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**ON THE COVER**

Drill Tech Operator **BUCK CONNER** prepares to move a roadheader into a narrow tunnel he is boring for a flood protection project in Morgan Hill District 90.



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Take advantage of Local 3's commitment to financial transparency by reviewing the union's most recent financial report and educating yourself on its financial status.

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Our officers, district and Nevada Apprenticeship Program staff recently congratulated this year's graduates and presented them with their certificates and awards in Reno, Nev. See photos from the event and of these newest OE3 journeymen here.

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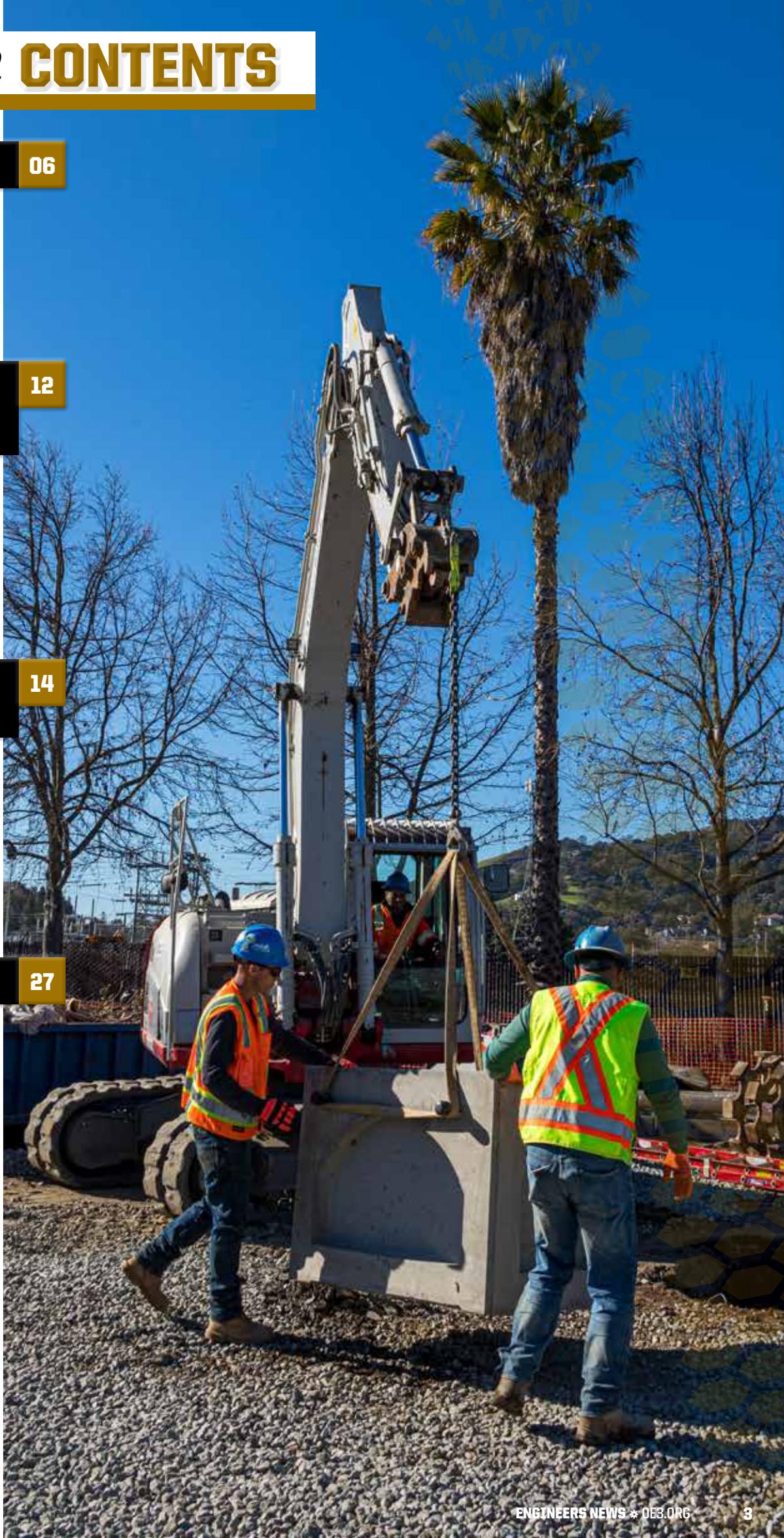
Local 3 members are working on an important flood protection project in Morgan Hill District 90 that requires some special, tunnel-digging equipment and skilled operating above and below the surface. Learn more about this project here.

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The deadline for your qualified children, stepchildren and foster children to apply for an Academic or Merit Scholarship from the OE3 Scholarship Foundation is at the end of this month! Get more information here and don't let the students in your family miss out on this opportunity to apply.

Flatiron Excavator Operator **REGGIE CERVANTES** provides utilities and other flood protection work in Morgan Hill, as part of the Upper Llagas Creek Flood Protection project.



## Getting work for our membership from every angle

As you all know, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the previously scheduled Semi-Annual Meeting and first-quarter district meetings, due to ever-changing mandates and information regarding COVID, which, unfortunately, is still here and still making things challenging. Please be patient with us, as we juggle what is best for all of our members, our Retirees, and their families, as well as how to get you the information you need in the safest way possible. Even though I've said it before, I do think this pandemic is becoming more manageable, but no one can really predict what may happen a month from now. In the hopes that we can have second-quarter district meetings, we plan to have our member-elected Political Action Committee (PAC) elections then. You can find a list of these meetings in our Meetings and Announcements section.

Even though we aren't able to have a Semi-Annual Event in-person, you will be able to access a video with all the information you would normally receive at the event, on Local 3's official YouTube page. The video should be available by March 20. Stay tuned for more information on how to access that video. You can always find links to our YouTube channel and more on our website at [www.oe3.org](http://www.oe3.org). Keep checking our other social media platforms, as well.

Despite continued COVID difficulties, our work hours remain very strong. I will be providing more in-depth information about this during the Semi-Annual video, but a few key details: Our work hours in 2020 were at 34.1 million, while work hours for last year came in at 34.8 million. As you know, when our work hours are up, our Funds are up. When I last reported on the Pension, it was at \$5.18 billion as of July 31, 2021, and now, through Dec. 31, 2021, it was at \$5.35 billion, preliminary, unaudited. Thanks to all that you have done, masking up, following the rules, staying safe and standing up with your union when we said our work was essential and already socially distant, we are doing just fine as an industry, actually better than ever. Our other Funds are up, as well, so please watch the video, when it is available, to learn more.

What I don't have time to go into in that particular format, is just how many things we are working on right now, all to secure more work for this industry in every state. Lots of this work has been dedicated to creating coalitions with other groups to show local governments that we mean what we say, when we say that our skilled and trained members are ready, that they must be the ones to do the work, and that local economies need these big projects to keep moving ahead and overcome the setbacks created by shutdowns. A few projects where these coalitions are making a big difference include the offshore wind project and Nordic Aquafarms fish farm,

both in Humboldt County, the Sites Reservoir project, in Colusa County, and most recently, the Sisk Dam, in Merced County. These are giant projects, but their bidding processes and the environmental assessments for them are complicated. That being said, we are creating high-pressure campaigns with all involved to secure the work and ensure that it is all-union.

Besides these projects, which will hopefully start in the near future, there is lots of current work going on right now, such as the \$1.2 billion Potrero Power Plant and \$2 billion Treasure Island development in Burlingame District 1, the Honouliuli Wastewater treatment plant in Hawaii District 17, and the West Davis Corridor, Hwy. 89 and the William Charles-Toquerville Bypass, all happening in Utah District 12. The I-80, I-580 Interchange, known as the Spaghetti Bowl Express (SBX Project), which is worth \$175 million, is the biggest project happening in Nevada District 11 right now, and we continue to make progress with Nevada Gold Mines (NGM) in the Elko area.

We are working with some of our public employee units to demand fair contracts from their employers, who are using COVID as an excuse. Most recently, we held a rally at the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, urging the residents there to call the Bridge District Office, since their workers, whom we represent, have been without a contract for two years. These workers are on that bridge at all hours of the day and night, keeping commuters, tourists and residents safe, and they worked on the front lines, when everyone else was home. See an article in this edition about that rally.

I know it's frustrating that we haven't been able to get together. Because of this, we've been visiting with some of our Retirees, when it has been safe to do so, and this means the world to them, just to hear it from the source, about what's going on in Local 3. See President Steve Ingersoll's column for more on these visits.

Remember, it is an election year. Some Special Elections are already happening, and you will start to get information about these and candidates and issues that will impact our jobs, so pay close attention. Also, call your District Office to see how you can get involved in your union to help your community get the kind of jobs that will improve the economy, help you work close to home and support you with a union wage. It all comes down to politics. See our YouTube page for a short video on what to expect during a Local 3 political precinct walk.

Stay safe on the job and in your communities, and subscribe to Local 3's YouTube channel, so you can watch the Semi-Annual video update and more. Again, that will be available on March 20.

