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# **ON THE COVER**

As California seeks solutions to its ongoing drought problems, Local 3 officers, staff and members point to the proposed Sites Reservoir project, which would not only help the state meet its water needs, but provide thousands of jobs for Operating Engineers. Sites Reservoir would also give a muchneeded, long-term boost to the regional economy in this rural part of the state.



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# PUBLIC EMPLOYEE NEWS

Local 3's Public Employee Division continues to secure gains for our brothers and sisters in the public sector. Learn about two of these most recent wins, one at the Hawthorne Army Depot in Nevada and another at the Fresno Airport in California's Central Valley.

## PIN RECIPIENT GALLERY

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.

## SETTING OUR SITES HIGH

It's been decades since the Sites Reservoir project was first proposed, but the need for the project has never been higher. Learn more about this project, which Local 3 officers and staff have been working hard to secure, once and for all.

## SCHOLARSHIP RULES

Local 3 members! Time is running out for your qualified children, stepchildren and foster children to apply for an Academic or Merit Scholarship from the OE3 Scholarship Foundation. Get more information about the rules, deadlines and the application process here.

Operator **CHRIS TERRELL** receives his 25-year service pin, while on the jobsite.

# We are here for you

More than two years later, I can't believe we are still dealing with COVID-19, but we are. Thanks to many measures we put in place on that seemingly long-ago day of initial shutdowns, we will continue to run this organization with the membership service and safety you have all come to depend on. This is our No. 1 priority. With that in mind, I regret to inform you that we cannot safely hold an in-person Semi-Annual Event next month, our 2022 first quarter round of district meetings or Retiree/Pre-Retiree Meetings. While I know this is difficult news for many of you, we have to make the most responsible decision for all of us, especially our Retirees. I ensure you, the information normally shared at these gatherings will be given to you in our different platforms, YouTube, Facebook, e-mail blasts, website, Instagram and the new OE3 Member Access App. You can also call any district office or agent, if you have questions. We are here to serve you.

Speaking of the new OE3 Member Access App, it is available now and can be downloaded through the Play Store (Android) or the App Store (iOS), so members can pay their dues directly from their phones. This is especially helpful now, while some of us may be at home on quarantine, traveling for work or can't make it to the District Office to pay dues. The old OE3 App will not be available for long, so please download this new app soon. It has many of the same features as the old app but is only available to registered members, Retirees and apprentices. Enjoy the security and freedom that comes with being able to pay your dues or find your contract, right from your phone.

COVID may be a part of the daily conversation right now, but it doesn't seem to be impacting the Local 3 work picture, so far. You will find many reports from the districts (pages 18-24) highlighting all the work leftover from last season and the new work on the books for this season. Your officers, agents and organizers are continually working to secure more work and better agreements for this membership all the time. A lot goes on behind the scenes to get us the work we depend on, whether that's forming coalitions to ensure giant infrastructure projects move forward (see this month's cover story on Sites Reservoir) or helping to negotiate better wages with employers. (See the article on our Fresno Airport Public Safety Captains on page 8.) In this edition, you will also see three pages dedicated to our pin recipients, the members who have enjoyed 25 or more years of membership in Local 3. This spread is certainly not all of our 25-plus-year members, but it's a good sampling. You may recognize a few of these faces, and if you are owed a service pin, don't hesitate to contact your business agent, as he or she can often personally hand-deliver your pin and take a photo to possibly be included in the next pin spread. (They run twice a year, in February and August.)

You will also find an article here from Local 3's Assistance and Recovery Program (ARP), which includes a questionnaire you can answer to evaluate how you're doing. We have all experienced this pandemic in one way or another, whether it's sick family members, isolation, changing protocols, school closures or just not being able to do the things we normally do. Sometimes in trying to cope with long-term change, we begin to depend on bad habits to get through. If you think you may be over-using substances to feel normal, there is help. See page 9 for more. There is never any shame in getting the help you need. We have also interviewed a mental-health expert on Local 3's YouTube site, who discusses some great resources available to many of our members. Check-out Local 3's official YouTube page now!

There is a lot to look forward to. The work season is strong. The California Apprenticeship Program has begun to accept new apprentice applications at the start of this month. We will soon highlight our recent Nevada apprentices. This is a big election year, where we will be calling on our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) volunteers to donate some of their time in the interests of all working families. There is certainly community in these efforts. And I am confident that we will be seeing you all again in person, very soon, just as soon as it is safe to do so.

In the meantime, do all that you can to stay safe and stay working, reach out when you need answers and stay in touch with your fellow union members by phone or social media. (Don't forget to share Local 3's Facebook Bulletin Board information on your social media feeds, as well.) Stay safe our there!

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From left: President Steve Ingersoll honors 30 year members Doug Bajo, Kip Furugen and George Brown, with Business Manager Dan Reding and Hawaii District Rep. Ana Tuiasosopo at a previous District Meeting in Hawaii.

# **New OE3 Member Access App available now!**

We are now pleased to announce the availability of the new OE3 Member Access App, so you can pay your dues directly from your phone. Members and staff have been wanting this for a long time. Features on the new app also include the ability to get contact information, find your contracts and link to the union's social media.

This app is only available to members, apprentices and Retirees. Find the OE3 Member Access App on your Android or Apple device's store. Eventually, the old app will no longer be available, so download this new app today!

Because of the dues-payment feature, this app is highly secure. You will receive a receipt and your dues will be logged upon payment. You can also view your past transactions. If you have already created an account to pay your dues through Local 3's website, you can log-in with these same credentials, as your login information will carryover from the website.

This new OE3 Member Access App is just another benefit of being an Operating Engineer. We all travel for work and may not always be in an area to pay dues, find phone numbers, get new contracts or get information from the District Office. This new app will make all of our lives easier. So, download it now and begin paying your dues and more, from wherever you are. More features may be available within the app at a future time. Download it now! Look for more details about this in upcoming e-mail blasts, on social media and at your district offices.





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. Local 3 Retiree **Bob Hauptman**, who has been hunting and fishing since he was about four years old, has enjoyed his Local 3 retirement tremendously. The 42-year member can be spotted fishing for trout on California's Lake Berryessa, and at other fishing spots. In addition to fishing, Bob likes hunting wild boar and deer. Below is what Bob has to say about the great life he has, thanks to Local 3:



Retiree Bob Hauptman shows off a wild boar he shot in 2010.



Retiree Bob Hauptman displays his Eagle trout, caught from Lake Berryessa.

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"My Retiree buddy sold his boat and is having a new one built, but for now I have found a guide who is a great guy and puts you on the fish. It is so much fun to get out and enjoy the company of others. Knowing that there are less fortunate out there that do not get to experience the great outdoors? I thank Local 3 for my freedom to fish! After all, hard work does have its rewards. I fish when there is any opportunity.

- Bob Hauptman

# 2022 OE3 JATC training schedules available now

We are officially in 2022, which means new classes at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) are happening now. Please visit www.oe3.org and click on the "Training" tab at the top and then "California." Scroll down and you will find the class schedules available. Classes range from National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) Refreshers and 40-hour HAZWOPERs, to OSHA 10 training. Our first Probationary Orientation Period (POP) apprentice classes begin in March.

Be sure to call the training center at (916) 354-2029 to check on class availability, as schedules and rules are changing all the time, thanks to COVID. We appreciate your patience and look forward to doing what we do best this year: Training our future.



# No Retiree Association Meetings this quarter

Due to the ongoing surge of COVID-19, we will not be scheduling any Retirees Association Meetings during the first quarter of 2022. The impact and risk associated with COVID-19 is too great to put the safety and well-being of our Retirees, spouses and families at risk. We will continue to monitor the situation, such that we can possibly schedule meetings later in the year, if it is safe to do so. The Local 3 officers extend their deepest appreciation for your patience and understanding during these unprecedented times. The Fringe Benefits Office is here to assist you with any Fringe Benefits questions you might have. While we are unable to meet in person at this time, you may schedule an individual phone or video appointment. Our office hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please call (800) **532-2105**, if you have any questions or are interested in scheduling a phone or video appointment.

#### By Bob Miller, fund representative/client services



# Turning age 65 and Medicare

I often get asked, "When I turn 65, what do I do about Medicare? I want to be sure to comply with our OE3 Pensioned Health and Welfare Plan."

