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Operator **Jimmy Mittag** assists with the assembly of a 260-foot, pre-manufactured bridge at Copco Village, as part of the Klamath River Renewal project.

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Last month, Retirees from throughout Local 3's jurisdiction gathered in Dixon, Calif. for the first in-person Retiree Picnic since 2019! Turn here for photos and a recap of the event.

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Learn how the Surveyors Apprenticeship Program is doing today, after the Northern California Surveyors Joint Apprenticeship Committee (NCS-JAC) had to find creative ways to meet apprentices' needs during the height of the COVID pandemic. You can also find out what needs the program has today and what the status of Local 3's surveying work is now.

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Operating Engineers are just getting started on the Klamath River Renewal project, which is set to employ over 100 operators by this time next year. Turn here to read more about the work being done on the project this summer.

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In June, OE3's Utah Apprenticeship Program held a celebration dinner where 14 graduates from the program were presented with their certificates of completion, as well as some special awards in recognition of their hard work to become Local 3's newest journey-level members. Learn more about the event here.

Operator Jimmy Mittag works for Kiewit on the Lower Klamath segment of the Klamath River Renewal project. ►



No recession here

It really is a great time to be an Operating Engineer. Everyone keeps talking about a recession, but Local 3 hasn't seen it. There is so much work happening right now, the issue is not a recession at all, but how can we fill these seats? In every state in our jurisdiction, this seems to be a question. Our man hours have been phenomenal this season, which all feeds back into our Pension and Health and Welfare Funds.

Speaking of the work, in the state of Utah, we are happy to report that the Transwest Power Line, which is signed under a Project Labor Agreement (PLA), was awarded and will require anywhere from 300-800 Operating Engineers, as the project starts in Wyoming and will go all the way through Utah. If you are interested in working in Utah, call their Hall today!

In Nevada, a significant project on the horizon is the next phase of the Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX). This project, which was put up for bid on June 8, is worth \$175 million and will extend from North McCarran Boulevard out to Golden Valley.

In Hawaii, our brothers and sisters with Hawaiian Dredging will be working on Pearl Harbor on a \$2.8 billion project to construct a concrete dry dock and maintenance facility at the harbor.

And in California, there is so much work going on, that you should call your Hall and see what the needs are. These range from GPS gradesetters and GPS dozer operators, to GPS blade operators, as well as surveyors. If you see any non-union workers out there who are doing this work, tell them they are making a huge mistake by not signing up with the union. And if you know of any operators who can perform this kind of work, reach out to them and have them call their district office today. Also, please make sure your certifications are current, so that you can qualify for the work that is available.

Why are we the best in the industry? Because of our training. I recently attended the Utah Apprenticeship Graduation ceremony in Sandy, Utah, and I explained to those graduates, who are just starting their careers, that they are the backbone of our industry and our union. By graduating, they just achieved the equivalent of a four-year

degree, except they earned money as they went through the program and will not have to pay back any student loans! With technology advancing as fast as it is, and with our training programs staying on top of this technology, these apprentices will excel in their careers, and the sky is the limit on what they can do. They may become foremen, instructors, job stewards. They may join the union staff and become business agents or even an officer. They have so many options! Congratulations to them all and to the staff and members who have helped them and will continue to help them along the way! It was a great event, and you can find more about it on page 25.

We also attended the Retiree Picnic at the Dixon Fairgrounds on June 10, and it was a great event, as well. It's been three years since we've been able to host one of these events, and everyone has missed them. Special congratulations to our 50-year honorees. The full list of these longtime union members is available on pages 6-7. The picnic did not disappoint, as we got to see many members, Retirees and their families that we have not seen for several years. We also honored our Scholarship Winners at this event, so it was a mixture between young students and longtime Retirees, and a lot of connections were made. This event has always been one of my favorites because it reminds me of all that our Retirees laid-out, so the rest of us could have it that much easier. We owe everything we have to them, and myself and this administration is dedicated to protecting and improving this union to honor all that they did before us.

Our District Picnics are winding down for the season. There are just a few more left (see page 29), and these, too, have had record turnouts. Check out our social media for photos of each one. If you couldn't make it to a picnic or event this year, please try to attend next season, as they are so much fun, and every district does things a little differently, from cornhole tournaments and tri-tip, to shave ice and waterslides.

Please enjoy the rest of this great work season, remember to stay hydrated in the field, and always keep safety at the top of your mind, so we can make it home at night.

Dan Reding

From left: Business Manager Dan Reding and 60-year member/Retiree Russ Pierzina.



Business Manager Dan Reding and the OE3 officers serve food at the Retiree Picnic.

Union picnics bring OE3 members together

We've just had a whirlwind of a picnic season, with a few more to go. Your officers, myself included, have been able to attend a variety of picnics throughout OE3's four-state jurisdiction over the past few months. It's always amazing to see everyone coming together to enjoy a great union activity. It's also great to see how unique each and every one of these picnics tend to be. For example, Eureka District 40 holds a crab feed dinner for its district picnic, while others, like Utah District 12, serve a traditional breakfast of eggs and bacon in the morning. Some districts, like Rohnert Park District 10, have been known to include a car show, and Stockton District 20's picnic has become famous for its huge turnout. Each year, with the exception of those years when the event was canceled because of the pandemic, hundreds of union members show up with their friends and family members. As a result, the number of people in attendance easily surpasses 1,000!

Our Retiree Picnic is a particularly special event that I enjoy attending. This year's Retiree Picnic was held at the Dixon May Fair grounds in Dixon, Calif., and hundreds of Local 3 Retirees were in attendance. Many of them traveled from out of state just to be there. There's nothing quite like seeing retired Operating Engineers and their spouses visiting with old coworkers and friends, playing BINGO together or smiling and laughing, as they swap old stories over a catered lunch.

One of my favorite moments at these gatherings is when we get to honor longtime members of Local

3 for their dedication and commitment to their union. Members and their family members enthusiastically cheer as service awards are presented to their union brothers or sisters, and it's uplifting to see it happen. Members with 50 years of service, or more, are specifically honored at the Retiree Picnic, and recipients are often beaming with pride as they take their place at the front of the room to loud cheers. (See pages 6-7 for more about this event.)

Each of these events offer your officers and district staff a chance to know the membership better. They offer a chance for OE3 members to get to know each other better, too, as it's not uncommon to see members, young and old and from every walk of life, enjoying each other's company. I can't help but think of our Bylaws, which states that one of the purposes of this union is to advance the union and its members through "participation in community life and affairs," (Section 1, item (c)). That's just what our members are doing when they attend these events... they are participating in community life and affairs, and we are a stronger union, because of it.



From left: Financial Secretary Dave Harrison and President Steve Ingersoll serve food at the Sacramento District Picnic.



President Steve Ingersoll and Financial Secretary Dave Harrison honor 50-year Retiree Roy Petrini.