*Dan Reding*

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## Connection is important for all of us

While it's been hard for all of us not to have had a steady schedule of District Meetings, Retiree Meetings and Semi-Annual Events, it has perhaps been hardest for our Retirees. For many of them, the Local 3 friendships and connections they made in the field have been a big part of their support system and joy, later in life. Therefore, Financial Secretary Dave Harrison and I have been making it a point to hand-deliver service pins to some of our Retirees, when it has been safe to do so. Most recently, we visited 65-year member Bill Marshall and 45-year member Darell Steele, in Auburn, Calif., just to update them on union information and see what's new in their lives. These two have stayed active in Local 3 during their careers and in retirement. We also visited with several Retirees in Reno, Nev., including former Nevada district rep. Rod Young, and



From left: Financial Secretary Dave Harrison, Retirees Rod Young, Raymond Jayo, Mike Mocho, Mike Indo and President Steve Ingersoll, visit in Reno, Nev.

Retirees Raymond Jayo, Mike Mocho and Mike Indo, who worked with one another, before retirement, and now meet to have lunch and play cards every Thursday.

Financial Secretary Dave Harrison also visited with 40-year member Dave Talley and 63-year member Robert McDonald, and listened as Robert brought out an old newspaper featuring some of the construction work he had done in the 1980s. The work these

Retirees put into our union, on and off the field, is some of their proudest achievements. For that, we are doing everything we can to keep them connected. Let's hope we can meet together in person very soon! If you haven't seen or heard from someone in awhile, there is never any harm in just giving him or her a call. Sometimes that simple act can make a person's day.

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# Labor News

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### **GGBD Workers Rally**

Local 3 members working for the Golden Gate Bridge District (GGBD) rallied at the Golden Gate Bridge last month to secure a fair contract, after their employer failed to negotiate one that would meet the needs of its workforce or honor the essential work they performed throughout the pandemic to keep this vital public service operational. Bridge Service Operator Patrick O'Farrell summed up the demands he and his workers are making when he said, "We're not asking for the world. We just want to keep up with the cost of living. The price of everything is up, but not our pay."



**Bridge Service Operators Patrick Farrell and Bebe Etzler work for the GGBD.**

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### **New PLA Requirement**

President Biden signed an executive order that requires the use of Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) on federal construction projects above \$35 million, and directs the Department of Labor and Office of Management and Budget to lead a training strategy on implementation of the new policy.

### **Young Workers Support Unions**

Union membership among young workers rose to 9.4 percent (up from 8.8 percent) and labor analysts predict it will continue to grow, as recent polling found 69 percent of people between the ages of 18 and 29 believe unions have a positive effect on workers and the country.



## FOURTH QUARTER 2021 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew at 6.9 percent in the fourth quarter of 2021, which was better than the estimate of 5.5 percent. The full year GDP growth of 5.7 percent in 2021 is the strongest growth rate since 1984. The increase in GDP reflected increases in private inventory investment (led by wholesale and retail trades), exports, personal consumption expenditures (led by services, such as health care, recreation and transportation) and non-residential fixed investment (led by intellectual property products).

According to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, approximately 940,000 jobs were added in the fourth quarter of 2021. As of Dec. 31, 2021, approximately 18.8 million jobs have been added to the economy since April 2020; however, it's still down by 3.6 million from the pre-pandemic level in February 2020. A significant number of jobs were added in leisure and hospitality, services, manufacturing, construction, transportation and warehousing during this quarter. For the construction industry, employment rose by 97,000 in this quarter. Employment in construction is still 88,000 below its February 2020 level.

The U. S. unemployment rate is trending toward the right direction. It continued to drop from 6.17 percent in the first quarter to 4.23 percent in the fourth quarter. Within Local 3's jurisdiction, the average unemployment rates for the fourth quarter of 2021 were 6.93 percent, 6.83 percent, 6.03 percent, and 2.07 percent for California, Nevada, Hawaii and Utah, respectively. All the percentages have dropped from the previous quarter.

For Local 3, total November 2021 Year-To-Date (YTD) Pension hours were approximately 32,226,000, compared to 31,404,000 for the same period in 2020. On a state-by-state basis, November 2021 YTD hours for Nevada and California were higher by 27 percent and 3 percent, respectively, versus the same period in 2020. Utah and Hawaii's November 2021 YTD hours were lower by 7 percent and 5 percent, respectively, compared to the same period in 2020. By industry, November 2021 YTD hours were approximately 1 percent higher for Rock Sand & Gravel and Surveyors, respectively, compared to the same period in 2020.

Financially, the Dec. 31, 2021 YTD consolidated revenue stood at \$68.6 million – \$5.4 million higher than the same period in 2020. The change in revenue is mostly due to the \$2.4 million recovered from the insurance company and the alleged individuals of the IT investigation in 2021. The remaining \$3 million increase is mainly due to higher member count (37,000 members in December 2021 versus 35,803 members in December 2020) and more work hours. The December 2021 YTD consolidated expenses stood at \$56.8 million which approximates the amount from the same period in 2020.

During the fourth quarter of 2021, Local 3's membership dropped by 219 members. Total membership as of Dec. 31, 2021 was 37,000.

### 4th Quarter 2021 Consolidated Financial Report

(Unaudited - In thousands)

#### Profit & Loss Statement (December 31, 2021 - Year-to-Date)

Membership Revenue	\$60,460
Other Revenue	8,158
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$68,618</b>
Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$37,737
Per Capita Taxes	8,090
Office & Operations	3,232
Depreciation	1,413
Professional Services	1,210
PACs & Fund Allocations	1,280
Admin & Public Relations	3,789
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$56,751</b>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$11,867</b>

#### Balance Sheet (As of December 31, 2021)

Cash, Investments & Deposits	\$86,876
Automobiles	4,391
Office Furniture & Equipment	1,556
Computers & Software	11,791
Communications Equipment	188
Print Shop Equipment	1,123
Building Improvements	1,368
Less Accum. Depreciation	(10,497)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$96,796</b>
Liabilities	\$2,005
Employee Funded 457 Plan	71
Consolidated Fund Balances	\$94,720
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$96,796</b>

#### Fund Balances (\$ in millions)

	12/31/21	12/31/20
<b>General</b>	\$53.4	\$43.7
<b>Hardship, Strike, Lockout</b>	9.6	8.9
<b>Emergency</b>	20.4	19.8
<b>Defense</b>	9.2	8.2
<b>Capital Maintenance</b>	2.1	2.2
	<b>\$94.7</b>	<b>\$82.8</b>

## 2022 Retirees Picnic Update

As the COVID-19 surge deepens and the spike in positive cases has gotten more severe, we continue to evaluate the likelihood that the 2022 Retirees Picnic will be held. At this point in time, we are unable to definitively say whether it will be safe to hold this event or not. The Local 3 officers will continue to monitor the situation very closely. The safety and well-being of our Retirees, spouses and their families is the No. 1 priority. While it is our hope that the overall outlook improves and we can move forward with this cherished tradition, we are only willing to do so when we are free from risks for everyone involved.

## How to apply for your Pension benefits

To apply for your Pension, you must request an application from the Trust Funds Office or the Local 3 district office nearest you. You can also obtain an application by visiting [www.oe3trustfunds.org](http://www.oe3trustfunds.org). The form, with instructions for completing it, will be mailed to you. Be sure to send the application and any other documents needed (such as proof of age for yourself and your spouse and proof of marriage) to the Trust Funds Office, so that it arrives before the month in which benefit payments are due to begin. In most cases, three months are required to process an application.

If you are applying for a Disability Pension, you must submit proof that you have been granted a Social Security Disability Award, as described in the section entitled "A Disability Pension" in the *Pension Summary Plan Description* booklet. You should indicate on your Pension application whether you have applied for a Social Security disability benefit. Once you are awarded a Social Security disability

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 to discuss your Fringe Benefits. 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.

benefit, you should send the notice of entitlement to the Trust Funds Office within one year after you receive it, in order to have your Disability Pension begin as early as possible.

*Note: Additional information requested to complete the process of your application must be submitted to the Trust Funds Office within one year from the date your application was originally received. If the information is not received within one year from that date, the application process will stop and you will be required to re-apply as if no application had been filed. – excerpted from the Pension Summary Plan Description*

Pension applications, the Pension Summary Plan Description, the Health and Welfare Summary Plan Description and the Pensioned Health & Welfare Summary Plan Description can be found online at [www.oe3trustfunds.org](http://www.oe3trustfunds.org). You may also request copies from the Trust Funds Office at **(800) 251-5014** or the Fringe Benefits Service Center at **(800) 532-2105**.

By Bob Miller, fund representative/client services

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## Retirement required documents

We get many requests for retirement each month, and each Pension application requires certain documents. It is important to furnish those. We cannot process pensions without them. We make every effort to pay members by the first of their requested retirement month. It is of the utmost importance for us to get your money to you.

### Requirements

- \* Proof of your age
- \* Marriage license, if married
- \* Proof of your spouse's age
- \* Death certificate, if widowed

- \* **IMPORTANT:** If previously married, divorced or separated, all judgments, qualified domestic relations orders, property settlement agreements
- \* If disabled, a copy of your Social Security Disability Award, including disability onset date

If you have questions, concerns or issues with providing any of these required documents, please call the Trust Funds Office (We will provide more information on these documents in future editions). Our main goal is to pay you on time. You earned it!