#### A few TIPS:

- » When you turn 65, the Plan requires you to enroll in **both** Medicare parts, Part A (hospital) and Part B (doctor), unless you are still on the Active Health and Welfare Plan.
- » The month after you turn 65, your Pensioned Health and Welfare payment will drop from \$500 to \$250 monthly.
- » Medicare will become the primary insurance and pay the first 80 percent of medical costs; our Plan will pay 80 percent of the remaining contract costs.
- » Be sure to give your provider both your Medicare card and your OE3 insurance card for billing.

- IMPORTANT! Always check with Medicare when you turn 65 – and before enrolling. It helps to make an appointment at your local Social Security office several months before you turn 65 to enroll in Medicare. They will lead you through their process.
- » If you neglect to enroll in Medicare in a timely fashion, you will be responsible for the first 80 percent of the Pensioned Health and Welfare contractual medical charges – the ones Medicare would have paid. We want to avoid that at all costs.

The Officers, Trustees and Zenith-American solutions staff continues to remind members of the importance of enrolling in Medicare as soon as possible. We do not want any of our Plan participants incurring unexpected charges!



# District Visits Available through phone or teleconference

Please call (707) 290-1834 to arrange a telephone or Zoom conference meeting to discuss your individual situation. We can guide you through all phases of Trust Funds Benefits, including retirements, Health and Welfare issues, Annuity questions, medical claims, eligibility, prescriptions, new enrollments, reciprocal Pension credits, death benefits, surviving spouse benefits, etc.

We, at Zenith American Solutions, your Trust Funds Administrator, place your needs and concerns at the very top of our priorities. Local 3 Business Manager Dan Reding, the other officers and the Trustees of Local 3, also prioritize member service as No. 1.



# One-year bridge agreement in place for Hawthorne Army Depot

By Ralph Handel, business representative

The contract to operate the Hawthorne Army Depot in Hawthorne, Nev., has been officially awarded to Amentum. The 10-year term could be worth the minimum bid of \$957 million, if fully executed for the entire term. This is a substantial increase to the yearly operating budget. The one-year bridge agreement signed on Dec. 21, 2021, with the outgoing operating company, SOC, was a victory for the unit with a \$1.27 hourly increase across the board. The ratification included an 89 percent "yes" vote and an 11 percent "no" vote. This shows the unit is engaged and responsive to the negotiating process. I want to thank my team's Chief Steward Corrine Sterns and stewards Debbie Thorndike, Bob Baughman and Michelle Mills. This grueling negotiation will bring a well-earned increase to all who labor at the base and provide services to our military. The oneyear bridge is exactly that we need to begin negotiating with the new contractor immediately to allow a smooth transition, when Amentum takes full control July 1, 2022. The process of creating a new Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) will take all of the six-month transition period. The change in contractors is stressful, but the desire to start fresh with the new contractor has been well accepted by the workforce as well as the community in Hawthorne, Nev.

# Fresno Airport Captains get two-year contract

By Allen Dunbar, business representative

The Fresno Airport Public Safety Captains received a 3 percent raise in January 2022 and will receive a 3 percent raise in June 2022. Captains will receive up to a 9 percent increase for having their POST supervisor certificates. When they retire, they will also receive 50 percent more, paid by the employer, in their Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA), from 40 percent to 80 percent for qualified captains. An additional salary step of 5 percent above the highest step was also added. One of the captains also qualified to receive a 15 percent increase for last year. Lastly, both sides agreed to create a joint labor-management team to address topics and issues at the lowest levels, especially since the Fresno Airport is under new leadership.

I would like to thank interim Public Safety Manager Paul Presno for assisting in negotiating this contract.



# Am I an alcoholic or addict?

If you have ever wondered, "Am I an alcoholic?" or, "Am I an addict?" your journey has most likely included a few potholes. Family and friends may have spent countless hours begging, bargaining and threatening in an attempt to make you see reason. Instead, you may have blamed everyone else, believing, "If everyone would just leave me alone, everything will be fine," or, "It's everyone else who has the problem – not me." Maybe you go to bed each night promising yourself you won't use or drink tomorrow only to find when tomorrow night comes, you are promising the same thing again. Try to answer the following questions honestly, and if the questions make you uncomfortable, I encourage you to take pause.

- 1. Do you ever use substances or drink alone?
- Have you ever substituted one drug or drink for another, thinking that one specific drug or form of alcohol is the problem?
- 3. Have you ever manipulated or lied to a doctor to obtain a prescription?
- 4. Do you regularly use drugs or drink alcohol when you wake up or go to bed?
- 5. Have you ever used one drug or form of alcohol to escape the withdrawal symptoms of another?
- 6. Do you avoid people or places that do not approve of your use?
- 7. Have you ever used a drug without knowing the effects?
- 8. Has your job or school performance ever suffered as a result of your use?
- 9. Have you ever had legal repercussions as a result of your use?
- 10. Have you ever lied about the amount of drugs or alcohol you are using or drinking?
- 11. Do you neglect financial responsibilities to buy drugs or alcohol?

12. Have you ever attempted to control or stop using and found you couldn't?

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- 13. Have you noticed a change in your eating and sleeping patterns?
- 14. Is your use creating havoc in your home?
- 15. Have you ever felt that you need to use drugs or alcohol to fit into social situations?
- 16. Have you given up family, friends or social engagements because they interrupt your use?
- 17. Have you ever felt defensive, guilty or ashamed about your use?
- 18. Do you spend a great deal of time thinking about using drugs or drinking alcohol?
- 19. Do you use drugs or drink alcohol to relieve emotional pain or stress?
- 20. Do you continue to use despite negative consequences?

There is no formula for determining whether or not one is an addict or alcoholic, but looking honestly at yourself in relation to these questions may make it easier for you to see yourself accurately. It takes a great deal of courage to face ourselves without deception. Addiction is both cunning and baffling. It knows no boundaries. It affects both happy and dysfunctional homes, young and old alike. It doesn't care if you are wealthy or poor; it does not discriminate. In reality, addiction affects everyone in some way. It's up to you to decide if you are an addict.

If you answered "yes" to some of the above questions or this process of thinking about your use has been uncomfortable, consider reaching out. If you are struggling, there is an alternative to that struggle. Local 3's Assistance and Recovery Program (ARP) can shoulder some of your burden and point you in the direction of a healthier path. ARP is the confidential recovery resource that aids members and their covered dependents on what begins as a difficult journey but can result in freedom from addiction.

# Think you may have a substance abuse problem? YOU ARE NOT ALONE.







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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# CONGRATULATIONS PIN RECIPIENTS!



Thomas S. Moran 30 years



**Raymond Pauline** 30 years



Kevin Porter 35 years



Bryan Riggs 25 years



**Rick Silva 35** years



Sonny Uson 25 years



Pancho Williams 55 years



**David Muns** 50 years



**James** Payne 25 years



Jose Quintero 25 years



**Bill Rimassa** 25 years



**David Sims** 30 years



Victor Vallejo 25 years



Shane Wilson 32 years



**David Murphy 30** years



**Steve Payne** 25 years



Eloise Ramos **30** years



**David Rose 30** years



Vernon Souki **30** years



Frank Vara 45 years



**Steven Wollbrinck** 40 years



Anthony Palisbo 30 years

35 years

Ken Rebiejo

30 years

**Buck Ruff** 

25 years

Eric Staggs

25 years

Jesus Vasquez

40 years

Joe Woods

40 years



**Corey Parham** 25 years



Wayne Peelua





**Greg Patterson** 30 years



Sergio Perez 35 years



**Brian Riegler** 25 years





Leland Reusser



Larry Streeter 55 years



30 years



Pat Young 25 years





**Chris Terrell** 25 years



Dan White 25 years



**Rodney Young** 35 years

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By Dave Harrison, financial secretary

# HAPPY DANCE

Your home is so much more than a place you live in. It's where you gather with family, have dance parties, and rest your head after a hard day of work.

So, let's see the happy dance! Whether its because you've saved a few bucks each month with a refinance, you're finally able to do those renovations with a HELOC, or you've found your dream home.