UNIT 12

The hidden work of RVC crews

By James Garnett, business representative

When we are driving on the freeway, we see the trees, plants, weeds and bushes, but rarely think about who maintains them and how. Well, throughout the state, Roadside Vegetation Control (RVC) crews are thinking about that all the time! RVC crews maintain that vegetation and provide weed control, and their work protects the public from fires.

Lead Worker Juan Mercado is a member of the San Francisco RVC crew and has worked for the state for eight years (he has been on an RVC crew for seven of them).

"Life is so hectic at times, so I love the solitude of spraying my area by myself," said Juan, as he filled up his tanker with the chemicals needed to spray his assigned area for weed control.

"When I'm out there, I don't have to worry about anything, just my job."

In the past, there were two RVC crews working out of San Francisco. Now there is only one.

"We used to have a large area, but now it's huge!" said Juan. "RVC crews rarely get recognized, unless we're not doing our job."

The next time you are driving, take a moment to notice how landscaped the roadside is, and when you do, remember the workers responsible for it being that way: Our union brothers and sisters on those RVC crews who work tirelessly, behind the scenes and without recognition, as they perform their essential job.



From left: Unit 12 members Wasim Ahmed Alvi, Juan Mercado, Aton Herrera, Lorenzo Young, Rory Sarmiento and Jack Lam work on the San Francisco RVC crew.

Retiree Picnic 2023

It may have been three years since the last Retiree Picnic, but at this year's picnic in Dixon, you would have never known it, as families, friends, co-workers, staff, and of course, many Retirees gathered, just like old times.

Sixty-two-year member Tom Field, who is 94 years old, rode up on his Harley. Several Retirees, like Joyce and Russ Pierzina (who received his 60-year pin), spent the night before the event in their travel trailer. Vietnam veterans Max Gonzalez, Joe Tarin and Carl Satariano met up at the event and reminisced about having been Seabees. Max and Carl worked together, and Joe just met them both that day. Retiree Orin Stuart joined in Bingo with his friends and family, and was happy to win a squirt gun. Retiree Duane Hensley and his wife, Karen, had never been before and were glad they made it this year.

"The value of the union healthcare has just been fabulous," said Karen, who traveled with her husband and their family in trailers to stay with him, while he worked. Duane recalled working on the Oroville Dam and the Trinity Dam, among others.

Retiree Ervin Millard came all the way from Las Vegas, Nev. to check-out the event, while Stockton District 30 Apprenticeship Coordinator Hannah Holden brought her husband, Brett Jensen, and their young son, Levi, to eat the good food, mingle and promote the Apprenticeship Program.

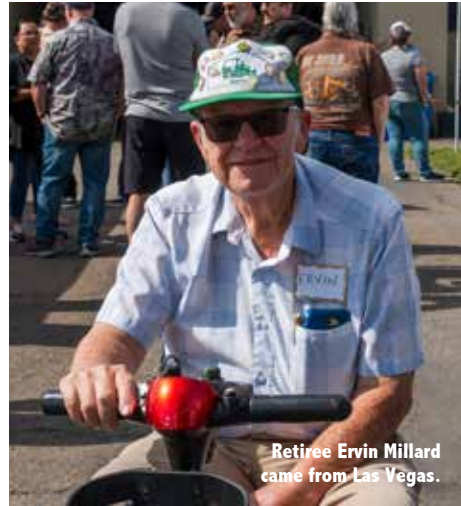
Former Valley Power strikers Kurt Pless and Bill Meyers met at the event and recalled how impactful their 90 weeks on strike together was, back in 2007. Both explained that they felt the strong support of the union and the importance of solidarity during that strike. They became more involved in the union after that experience.



From left: Retirees Mike Avila and John Wood worked at Ox Mountain Landfill together.



Retiree Richard Swanson.



Retiree Ervin Millard came from Las Vegas.



From left: Retirees Jose Ortega and Del Surette.



Back row from left: President Steve Ingersoll, Rec.-Corres. Secretary Bruce Noel, Business Manager Dan Reding, Financial Secretary Dave Harrison and Treasurer Nate Tucker join Local 3 scholarship winners, front row, from left, Yulia Polischuk (accepted by parents), Benjamin Jacobs, Taylor Strait, Jeremiah Joransson Tan and Jemma Ceja Delgado.



From left: Retirees Rob Parker, Carol Parker, Mike Boyd and Donald Parker.

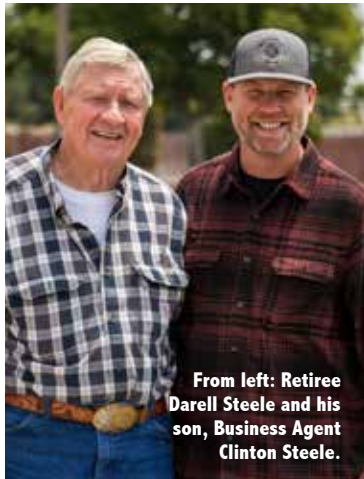


Jan and Retiree Jim Blair.

Retiree and 35-year member Virginia Morgan.



From left: Retiree Darell Steele and his son, Business Agent Clinton Steele.



Brett Jensen, right, and his son, Levi.



Retiree Orin Stuart wins a squirt gun during Bingo.



From left: OE3 Trust Funds Member Services Rep. Bob Miller and Retiree Bill Meyers walked the strike line together in 2007.



Sixty-two-year member Tom Field.



From left: Retiree Tony Minardi, his wife, Marlain, and her sister, Nardel.



Retiree Duane Hensley and his wife, Karen, check-out the booths.



From left: Retirees and Vietnam vets Max Gonzalez, Joe Tarin and Carl Satariano.



The Retiree Picnic was a good mix of seasoned Operating Engineers and some just starting out, as the Scholarship Winners also attended with their families and were given their scholarship plaques at the event. First-place scholarship winners receive \$15,000 total toward their college education, provided they remain full-time students. This is just another great benefit for Operating Engineers and their families.

But the main event of the Retiree Picnic, besides the great barbecue lunch, the bingo, the vendor booths and the visiting, was honoring the 50-year members. This year, most of the 50-year honorees joined

in the early 1970s, when Dale Marr was business manager and some of the bigger projects included the New Melones diversion tunnel and flood repair work at Bullards Bar Dam. These 50-year honorees remember those days like yesterday, and many whooped and hollered as they received their watch, clock or belt buckle and shook hands with the Local 3 officers.

“We are so glad to be able to come together today and honor our Retirees,” said Business Manager Dan Reding. “You are what make this union. Congratulations on your years of service to Local 3.”

We look forward to seeing you all next year! *

Just like old times!



Keeping members informed and engaged

By Jonathan Brown, business representative

At Operating Engineers Local 3, we know that keeping our members well-informed is a critical part of our services to you. If you're reading this, you know that the *Engineers News* is one way we do that. We also have our Facebook Bulletin Board, Instagram, YouTube and our "Breaking Ground" podcast that you can listen to on our website or on Spotify.

In our Public Employees Division affiliate County Employees Management Association (CEMA), we also have a number of ways to keep our brothers and sisters informed. We have a fantastic new website (sccema.org) and all the social media pages too, and while we don't have a dedicated podcast just yet, we do host monthly Site Meetings.