## Individual Consultations available through phone or Zoom

Please call **(707) 290-1834** or **(510) 671-8827** 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.



## CEMA Court wins remote work agreement

By Zeb Feldman, senior business representative

CEMA/OE3 and the Court Advisory Council came to agreement with the Superior Court of Santa Clara for a first of its kind one-year Remote Pilot Program. Now, our members have the option to work remotely, saving on commute time and wear and tear to their vehicles. This option is also cost-effective, as it allows smaller facilities to be rented, as fewer workers will require office space.

This Pilot is a pure enhancement and represents a benefit to all who are eligible. A challenge for future agreements is an expansion to more classifications.

### Key features include:

- \* **Eligible members select to participate or not (no mandate)**
- \* **More classifications added than previously (but not all)**
- \* **Less restrictive language on proximity to Court but still required to work nearby**

For other units looking for remote work, the Court has been an agreeable employer to work with and is paving the way for future remote work agreements.

## Introducing some of our LCEA representatives

By Carl Carr, business representative

In Lake County, Operating Engineers Local 3 represents the workers in Lake County Employees Association (LCEA) who work in Bargaining Units 3, 4 and 5. This is the largest employee representative in the County and is made up of several officers and directors. They help their co-workers deal with all aspects of work issues. Association President Elizabeth Arnold, who has been president for a little more than a year, is doing a great job advocating for her co-workers. Vice-President Adrian Just, who has been newly re-elected, brings technical experience and a passion for helping his co-workers. Association Secretary Christina Lloyd does a wonderful job keeping all of us organized and moving in the right

direction. Treasurer Amanda Frazell has shown a great desire to help her fellow co-workers in all types of situations. Newly elected Chief Stephanie Albright took on this role after being on the LCEA Board of Directors for the past several years. Kyle Shasteen, who is the Safety Representative and also serves on the Board of Directors, has done a wonderful job of recruiting his fellow co-workers into joining Local 3. Joining these officers on the Board as directors are Barbara Cole, Lori McAllen, Michelle Lambert and Pheakdey Preciado. The Board meets every month on the third Tuesday of the month, and all members of LCEA in Bargaining Units 3, 4 and 5 are welcome to attend!

## OE3 member earns prestigious safety award

By Allen Dunbar, business representative

We are proud to highlight the Safe Fleet recipient of the 2021 Public Safety Hero award, which is one of our own, Local 3 member Levy Lopez, from the City of Clovis Solid Waste Department. According to an article published in Waste Advantage Magazine, "The benefits of safety extend beyond the scope of our individual jobs. Winners of this award demonstrate a high-level of safety, which positively impacts themselves, their organization, and the general public."

Solid Waste Management Ivette Rodriguez nominated Lopez, first substantiating his safety record, and then, stating, in the article, "Mr. Lopez is an outstanding employee. His act of kindness shows that he will go out of his way to make sure not only the employees of The City of Clovis Solid Waste Department are safe, but also people in the community."

Lopez has an amazing safety track record as a residential refuse collection driver of over 14 years with zero accidents. This safety record is impressive on its own, however, Mr. Lopez has also demonstrated incredible consideration for others. On a return trip

from the landfill this past year, Mr. Lopez noted a car pulled off to the side of the road. The driver of the car appeared to be in distress. Mr. Lopez turned his waste vehicle around to check on the driver and discovered the driver was experiencing a heart attack. Mr. Lopez contacted 911 and remained with the driver until the ambulance arrived.

We are so proud to represent Lopez, as he, in turn, is the best representative of what it means to be a Local 3 public employee. Congratulations!



📌 Congratulations to Local 3 Public Employee Levy Lopez, for winning the 2021 Public Safety Hero Award.

**Correction:** In the Public Employee News article published here in January 2022, Plumas County Superior Court Clerk negotiating team member Michelle McBeen was misidentified.

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## Five Food Tips to Help You Feel Better Faster

There's real science to support that old saying "You are what you eat." Food fuels us with the calories and nutrients we need to be healthy. And when we eat healthy, we're more likely to be healthy.

Feeling sort of blah? Think about what you've been eating (or not eating). Skipping meals, overeating, and not consuming nutritious foods all take a toll on your physical and mental health. If meal planning isn't something you give much thought to, here's some good news: even a small change in your diet can make a big difference in how you feel. Here are five tips that can help you eat (and feel) better.

Changing our diets isn't always easy, but the immediate (and long-term) benefits are great motivators! Making small, incremental changes is the best way to successfully shed old habits and adopt new ones in their place. That way, we don't end up feeling deprived—just healthier!

- » **Don't skip meals.** The calories you eat fuel your body with energy. No food, no energy.
- » **Have protein at every meal.** It helps keep you fuller and preserves your muscle mass, so you stay strong.
- » **Bump up the vegetables and fruit** you eat as you scale back on starchy foods (bread, rice, pasta).
- » **Limit foods with added sugar**, like soda, sweetened cereals, candy, donuts, etc. This will help prevent diabetes and cavities.
- » **Reduce the fast food and fried foods** you eat, so they become occasional treats or rewards for eating healthy the rest of the time.

## Don't Pay More Than You Need to for Your Surgical Procedure

As you and your doctor plan for any surgery you may need this year, remember this: California/Utah active and all retired (Non-Medicare) members in the PPO Plan will pay a lot more when certain procedures are performed in a hospital outpatient setting instead of an ambulatory surgical center. **Make sure you tell your doctor to schedule your surgical procedure in an ambulatory surgical center.**

To find ambulatory surgical centers near you—and to make sure your doctor and others on your surgical team are in-network—call the Anthem Medical Assist Line.

- » **Active members:** 855-279-2128
- » **Non-Medicare retirees:** 855-229-7822

## Women in Construction honored this month

March 1-7 is Women in Construction week, and we, at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) couldn't be prouder of our female apprentices. Though the number of women in construction is on the rise, these women still face obstacles. Sometimes, they aren't taken seriously and have to prove themselves even more than their male counterparts.

Still, those who succeed will say over and over that there is no accomplishment greater than a career as an Operating Engineer. Join us in congratulating the many women in the Apprenticeship Program below, who range from Construction Equipment Operators (CEOs) to crane apprentices (KRAs) and everything in between.

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# HOW TO SPEND YOUR TAX REFUND WISELY

Whether you're still working on filing your taxes or you're trying to figure out how to spend your return, OE Federal Credit Union has a few great ideas on how you can use your tax refund wisely. From reducing debt to increasing your savings, OE Federal is a great place to help make your financial dreams a reality. Not currently a member? No problem! Visit them online at [oefederal.org](http://oefederal.org) or give them a call at **800.877.4444**.



## >> **Pay Down Debt**

You probably don't want to see your entire refund go straight to your credit card bill, but you don't have to take the all-or-nothing approach. Consider setting aside at least 20% of your refund to pay down some extra debt you may be carrying. You can adjust this number to fit your needs, but know that you'll be doing yourself a favor by paying off a large chunk at once. This will help save you a ton of money on interest and you'll be finished with paying off that debt sooner than you'd originally planned!



## >> **Start Saving**

If you're looking to save a good amount of your refund, OE Federal has a few great products for you! With a Money Market or Share Certificate, you can deposit \$1,000 or more and feel confident that you're getting the most out of saving your refund. These accounts allow you to earn more than a traditional savings account while still giving you the power to decide how long you want it to sit and earn interest. If you're receiving a smaller refund this year and \$1,000 is more than you can add to an account, you should still consider sending a good amount of your refund to your savings account to prepare for unexpected expenses.



## >> **Invest in Your Future**

Your future self will appreciate every penny you put into your retirement account. Consider adding a portion, (or all!) of your refund to your 401(k) or IRA. If you don't have a retirement account or would like to open an additional one, you can open an IRA with OE Federal for as little as \$100. It's never too early to start saving for the future and the more money you can contribute to your retirement account, the better off you'll be when it's time to say "adios!" to the working world and "hello!" to full time relaxation.



## >> **Reward Yourself**

Life doesn't have to be all work and no play. Paying down debts and saving for your future are very important factors to consider, but it's ok to use a portion of your refund to splurge a little. Whether you've been wanting to buy a new pair of shoes, paint the living room or get a new set of tires for your vehicle, it's ok to use your refund for those things. Just make sure you're making your future financial health a priority!

# Nevada GRADUATING



# APPRENTICES HONORED in Reno

No one will argue that the last few years have been easy. That's why it's especially nice when we can safely come together and honor hard-working Operating Engineers who have succeeded, even when times were tough. This year, we were finally able to honor Nevada's Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) graduates during a special ceremony in Reno, Nev., with JAC Administrator Brian Prather emceeding the event.

Fifteen of our Nevada apprentices joined the ranks of journeyman, including Grading and Paving Apprentice of the Year Adam Elhifny, Employer of the Year Q&D Construction and Supervisor of the Year Dan Cords, with Granite Construction. Awards were presented by Business Manager Dan Reding, President Steve Ingersoll, Vice President Justin Diston, JAC Chair/Nevada District Rep. Scott Fullerton, OE Federal Credit Union's Yvonne Lassere and TMCC Interim Dean of Technical Science Kreg Mebust. Nevada Attorney General Aaron Ford also gave some remarks during the event.