# REFINANCE

Finding room in your budget doesn't mean ditching the things you love. Refinancing your home can save you loads of money each month without selling or downsizing. You could potentially get:

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# Setting our of the set of the set

Can you believe the state of California has been talking about the Sites Reservoir project since the 1980s? The project has certainly changed since that time, but what has remained constant is the dire need for a reliable water supply during drought conditions in a state where more than 1,500 reservoirs are reporting historic lows. And if we are going to get a bit more selfish here, there is also a huge need for a large-scale construction project to put Chico, Redding, Yuba City and parts of Yolo County on the map, a generational project that a new workforce can set their ..... SITES on.

Enter Sites Reservoir. The answer to it all – drought, flooding, fires, joblessness, lack of recreational facilities, local workforces traveling elsewhere, economic troubles. Sites is the solution.

Located in the Sacramento Valley west of the town of Maxwell, the Sites Reservoir project consists of a 1.5 million

acre-foot surface storage reservoir that collects and stores stormwater from the Sacramento River, after all other water rights and regulatory requirements are met, for release in times of drought. It's kind of like an emergency savings account that you dip into, only when you absolutely need to. The Sites' offstream water storage does not create barriers to native fish migration and is fed by existing canals from the north and the south.

Local 3 Vice President Justin Diston, Financial Secretary Dave Harrison, Rec. Corres. Secretary Bruce Noel, Treasurer Nate Tucker, Political Director Chris Snyder, IUOE Western Conference's Tim and Matt Cremins, Yuba City District Rep. Ron Roman and Senior Business Agent Casey Tull recently toured the proposed site of the project with local politicians, including Assemblyman James Gallagher. They heard from Sites Authority board members about just how big the project would be, and they were blown away.





From left: Treasurer Nate Tucker, IUOE Western Conference's Matt Cremins, Sutter County District 04 Supervisor Karm Bains, Yuba City Councilmember Grace Espindola, Financial Secretary Dave Harrison, OE3 Political Director Chris Snyder, Sr. Organizer Casey Tull, City of Chico Vice-Mayor Kasey Reynolds, OE3 Rec. Corres. Secretary Bruce Noel, Dunn Consulting's Keith Dunn, IUOE Western Conference Regional Political Director Tim Cremins, OE3 Yuba City District Rep. Ron Roman, Assemblyman James Gallagher's Field Rep.

Juleah Cordi, OE3 Vice President Justin Diston and Sites Reservoir External Affairs Manager Kevin Spesert.











#### Concrete plants remain busy through winter

#### Report

On Amador Street in San Francisco, our members produce about 600 to 700 yards of concrete a year between two plants, one owned by Cemex and the other owned by Vulcan Materials (also known as Central Concrete). Local 3 members at the Cemex facility include Batchman Kelvin Del Cueto, Pitman Salam Aziz, Plant Engineer Edgar Arreola, Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) Adam Damerel and Loader Operator Omar Tapia. Members at Central Concrete include Wet Batchman Larry Pacini, Dry Batchman Johnny Maldonado and HDRs Robert Brownell, Richard Bernard, Jamero Jackson, Alias Abzal, Vaughn Strehle and Foreman George Brooks. Next door, members Jose Zavalo and Manu Sosefo with Hanson Aggregates Mid-Pacific, which is now owned by Martin Marietta, Inc., are supplying sand dredged from the San Francisco Bay to various contractors and neighboring batch plants.





- Mathe works for Interstate Concrete Pumping, Inc.
- From left: Operators Ricardo Moreno Ayon and David E. Santos work for Interstate **Concrete Pumping, Inc.**

Across San Francisco, on the southbound lanes of 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, operators Jose Hernandez and Nicolas Hernandez with JMB Construction have finished installing new sewer lines and water lines ahead of schedule. The company will start work on the northbound lanes soon, and motorists should expect delays, as traffic will be down to one lane.

In Half Moon Bay, the Ox Mountain Landfill receives more than one million cubic yards of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), in addition to a constant flow of clean fill. The operators who perform the work include Benjamin Lightner, Jeffery Machado, Ramon Moreno, Kenneth Taylor, Peter Siliga, Rigoberto Martinez, Juvenal Alcaraz, Drew Adami, Jose Lopez Sr. and Marty Ketner.

In Redwood City, J. F. Shea/Parsons Joint-Venture (JV) is working on the Silicon Valley Clean Water project, which includes the building of a lift station and new headworks for processing sewer and storm water. Operators Lamar Anderson, James Mathers, Carlos Lara Garcia, Marshal McGregor, Adam Chapman, Jason Bailey and John Van Etten are onsite. In San Mateo, Webcor Builders, Inc. has Tower Crane

Operator Steven D. Russell working on a five-building, 763,000 square-foot campus in Bay Meadows. Interstate Concrete

Pumping, Inc. is onsite with pump operators Ricardo Moreno Ayon, David E. Santos and Brian E. Mathe working on a series of blockouts.

This is going to be an important political year, with election outcomes having a direct impact on billions of dollars of work in our district. Please contact the District Office to learn how you can get involved with our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program.

<< CORRECTION: Bigge Tower Crane Operator John Lighty, pictured here, was misidentified in last month's edition.

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District Representative

#### Local CAT shop prepares for work season

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Report

Despite being the off season, this is a busy time for our members with Peterson Trucks and Peterson CAT, since many employers are preparing for the upcoming work season by getting equipment repairs and maintenance done.

Address

Much of our local region is remote, with mountain roads providing the only way in and out for many residents. Fortunately, our members with Caltrans are all over our district, dealing with road hazards, snow and the occasional slide so people can continue driving into area towns for groceries and other goods. We very much appreciate these members and their efforts to keep our roads safe and open.

Our next District Meeting is scheduled for March 8 and will be held at 7 p.m. at 1330 Bayshore Way in Eureka. Be sure to check the March edition of Engineers News, the OE3 Mobile App or follow the @engineersnews on Instagram to be kept up to date, in case things change or have to be cancelled in light of new public health guidelines and requirements.

Due to the spike in COVID cases, and in the interest of keeping everyone safe, our annual Crab Feed has been canceled. We hope to be able to hold this time-honored event again, when it is safe to do so. Stay safe out there.

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#### BART project to begin soon

#### Report

Downtown San Jose will be the epicenter of the massive \$6.8 billion Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Phase 2 track and tunnel extension project, which will be starting soon. This project will include a six-mile tunnel (with an internal diameter of 43 feet) under Santa Clara Street. Four stations will also be added as part of the tunnel extension, and it is estimated that Operating Engineers will gain eight million work hours from this project in the coming years.

Another phase of Santa Clara Valley Water's Upper Llagas Creek improvement project, estimated to be worth \$80 million, is being added to the other phases already underway with **Flatiron** and **Graniterock**. Phase 2A includes a \$44 million, 14-foot diameter tunnel that our members with **Drill Tech** are installing under Nob Hill in Morgan Hill. **Flatiron** has our members updating related infrastructure in the area, and **Twinning** is doing the Special Inspections for those updates.

**Flatiron** is also working on the \$116 million Anderson Dam project, which includes the installation of a 24-foot diameter tunnel and exterior workings. On the face of the dam, **DL Equipment** operators **Bob Devore** and **Jeff Moresco** have been cutting grade for the upcoming tunnel operations, which will be performed by our members with Drill Tech.



Drill Tech Operator Jarrett Humphrey works on the Upper Llagas Creek improvement project.

In San Jose, the Platform 16 project is back on schedule after being mothballed due to COVID. The \$250 million tech campus includes office space and a parking structure. Underground Electric Services, one of our newest signatory employers, is providing the electric and telecom connections. The Valco Town Shopping Center is another project that was put on hold, but operations have since resumed. The \$3 billion, multiphase project is expected to keep our members working for

#### several years, as completion is currently scheduled for 2026. This is good news, as **Silverado** already completed demolition of the site in 2020. Two \$1 billion Google projects will also be starting soon, one in Mountain View and the other in San Jose. **B&C Asphalt Grinding** Operator **Simon Brown** has been grinding on Hillsdale Avenue, as part of a Verizon 5G update project.

This winter, our Public Employee members with the City of San Jose's underground crew have been busy updating and maintaining infrastructure.