Our Site Meeting format is much like a virtual Town Hall. The meetings vary on topics, depending on what's most important at the time. Usually, discussions revolve around informing our brothers and sisters of the negotiations we're having that will directly impact their working conditions. We also regularly discuss any items on the horizon that might affect them, let them know about any of our events coming up, and, most importantly, we always leave time to answer any questions they might have. One of the main topics has been disability insurance.

We recently wrapped up negotiating the first Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Monterey County Managers. One of the items in our agreement was that we, as the union, would hold a vote within three months of the County adopting the MOU that would decide if the unit would continue to have a private company provide members' short-term disability benefits or if the unit would initiate a switch to California's State Disability Insurance (SDI) plan. Starting at February's Site Meeting, we reminded everyone that we would hold a virtual vote and to be on the lookout for the e-mail, so their voice would be counted. We reminded them again at March's Site Meeting and then sent out the vote the following week. At April's meeting, I was able to tell everybody that the vote was overwhelmingly in favor of switching to SDI. At May's meeting, I arranged for two SDI representatives to give a presentation on the unit's new benefit. Now, there's been several other topics during those meetings as well, but this topic shows that through the Site Meetings, we increased voter participation, kept everyone informed and gave them insight into their new benefit from the experts.

Everyone at OE3 is dedicated to providing the best possible services to all of you. We hope you will follow our social media accounts, listen to our podcasts and if you ever want to join one of our Site Meetings, they're open to all our members. You can find the details for those on CEMA's website (sccema.org)

OE3 and the City of Newman agree on three-year contract

By Allen Dunbar, business representative

The City of Newman completed a salary study for all classifications within the Miscellaneous Group. Both sides agreed to increase the Annual Dental Cap from \$1,500 to \$2,000 a year. Other items include:

- » **Increase to the monthly medical contribution of \$100 for the first two years and \$75 a month for the third year**
- » **Employees can cash-out up to 40 hours of vacation per year, as long as they keep 80 hours in their vacation bank**
- » **Bilingual Pay was increased to 4 percent**
- » **Animal Control Officers will receive an extra 1.5 percent pay for any calls after hours**
- » **Longevity Pay will increase to 2.5 percent for every employee with 20 years of service**
- » **In 2023, no employee will receive less than 4 percent and the most a classification will receive is 31 percent, in-line with other cities**
- » **Account Clerk 2 will make 15 percent more than Account Clerk 1**
- » **Office Assistant 2 will make 15 percent more than Office Assistant 1, and the Records Clerk 2 will make 15 percent more than Records Clerk 1**

I would like to thank Alicia Torres and Chief Steward Terry Barques for their hard work on this great contract!



City of Newman OE3/negotiations team members Alicia Torres and Chief Steward Terry Barques.

What 'Designated Person' law means – starting the conversation

By Mike DeAnda, business representative

Employers can be slow to inform their employees about California's expansion of the existing law regarding an employee's right to take leave to care for a family member, which now includes a "designated person." Hopefully the explanation below will help educate our members and nudge employers to implement this new law.

The Expansion of California Family Rights Act (CFRA) Assembly Bill (AB) 1041 was signed into law by Gov. Newsom on Sept. 29, 2022. AB 1041 expands the class of people for whom an employee may take leave to care for under the CFRA to include a "designated person." AB 1041 also expands the term "family member" under the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act (HWHFA), which governs paid sick day leave, to include a "designated person."

Previously, employees could take job-protected leave under the CFRA to care for a child, parent, parent-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse or registered domestic partner. AB 1041 now allows employees to take leave to care for an additional "designated person." AB 1041 defines "designated person" under the CFRA as an individual related to the employee by blood or whose association with the employee is equivalent to a family relationship. There has not yet been further clarification of what an association equivalent to a family relationship may mean or the outer limits of the new expanded category. Simply put, a designated person is a person the employee identifies at the time the leave is requested.

Under both the CFRA and the HWHFA, the employee is able to identify the "designated person" at the time the leave is requested. However, employers can limit employees to one "designated person" in a 12-month period, though AB 1041 does not require the employee to identify the same "designated person" for leave under the CFRA and paid sick leave under the HWHFA. Additionally, employers may request the same health care certification for CFRA leave use for a "designated person," as can be requested for CFRA leave for a child, parent, parent-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse or registered domestic partner.

AB 1041 also impacts California's "kin care" law, which requires an employer to permit an employee to utilize accrued sick time to care for a family member. The kin care law specifically defines "family member" by reference to the definition of "family member" under the HWHFA discussed above.

Further, AB 1041 will impact the intersection between Federal and California medical leave. California employees taking leave to care for a "designated person" may not qualify as federal FMLA leave. Thus, it is possible that an employee can use more than 12 weeks of family and medical leave within a 12-month period.

While there are certain unknowns and perhaps limitations of this new law, hopefully some of this discussion can bring awareness to our members and employees about this new benefit for California employees.

Plumas County members deserve more

By Shannon Starr, business representative

It's hard to believe I have been serving public employee members as a Local 3 business agent for about six months now. I have definitely been busy. I am really enjoying helping our members. I have appreciated the welcome e-mails and the many thanks I have received.

After a brief acclimation and adjustment period, I jumped into negotiations for four different units and currently have another three units scheduled to start soon. The majority of these units are in Plumas County, which, unfortunately, has a large number of unhappy employees right now.

Last year, the Plumas County Board of Supervisors approved raises for department heads, some of whom received a 40-70 percent increase in pay. The Board of Supervisors also gave themselves and all elected officials a 10 percent raise with annual Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) based on the April Consumer Price Index (CPI), which is scheduled to be a 4.9 percent raise July 1 of this year. In less than 12 months, they are getting a 14.9 percent raise.

What did the two employee units whose contracts were up Dec. 31, 2022 receive? They received a 5 percent increase

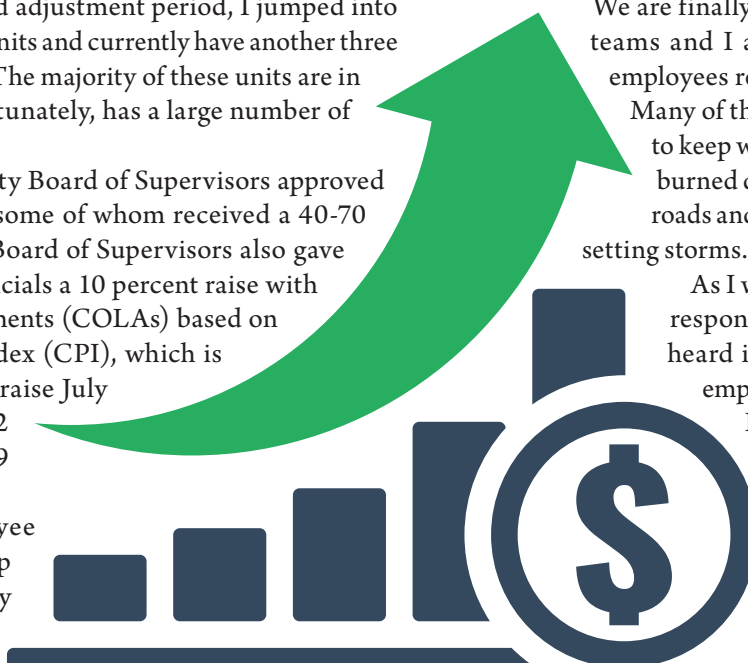
toward their medical costs that was mandated by law, an extra \$100, if they chose to opt out of medical insurance and a six-month contract extension, because County officials stated they wouldn't know what their budget was and what they needed until the end of April. (As it turns out, this was not done on time and pushed to June).