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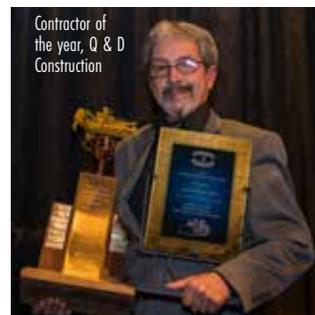
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 DUSTIN MILLER  
 AUSTIN NUNEZ  
 JOSEPH TURNER



From left: Supervisor of the Year Dan Cords, with Granite Construction, is honored by Nevada JAC Administrator Brian Prather.



TMCC Interim Dean of Technical Science Kreg Mebust.



Contractor of the year, Q & D Construction

"It was a great event, one of the best we've had, and the pride these graduates had about their journey was very evident in the things they had to say,"

- **BUSINESS MANAGER DAN REDING**

From left: Local 3 President Steve Ingersoll, Nevada Attorney General Aaron Ford, Business Manager Dan Reding and Vice President Justin Diston attend the Nevada JAC graduation ceremony.



## Family man promotes to leadworker; loves his career

By James Garnett, business representative

Juan Mercado became a Unit 12 member 7 years ago. Prior to that, he had been working at the San Francisco Golf Club for 20 years. He felt he wanted a change, so when he got the opportunity to work for Caltrans at the Rickard Yard on the landscape crew, he was all in. There, he learned how to operate new equipment and enjoyed working with his new crew. He enjoyed working on the freeway, with all the new challenges it had to offer. After about a year, he decided to change crews and moved to the RVC crew. Juan was excited to put another feather in his cap. Today, he enjoys driving the large spray rigs, providing weed control and putting down fire strips. He recently got promoted to lead

worker and plans to continue to grow with the Caltrans.

“People may not know what we do, but I do, and that’s enough for me,” said Juan.



He is very much a family man, with a lovely wife and four children. In his spare time, he loves to go camping and hiking with his family and friends. “Because my family and friends travel on the freeway, I want it safe for them and everyone else,” he said.

So when you are traveling on the freeway, remember there is always someone in those orange trucks on the road, just like Juan, who wants to do their job and go home safely. Remember to Slow for the Cone Zone!



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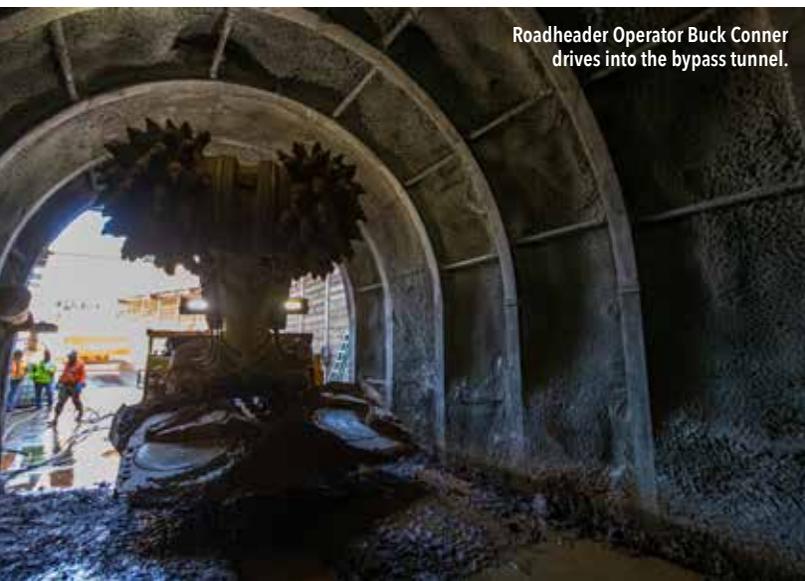




Drill Tech HDR Richard Ray, a member since 1978, works on the steel set for the tunnel structure.



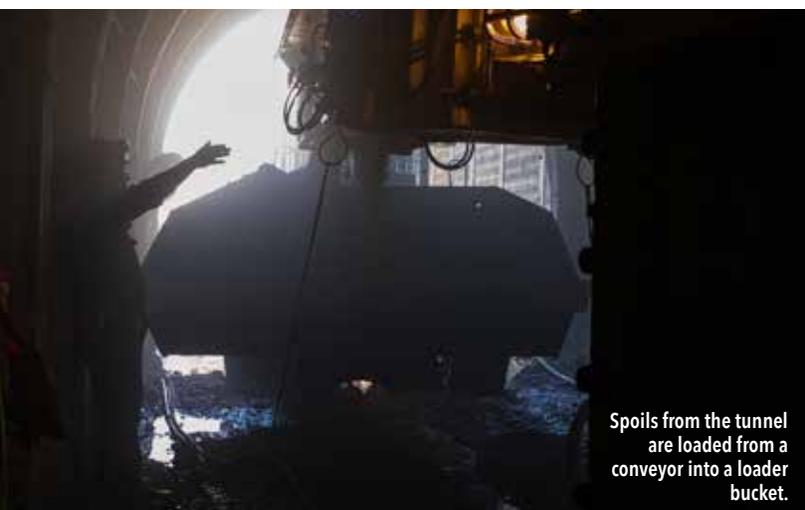
From left: Drill Tech General Superintendent Mike Conner, Apprentice Loader Operator Dylan Conner, Roadheader Operator Buck Conner, HDR Richard Ray and Surveyor Mike Wilson.



Roadheader Operator Buck Conner drives into the bypass tunnel.



The roadheader breaks into rock to form the tunnel.



Spoils from the tunnel are loaded from a conveyor into a loader bucket.



Apprentice Loader Operator Dylan Conner waits until the load is ready, before removing the spoils and coming back for more.



Working on the utilities side of the project for main contractor Flatiron is, from left: Foreman Joe Naranjo, Excavator Operator Reggie Cervantes and Loader Operator Jarod Kaczowski.

# FLOOD SOLUTION GOES UNDERGROUND



## THE ISSUE

Flooding remains a threat to many residents of Santa Clara County, especially those in Gilroy, Morgan Hill and unincorporated areas of San Martin, with the possibility of flooding from East Little Llagas Creek, West Little Llagas Creek and Llagas Creek. If severe flooding happens, 1,100 homes, 500 businesses and more than 1,300 acres of agricultural land could be impacted.

## THE SOLUTION

Operating Engineers have already provided 13.9 miles of flood protection improvements along these creeks (Phase 1A). Current work on Phase 2A involves building an underground bypass tunnel about one-half mile in length (from Warren Avenue to near the intersection of West Dunne and Del Monte), underground reinforced box culverts roughly 1,600 feet long and utility relocations. High flows will then be diverted from West Llagas Little Creek into the underground bypass tunnel, thus protecting downtown Morgan Hill from a 100-year flood event. (This portion should run to 2024, and the next phase will be awarded shortly thereafter).

## THE PLAYERS

Valley Water awarded Phase 2A to main contractor Flatiron West last year with a bid of \$44 million (utilities), and Drill Tech became the subcontractor for the drilling portion.

## THE EQUIPMENT

The most unique piece of equipment is Drill Tech's roadheader, which consists of a boom-mounted cutting head, a loading device with conveyor, and a crawler travelling track to move the entire machine forward into the face of the rock. Using a forward spinning motion, the machine is used to cut a 14-foot-diameter tunnel into the rock with the total boring distance for the project at 2,000 feet.

## THE GENERATIONS

The current crew for Drill Tech includes General Superintendent Mike Conner, Roadheader Operator Buck Conner (his brother), Apprentice Loader Operator Dylan Conner (his son), Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) Richard Ray and Surveyor Mike Wilson. (The Conner family has many Operating Engineers, as Buck and Mike have another brother, named Joseph Jr., as well as their father, Joseph Sr., who are also Operating Engineers. HDR Richard Ray's father, James H. Ray, grandfather, Vernon Ray, and son, James William Ray, were also all members.)

## THE WORDS

"It's been a very fun experience being on this job." – Apprentice Dylan Conner, about working with his father and uncle

"I love what I do. It's something entirely different every day." – Roadheader Operator Buck Conner

## THE VOTE

The voter-approved Safe Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program is partially funding this project, which dedicates \$47 million annually for local projects that deliver safe, clean water, natural flood protection, and environmental stewardship in Santa Clara County. What this means? Your Union VOTE matters. It can be the difference between jobs like these, or no jobs at all.