This will be an important election year, so contact the Hall and get involved in our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program. The sooner you do, the sooner you will be able to earn some VOTE awards. We've seen some tremendous success from this program over the years, and one of our most recent victories resulted in 17-year Local 3 member **Dolores Morales** being

elected to the Hollister City Council. Thank you to everyone for doing their part to get someone like Dolores, who knows our issues, into office and representing the working people in our communities.





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District Representative
Mike Pickens

#### Members begin work on last section of Novato Narrows project

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Thanks to the drought last year, several contractors were scrambling to find water to prevent projects from being shut down, or held off on starting them at all, until more water was available. Fortunately, this winter brought plenty of rain and snow, with more on the horizon. Therefore, we don't expect to have those same problems this work season.

Our contractors continue to report a decent backlog, and there will be lots of work going out to bid. Our members will be working on the last section of the \$90 million Novato Narrows project, which should keep crews busy over the next three years. Work on the new Sonoma Courthouse started late last year and will continue this work season, so expect more information on this project in the summer.

This is an election year, once again, and there are several local and statewide races that are important to Operating Engineers and the work we do, as they greatly impact what projects get approved and level the playing field for our signatory contractors. Don't forget, we have a great Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program, which provides opportunities to get involved, help your union and earn some cool swag in appreciation of your volunteer efforts. Please contact the Hall to sign up and learn more about this year's VOTE opportunities.

As a reminder, if you have A or B hiring status on the Outof-Work List, your registration is valid for 84 days. However, it is recommended that you call in once a month to renew your registration and maintain your spot on the list. If you have C hiring status, you must contact the Hall on the first of every month to be put on the Out-of-Work List, as your registration is only valid for one calendar month. If you moved or have a new phone number, please contact the Hall to get a change of address form (address changes must be submitted in writing) or update your contact information. Stay healthy and safe!



#### OE3 gears up for contract negotiations

#### Report

We are looking forward to another busy year, both in terms of projects and contract negotiations. Myers Earthwork has been working on the Lake Oroville Spillway Bypass. Teichert Construction and MCM Construction have our members working on Hwy. 70. Knife River is working on the reconstruction of Ostrom Road. Marques General Engineering has been working on a subdivision in Wheatland.

We are also preparing for upcoming contract negotiations with Teichert Aggregates, Knife River Aggregates, Compass Equipment, Silica Resources, Inc., Holt of California and **Recology Yuba-Sutter**. As part of the negotiation process, Local 3 will enlist bargaining committee members who are currently working under that contract. These committee members are vital to the process and will speak on behalf of the membership. If you are working under any of these contracts, please attend your pre-negotiation meetings. Fliers with meeting dates, times and locations will be posted at your work location. These meetings allow our members to express any of their concerns and provide input on what they would like to see in the next contract. If you do not have a copy of the current contract, please call your business representative or stop by the Hall to obtain a copy. Throughout this process, it is important to remember that we're stronger and can achieve more, when we work together.



District	Number	Address	Phone Number	District Representative
OAKLAND	20	1620 South Loop Road, Alameda, CA 94502	(510) 748-7446	Richard Krimm
Title	-			

#### OE3 secures ENA for Concord Naval Weapons Station

#### Report

Last year, the Concord City Council voted 5 to 0 in support of an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) for our members at the Concord Naval Weapons Station, with only minor changes. This action is a victory for Operating Engineers and a step in the right direction, as we move on to the Term Sheet, which establishes the standards and procedures for negotiating and drafting a comprehensive Disposition & Development Agreement (DDA). Once the DDA is approved, our members can begin moving dirt! The Concord First Partners have a few months to negotiate this Term Sheet with the City, and then 24 months to negotiate a DDA. If you live in Concord, we need you to speak up and in favor of this project, as it will provide a lot of work for members in our region over the next 20 years! Contact the District Office and find out how you can get involved (and earn some awards) through our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program.



From left: Members Ronald Gooch, Paul Esparza, Manuel Zavala, Silviano Tovar and Eudoro Alvarez work at the Keller Canyon Landfill.

Our skilled members are working hard at the Keller Canyon Landfill in Pittsburg, where they are making sure everything runs like a fine-tuned machine. Thank you to all of our members there for their dedication and professionalism.

Remember to keep your certifications up-to-date and let dispatch know when you gain new ones or renew the ones you already have. Please also keep in mind that your registration on the Out-of-Work List is only good for 84 days, if you are on the A or B list, and must be renewed each month, if you are on the C list. Failure to renew your registration on the Out-of-Work List will result in your name falling off the list, so be sure to call the Hall if you have any questions. Be safe and stay healthy!



From left: Members Luis Torres, Beau Fitch, Carlos Barajas, Troy Ford and Casey Torres work at the Keller Canyon Landfill.



#### Mine projects keep members working in winter

#### From Reno

Report

Several projects have been lucky enough to keep running through winter. Our members with **Q&D Construction** have been working on several housing developments in Spanish Springs, a sewer rehab project in Yerington and alongside members with **Ames Construction** on the Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX) project. **Sierra Nevada Construction** (**SNC**) is working on multiple warehouses and some sewer rehab projects around the Reno/Sparks area. **Granite Construction** crews have made up for lost time on the Oddie Boulevard rehab project in Sparks, which is providing lots of members with some work this winter.

With spring just around the corner, we expect many projects to get started soon in our area and throughout the state. Please take this time before the busy work season to update your contact information with the Hall. Doing so will assist Dispatcher **Greg Goss**, as he seeks to contact you about job opportunities that you won't want to miss out on.

#### From Elko

Signatory contractors are still securing projects for the upcoming work season, while some of our members continue to work on projects from last year. **Acha Construction** has been working on the new Maverick fueling station in West Wendover, which will keep our members busy through April.

**Granite Construction** continues to work on a few mine projects in the region. **Q&D Construction** has our members at the Maggie Creek pit doing plant maintenance in preparation for the busy season ahead. Work on the Emigrant Pass widening project was shut down for the winter, but will pick up again, as crews complete the project this spring. **Road & Highway Builders** has been grinding and paving and providing shoulder work on I-80 through Pumpernickel Valley in Battle Mountain, as the weather permits.

This winter, quite a few members have been dispatched to work for **Remington Construction** on a couple of mine projects in the area. **N. A. Degerstrom** is working at the Cortez Mine in Crescent Valley and the Rossi Mine outside of Carlin. **Ames Construction** is keeping members busy at the Meickle Mine in Carlin and recently started working on a number of new projects in the Carlin Trend mining area. The company has also started work on two railroad trestles, one in West Wendover and another in Wells.

At the time of this writing, gold is sitting at \$1,799.30, but fluctuating daily. As we continue to work with NGM, please stay focused and engaged in the effort to ensure your right to be a union member. We are currently preparing for negotiations on the next contract, where we will be bringing your wants and needs to the bargaining table. If you have questions, comments or concerns about mining, construction or public employment, please call the Elko Hall at (775) 753-8761. Stay safe out there!

Phone Number

SACRAMENTO

3920 Lennane Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834

(916) 993-2055

District Representative

#### Union wins back tool allowance for Caltrans members

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Address

#### Report

Congratulations to our members at the Caltrans Headquarters Division of Maintenance Paint and Final Department for maintaining 100 percent union participation! Unit 12 Business Rep. Larry Southerland rewarded the members with steak and egg breakfast burritos, some OE3 swag (including hats) and a plaque recognizing their commitment to their union. These members experienced firsthand the benefits of union representation and what it can do for them. During bargaining negotiations last year, the union was able to negotiate the addition of a tool allowance for the Lead Heavy Equipment Bodyworker/Painter classification into their agreement. Lead Worker **Allen Cripe** had been receiving the tool allowance for years until the State decided to cancel it. Soon after, the State decided to also cancel the annual tool allowance for three Heavy Equipment Bodyworker/Painters that work with Allen. Local 3 was able to reverse this decision and they were promptly given their tool allowance.

