, CO 5-22-21	Powell, Ronald Salt Lake City, UT 5-10-21	Underwood, Larry Santa Rosa, CA 6-1-21
Behrbaum, John Grass Valley, CA 5-16-21	Buttler, Scott Salinas, CA 5-28-21	Hill, Steven Mi-Wuk Village, CA 5-11-21	Lau, Clifford Danville, CA 5-14-21	McCutcheon, Jack Oroville, CA 6-2-21	Rodekuhr, Warren Citrus Heights, CA 5-23-21	VanPatten, Chad Pulaski, VA 5-22-21
Boom, Donald Wheatland, CA 5-7-21	Chesney, Christina Tracy, CA 4-13-21	Johnson, Steve Midvale, UT 7-11-20	Leivas, Donald Cotati, CA 6-2-21	McMullen, Francis Burney, CA 5-19-21	Ruelas, Octavio Lathrop, CA 5-19-21	Ware, Willis Texarkana, AR 5-22-21
Bowden, Robert Prague, OK 5-19-21	Cloward, James Modesto, CA 5-21-21	Ki, Luani Kapolei, HI 4-25-21	Lozoya, Miguel Suisun City, CA 5-27-21	Noa, Pale Pearl City, HI 5-10-21	Santos, Eugene Stockton, CA 5-23-21	Warman, Gary Belmont, CA 5-5-21
Bradbury, Randall Manhattan, KS 5-22-21	Etter, Larry Oroville, CA 5-13-21	King, Harvey Judsonia, AR 5-22-21	Marier, Charles Tahoe City, CA 3-28-21	Orr, Howard Riverbank, CA 3-2-21	Spaulding, Fred 4-27-21	Wright, Bernard Kailua Kona, HI 5-15-21
Brown, Curtis Redding, CA 6-11-21	Gonzales, Yolanda Livermore, CA 2-23-21				Torberson, Nels Mount Pleasant, MI 1-8-21	

DECEASED DEPENDENTS

Ah Yee, Hope Spouse of Ah Yee, William (dec.) 3-26-21	Eros, Carmen Spouse of Eros, Loreto (dec.) 5-3-21	Hilton, Mary Spouse of Hilton, Jimmie 5-12-21	Kling, William Spouse of Kling, Margaret 5-3-21	Reeves, Jean Spouse of Reeves, Dudley (dec.) 6-7-21	Sotello, Cristina Spouse of Sotello, Herman (dec.) 5-26-21	Vodenik, Diane Spouse of Vodenick, Ronald 6-2-21
Bailey, Sue Spouse of Bailey, Walter 1-6-17	Farrell, Carole Spouse of Farrell, Ronald (dec.) 5-27-21	Inglis, Vicki Spouse of Inglis, Phillip (dec.) 5-3-21	Lundgren, Dorothy Spouse of Lundgren, Emil (dec.) 5-7-21	Roach, LaVon Spouse of Roach, Jerry 4-10-21	Troughton, Helen Spouse of Troughton, Edward (dec.) 4-30-21	Walker, Katherine Spouse of Walker, Alonzo (dec.) 5-17-21
Bowman, Margaret Spouse of Bowman, Dwain (dec.) 4-16-21	Gollenbusch, Avalena Spouse of Gollenbusch Jr., Dana (dec.) 6-1-21	Juarez, Carmen Spouse of Juarez, Benjamin 4-19-21	Osborn, Betty Spouse of Osborn, Theo (dec.) 5-21-21	Silveira, Nancy Spouse of Silveira, Frank (dec.) 6-6-21	Victor, Lily Spouse of Victor, George (dec.) 5-10-21	White, Audrey Spouse of White, Frank (dec.) 5-7-21
Cabassi, Olivia Spouse of Cabassi, Norman (dec.) 4-28-21	Hadley, Judy Spouse of Hadley, Willard 5-18-21	Jungnitsch, Marjorie Spouse of Jungnitsch, Wallace 5-19-21	Payne, Cynthia Spouse of Payne, Douglas 5-10-21	Smith, Suzan Spouse of Smith, Craig 5-11-21	Vierra, Thelma Spouse of Vierra, Alvin (dec.) 5-11-21	
Cook, Catherine Spouse of Cook, William 4-19-21	Hamilton, Mary Spouse of Hamilton, James 5-6-21	Kelsom, Hilda Spouse of Kelsom, Clement (dec.) 5-20-21	Reese, Carolyn Spouse of Reese, Lynn (dec.) 5-22-21			
Cruz, Carmen Spouse of Cruz, Jess (dec.) 5-11-21						