## THE BACKGROUND

Tunneling and mining crews can't be finicky. They spend hours in wet muck, with the whir of the drill constantly pulsing. It is a series of waiting, checking, surveying and patience, as every move is monitored and every full load must be dumped. Steel sets must be measured and placed before forward movement can occur. Operators must be accounted for in the tunnel using a check-in/check-out board, and those suffering from claustrophobia should never apply! These crewmembers recall having been a part of some amazing tunneling jobs, such as the Caldecott Tunnel's fourth bore and the Central Subway Station in San Francisco. \*

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Title  
**Members work on massive Mission Rock development project**

Report

In San Francisco, near City Hall, our members are building a student housing dormitory for the University of California (UC), Hastings College of Law. **Sheedy** has Tower Crane Operator **Melvin Thompson** flying rebar for the ironworkers and Tower Crane Operator **Jacob Jacobsen** flying concrete in a four-yard bucket to finish the foundation's rat slab. **Cemex** trucks are providing the concrete. Nearby, at 30 Van Ness Ave., **Silverado** has operators **Raul Garcia, Gustavo Sandoval** and **Felipe Guillen** demolishing the old Walgreens building to make room for a mixed-use tower. On Vincente Street in the Sunset District, **K. J. Woods Construction** has operators **Mike Slattery, Gerard Madigan, Jaime Jauregui** and **Dave Burch** installing a 54-inch concrete sewer pipe that will run all the way to West Portal, as part of a two-year project.

Our members are also working on the massive Mission Rock development project across from McCovey Cove by Oracle Park. This is a four-year project that will generate over 13,500 construction jobs. There are three buildings currently going up, each with its own tower crane. **Bigge Crane** is onsite with Tower Crane Operator **Tyler Offill**, **Finnco Services** is onsite with Tower Crane Operator **Joseph Raviotta** and **Reliable Construction Services** is onsite with Tower Crane Operator **Richard Valentine** operating a 1250B, the biggest tower crane out there. **Harris Hoisting** is onsite with members **Alton Simon, David Washington, Oscar Alvarez** and **Disarie Spencer**. **Ranger Pipeline** has operators **Roberto Ruelas, Shane Hunt** and **Jorge Ramirez** working on the underground utilities.

In San Mateo County, **Webcor** is the general contractor on the \$400 million Genesis Marina project at 3500 Marina Blvd. in Brisbane. **McGuire & Hester** has operators **David Floyd, Justin Gorman** and **Justin Sparks** digging for all the wet utilities. **Jos. J. Albanese, Inc.** has operators **Shawn Riechers** and **Johnny Veldman** installing the electric utilities. **DeSilva Gates** will be performing the grading.



Operator Johnny Veldman works for Jos. J. Albanese, Inc.



From left: Operators Justin Sparks and Justin Gorman work for McGuire & Hester.



Tower Crane Operator Joseph Raviotta works for Reliable Construction Services.

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Title  
**More work in our area will require member involvement**

Report

There's a lot of activity coming to our district. In April, the Nordic Aquafarms project will go before the Planning Commission, and we will need all of our members to stand in support of this local work. Call the Hall to see how you can help.

As for work we've already secured, **Mercer-Fraser** has been awarded the \$5 million Mad River Bridge project, as well as a \$26 million project at Big Lagoon in Trinidad. **Wahlund Construction** has been awarded the Shared Path project on Hwy. 255. **Stewart Engineering** was awarded a \$5 million Caltrans project on Hwy. 199 in Del Norte County. Bids for a \$56



Operator Kody Syverston works for Wahlund Construction.

million overpass project, which were thrown out last year, are expected to be back on the schedule for this July.

As you know, our Annual Crab Feed, which was scheduled for last month, was cancelled due to a rise in COVID cases in Humboldt County. Everyone was looking forward to getting together for the event this year, but hopefully we can have it in 2023, instead. Our first quarter District Meeting, previously scheduled for March 8 has been cancelled, as well. We hope to see you during the second quarter of District Meetings, if things improve. Stay safe!



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Title  
**Project accommodates the general growth plan in Gilroy and Morgan Hill**

Report

In Gilroy, **Advanced Geosolutions, Inc. (AGI), Duran & Venables** and **Sarott Construction** are working on the \$62 million South County Regional Water Authority (SCRWA) wastewater treatment plant expansion project. The original treatment plant was established to manage the treatment of wastewater for the cities of Gilroy and Morgan Hill in 1990. Due to the growth in Gilroy and Morgan Hill, the project will expand the existing wastewater treatment plant from the current capacity of 8.5 million gallons per day to 11 million gallons per day. With these project upgrades, the plant will meet the steadily increasing demand for recycled water that is used to irrigate local parks, golf courses, sports complexes, landscape medians and agricultural and industrial needs.

**Advanced Geosolutions, Inc. (AGI)** is currently working on a \$2.1 million portion of the project that includes the installation of 1,452 36-inch stone columns. The company is using the top-feed method for creating ground improvements, which will support the seven new buildings being added to the existing facility. **Duran & Venables** is working on the dig-outs for building pads and footings for these buildings. The company has Excavator Operator **Jose Rodriguez** moving 15,000 yards of material, which Apprentice Excavator Operator **Adam Whitney** will load into bottom dumps that will be transported onsite, spread out and compacted by Apprentice Dozer Operator **Mason Click** and Compactor Operator **Phillip Hankins**. All this work could not be completed without the watchful eye of Gradesetter **John Hawks**. In addition to the dig-outs, **Duran & Venables** will be installing and paving new utility roads within the facility. **Sarott Construction** is also onsite with member **Charles Evans** digging for the underground utilities. This project is scheduled for completion next year.



« Duran & Venables Excavator Operator Jose Rodriguez.

» AGI members working on the wastewater treatment plant in Gilroy, include, front row, from left: Dan Starks, Peter Finau, Brandon Uecker and Michael Briant. Back row, from left: Cody Hulet, Project Manager David Joyner and Apprentice Queta Littlewood.



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Title  
**Project addresses traffic bottleneck in Rohnert Park**

Report

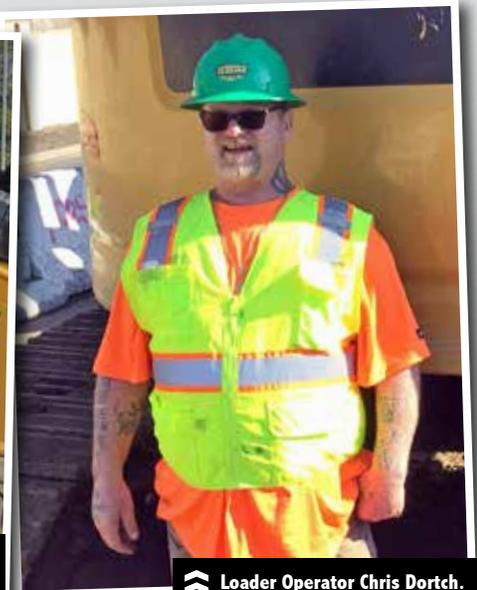
The intersection of Southwest Boulevard and Commerce Boulevard in Rohnert Park has long been a traffic bottleneck. Fortunately, our members with **Ghilotti Construction** are working on a \$1.9 million project that is going to fix that. This is a top to bottom infrastructure rehabilitation project that includes a roundabout, new sidewalks and bike lanes, upgraded 12-inch water lines, new fire hydrants and the installation of bioswales. Foreman **Travis Hager** is leading the underground crew, which includes Excavator Operator **Justin Garcia**, who is digging the main line and laterals, Backhoe Operator **Vincent Fuesz**, who is digging for water services and the future landscaping, Loader Operator **Chris Dortch**, who is providing the bedding and backfill for the pipe crew, Operator **Mike Brown**, who is installing new streetlights and upgrading all the electrical, and Backhoe Operator **Tony Thrush**, who is working around all the live utilities.



Operator Tony Thrush. »



« Excavator Operator Justin Garcia.



» Loader Operator Chris Dortch.

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Title  
**Get trained, before work season picks up speed**

Report

**Golden State Bridge (GSB)** was recently awarded the \$80 million bridge crossing project on Hwy. 162 just outside of Butte City. **Sukut** has a \$15 million retaining wall, culvert and paving project on Hwy. 32 in Forest Ranch. **Q&D Construction** has a \$21 million soldier pile, retaining wall and Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) project on Hwy. 70 west of the Greenville Y. **DeSilva Gates** has been awarded the \$60 million Hwy. 70 widening project. **Teichert** and **MCM Construction** are continuing to work on the \$40 million Hwy. 70 widening project at Honcut.

If you aren't currently working and want to take the opportunity to expand your skill set, this is a great time to get some journey-level upgrade training and/or do some Minimum Qualification testing at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC). Remember, when classes are full at the OE3 JATC, you may qualify to complete your training at the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Training and Education Center in Crosby, Texas. This member benefit is free of cost to those who qualify and includes airfare, room and board. Registration is available at [www.iuoe-itrs.org](http://www.iuoe-itrs.org) or call (281) 328-0331.

Do you know someone with the drive and commitment it takes to complete the Operating Engineers Apprenticeship Program? If so, have them visit [www.oe3.org](http://www.oe3.org) and click on "Training" in the top right corner and select the applicable state. From there, they can scroll down to watch the short orientation video, which will include instructions on how to apply to the Apprenticeship Program. This orientation video will only be up from February through June, so don't delay.



From left: Crane operators Dustin Loftis and Jesse Rigby perform a seven-point pick on the Hwy. 70 widening project.

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Title  
**Members ratify contract with MGX Equipment**

Report

Last year, we saw many of our brothers and sisters work late into the winter season before the snow started to fall, effectively slowing down (and in some cases shutting down) much of our work. This has kept many of our members waiting for construction season to pick up again. In the meantime, however, shops and gravel pits are keeping a lot of members busy, either getting equipment ready for when the weather improves, or restocking materials at gravel pits.