There are over 60 Heavy Equipment Mechanic/Welders, Bodyworker/Painters, Machinist/Fabricators and Warehouse Workers located at the Caltrans Maintenance Headquarters in downtown Sacramento. Union Steward and Heavy Equipment Mechanic Lead Worker **Tracy Tabor** has done an excellent job providing fair, thorough and competent representation to these members. On top of his Lead Worker duties, Tracy keeps up on current events through the International Union of Operating Engineers' (IUOE's) Unit 12 website, attends his union meetings and works closely with management and his Local 3 business agent to ensure that the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) is enforced and our members' workplace rights are recognized. Tracy was recently recognized for 25 years as a member of the Operating Engineers Local 3 with a service pin. Congratulations, Tracy! If you think you are eligible for your service pin, call your business agent or contact the Hall.

We are planning on 2022 being another very busy year. With the work season coming up, let's each do our part to look out for our union brothers and sisters, as we work hard, work smart and work safe!





From left: Members Anthony Vallejos, Blane Farrer, Richard Cooper, Allen Cripe, Business Agent Larry Southerland and member Shawn Patrick.







#### STOCKTON 30

1916 North Broadway, Stockton, CA 95205

(209) 943-2332

District Representative Dean Fadeff

#### Long-term project boosts careers for operators

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#### Report

Work has been slow in our mountain counties, but that will soon change with Spring approaching, as our signatory employers are ready to start on many projects this work season. Be proactive and start your season off right by verifying that your registration on the Out-of-Work List is kept current, that the Hall has all of your classifications on file and that your contact information is up-to-date.

Our members with Michels Tunneling are working on an impressive, six-year, \$140 million project that will likely allow several Operating Engineers to finish their careers with the company, as others complete their apprenticeship and become journey-level operators.

Many of our members are keeping busy at various rock plants, like George Reed, Inc.'s Table Mountain Plant near Jamestown. These members are using this time of year to perform some much-needed maintenance work and making upgrades to the plants, ensuring their ability to meet the demand for material later this year.

Our members with Caltrans continue to work long hours and in harsh conditions to ensure public safety and ease of travel through our mountain passes. Stay safe and look out for one another.



Operator Anthony Lima works for George Reed, Inc. at the Table Mountain Quarry.



#### Caltrans members provide essential services through winter

Report

When the weather is bad and we all just want to stay inside, our brothers and sisters with Caltrans are working to keep our highways safe for travel. While we gather next to the fireplace or pull on a blanket, they work through storms, plowing snow and keeping our roads open. This effort requires specialized equipment which, in turn, requires special training and experience to operate. Even with that training and experience, breakdowns happen, and when they do, our Caltrans District 2 mechanics and parts people step in. Based out of the Redding Shop and with field technicians stationed in outlying yards, these mechanics and parts personnel maintain and repair a fleet of trucks and equipment. This time of the year is especially busy for these members, and we truly appreciate all the work they do.





#### Dedicated Retiree enjoys the good life

Retiree **Glenn Smith** followed in the footsteps of his father and stepfather, when he became an Operating Engineer in March of 1975. He spent the majority of his career with **Kiewit**, worked at the Kennecott Mine after the major slides of 2013 and ultimately retired with W. W. Clyde. When asked what he is most proud of, however, he is quick to list his involvement with his union. He notes that he was on the Executive Board for 13 years, where he

served with three former district representatives and has been elected a member of our district's Political Action Committee (PAC) for three years.

Glenn currently lives in a beautiful home, which he built himself, keeps himself healthy by going to the gym every day and has accumulated some toys to make his retirement even more enjoyable. These include a camping trailer, a rock crawling

side-by-side and two Harley Davidson motorcycles. One of those motorcycles has been rebuilt and upgraded a couple of times, and Glen included a custom, OE3 emblazoned primary cover on the last one he did. (He created a duplicate OE3 emblazoned primary cover, which he gifted to Russ Burns, who was Local 3's business manager at the time.)

When Glenn was asked what advice he would give to anyone approaching retirement, he said, "Do not just sit around and die!"

Glenn is definitely putting his own words into practice, as he and his wife now travel, ride his motorcycles and devote as much of their time to their children and grandchildren as possible.

"Everything is going my way and I owe a lot of that to the opportunities that OE3 has afforded to me and my family," he said.

District Representative

Ana Tuiasosopo

**Retiree Glen Smith stands with one of his Harley** Davidsons, which features a custom OE3 primary cover.

HAWAII

2181 Lauwiliwili St., Kapolei, HI 96707

#### Members meet with President Callahan and Local 3 officers

Report

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Our district was honored to have the Local 3 officers and International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) General President James T. Callahan attend our fourth-quarter District and Town Hall Meetings. The membership was pleased to share the Aloha spirit and have the officers and President Callahan answer their questions.

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Local 3 staff and representatives from the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (HOEISF) recently attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the Department of Veterans Affairs' Aloha Clinic on the western side of Oahu. This multi-specialty, 88,675 square-foot clinic is being built by Goodfellow Brothers and Nan, Inc. and will provide patients with primary care, mental health services, audiology, physical therapy and dental care.

Our Organizing Department and the Hawaii Operating Engineers Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center have been working with the Helmets to Hardhats program to educate those serving in our military about a career with Operating Engineers. We honor and respect our veterans and those currently serving in the Armed Forces, and this program allows us to show our appreciation by helping them establish a good career when they return to civilian life.



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(808) 845-7871



#### Old Hwy. 12 Bridge is demolished

On Dec. 4, I-80 was closed through Fairfield, as crews with **MCM Construction** demolished the old Hwy. 12 Bridge. The task, which was performed as part of a \$58 million Joint-Venture (JV) project between **MCM Construction** and **Kiewit**, required operators to complete their work within a 10-hour window. They did so with the skill and professionalism that should make all Local 3 members proud! The rest of the project, which began in the fall of 2020, will be completed this spring.

add two lanes in both directions. This work is necessary to accommodate future residents of the many new homes being built in the area.

**Suulutaaq, Inc.** is working on a \$2 million levee-raising project for the Napa Sanitation District. The work includes removing old, abandoned pipe and replacing it, cutting sections of levee and repairing, raising or rebuilding them with new material, which is being imported and mixed onsite. This job, which began early last year and should be completed this spring, is keeping operators in our district working close to home.

Our members with **Desilva Gates** have been paving Manuel Campos Parkway in Fairfield, as part of a project that will



# FRESNO

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District Representative
Wyatt Meadows

#### Happy Valentine's Day!

Report

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Valentine's Day is this month and we'd like to take the opportunity to recognize **Michael** and **Jonelle Murphy**, two Local 3 members who found love, got married and are now raising two sons, **Colton**, who is five years old, and **Kade**, who is two years old.

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Jonelle started her apprenticeship in 2013 and has since become an experienced journey-level operator, operating everything from rollers, excavators and scrapers to large, Vermeer trenchers with **Pavement Recycling**, **American Paving** and **Live Action Construction**.

Michael began his career as an Operating Engineer when he got accepted into the Apprenticeship Program in 2015. Since that time, he has become a journeyman Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) and worked for **Emmett's Excavation**, **Dragados-Flatiron** and **D. H. Blattner & Sons**.

Michael and Jonelle met at a rock-climbing event, where Michael was part of the event's Safety and Recovery personnel. The two of them hit it off and got married in 2016. Michael still builds his own rock-climbing vehicles and is a pit crew chief for a local racing team. He and Jonelle are still involved in the rock-climbing event where they originally met.

We are very fortunate to have had Michael and Jonelle come through our Apprenticeship Program and continue to live and work in our district, now as husband and wife.





## Another group recognized for 100 percent union membership By Larry Southerland, business representative

The Sacramento Bridge Maintenance crew became our latest Unit 12 group to be recognized for achieving full union participation! This crew is responsible for various kinds of maintenance and construction work on Sacramento's bridge structures. This includes repairing steel and concrete structures, cleaning and painting bridges, replacing spalled or damaged concrete, patching and resurfacing toll lanes, bridge decks and ramps, excavating or repairing drainage ditches, maintaining guard and bridge rails, hauling, unloading and housing supplies and equipment, doing minor pavement markings, performing emergency and fire-fighting duties and maintaining bridge buildings. These members do a lot, and as their union membership indicates, they are committed to their union and having a say in their employment contract.



members Christopher Whatley, Miguel Pena, Edward Abeyta and Domian Williams, and Business Rep. Larry Southerland.