We are finally back at the table, and my negotiations teams and I are working hard to make sure these employees receive the wage increases they deserve.

Many of these dedicated employees were required to keep working as their homes and communities burned during the Dixie Fire. They also kept the roads and County open during the recent, record-setting storms.

As I write this, we await the County officials' response to our proposals. So far, all we have heard is that they are "committed to getting employees' raises, if they can find the funds."

I sincerely hope the County does the right thing and provides the wage adjustments that are far overdue. It is high time the Plumas County Board of Supervisors does what is right for the dedicated employees serving the citizens of the County.



Retiree Picnic a success!

We had a beautiful day at this year's Retiree Picnic in Dixon on Saturday, June 10. While it was difficult not being able to hold this event the last three years, it felt like no time had gone by.

The Local 3 officers and staff appreciate each one of our Retirees who attended, as well as those who were unable to attend. A big thank you for creating the foundation upon which this great union was built. It is events like this that remind us that the benefits we receive as Local 3 members are only possible because of our Retirees. For more about the event, see pages 6-7.

As a reminder, the Fringe Benefits Office is here to assist you with any Fringe Benefits questions you might have. For your convenience, 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.

OE3 TRUST FUNDS By Bob Miller, fund representative/client services

More from our Rohnert Park and Novato Retirees!



**"If you're gonna work,
work union."**

– **Joe Tarin**
Concord, 59-year member



**"The union has done
really good for me."**

– **Ed Lieberman**
Burlingame, 33-year member,
Chapter Chair



**"I enjoy retirement.
Thankful for the money!"**

– **Jay Bosley**
Concord, 55-year member



**"Work all you can,
because you will be
retired before you know
it."**

– **Brad Parres**
Burlingame, 38-year member



**"Local 3 is one of the
greatest organizations in
the country."**

– **Charlie Warren**
Concord, 29-year-member



**"It was worth all the
hard work to be able to
get this great Pension.
Thank you, Local 3."**

– **Mike Ginter**
Burlingame, 28-year member

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Don't let this be you! Our credit union, OE Federal, has broken down some things you should know about credit card interest to help you create healthy credit card habits and avoid accumulating an overwhelming amount of debt.

What is Credit Card Interest?

Credit card interest is the money the credit card issuer charges you, the cardholder, to borrow money. The interest is generally set at an annual rate known as the annual percentage rate, or the APR.

Can I Avoid Paying Interest?

Yes! Credit card issuers will only charge interest if you carry a balance from one month to the next. If you pay your balance in full before the grace period ends, there will be no interest charged at all. Set yourself a reminder to pay your bill before it's due and you'll never pay credit card interest again - sweet!

- CALCULATING THE AMOUNT OF MONTHLY INTEREST YOU'LL PAY -

Step 1

Divide your APR by 365 (the number of days in a year) to get your daily periodic rate, or the amount of interest your credit card issuer charges during each day of the billing cycle. (Tip: Don't forget to include the "%" when using a calculator or turn your percentage into a decimal before multiplying! ie. 21% APR = 0.21)

Step 2

Multiply the daily periodic rate by your average daily balance, or the balance you carry during each day of your credit card's billing cycle to get your daily interest charge.

Step 3

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So much information to share in the OE3 surveying world

It's great to see all the members working after the wet winter and spring. We would have to look back to 2017 to see the last similar winter, which means many of our newer journeymen and apprentices have never experienced a true winter slowdown. The past several months serve as a reminder to always be prepared for these potentially long winters. The Northern California Surveyors Joint Apprenticeship Committee (NCS-JAC) currently has 230 registered apprentices and around 20 journey-level upgrades attending one of the 20 weekly online classes offered by the program. In March of 2020, when the initial stay-at-home orders rolled out, the NCS-JAC was beyond prepared. Its staff had already been offering online classes to apprentices who lived outside the area where in-person classes were being offered. Without missing a beat, the program immediately transferred all instructors and students into online Zoom classes. Many apprentices adapted to the online classes and have progressed, on track, over the last three years.

While online classes served the program and apprentices well during the past three years, it is now time to get back to in-person classes, and we are working to make that happen. At the time of this writing, the NCS-JAC has already begun the process of securing classroom locations across Northern California, so in-person classes can resume soon.

While the program gears back up, we have some needs that the membership can help with. The NCS-JAC needs at least three instructors to teach the surveyor program in the South Bay, Central Valley and Castro Valley. Anyone interested in teaching, must be a member of Operating Engineers Local 3, and it is preferred that they be a graduate of the program or can provide adequate documentation of their program knowledge. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact the NCS-JAC Office at (510) 748-7413.

Land Surveying is much more than being in the great outdoors and looking at spreadsheets. There are so many different types of surveying, from topographical, boundary and as-builds, to construction staking, monitoring with a total station or a scanner, plus many others! Surveyors can, and often do, hit more than one project location in a day. One day you may be downtown in the middle of the city, and the next day, you could be up in the mountains searching for a 100- year-old marker for a boundary that was put in by a six-person surveying party. The next day, you could be scanning and mapping on the inside of a satellite testing room for NASA or even wind up in the middle of a river performing a bathymetric survey for the Department of Water Resources (DWR). Surveyors are most often the first people on a jobsite, as well as the last Operating Engineers to leave. As new technology continues to develop and with the introduction of new, innovative methods of surveying, we are always learning, which keeps us on our toes and forces the industry to evolve to what is has become today.

In other surveyor-related news, I have been working with district office staff to help address a variety of issues over the past few months. This partnership has resulted in non-union employers being removed from projects, including the UC Davis 48X Project in Sacramento, valued at \$450 million. The non-union employer who was originally awarded the project wasn't willing to comply with prevailing wage standards and attempted to violate the Project Labor Agreement (PLA). Because of this violation, signatory BKF was awarded the work. I have also been working with district offices and our Contracts Department regarding the laws surrounding land surveying in the state of California. This additional knowledge has assisted staff in stopping other crafts from attempting to "self-perform" survey work on large projects. Our Organizing Department has also been pursuing organizing leads with some survey companies, which could result in increased work opportunities for our membership.

If you have any survey-related questions or concerns please reach out to me at (916) 203-6475. We hope everyone has a great rest of the work season, and we look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Semi-Annual Meeting.