We are excited to welcome one of Utah's newest signatory employers, **MGX Equipment Services**, which signed an agreement with Local 3 last December. **MGX Equipment Services** is an affiliate of Manitowoc Crane Services out of Shady Grove, Pennsylvania, and specializes in Manitowoc and Grove cranes, as well as many others. The company spent much of last year working on a deal to acquire **H&E Equipment Services'** crane rental branches across the country. In our district, 15 members were going to be impacted by the deal, so it was up to them to make sure their employer remained a strong, union company.

**MGX Equipment Services** took control of the company on Oct. 1, which meant there was no longer a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) in place to protect the benefits and working conditions of the Local 3 members who worked there. These benefits and working conditions had been negotiated between our members and **H&E Equipment Services** over a decade, so company representatives agreed to sit down with Local 3's representatives and come to a new agreement as soon as possible. Our staff met with members on multiple occasions to decide what should be proposed for their new contract once negotiations

began. Fortunately, their bargaining unit had 100 percent union participation, which strengthened their position going into the negotiations. Job stewards **Jake Butterfield** and **Mark "Toby" Schoenfeld** were joined by Local 3's business agents in making up the negotiating team, which successfully negotiated a great contract with **MGX Equipment Services**.

As a reminder, if you are currently on the Out-of-Work List, please keep your registration current by renewing it, as-needed, with Dispatcher **Craig Wyllie**. Now is also a good time to call the Hall and check on any upcoming training classes that you may need, including your Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and First Aid certifications.



From left: Stewards Jake Butterfield and Mark "Toby" Schoenfeld were part of the negotiating team that worked out a new contract with MGX Equipment Services.



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Title  
**Negotiation Committee works for new contract with NGM**

Report

**From Reno**

Work in Northern Nevada is off to a great start this year. **Q&D Construction** continues to work on numerous subdivisions in the Reno/Sparks area, as well as two projects on Hwy. 50. The first is a \$6.5 million project in Lyon County, and the other is a \$4 million project in Churchill County. Both projects should keep our members busy through the year. **Granite Construction** crews are working on Oddie Boulevard, as well as a project at the Coeur Rochester Mine outside of Lovelock. **Sierra Nevada Construction (SNC)** continues to keep members working on several warehouse projects in the region and on various street rehabilitation and sewer/water projects in the Reno/Sparks area. **Ames/Q&D Joint-Venture (JV)** continues to make progress on the Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX) project on I-580.

**From Elko**

The construction work season is about to begin, and we are looking forward to seeing our union brothers and sisters getting good work hours on all the projects our signatory contractors have on the books this year.

At the time of this writing, gold is at \$1,818.30 per ounce. Our Negotiation Committee is working diligently with Nevada Gold

Mines (NGM) to bring a fair and equitable contract before the members and have them vote on it. The current contract expires on March 31, and we are looking to secure another three-year contract going forward. Our membership numbers have remained the same, but we are hopeful that our recruitment efforts will bring more members of the bargaining unit into the union. This will strengthen our bargaining position, as we negotiate with NGM. Remember, when employees stand together as union members, they make it possible to establish a safer workplace and better working conditions, pay and benefits, which not only benefits them, but also benefits their families.

Our local business agents recently attended our Apprenticeship Program's Completion and Awards Ceremony in Reno. (See page 12 for coverage of that event.) If you have children who are graduating from high school this spring, the Apprenticeship Program could help them establish a prosperous career in the construction industry.

If you have any questions, comments and/or concerns, please contact the Elko Hall at (775)-753-8761 or by come by the office at 555 W. Silver St. in Elko. Stay healthy, and may you have a safe and productive start to your work season.

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Title  
**Members work in tough conditions to repair fire-damaged flumes**

Report

Members with **Maxim Crane Works, Drill Tech Drilling & Shoring, Inc., Interstate Concrete Pumping Co., Jos. J. Albanese** and **Doyle's Work Company** continue working on the Redhawk Casino expansion and hotel project, located about 30 miles east of Sacramento on Hwy. 50. The project began last year and is the first physical expansion of the casino, since its opening in December 2008. Upon completion, the nearly 120,000-square-foot hotel will feature five stories with 150 guest rooms, including 25 suites and an outdoor terrace with a pool, along with a fitness center and views of the surrounding Sierra Nevada foothills. A new entertainment center is also being built with a bowling alley, indoor go-carting and virtual reality gaming suites. This project is expected to be finished in the fall of this year.

The flume and canal system is a vital component of the El Dorado Irrigation District's (EID's) complex water conveyance system, which delivers approximately one-third of EID's drinking water supply to El Dorado County residents. Many of these flumes and canals were destroyed as a result of the Caldor Fire, as many of the older ones were made of wood. Members with **Syblon**

**Reid** are working long hours to repair these flumes and canals located 20 miles east of Placerville, perched on steep, hard-to-access terrain along the south side of Hwy. 50. Some areas can only be worked on during daylight hours because of the tightness of the access and working space, while others are being worked on around the clock.

Work continues at the Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in Elk Grove. While **Dragados USA** has completed the first phase, **Balfour Beatty** and subcontractor **Teichert Construction** work good hours to complete phase two. This job is expected to be complete this summer and is keeping approximately 8 to twelve members working.

Don't forget to renew your registration on the Out-of-Work List, if you are not working. If you are on the A or B lists, your registration is only good for 84 days. Registration on the C list is good for the calendar month. If you allow your registration to expire, you will start at the bottom of the list, when you re-register. If you are unemployed for an extended amount of time, keep track of your hour bank for Health and Welfare eligibility by calling the Trust Funds Office at (800) 251-5014.



Maxim Crane Works and other signatories work on the Redhawk Casino expansion project.

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Title  
**New contractor picks up work, while fire cleanup continues**

Report

Cleanup work from the 2021 fire season has continued through the winter into this year. For example, **Steve Manning Construction** kept busy on the Monument Fire slide repair on Hwy. 299 west. **Stimpel-Wiebelhaus** kept several operators busy on the Dixie Fire cleanup, while **Tyrrell Resources** has provided tree removal for several different fire locations throughout our area.

**Tullis, Inc.** and **J. F. Shea** have been working on several paving projects, while city and county projects (public works) are keeping contractors like **Mitchell Johnson Construction** busy. **Meyers Earthwork** will be working on the Ream Avenue overcrossing project near Hilt. **J. F. Shea** is also working on an

overcrossing project on Churn Creek in Redding. New signatory contractor **Metcalf Construction** is working at the Sierra Pacific Lumber Mill in Anderson.

While our apprentices caught up on Supplemental-Related Training (SRT), our journey-level operators also took advantage of available HAZMAT Refresher upgrade classes at the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC). If you have questions about upgrade training courses available, call the training center at (916) 354-2029. If you are not currently working, be sure to renew your Out-of-Work List registration every 84 days, or every month, if you are on the C list.



« Crane Operator Patrick Billington.



« New signatory Metcalf Construction performs a shutdown and rebuild at the Sierra Pacific Lumber Mill in Anderson.

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Title  
**Operators construct new Harley Davidson Training Center**

Report

Our area's signatory contractors are reporting a big backlog in work this year, which should make it another busy one. In Manteca, **Independent Construction** is working on a 220-pad housing development on Airport Way and Louise Avenue. **Duran & Venables, Sanco Pipelines, Teichert** and **Sukut** continue to work on the Westlake Villages project off Eight Mile Road. **Independent Construction** is working on the River Islands development, where **Marques Pipeline** has our members installing lake interconnect lines. **Goodfellow Bros.** is keeping crews busy on multiple warehouses of 1 million square feet or more on Arch Road and Hwy. 99. On Shaw Road, our members with **Cozart Bros.** are working alongside **Griffin Soil** operators on a new Harley Davidson Training Center.

This is an election year, and a very important one, since our congressional districts have been reconfigured. In Congressional District (CD) 9, we will need everyone's help to defeat the owner of a non-union crane company with ties to the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC), which is one of the nation's most notorious anti-union organizations. Please contact the Hall to find out how you can get involved with our Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) program.



» Operator Osvaldo Valdez works on the new Harley Davidson Training Center for Cozart Bros.



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Title  
**Public/private work ahead in Solano County**

Report

**Teichert** is putting our members to work in Rio Vista, where they are performing underground work for the new homes going in off Liberty Island Road. This work will continue into the summer and will include the construction of new roads. On the One Lake project off of Vanden Road in Fairfield, **KDW Construction** has our members constructing new roads. **Moreno Trenching** is performing underground utility work for the new homes at Village Estates off of Claybank Road in Fairfield. In Dixon, **Independent Construction** is putting in new roads for the housing project off West A Street and Pitt School Road. This upcoming work season will bring some large projects, private and public, into Solano County. Stay tuned for information on these projects in next month's article.

Thanks to the Road Repair and Accountability Act, several Vallejo streets that have been in dire need of major improvements are getting them. This work makes up a \$1.2 million project, which is being handled by our members with **Team Ghilotti**. The work includes new pavement, curbs, gutters, ramps and drainage structures on Capital Street, as well as new pavement on Santa Clara Street and Sacramento Street.