# 2 scholarships <sup>of</sup> \$15,000 2 scholarships <sup>of</sup> \$12,500 2 scholarships <sup>of</sup> \$10,000

Scholarships

Academic

Merit Scholarships

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3 CHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

25 scholarships of \$2,000

» Children (including stepchildren and foster children) of Local 3 members may apply for the scholarships.

» OE3 Academic and Merit Scholarship applications are available at the local's district offices, OE Federal Credit Union branches and online at WWW.OE3.ORG.

» See full rules online.

» If you have any questions, please call the Recording-Corresponding Secretary's Office @ 510.748.7400.

# 2022 LOCAL 3 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION CONTEST RULES

The Local 3 Officers, Executive Board and the Scholarship Board of Directors understand that the workplace is rapidly changing, and many jobs require skills that can be attained only with a good education. Local 3 is dedicated to giving our young people the opportunity to succeed by providing them with the chance to further their education and training. For this reason, Local 3 awards annual scholarships to children, stepchildren and foster children of Local 3 members.

Local 3 awards two types of scholarships: Academic Scholarships (winners are judged based on academic qualifications) and Merit Scholarships (winners are selected through a random raffle drawing).

**Please note:** Academic Scholarship applicants who do not win are <u>automatically</u> entered into the Merit Scholarship raffle drawing (at the July Executive Board Meeting). Please do not submit multiple applications.

#### All applications <u>must</u> be <u>postmarked</u> <u>on or by March 31, 2022.</u>

#### WHO MAY APPLY

Children (including stepchildren and foster children) of Local 3 members may apply for the scholarships. The parent of the applicant must be a member for at least one year immediately preceding the date of the application. Grandchildren are only eligible to apply if their grandparent (member) is their legal guardian. Children of deceased members are eligible to apply for the scholarships if the parent of the applicant was a member for at least one year immediately preceding the date of death.

#### WHERE TO GET APPLICATIONS

OE3 Academic and Merit Scholarship applications are available at the local's district offices, OE Federal Credit Union branches and online at www.oe3.org.

#### How to submit scholarship applications

It is the responsibility of the applicant to see that the application is completed in full and that all of the required items are received on time. **If any items are missing**, **the applicant risks ineligibility.** Send to:

Bruce Noel Recording-Corresponding Secretary Attn: Scholarships Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 1620 South Loop Road Alameda, CA 94502

If you have questions, please call the RCS Office at (510) 748-7400.

#### **ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Six Academic Scholarships will be awarded to children of Local 3 members.

#### » 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE - \$15,000 TOTAL

Two scholarships of \$6,000 each will be awarded to the first-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$3,000 each for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain a full-time student.

#### » 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE - \$12,500 TOTAL

Two scholarships of \$5,000 each will be awarded to the second-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$2,500 each for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain a full-time student.

#### » 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE - \$10,000 TOTAL

Two scholarships of \$4,000 each will be awarded to the third-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$2,000 each for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain a full-time student.

These scholarships can only be used for study at an accredited college or university located in the United States and will not impose restrictions of any kind on the course of study. Recipients may accept any other grants or awards that do not rule out scholarship aid from other sources. Winners must submit proof of full-time enrollment to receive payment.

Academic Scholarship applicants *must be a graduating high school student* who has, or will be, graduated at the end of either the fall semester (beginning in 2021) or the spring semester (beginning in 2022) in public, private or parochial schools. They must plan to attend an accredited college or university anywhere in the United States during the academic year and be able to meet the academic requirements for entrance into the university or college of their choice. Students selected for a scholarship must have achieved not less than a 3.0 ("B") weighted grade point average in their high school work.

#### **AWARDING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Upon receipt of the application package, the membership of the parent will be verified. The application will then be submitted for judging to the University of California Berkeley Scholarship Selection Committee, an independent outside group composed entirely of professional educators.

Apart from verifying the eligibility of the applicant, Local 3 will not indicate in any way that one applicant should be favored over another. The University of California Berkeley Scholarship Selection Committee will submit their selected finalists to the Scholarship Foundation's Board of Directors for approval. Academic Scholarship winners will be notified by Local 3 and posted on www.oe3.org.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The following items must be submitted together by the applicant (unless it is the policy of the school to submit the Report on Applicant and Official Transcript directly).

- 1. Application filled out by student
  - 2. Essay written by student
  - **3. Report on applicant** filled out by authorized school representative
  - **4. Official transcript** from school (signed or stamped)
  - **5. Letters of recommendation** one to three letters from teachers, community leaders, family friends, or others who know the applicant must give information about the applicant's character and ability

*Note:* Winners will be contacted for a photograph to be used in *Engineers News*.

#### **MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS**

In addition to the six Academic Scholarships, Local 3's Scholarship Foundation will award 25 Merit Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000. Children (including stepchildren and foster children) of Local 3 members who are currently attending or planning to attend college or trade school full-time in the next year may apply for the scholarship.

#### Awarding Merit Scholarships

Upon receipt of the application and required essay, the membership of the parent will be verified. Apart from verifying the eligibility of the applicant, Local 3 will not exercise any choice among the various applicants. The Merit Scholarship winners will not be judged on academic qualifications but will instead be selected through a raffle drawing held at Local 3's July Executive Board meeting. Previous Merit Scholarship winners and applicants may re-apply each year. Applicants need not be present to win; winners will be notified by Local 3 and posted on www.oe3.org. Winners must submit proof of full-time enrollment to receive payment.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

The following items must be submitted together by the applicant.

- **1. Application** | filled out by student
- 2. Essay | written by student





#### From the desk of REC.- CORRES. SECRETARY BRUCE NOEL



	<b>DISTRICT 17: HAU'ULA</b> Hau'ula Elementary School 54-046 Kamehameha Hwy.			
TOWN HALL MEETINGSALL MEETINGS CANCELLEDDUE TO COVID-19FEBRUARY 02.22No meetings scheduled.				
<b>30</b> ™	DISTRICT 17: HILO			
	Meeting: 6 p.m.			
	Nani Loa Hotel			
	93 Banyan Drive			
]	Hilo			
<b>31</b> <sup>st</sup>	DISTRICT 17: KONA			
	Meeting: 6 p.m.			
	Courtyard King Kamehameha's			
-	Kona Beach Hotel			
	75-5660 Palani Road			
	Kailua - Kona			
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1 <sup>st</sup>	DISTRICT 17: MAUI			
	Maating, 6 p.m.			
	Maui Beach Hotel			
	170 W. Kaahumanu Ave.			
]	Kahului			
	DISTRICT 12: OGDEN			
	Dinner: 6 p.m.;			
	Meeting to follow			
	Ogden Eccles			
	Conference Center			
	2415 Washington Blvd.			
	Ogden			
	DISTRICT 12: SPANISH FORK			
	Dinner: 6 p.m.;			
	Meeting to follow			
	High Chaparral			
	(Rodeo Grounds) 475 S. Main St.			
	Spanish Fork			
	DISTRICT 12: WASHINGTON			
	Lunch: noon;			
	Meeting to follow			
	Washington Historical Society			
	100 West and Telegraph St. Weshington			
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In California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah, office hours will be as follows: Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **NEW RETIREES**

Agualo, Greg	HI
Allen, Judy	CA
ANTONINO, PAUL	UT
BALLAO, BERT	HI
Cazier, Wendy	UT
Contreras, Miguel	CA
Corless, James	WA
Cossette, Mark	CA
Cotta, Edward	OR
Evans, James	CA
Forde, Jeffrey	CA
Gallant, John	CA
Gaspar, Thomas	HI
HALEY, RONALD	NV
HARNEDY, MICHAEL	CA
Haymond, Jon	UT
HERSCHBACH, PAUL	CA
Hokoana, Robert	HI
Johnson, Gary	AZ
Jorgensen, Deborah	CA
KARSTENS, JON	CA
Kern, Daniel	CA
Kilgore, William	CA
Kolodge, Steven	NV
Kukahiko, Eric	HI
Lawson, Darcey	CA
Looney, Edward	CA
Mau, Robert	HI
McClellan, Rich	CA
McCoy, Patrick	CA
Mogle, Michael	IL
Oseguera, Amalia	CA
Perkins, David	NV
Ruiz, Abel	CA
Salazar, Edward	CA
Sandoval, Arturo	CA
Shehan, Douglas	CA
Smith, Russell	UT
Wajdowicz, Richard	CA
Wood, Keith	WY
Wysocki, Ryan	UT
Zezulka, Rodney	CA

Effective October 2021

# OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. SCHOLARSHIP

Looking to make a year-end charitable donation and get a TAX BREAK? Donating to the Local 3 Scholarship Foundation may fit the bill!