From in-person classes to organizing leads, there is so much surveying news to share this season! Surveyors can be working in the mountains one day, or in the middle of a river the next.

POPs include mothers and sons, veterans, women and more

Probationary-Orientation Period (POP) classes are in full-swing right now. Consider this as the freshman class of Operating Engineers, as for some, the industry and the union are completely new. Besides getting time in the seat, they meet many union departments, like the Political Department and the Public Relations Department, to learn what unionism is, as well as the many benefits and resources the union offers them throughout their careers.

At the time of this writing, *Engineers news* had just met up with a couple of POP classes at the end of their session, and one class included six female apprentices, as well as a mother-son duo. Apprentice Leona Johnson did not know her son, Angel Alfaro, would be in her class, so when they both showed up on the first

day, it was a surprise! Both had been accepted into the POP class without the other one knowing! Branches of training for these POP classes included Construction Equipment Operators (CEOs), cranes, graders, Heavy-Duty Repairers (HDRs) and lube techs. Some of the apprentices were also veterans.

Ongoing Supplemental-Related Training (SRT) classes and other specialty classes continue this season, so check the Local 3 website at www.oe3.org and click on “members” and then “training” to see the full schedule. For questions, call the Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center (OE3 JATC) at (916) 354-2029. See you in the field or at the training center!

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ALL CLASSIFICATIONS



CEO APPRENTICES



CRANE APPRENTICES



LUBE TECH AND HDR APPRENTICES

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Apprentice Leona Johnson and her son, Apprentice Angel Alfaro. >>

Pump Operator Josh Carter pours a bridge footing at Copco Village.



HDR Richard Bridges.



Operators assemble a pre-manufactured bridge at Copco Village.

KIEWIT ON THE KLAMATH

Work begins on Klamath River Renewal project

This March, Local 3 members with Kiewit began working on the Klamath River Renewal project in Redding District 70. The two-phase project, which stretches from Northern California and into Oregon, involves the removal of four dams on the Klamath River: the John C. Boyle Dam, Copco dams one and two and the Iron Gate Dam. Crews will also be performing land restoration work, but that will come much later. This year, the majority of the work includes building two bridges and an access road for some of the heavy equipment, which will be brought in later to reach the dam's powerhouse.

The bridges are pre-manufactured to allow crews to make rapid progress. The first bridge, which is located at Copco Village, is a two-lane, 260-foot Acrow Bridge. If you are wondering what an Acrow

Bridge is, you're not alone. Even the operators and ironworkers assembling it had never seen one before.

"It's pretty much like a big Lego or Erector set," said Operator Jimmy Costello. "There's a specific set of instructions on how it goes together. You follow those instructions, build a little piece and push it out, and it's all designed so that there's enough weight on the end that nothing tips."

By the time *Engineers News* visited the jobsite, the small crew working on the bridge were only a few days from completion. Two weeks prior, there was virtually no sign that a bridge would be there at all.

"The last push was 80 feet, and it took four or five days to assemble," said Costello.



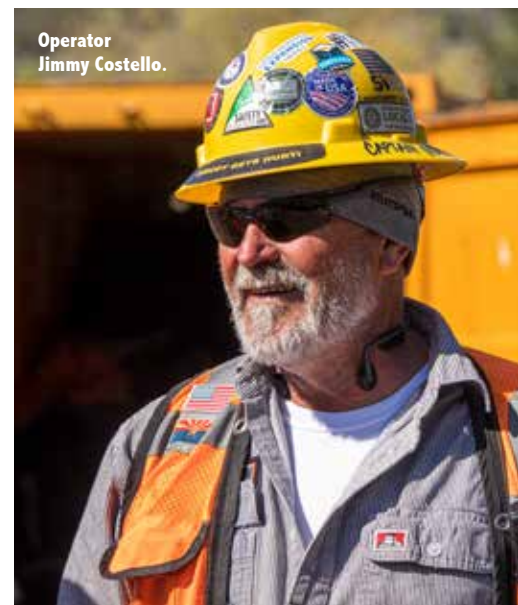
Operators create an access road to one of four dams on the Klamath River Renewal project.



Operator Cesar Barrera.



Apprentice Erika Mankins.



Operator Jimmy Costello.

To reach the next part of the jobsite requires a long, scenic drive along a winding, dirt road, as horses graze in the distance. That road brings workers, like Apprentice Erika Mankins and Operator Cesar Barrera, to where the powerhouse is located. This is also where Heavy Duty Repairers, like Richard Bridges, work on the equipment and vehicles being used, while operators work nearby to create an access road, set up for another premanufactured bridge to cross the river and construct a working pad that will allow a drill to be brought in next year. Once there, the drill will be used to make a 10-foot diameter tunnel under the dam.

“They’re going to drill everything, except the last little bit, which we’re going to blast out,” said Project Engineer Tyler Parker. “Once they drill the hole, we’ll install a 10-foot diameter steel pipe, then

it will all get rip-rapped and armored, so if there’s a huge drain, it doesn’t wash everything out. We’ll also have some dredging out in front of the dam to dredge out all the silt that’s accumulated over the last 100 years, and we’ll have a lot of 745s and other equipment, as well as our maintenance shop up here.”

What does all that mean for the operators who live and work in the region? It means they will be busy and accruing a lot of work hours during this year and next.

“At the peak, I wouldn’t doubt if we have over 100 operators onsite, for sure,” said Parker. “We will be pretty operator-heavy.” ✨







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Title
Members at Recology SF handle city's waste

Report

Thanks to the hard work of OE3 members, **Recology San Francisco (SF)** has become a thriving business with a state-of-the-art facility that reduces waste to a bare minimum. Our members at **Recology SF** oversee a wide range of machinery and work around the clock, with dedicated teams for day, swing and graveyard shifts. The day shift includes **Shawn Watson, Dan Harrington, Dave Daneluz, Dean Taylor** and **William Bianchi**. Those working the swing shift include **Mario Cortez, Sergio Lomeli** and **Ken Sanders**. The graveyard shift includes **David Arndt** and **Abel Herrera**. Tire maintenance, welding, and lubrication needs are met by dedicated specialists, including **Wayne Bocca, Matt Demartini, Chris Yorgensen, Edgar Corrales, Ivan Barba, Kyle Finch** and **Cassidy Mills**. There are four shifts for the loader operators, which includes **Francisco Jimenez, Greg Foster** and **Raymond Parres**, who work days, **Pablo Gonzales, Anthony Armanino, Bradley Shelton** and **Manny Coceres**, who work swing shift, **Brian Polk, George Hoko** and **Carlos Chaves**, who work the graveyard shift and **Paul Pierotti**, who works a floating schedule. Two grapple cranes are used to handle the truck loads and are run by operators **Darryl Jones** and **Raymond Sbrana**. **Recology SF** even has its own facilities maintenance crew, which consists of members **Jeff Marinai, Rogelio Gonzales** and **Julio Gomez**.