From left: Lube Tech Raul Zavala and Excavator Operator Joe Ricci work for Teichert.

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Title  
**High demand for materials brings new opportunities**

Report

In the southwest corner of our district, our members with **Sierra Pacific Materials** work hard, year-around, making materials for signatory contractors, including **Dragados-Flatiron Joint-Venture (JV)**, **Papich Construction**, **OHL Const.**, **Teichert Construction**, **Blattner** and **Live Action**, to use on their construction projects. **Sierra Pacific Materials** owner **Jason Papich** (also of **Papich Construction**) signed the plant to a Local 3 Agreement in 2015, along with another plant in Oroquieta, which is also in our district. Every year, our members at these plants provide thousands of tons of materials, which include aggregate base rock, concrete aggregate, sand, rip rap and asphalt for projects on I-5, Hwy. 198, Hwy. 33, Hwy. 41 and Hwy. 101, as well

as the many solar projects in our area and the High-Speed Rail (HSR) project. These members are known to work long hours (sometimes around the clock) to keep up with the high demand for materials. We thank these members for their commitment and all the work they do, which makes the work so many others do possible.

Material plants in our area are working at full capacity, with some, like **Sierra Pacific Materials**, bringing in mobile crushing plants and mobile concrete batch plants. Some of these will be employing operators at master agreement rates, so if you are looking for an opportunity to get into the material construction field, Contact Dispatcher **Stephen Jones** at the Hall.

From left: Foreman Travis Mullins, members Ryan Phillbrick, Cliff Carpenter, Brian Santillanez, Joel Paramo, Daniel Douglas, Foreman Mark Collier, Shift Supervisor Gabriel Avina and members Rosalio Escobedo, Francisco Chavez, Chris Rodgers and Jose Davila work for Sierra Pacific Materials.



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Title  
**District preparing for busy political year**

Report

Despite all the issues related to the pandemic, work has been consistent during the first quarter of the year. Our dispatches were good, and there were many ongoing projects that kept our members busy. In Western Contra Costa County, **Ghilotti Bros., Inc.** has our members installing new underground mains and laterals with curb and gutter on several projects. Members with **DeSilva Gates** and **Garone & Company** are working together and performing underground, subgrade and finish work for a million-square-foot commercial warehouse.

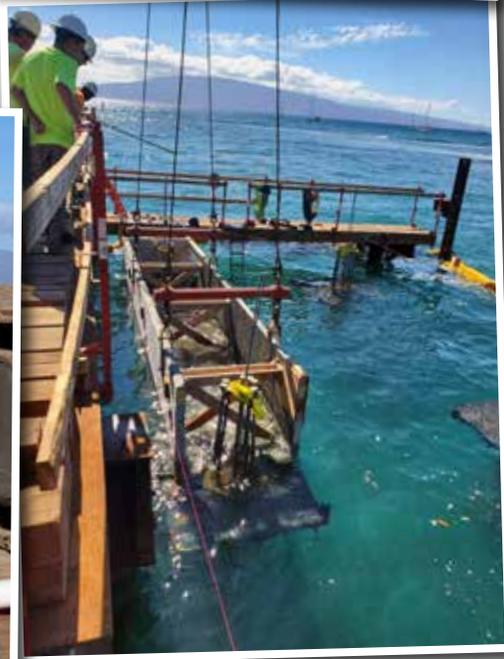
We are expecting a busy political year, as there will be several important local and state races. It may seem early, but campaigning has already begun. Voice of the Engineer (VOTE) volunteers are needed to assist with phone banking and getting out the vote. As we continue to battle this pandemic, please do your part to stay safe and healthy during these challenging times and remember to follow all safety protocols on your jobsites and elsewhere.

District <b>HAWAII</b>	Number <b>17</b>	Address 2181 Lauwiliwili St., Kapolei, HI 96707	Phone Number (808) 845-7871	District Representative Ana Tuiaosopo
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Title  
**Members work on improvements to Lahaina Small Boat harbor**

Report

**Healy Tibbitts Builders** is currently working on a \$16 million project at the Lahaina Small Boat Harbor. The project includes making improvements to the existing pier and constructing a new, 20-foot by 115-foot long concrete ferry pier 70-feet out from the north face of the existing pier. Other improvements include demolition of the existing harbor office and construction of a new harbor administration building, a new aluminum-framed gangway connecting the new ferry pier to the existing pier, concrete paving on the pier deck and along Wharf Street and new bollards and striping.



« From left: Members Joefrey Andrada, Alejandro Unay, Sacen Choy, Bryan Tagalicud, Arthur Flauta, Gerald Cobb-Adams and Judson Robison work on the Lahaina Small Boat Harbor improvement project.

**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 page 28 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](http://www.oe3.org).

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LOCAL 3

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1620 SOUTH LOOP ROAD  
ALAMEDA, CA 94502  
PHONE 510.748.7400  
FAX 510.748.7412

**BRUCE NOEL** RECORDING  
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

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,

Bruce Noel  
Recording-Corresponding Secretary

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3

# SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION<sup>®</sup>

**LAST MONTH  
TO APPLY!**

## Academic Scholarships

**2 scholarships of \$15,000**

**2 scholarships of \$12,500**

**2 scholarships of \$10,000**

Merit Scholarships

**25 scholarships of \$2,000**

**DEADLINE TO APPLY MARCH 31, 2022**

- » **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](http://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 automatically entered into the Merit Scholarship raffle drawing (at the July Executive Board Meeting). Please do not submit multiple applications.

**All applications must be postmarked on or by March 31, 2022.**

## 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](http://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.

### 1st 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.

### 2nd 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.

### 3rd 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](http://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).

- ▶ **Application** filled out by student
- ▶ **Essay** written by student
- ▶ **Report on applicant** filled out by authorized school representative
- ▶ **Official transcript** from school (signed or stamped)
- ▶ **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](http://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.

- ▶ **Application** filled out by student
- ▶ **Essay** written by student

**DISTRICT MEETINGS**



**ALL MEETINGS  
CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**

**MARCH 03.22**

**3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT 60: YUBA CITY**  
The Harvest Room  
at New Earth Market  
1475 Tharp Road

**3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT 70: REDDING**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
20308 Engineers Lane

**3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
3920 Lennane Drive

**7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 04: SUISUN CITY**  
Veterans Memorial Building  
427 Main St.

**7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 20: OAKLAND**  
Teamsters Local 853  
7750 Pardee Lane

**8<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
1916 North Broadway Ave.

**8<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 40: EUREKA**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
1330 Bayshore Way, Room 106

**9<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 10: ROHNERT PARK**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
6225 State Farm Drive

**9<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 50: CLOVIS**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
1635 Shaw Ave.

**10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 01: FOSTER CITY**  
Carpenters Local Union 217  
1153 Chess Drive, Ste. 100

**10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 90: MORGAN HILL**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
325 Digital Drive

**16<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 11: RENO**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
1290 Corporate Blvd.

**16<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 12: SANDY**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
8805 South Sandy Parkway

**28<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: HAU'ULA**  
Hau'ula Elementary School  
54-046 Kamehameha Hwy.

**APRIL 04.22**

No meetings scheduled.

**MAY 05.22**

**2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT 11: RENO**  
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1290 Corporate Blvd.

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Operating Engineers' Building  
8805 South Sandy Parkway

**23<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT 17: KAPOLEI**  
Operating Engineers' Building  
2181 Lauwiliwili St.

**BUSINESS HOURS**



In California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah,  
office hours will be as follows:

**OFFICE HOURS:**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7 A.M. TO 5 P.M.**

**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 Jan. 2022 and have been determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective April 1, 2022, unless otherwise noted.

**JAMES G. BROWN**

**1950196 DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO**

**RUSS CARRELL**

**1973980 DISTRICT 50: FRESNO**

**JOHN P. COOPRIDER**

**2112828 DISTRICT 60: YUBA CITY**

**FRANK COWSERT JR.**

**1842979 DISTRICT 80: SACRAMENTO**

**ANDREW DEBLIECK**

**1045923 DISTRICT 50: FRESNO**

**BOB GONZALES**

**1858535 DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON**

**JAMES HILTON**

**1613692 DISTRICT 20: OAKLAND**

**JARMO A. ISOTALO**

**2004941 DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON**

**ROGER N. KELLY**

**2019805 DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON**

**JERRY J. LA MERRILL**

**1978575 DISTRICT 10: ROHNERT PARK**

**PHILLIP R. SANCHEZ**

**2011172 DISTRICT 99: OUT OF AREA**

**TOWN HALL MEETINGS**



**ALL MEETINGS CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**

**MARCH 03.22**

**30<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: HILO**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Nani Loa Hotel  
93 Banyan Drive  
Hilo

**31<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT 17: KONA**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Courtyard King Kamehameha's  
Kona Beach Hotel  
75-5660 Palani Road  
Kailua - Kona

**APRIL 04.22**

**1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT 17: MAUI**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Maui Beach Hotel  
170 W. Kaahumanu Ave.  
Kahului

**6<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 12: OGDEN**

Dinner: 6 p.m.;  
Meeting to follow  
Ogden Eccles  
Conference Center  
2415 Washington Blvd.  
Ogden