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To learn more about the Scholarship Program and how you can give, call Rec.-Corres. Secretary Bruce Noel at (510) 748-7400 or visit us online at



# HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

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

The following Retirees have 35 or more years of membership in Local 3 as of Dec. 1, 2021 and have been determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective Jan. 1, 2022, unless otherwise noted.

**BIONDO, JOHN** 1920042 **DISTRICT 11: NEVADA BUTTERWORTH, ROBERT C.** 1212377 **DISTRICT 10: ROHNERT PARK ELDRIDGE, DONALD** 1971909 **DISTRICT 12: UTAH** HOLST. EUGENE 1826010 **DISTRICT 99: OUT OF AREA** MOON. PHILLIP 1984867 **DISTRICT 12: UTAH NETZLEY. LARRY L.** 1978521 **DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO PEARLMAN, STANTON** 2007494 **DISTRICT 99: OUT OF AREA ROSALES. ANTHONY P.** 2005749 **DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO Ross, Loren A.** 0899452 **DISTRICT 60: YUBA CITY** SUDWEEKS, DERELL 1535293 **DISTRICT 12: UTAH** TRACY, CARMAN L. 1826097 **DISTRICT 99: OUT OF AREA** 

#### SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING CANCELLED

Due to the rise of COVID cases. we have cancelled the Semi-Annual Meeting originally scheduled for March 20. We must keep the safety of our members, Retirees, staff and their families in mind. Check back here, online (oe3.org) and on our social media platforms for the information normally shared at this event.

#### **2022 POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE ELECTION**

Recording-Corresponding Secretary Bruce Noel has announced that in accordance with Article X, Section 9 of the Local Union Bylaws, the election of Political Action Committee (PAC) members will take place at the first District Meeting of 2022 in each respective District.

#### DUE TO THE RISE IN COVID CASES, THESE ELECTIONS ARE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2022. Please check back here and with your district offices, as meeting times and dates are subject to change.

No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected, or hold the position of PAC Member:

- 1. Unless he or she is a continuous member in the parent local union for one (1) year preceding nomination, not suspended for nonpayment of dues during that one year and a registered voter (with proof of current voter registration) in the district where he or she is seeking nomination;
- 2. If he or she is retired, is an officer of, or is on the payroll of the local union or a related entity:
- 3. If he or she is an owner-operator or a contractor;
- 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 be a PAC member and will accept the nomination if nominated.

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

#### **PROOF OF VOTER REGISTRATION FOR PAC NOMINEES**

To be eligible to hold office, all PAC nominees must bring a copy of voter registration proof to the district meeting at which nominations take place. You can obtain this proof by going to your county Registrar of Voters' or County Clerk's office. If you are unable to bring it to the district meeting, you may fill out a voter registration card at the meeting, before it begins. You may also fill one out online and print a copy of it prior to the meeting by finding your state's voter-registration link on our website at www.oe3.org.



Dear brothers and sisters:

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

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

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

Fraternally yours,

0 Jon

Bruce Noel Recording-Corresponding Secretary

Our Sincere Condolences...

# **DEPARTED MEMBERS**\*

Ayala, Vincent Visalia, CA 11-13-21

Balcazar, Ambrose San Jose, CA 11-21-21

Boatman, James E. Meadow Vista, CA 11-9-21

> Butters, Paul Wallsburg, UT

Clark, Gaylane Kula, HI 11-27-21

Collins, Scott Fresno, CA 12-1-21

Dial, David Jr. Camptonville, CA 11-27-21

Everett, Michael Cibola, AZ 11-25-21

Ford, Stanley Gilbert, AZ 10-10-21

Garrett, Coy Stockton, CA 11-25-21

Inouve, Isaac Honolulu, HI 11-5-21

Jorgensen, Michael Pioneer, CA 11-12-21

Lack, Michael Redding, CA 11-22-21

Lathrop, Douglas Hesperia, CA 11-11-21

Lathrop, Elmer San Jose, CA 11-15-21

Lukes, David Saint George, UT 12-3-21

Madle, Albert Lodi, CA 11-14-21

Mans, Richard Modesto, CA 11-14-21

McCray, Ronnie Colusa, CA 11-20-21

McKim, John Sutter Creek, CA 12-6-21

> Moore, Lee Emmett, ID 11-14-21

Mott, Gary Fresno, CA 11-18-21

Newby, Ray Loomis, CA 11-18-21

Nichols, Stephen Carson City, NV 11-14-21

Pierson, Matthew Rocklin, CA 11-20-21

Reyna, Richard Manteca, CA 11-26-21

Rocha, Anthony Elko, NV 12-7-21

Rodriquez, Frank Bangor, CA 10-26-21

Roseman, Kevin Lehi, UT 12-4-21

Saraiva, Joseph Antioch, CA 11-24-21

Soule, Alan Montague, CA 11-29-21

Valdez, Edward Hollister, CA 11-9-21

Vaughn, Robert Live Oak, CA 11-18-21

Vischansky, James Herber City, UT 11-22-21

Worley, Dan Wellington, NV 12-6-21

Bachman, Rosie Spouse of Bachman, Dennis 11-17-21

Busby, Barbara Spouse of Busby, Willie 11-15-21

Casaleggio, Janet Spouse of Casaleggio, Ronald (dec.) 11-8-21

Couchman, Jeanette Spouse of Couchman, Charles (dec.) 12-7-21

Cox, Joan Spouse of Cox, Edwin 12-3-21

Cuevas, Angela Spouse of Cuevas, John 11-24-21

Delaney, Donna Spouse of Delaney, Vincent (dec.) 11-25-21

Deponte, Wanda Spouse of Deponte, Donald (dec.) 11-12-21

Farmer, Mary Spouse of Farmer, Roger 11-18-21

Floyd, Terry Spouse of Floyd, Martin 11-28-21

Gallegos, Dawna Spouse of Gallegos, Randv 11-27-21

Gibbs, Helen Spouse of Gibbs, Michael 12-9-21

Hamelin, Linda Spouse of Hamelin, Joseph 11-20-21

Kahumoku, Gale Spouse of Kahumoku, Michael 11-1-21

Leonard, Carolyn Spouse of Leonard. Dave (dec.) 11-30-21

Matsumura, Suzette Spouse of Matsumura, James (dec.) 11-25-21

Meaney, Ellen Spouse of Meaney, William (dec.) 8-31-21

DECEASED DEPENDENTS

Miller, Sally Spouse of Miller, Stanley (dec.) 11-13-21

Murphy, Patricia Souse of Murphy, Robert (dec.) 11-8-21

Netzley, Caryl Spouse of Netzley, Larry 11-18-21

Olsen, Bernice Spouse of Olsen, Don K. (dec.) 11-9-21

O'Neil, Jeanette Spouse of O'Neil, William 9-3-21

Peters, Beva Spouse of Peters, Carl (dec.) 11-18-21

Rodrigues, Connie Spouse of Rodrigues, Robert 11-18-21

Sinnott, Bonnie Spouse of Sinnott. James 10-18-21

Solberg, Alice Spouse of Solberg, Cyril (dec.) 10-6-21

Telford, Judith Spouse of Telford, Joe W. 11-26-21

Wahlen, Kindra Spouse of Wahlen, William 5-13-04

Watson, Bambi Spouse of Watson, Larry 12-13-21

Westphal, Elinor Spouse of Westphal, Tommy 11-16-21

Yap, Linda Spouse of Yap, Lawrence (dec.) 11-12-21

#### \*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 reports section. Contact information for the district offices is on pages 18-24 in this edition.

11-4-21



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.

FOR SALE: Spectra Physics dual slope laser. \$1,000. Two Spectra Physics laser eye. \$175 each. Two RT25 receiver masts. \$150 each. 12-foot tripod. \$300. 15-foot grade rod. \$50. Magnetic receiver. \$200. Three MM2E masts. \$100 each. Call (209) 329-3795. Reg# 2014063.