Over at the UCSF Parnassus Heights campus, construction is in full swing. The project involves the demolition of UC Hall and the construction of a new hospital and research building, as well as improvements to three other buildings. Our members are performing excavation, grading, drilling and surveying. Currently, **McGuire and Hester** is onsite with Gradesetter **Erik Myers** and Excavator Operator **Richard Clark**. Their crew also includes Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) **Fernando Flores** and Apprentice **Carlos Bribiesca**. **Martin M. Ron & Associates** is onsite with Party Chief **Mario Velasquez** and Chainman **Jason Dornier**. **Malcolm Drilling** is installing tie-backs for a retaining wall with Operator **Vaz Nicholas**. Crane Operator **Abdull Hakim Ali** and Oiler **Marshall Farner** are supporting the tie-back operation. **F3 Land Surveying** is onsite with surveyors **Jacob Hicks** and Apprentice **David Benitez**.

In San Mateo, **DeSilva Gates** is working on a large 290-unit housing project next to the College of San Mateo (CSM). Members onsite include Superintendent **Robert Parker**, Dozer Operator **Glenn Bohling**, Gradesetter **Felix Ockey** and Excavator Operator **Michael Geaney**. **Carlson Barbee & Gibson, Inc.** is onsite with Party Chief **Michael Wrath** and Apprentice **Jan Miller**. **J&M Engineering, Inc.** is also onsite with excavator operators **Francisco Camacho** and **Steve Dunlap** working on the wet utilities. Stay safe!



Excavator Operator Francisco Camacho works for J&M Engineering, Inc.



Dozer Operator Glenn Bohling works for DeSilva Gates.



From left: Members Shawn Watson, Cassidy Mills, Dan Harrington, David Arndt, Abel Herrera and William Bianchi work for Recology SF.



Operator Nicholas Vaz works for Malcolm Drilling.

District YUBA CITY	Number 60	Address 468 Century Park Drive, Yuba City, CA 95991	Phone Number (530) 743-7321	District Representative Casey Tull
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Title
District Picnic is this month!

Report

Mitchell Johnson Construction is working on a realignment project along the Feather River Canyon on Hwy. 70 near the Shady Rest Area. **Richter Construction, Inc.** recently secured another contract from the Paradise Irrigation District (PID) to replace over 4,700 water meters and services, amounting to a total project value of \$37 million. **Knife River Construction, All American Construction** and **Lamon Construction** have several overlay projects within our district.

We are excited to announce the return of our annual District Picnic, which is scheduled for July 16 at 11 a.m. The event will be held at the Foothill Lions Club in Loma Rica, located at 5667 Fruitland Road. This year, Double S BBQ will prepare a delectable spread featuring tri-tip and chicken, complemented by ice-cold beer and soft drinks. There will also be a fantastic raffle. We encourage you to bring your family and lawn chairs and enjoy a mouth-watering BBQ lunch in the company of your fellow Operating Engineers.

Remember to stay in touch with the Hall. Our job board is continually being updated with new projects. It's essential to keep your information current with our Dispatcher **Chris Martin**, so you can take advantage of job opportunities, as they become available. Enjoy a safe and joyous Independence Day with your friends and family, and we look forward to seeing you on July 16!



From left: Operators Zackery Keating and Mitchell Johnson work along the Feather River Canyon on Hwy. 70.



District FAIRFIELD	Number 04	Address 2540 N. Watney Way, Fairfield, CA 94533	Phone Number (707) 429-5008	District Representative Jim Jacobs
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Title
Wind turbine projects put members to work

Report

The Solano County Wind Turbine project started in February. This project involves replacing older, smaller wind turbines with larger, more efficient models, the construction of new pads and the underground and access work. **Barnhart Crane and Rigging** is in charge of all the lifting and hoisting work, while **Clark Brothers, Inc.** is handling all the earthwork. Currently, **Clark Brothers, Inc.** has more than 30 operators working at two separate sites on the project. The earthwork is projected to continue until the end of 2024. **Barnhart Crane and Rigging** will return at the end of this year to begin setting up the new wind turbines, and will need up to 35 operators for the task.

This winter, severe storms resulted in an increase in emergency repair work. A major landslide occurred on I-680 between Gold Hill Road and Marshview Road, affecting Fairfield and Benicia. The slide damaged a portion of Lopes Road, and the resulting debris led to the closure of southbound I-680. Caltrans called in **O. C. Jones** for the operation, and our members quickly set to work stabilizing the hillside and clearing the dirt off the freeway. **Foundation Drilling** also played a critical role in the emergency project, using a Manitowoc 3900 Crane with an HPSI 500 Vibratory Hammer and a D36 Diesel impact hammer to drive sheet piles on the shoulder and slope next to Lopes Road, creating a barrier to prevent further landslides. Over the course of their night shift, the crew installed a total of 75 sheets, spanning 300 linear feet. During the day shift, our members with **O. C. Jones** continued excavating, removing approximately 1,300 cubic yards of dirt and repairing the slope. They also rehabilitated the slow lane by grinding the shoulder and laying 356 tons of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA).



Severe weather damaged Lopes Road in Benicia in April. >>



Members with Foundation Drilling and O. C. Jones install a barrier to prevent further slides. >>

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Title
Students introduced to a career with OE3

Report

The Operating Engineers Local 3 Journeyman and Apprentice Training Center's (OE3 JATC's) simulators were a standout feature of Trades Day at the Redwood Acres Fairgrounds. Many local high school students, interested in technical training, were in attendance and learned about our Apprenticeship Programs and their benefits, while getting a chance to operate the excavator simulators.

Mercer-Fraser's hot plant in Arcata is being prepared for work at the Eureka-Arcata Airport. Our members with **S. T. Rhoades Construction** are currently doing night shift work in Eureka, which involves enhancing entryways to local businesses and improving Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility. These members will transition to day shifts once they complete work off of Broadway. Meanwhile, our members with **Granite Construction** have been working day and night on multiple ramp and bridge-approach resurfacing projects throughout Humboldt County. **Wahlund Construction** is completing work in Myers Flat and beginning a water line project near the Scotia log ponds. They are also preparing to begin another phase of Scotia town improvement work.

Most main and back roads have been reopened following the heavy rain and snow in our area, which led to multiple slides and closures. However, there are still a few roads with controlled one-way traffic, such as those being managed by **Stewart Engineering** on Last Chance Grade, **Granite Construction** on Hwy. 101 north of the county line and **Mercer-Fraser** on Alderpoint Road, just to name a few. Be safe!



>> Students operate the OE3 JATC's excavator simulators during Trades Day at the Redwood Acres Fairgrounds.



Loader Operator >> Joshua Horn works for Mercer-Fraser.

District NEVADA	Number 11	Address 1290 Corporate Blvd., Reno, NV 89502	Phone Number (775) 857-4440	District Representative Scott Fullerton
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Title
Next phase of SBX project to begin

Report

From Reno

Our work is thriving across Northern Nevada! **Granite Construction** is widening Hwy. 445, also known as Pyramid Highway. This \$60 million project promises to keep our members working on both day and night shifts. Another significant project on the horizon is the next phase of the Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX). This project, which was put up for bid on June 8, is worth \$175 million and will extend from North McCarran Boulevard out to Golden Valley.