***MEMBER 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 18-24 in this edition.



SWAP SHOP

Ads are offered free of charge to members in good standing for the sale or trade of personal items and/or real estate. Please notify the office if your item has been sold. Business-related offerings are not eligible for inclusion in Swap Shop. *Engineers News* reserves the right to edit ads. Ads received by the 1st of the month will run the following month. Limit two ads per issue. Must be 60 words or less.

To place an ad, type or print legibly. Then, pick 1, 2, or 3.

1. MAIL
Operating Engineers
Local Union No. 3
3920 Lennane Dr.
Sacramento, CA 95834
ATTN: Swap Shop*

2. CALL
916.993.2047, ext. 2503

3. E-MAIL
rsparks@oe3.org

**All ads must include Member Registration Number.*

FOR SALE: 2018 F-350 Platinum Wheels and Tires. Wheels are in new condition, 3 hub caps are in excellent condition, 1 has a gouge in it. Tires are All Terrain, size LT 275/65R20, two are Corsa Brand like new with less than 3,000 miles, the other two are Michelin brand and have around 20,000 miles on them. \$850 OBO. For pictures or more info, please email Dave at david@dlrconstruction.org or call (916) 430-7934. Reg# 2434282.

FOR SALE: 20 1/2 foot Nitro bass boat with Evinrude 200 outboard. \$5000 OBO. Call (707) 864-1917 or (707) 328-0212. Reg# 1265034.

FOR SALE: Two-ton Ford boom truck with digging auger. Need accelerator pump in carburetor. Best offer. Call (707) 864-1917 or (707) 328-0212. Reg# 1265034.

FOR SALE: Mobile mechanic tools. Snap-on, Mac, and other assorted name brands. Including ratchets and sockets, from 1/4-inch to 3/4-inch sets. Wrenches from 1/4-inch to 2 inches. Multiple specialty tools. Air tools, cutting torch and tank set. Many more tools, too many to list. Selling all together for \$22,000. Call (707) 953-7804. Reg# 1654092.

FOR SALE: Various tools: Proto adjustable wrenches. From 1" to 1 5/8". 24" Walworth pipe wrench. 8# sledge, misalliance bars and cheater pipe. Slide hammers, misalliance sockets, drive socket set. All US made and very usable. \$500. Email for pictures oldcat350@sbcglobal.net. Reg# 1188038.

FOR SALE: 2001 Harley Standard Bagger. \$5,900. Tilt-bed trailer. \$150. Double sheeps foot. \$1,500 obo. Electric BBQ on stand. \$100 obo. Old Shelby Flyer 20" bicycle. \$250 obo. Call (408) 316-3890 after 10 a.m. Reg# 1797514.

FOR SALE: Wall mount Dyson DC59 motorhead cordless vacuum. Manual. Used very little. New and complete accessory parts. Runs excellent. \$250. Call (209) 931-2058. Reg# 1022395.

FOR SALE: 8-foot camper shell with carpet kit. LED lights inside. Brand new. Asking \$1,500 OBO. Call (831) 524-2661. Reg# 2599457.

WANTED: Ford FE Engines, 352-390-406-410-427-428 cubic inches, or parts for Ford FE Engines. Call Jerry (408) 226-0729. Reg# 1225584.

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FOR SALE: Laserline lenker rod and Crain Tri-max tripod. \$100 each. New aluminum tripod. \$50. Lathe bag. \$40. Other gradesetting tools available. Call (925) 285-3548. Reg# 2416600.

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FOR SALE: Falcon 2 tow bar with 2 safety cables, drop hitch, electrical wires and 2 receivers. \$550 OBO. Call Ron at (209) 367-1142 or (209) 224-7697 (cell). Reg# 1737629.

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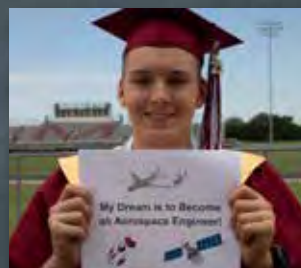
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