FOR SALE: Wine and beer making supplies, including: oak barrel, wine press, must plunger, thermometer, bottle dry tree, bottle cappers, beer and wine bottles, cleaning supplies, floor corker, reference books. Please email Jeff for detailed listing and prices. mixpix33@yahoo.com. Purchase all equipment with added extras for \$1,210. Crush, ferment tubs, buckets will be added for free, if the whole lot is purchased. Reg# 2312911.

FOR SALE: 1987 COMET 48' flatbed trailer. \$7,500 OBO. 1990 Fruehauf end-dump trailer. \$12,000 OBO. 1987 Robin end-dump trailer. \$10,000 OBO. \$24,000 takes all 3. Call Brent (209) 914-9474. Reg# 4197024.

FOR SALE: 2002 F-350. Red crew cab. Power stroke. 7.3 diesel. 4X4. Long bed. Miles: 222,000. Leveling kit and programmer. Asking \$18,500. Call Brian at: (408) 821-3550. Reg# 2011067.

FOR SALE: 2011 Chevy Aveo Limited Edition. 5-speed transmission. Hatchback. Excellent on gas. 1 owner. Call (208) 755-0256. Reg# 1812603.

FOR SALE: 26 acres in Amador County with pasture and perfect building sites. Perfect for a getaway, camping or building dream home. Private and secluded. Easy access from Sacramento, Jackson, Placerville and Lake Tahoe. Electricity close by and wells in good area. Seasonal pond. \$299,900. Call (208) 755-0256. Reg# 1812603. FOR SALE: 2,000 sq ft house in Seadrift, TX 77983. 3 bd/2 ba on 3 lots (1/2 acre). Octagonal shape built on concrete pilings with decking all around the house. Parking under the house. Large open rooms with high ceilings. Close to fishing, hunting, boating and awesome sunsets. 6 blocks from San Antonio Bay. \$289,900. For more info, call (361) 772-8002. Reg# 1354860.

FOR SALE: Various tools. Box-end and open-end wrenches. From 1" to 1 5/8". 20" P&C and 16" proto adjustable wrenches. 24" Walworth pipe wrench. 8# sledge. Misc. bars. Cheater pipe. Slide hammer. S&K <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> drive socket set. From 1" to 1 5/8". Owatonna pullers plus misc. pullers. \$500 for all. All US made, very usable. Email for pictures: oldcat35o@sbcglobal.net. Reg# 1188038.

FOR SALE: 2016 RAM 3500 Cummins complete tier 4 exhaust. Includes DPF, SCR, EGR cooler/valve, DEF tank and DEF injector, and all sensors. \$1,000 OBO. Call Miles with questions or offers, call (209) 641-5066. Reg# 4245469.

FOR SALE: Ford 9N tractor, 3-point, PTO, runs and operates. Rebuilt carburetor, fresh service, new battery, radiator and one front tire with tube. No implements. \$2,000 OBO. Call (916) 756-6140. Reg# 1904007.

FOR SALE: 1982 Honda Silver Wing 500. Excellent condition. 30k miles. Not a speck of rust. New battery and tires. Removable paniers and dual seat. Nice bike but too heavy for me in my golden years. \$2,000 or trade straight across for 350 class. Call (775) 623-6924. Reg# 1500057.

WANTED: Antique bottles. Paying up to \$5,000 for embossed whiskey and bitters bottles. Also want other antique bottles and obsolete casino chips from Nevada and California. Will give operators free appraisals on antique bottles. Richard Siri, P.O. Box 3818, Santa Rosa, CA 95402. Call (707) 481-5423 or (707) 542-6438. Reg# 1025301. FOR SALE: 2001 Harley standard bagger. \$5,500. 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: 2007 Raptor toy hauler 5th wheel trailer, 36 foot with 2 slide outs. Features: built-in microwave, TV, stereo, bathroom w/ shower, awning, generator (needs repair), electrical cords. Sleeps 10. Portable black water tank & hoses. Asking \$22,000. Contact Tom (530) 906-7360. Reg# 2529977.

FOR SALE: 1997 Lance camper. 8.5 feet cab over. Call evenings (408) 842-6215. Reg# 1071005.

WANTED: Parts for a 1938 John Deere "A" tractor. Especially interested in iron cleated wheels. Call or text (775) 910-9625 or email antiquevail1@hotmail.com. Reg# 2269569.

FOR SALE: Falcon 2 tow bar with 2 safety cables, drop hitch, electrical wires and 2 receivers. \$450 OBO. Call Ron at (209) 367-1142 or (209) 224-7697 (cell). Reg# 1737629.

FOR SALE: 1-inch drive impact gun. Chicago Pneumatic model CP797 with 20 sockets. \$300. Tahoe area. Text (510) 366-9885. Reg# 1820915.

FOR SALE: 16-ft steel boat hull and frame with trailer. Includes motor mount, rudder, prop shaft. Asking \$400. No trades. Call (209) 470-7029. Reg# 1774822.

FOR SALE: 12x56 mobile home in good condition. Located in Fairfield 55+ park. Park is quiet and \$410/ month. Located in the hills by Manuel Campos exit. Live closer to the Bay without the million dollar price tag. 45 minute commute to SF at 5 a.m. \$140,000. Call (707) 703-7134. Reg# 2348821. To place an ad, type or print legibly. Then, pick 1, 2, or 3. I. MAIL 2. (ALL Operating Engineers 916.993.2047, ext. 2503 Local Union No. 3 3920 Lennane Dr. 3. E-MAIL Sacramento, CA 95834 rsparks@oe3.org ATTN: Swap Shop\*

\*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: 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: 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.

FOR SALE: Stock exhaust pipe and gas tank for 2005 Harley Davidson FXDLI Dyna Low Rider. \$350 for both. Call (510) 206-3212. Reg# 2543582.

FOR SALE: 2008 Suzuki V-Strom DL 650. 20,600 miles. No scratches. Features: top case, engine guard, skid pan, Rox risers, Russell daylong seat, CalSci wind screen. Call (209) 479-0886. Reg# 1291266.

FOR SALE: New Proto chrome socket sets, still in boxes. Metric and Standard. List price well over \$900 each. Asking \$400 each or \$750 for both. Also for sale, large end wrenches from 1 5/16 to 2 1/2. 13 total. \$1.000.00. Email: dpoberkramer@gmail.com. Reg#1804382.

FOR SALE: Drum set. Includes snare drum, two toms, bass drum and cymbals. \$350 OBO. (925) 229-0914. Reg# 0928228. WANTED: Rifles, shotguns, pistols and ammunition. From one to a whole collection. Call (559) 360-2345. Reg# 2123273.

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.

FOR SALE: Solid oak dining table with leaf insert and claw feet. Includes 4 chairs. Solid oak china cabinet with hutch. Solid oak TV console with shelves and claw feet. All in excellent condition. \$1,500 for all. Call for information (916) 698-5606. Reg# 4279989.

FOR SALE: "Blue Green" time share. Ownership worth \$23,000. One week resort time in summer months. Many resorts along the east coast. Double time during non-summer months. Resorts in Vegas, Daytona, Orlando, Myrtle Beach, Hawaii. \$8,000 OBO. Call (510) 483-4267. Reg# 1328354.

FOR SALE: 1956 Ford six-cylinder, 1-ton, stakeside, flatbed, dually project truck. Spare engine. 4-speed transmission with granny low gear. Looking for best offer. Call (925) 783-1246 or (925) 439-7646. Reg# 1355484.

FOR SALE: Baldor industrial motor. 208-230 volts. 26.3 amps. RPM 1725, HZ60, PH1 Class F. Full load EFF 30%, PF 80%. 1-inch shaft. 5 HP. \$400. Call (209) 477-3606. Reg# 1590695.

FOR SALE: 1.25 acre wooded forest. Bear and deer pass through property. Seven miles from Shingletown behind Meadow Mountains Bible Camp. Close to Lake McCumber. \$30,000 obo. Call (530) 275-6882. Reg# 1956194.

FOR SALE: Leica GPS System, originally set up for a CAT 14H Motor Grader. Includes all parts: receiver, hydraulic hoses, valves, controller, and masts. \$10,000. Call (415) 517-4404. Reg# 1624521.



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