**7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 12: SPANISH FORK**

Dinner: 6 p.m.;  
Meeting to follow  
High Chaparral  
(Rodeo Grounds)  
475 S. Main St.  
Spanish Fork

**9<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 12: WASHINGTON**

Lunch: noon;  
Meeting to follow  
Washington Historical Society  
100 West and Telegraph St.  
Washington

**MAY 05.22**

**24<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: KAUAI**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Kauai Beach Hotel  
4331 Kauai Beach Drive  
Lihue

**25<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: HILO**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Nani Loa Hotel  
93 Banyan Drive  
Hilo

**26<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: KONA**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Courtyard King Kamehameha's  
Kona Beach Hotel  
Honu Lawn  
75-5660 Palani Road  
Kailua-Kona

**27<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 17: MAUI**

Meeting: 6 p.m.  
Maui Beach Hotel  
170 W. Kaahumanu Ave.  
Kahului

**NEW RETIREES**



LONOKAPU, PAUL	HI
LOUDERBACK, DON	OR
MACY, MATT	CA
MADRID, FRANK	CA
MAYES, TRACY	CA
MERLOS, XAVIER	CA
MORA, JAMES	CA
MUNTZ, RONALD	NV
PEELUA, WAYNE	HI
PEREZ, RONNIE	CA
RODRIGUEZ, ROBERT	CA
ROWAN, SCOTT	NV
RUTHERFORD, JIMMY	CA
SAKAE, DOUGLAS	CA
SHIRK, DARIEN	MT
WEAVER, DAVE	CA
WILLIAMS, TIM	CA
WINTERS, FRED	CA

*Effective November 2021*

**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.**

**UPCOMING PICNIC INFORMATION**

**DISTRICT 30: STOCKTON**

**When:** Sunday, May 1, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (lunch will be served from noon to 1 p.m.)  
**Where:** Micke Grove Park, Delta Shelter  
11793 North Micke Grove Road  
Lodi (off Hwy. 99 and Eight Mile Road, just south of Lodi)  
**Menu:** Tri-Tip, asparagus, beans, salad, French bread, hot dogs, ice cream and free beverages  
**Cost:** Adults: \$10 presale, \$12 at the door; Retirees: \$5; Children ages 6 and under: Free; Parking: \$6  
**Other:** There will be raffle prizes, a jump house and a horseshoe contest.

**DISTRICT 04: FAIRFIELD**

**When:** Sunday, May 22, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Where:** Peña Adobe Park  
4699 Peña Adobe Road, Vacaville  
**Menu:** Fuddruckers (hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, fries, salad and dessert).  
**Cost:** Ages 13 and up: \$12 presale, \$15 at the door; Retirees: \$5; Children ages 5 to 12: \$5; Children ages 4 and under: Free; Beer tickets: \$1  
**Other:** Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Raffle starts at 1:30 p.m. There will be bounce houses, games and more.

**DISTRICT 12: UTAH**

**When:** Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m. to noon  
**Where:** Riverton City Park  
1452 West 12800 South, Riverton  
**Menu:** Eggs, bacon and sausage  
**Cost:** Attendants: \$5; Retirees: Free; Families: \$10

**OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

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

**HELPS OE3 FAMILIES PAY FOR COLLEGE!**

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

[WWW.OE3.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP-PROGRAM](http://WWW.OE3.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP-PROGRAM)

# Our Sincere Condolences...

## Departed Members\*

Adams, William H. Stockton, CA 12-12-21	Flick, C.R. Eureka, CA 8-16-19	Hauge, Dwayne Culbertson, MT 12-31-21	Lopez, Ruben Lodi, CA 12-6-21	Recio, Ronald M. Brentwood, CA 12-20-21	Sullivan, Harry B. Bonham, TX 12-8-21
Bouvoïn, Pascal G. Union City, CA 12-16-21	Forbes, Dennis M. Trinidad, CA 1-1-22	Henderson, Spencer Menlo Park, CA 12-23-21	Mahoe, William Waianae, HI 12-21-21	Rodgers, Jon Sonora, CA 12-13-21	Sweet, Ronald E. Truckee, CA 11-30-21
Bradbury, Burl McKinleyville, CA 11-30-21	Foster, Donald E. Pocatello, ID 12-25-21	Heer, Albert Elk Grove, CA 12-27-21	McDonald, William L. Roseville, CA 1-2-22	Rueda, Rene Tellez Stockton, CA 12-22-21	Taylor, Dick Fremont, UT 12-2-21
Bruno, Erasme H. Rio Vista, CA 1-5-22	France, Robert L. Pioneer, CA 1-11-22	Hochgraef, Ronald Lacey, WA 11-9-21	McEvoy, Raymond Novato, CA 12-22-21	Rummel, Eldon Fairfield, CA 12-12-21	Valdillez, Leandro Houston, TX 1-5-22
Burbine, Warren Byron, CA 12-15-21	Gabrys, Andrew Salt Lake City, UT 10-26-21	Hope, Charles Willits, CA 12-25-21	McLemore, Floyd Jr. Fresno, CA 12-15-21	Shields, Wilmouth Jonesboro, AR 12-20-21	Warren, Carleton E. Grants Pass, OR 12-24-21
Cunningham, Glenn Fall River Mills, CA 12-27-21	Galvin, Jerry Clayton, CA 1-13-22	Kato, Kiyoshi Pearl City, HI 12-1-21	Monroe, Frankie L. Spring, TX 12-28-21	Stois, John Jr. Sacramento, CA 12-10-21	White, Carl E. Los Banos, CA 12-13-21
Dearman, Walter Los Gatos, CA 12-8-21	Graham, James Sacramento, CA 12-23-21	Kincaid, Jim Miles City, MT 1-1-22	Osborn, Russell H. Woodland, CA 1-2-22	Stromgren, Steven D. Placerville, CA 12-11-21	Wisniewski, Gary Depoe Bay, OR 12-9-21
Eychner, James S. Central Point, OR 12-30-21	Harvey, John Marysville, CA 12-17-21	Leung, Kaiser Concord, CA 11-18-21	Ram, Salendra Fremont, CA 12-13-21	Suazo, Mike Salt Lake City, UT 12-10-21	Wogamon, Tim Columbus, MT 1-4-22
Ferree, William Shingletown, CA 12-24-21					Young, Wayne Santa Rosa, CA 12-30-21

## Deceased Dependents

Allen, Sybil Spouse of Allen, Vernon (dec.) 12-16-21	Boutch, Elsie Spouse of Boutch, Quentin (dec.) 11-19-21	Foster, Donna Spouse of Foster, Donald 12-19-21	Lehman, Barbara Spouse of Lehman, Leland (dec.) 12-4-21	Mosca, Gwendolyn Spouse of Mosca, Patrick (dec.) 1-2-22	Stahnke, Carolyn Spouse of Stahnke, Harlan (dec.) 12-3-21
Anderson, Janica Spouse of Anderson, Theodore 12-29-21	Cardoza, Bernice Spouse of Cardoza, Alvin (dec.) 11-18-21	Gribble, Fae Spouse of Gribble, Jerry J. (dec.) 12-24-21	Lucero, Mary Lou Spouse of Lucero, Dan (dec.) 1-3-22	Nunnally, Jacquelyne Spouse of Nunnally, John (dec.) 12-3-21	Stefanick, Debra Spouse of Stefanick, Larry 1-3-22
Benson, Lois Spouse of Benson, Richard J. (dec.) 12-15-21	Carey, Barbara Spouse of Carey, Edward (dec.) 12-28-21	Ingram, Alice Spouse of Ingram, Neil (dec.) 12-30-21	Mackwood, Susanne Spouse of Mackwood, Brian 12-1-21	Pittman, Joyce Spouse of Pittman, Walter (dec.) 1-10-22	Sutton, Winnie Spouse of Sutton, Jerry (dec.) 12-13-21
Berinobis, Beatrice Spouse of Berinobis, Kamaopio 1-2-22	Cerini, Patricia Spouse of Cerini, Max (dec.) 12-9-21	Kissel, Patricia Spouse of Kissel, William (dec.) 12-16-21	Meeks, Joada Spouse of Meeks, Morris (dec.) 12-29-21	Rizzoli, Ethel Spouse of Rizzoli, Marion (dec.) 12-30-21	Swartz, Mary Spouse of Turner, James (dec.) 12-23-21
Bogart, Marilyn Spouse of Bogart, Charles (dec.) 12-1-21	Deblieck, Janis Spouse of Deblieck, Andrew 12-27-21	Kubo, Vivian Spouse of Kubo, Harold (dec.) 12-21-21	Mitchell, Rodney Spouse of Mitchell, Mary 1-2-22	Rymer, Paula Spouse of Rymer, Scott 12-30-21	Vargas, Vitalina Spouse of Vargas, Joe (dec.) 12-14-21
Bong, Evelyn Spouse of Bong, Carl (dec.) 12-10-21	Fernandez, Himilice Spouse of Fernandez, Osualdo 12-19-21				

### \*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.



# 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

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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.

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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 3/4 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.

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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.

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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.

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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 FXDL 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 day-long 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.

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