Members working for **SNC** are having a busy season and working on several projects in the area, including a warehouse project in Red Rock, where Operator **Dax Ingersoll**, third-generation Operating Engineer and son of President **Steve Ingersoll**, is installing underground utilities, and another project off USA Parkway, where Operator **Glenn McEwen** is installing utilities for Nevada Energy.

From Elko

As of this writing, the price of gold stands at \$1,987. Our mining business agents have been making site visits, refreshing union bulletin boards and making their presence known at bus stops and during line-out visits. The new 2023-2026 contract books for Nevada Gold Mines (NGM) should be available later this summer.

Acha Construction continues to work on the new Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Temple and is making progress on the new Love's Travel Center in Jackpot. The company also won a few more projects, which are scheduled to start throughout the summer.

Ames Construction is keeping our members active at the Meickle crusher site in Carlin and bidding on more mining projects in the vicinity. **Canyon Construction** is keeping a few members busy on the Gold Strike project and started a new project at the Gold Bar Mine in Eureka. **Granite Industrial** is putting our members to work on the new solar project for NGM at the T.S.

Power Plant in Argenta and secured a new road project at the Leeville Mine. **N. A. Degerstrom** is working on the Gold Bar Mine project in Eureka, at the Cortez Mine and bidding on new projects in the area. **Q&D Construction** has a new paving job on I-80 in the Battle Mountain area and is gearing up for the busy paving season. **Road & Highway Builders** is continuing work on several box culvert replacement jobs in the region. **W. W. Clyde** won a \$33 million paving project on I-80 in Wendover, which will start later this summer.

We're excited about the Elko Picnic, which is happening on July 15 at 11 a.m. It will be held at the Elko City Park, across from the public pool. Tickets can be bought before or during the event. Prices are as follows: Free for Retirees, \$5 for individuals and \$10 for family members (up to four). We look forward to seeing you all there for a day of delicious food, exciting raffles and children's entertainment. Stay safe and enjoy your summer!



Operator Glenn McEwen works for SNC.



Operator Dax Ingersoll works for SNC.

District FRESNO	Number 50	Address 1635 Shaw Ave., Ste. 101, Clovis, CA 93611	Phone Number (559) 229-4083	District Representative Wyatt Meadows
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Title
Two big projects to provide plenty of work within district

Report

Work in the southern part of our district has been increasing, with numerous large projects, each worth over \$100 million, starting. Two of these projects are in the Porterville area. The first is the Friant Kern Canal realignment project, which is managed by **G&J Heavy Haul, Inc.** This two-year, \$36 million project is significant for **G&J Heavy Haul, Inc.** and began last year. It is expected to employ over 25 operators at any given time and result in over 100 dispatches by project's end, offering many of our members a chance to work closer to home. Our members with **G&J Heavy Haul, Inc.** will be relocating over four million yards of dirt in order to reconstruct and realign miles of canal that are in urgent need of attention. Besides constructing the new canal, these members will be digging subgrade for multiple structures for crossings and various water systems. Superintendent



From left: Members Justin Coontz, Rene Romero, Jonathan Stewart, Roy Cerda and Brad Goebel work for G&J Heavy Haul, Inc.

Brad Goebel is consistently looking for GPS graders, GPS dozer and GPS blade operators to work on the project. Even though the project is only a few months in, there are still plenty of opportunities for those interested. Contact the Hall if you would like more information. **G&J Heavy Haul, Inc.** is also responsible for moving approximately eight-million yards of earth on the southern section of the High-Speed Rail (HSR) project in the Hanford area. This project is ramping up, and there is a need for many more skilled operators.

Our district is proud to be involved in such substantial projects, and we hope this is just the start of more work in our region. We anticipate a significant portion of the federal infrastructure funds allocated to California to be directed to the Central Valley.



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Title
Kauai members gather for EOE event

Report
On Saturday, April 1, our district hosted our Empowering Operating Engineers (EOE) event at the scenic Lydgate Beach Park on Kauai. This gathering was particularly significant, as it was our first in-person event since the COVID-19 pandemic triggered global shutdowns in 2020. Despite the unrelenting April showers on Kauai, our Local 3 members were undeterred and turned out for an enjoyable day.

Almost 100 retired and active members, accompanied by their families, braved the inclement weather. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food from Mark's Place, refreshing shave ice from Riptide Shave Ice and fantastic entertainment courtesy of **Bronson Aiwohi**. Notable attendees included Business Manager **Dan Reding** and President **Steve Ingersoll**, along with several local political figures.

In the spirit of Hawaiian culture, all our gatherings emphasize community and working together, much like a family. It was deeply fulfilling to spend time with our members and participate in the day's activities. We extend our gratitude to all the staff, Political Action Committee (PAC) members and members who helped with this memorable and successful event. It was a pleasure to create an event for our members and their families, or 'Ohana,' to enjoy.



From left: Business Manager Dan Reding, State Senate President Ron Kouchi and Governor's Deputy Policy Advisor Dan Kouchi.



From left: Council Member Berndard Carvalho Jr., District Rep. Ana Tuiaososopo and Retiree Kekane Pa.



From left: District Rep. Ana Tuiaososopo, President Steve Ingersoll, Kauai County Mayor Derek Kawakami and Business Manager Dan Reding.

District STOCKTON	Number 30	Address 1916 North Broadway, Stockton, CA 95205	Phone Number (209) 943-2332	District Representative Dean Fadeff
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Title
Caltrans workers tackle heavy workload

Report
This past winter, mother nature was exceptionally generous, showering us with a significant amount of rain and snow within a short span. Consequently, our highways experienced a high volume of snow to be cleared, debris and trees that needed removal, and rock and dirt slides that required cleanup. All of this was necessary to ensure that emergency vehicles and the general public could reach their destinations safely.

Caltrans Maintenance crews, who are routinely responsible for keeping our freeways and highways safe, faced a particularly challenging season. Aside from their regular duties, they had to operate around the clock for several months following the severe weather. Tasks included fixing potholes, closing flooded roadways, pumping out water and plowing snow under wet conditions in the middle of the night.

With the additional emergency work they had to shoulder this winter, our Caltrans members' regular maintenance work, like mowing, spraying, litter removal and sweeping accumulated. They're now working diligently to get our roads back in shape and to prevent fires in anticipation of this summer's hot and dry weather. The crews are catching up with this work on Hwy. 99 and I-5, among other tasks, including graffiti clean-up and rest area maintenance.

Caltrans Maintenance crews play a crucial role in ensuring our safe journey home. As such, we urge everyone to slow down when passing them as they work, ensuring not only our safety but theirs, too.



From left: Members Jordan Owens, Tobias Perrien, Jonathan Moore, Steven Maldonado, Richard Ramirez, Jesse Herana, Isaac Clark, Jesse Cruz, Parris Rainey, Michael Teng and Brian Smith work for Caltrans.



From left: Members Esteban Garcia, Justin Serpa, Ruben Uribe and Paul Herschbach work for Caltrans.

District CONCORD	Number 20	Address 3000 Clayton Road, Concord, CA 94519	Phone Number (510) 748-7446	District Representative Richard Krimm
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Title
Fourteen-mile underground project underway

Report
Ranger Pipelines has three crews working on an extensive underground utility upgrade project in Hayward. The project, which started in January, is scheduled for completion by the end of this year. Two of the crews are tasked with replacing six-inch clay sewer pipes with new 10-inch PVC pipe at various locations, which will improve the system's flow. The third crew is replacing joint trench/cable, and so far, they've replaced approximately 2,000 feet on Mission Boulevard. **Ranger Pipelines** has a whopping 75,000 feet of new underground utilities work, including water sewer and joint trench, lined up for installation this year, just in Hayward. This amounts to over 14 miles of work!

The project is being overseen by Superintendent **Jesus Topete** and Foreman **Gerardo Ruiz**, with crew members **Jose Salcedo, Chris Vega, Gabriel Briseno, Victor Ahumada, Francisco Romo** and **Adrian Hernandez** contributing tirelessly to the project. **Apex Testing** and **Consolidated Engineering Laboratories (CEL)** are testing subgrade, base rock backfills and asphalt with members **Hatem Al Rifai** and **Richard Kolterer**.

As the next couple of months will see an increase in work hours, we remind you to prioritize your safety and stay hydrated. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact the Hall. Thank you!



From left: Consolidated Engineering's Richard Kolterer, Apex Testing's Hatem Al Rifai and Ranger Pipelines' Jose Salcedo and Chris Vega work on a project in Hayward.



From left: Superintendent Jesus Topete, Operator Gabriel Briseno and Foreman Gerardo Ruiz work for Ranger Pipelines.



From left: Members Victor Ahumada, Francisco Romo and Adrian Hernandez work for Ranger Pipelines.

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Title
Emergency work adds to busy work season

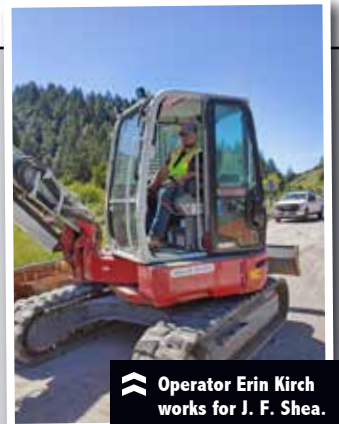
Report
Caltrans has assigned several emergency jobs along the Hwy. 1 coastline from Bodega Bay to Leggett, putting our members with **Granite Construction, O. C. Jones & Sons, Argonaut Constructors, Mercer-Fraser** and **Pacific Coast Drilling Company (PCDC)** to work throughout the area.

Scheduled work is also progressing. **J. F. Shea** began bridge modification work on Hwy. 101 near the Mendocino/Humboldt County line. This project involves upgrading outdated side rails and widening the bridge. **O. C. Jones & Sons** continues to work on punch-list items for the Kelseyville Hwy. 29 widening project and the Hwy. 29 and Hwy. 175 intersection improvements. Paver Operator **Jesus Rascon** and screed operators **Victor Topete** and **Miguel Ahumada** are in the process of laying down the final asphalt lift.

O. C. Jones & Sons has also undertaken a paving project at the Sonoma County Airport, valued at over \$3.4 million. The task was to repave one of the taxiways. The airport has several more projects planned for the next few years, including a new control tower and fire house.

Our members with **Myers & Sons** are nearing completion of a freshwater treatment plant at the Lytton Rancheria housing development in Windsor. Simultaneously, they're working on a \$25 million project to construct a new wastewater treatment plant, which is already a third of the way completed. Members **Matt Gage, Edwardo Miramontes, Konstantin Rukavishnikov, Garrett Gardner** and Apprentice **Humberto Perez** are working on these projects.

OE3 is always on the lookout for skilled operators. With a busy work season expected in our district, we will need more hands on deck, weather permitting. If you know anyone skilled in our line of work and interested in joining Operating Engineers Local 3, please direct them to our District Office. Stay safe!



Operator Erin Kirch works for J. F. Shea.



Operators Jesus Rascon and Victor Topete work for O. C. Jones.



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Title
Kennecott Utah Copper integral to state economy

Report

The Bingham Canyon Copper Mine, most commonly known as the Kennecott Copper Mine, is currently the world's largest man-made excavation. Covering 27,000 acres, the mine measures two-and-a-half-miles wide and half-a-mile deep and is even visible from space. Situated in the Oquirrh Mountains southwest of Salt Lake City, minerals were initially discovered in the area by **Sanford** and **Thomas Bingham** in 1848 while they were grazing cattle in the canyon. Despite not staking a claim to the minerals, the mine carries their namesake to this day.

The first mining claim was made in 1863 by the Silver Mining Company, which began to mine the area's minerals. Over the following 52 years, multiple mining companies operated in the mine, eventually transforming it into the Utah Copper Mine. In 1915, the **Kennecott Utah Copper**, which already had established mines in Kennecott, Alaska, purchased a 25 percent stake in Utah Copper. By 1923, their stake had risen to 75 percent, and the Bingham Canyon Mine rapidly expanded due to increasing demand for copper and other minerals.

In 1941, Operating Engineers Local 3 sought representation rights for workers in their jurisdiction from the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). However, it wasn't until Nov. 25, 1943,

that the NLRB certified the Operating Engineers Local 3, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the International Association of Machinists (IAM) as representatives for the units they had sought. The United Steel Workers (USW) also represent members throughout the operation. The agreement between OE3 and **Kennecott Utah Copper** remains one of the longest-standing agreements in Local 3's history.

In 1989, the Rio Tinto Group purchased the mine, with **Kennecott Utah Copper** managing day-to-day operations. Today, OE3 represents over 200 members in the Shovels Department and the Road and Dumps Department (R&D) out of approximately 2,000 employees working for **Kennecott Utah Copper**. These workers operate massive shovels, moving around 450,000 tons of material daily, including gold, silver, molybdenum and predominantly copper. The R&D members maintain the roads, benches and dump sites. The mine operates 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Kennecott Utah Copper is an integral part of Utah's identity and contributes billions of dollars to the local economy. It also employs many contractors who hire hundreds of OE3 members.



From left: Brothers Jo and Tim Hansen serve as OE3 Job Stewards at Kennecott Utah Copper.



Job Steward Jo Hansen operates a massive shovel at Kennecott Utah Copper.

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Title
Members work on new scale and inspection facilities in Cottonwood

Report

Thanks to everyone who attended the District 70 Picnic. It was a delight to meet our members in person once more, and we trust you all had a fantastic time! The North State is witnessing a surge in work opportunities. **McCuen Construction** and **Tullis, Inc.** are working on a \$20 million project that involves installing new scale/inspection facilities on southbound I-5 in Cottonwood. Our members with **Stimpel-Wiebelhaus & Associates** are working on a \$2.5 million sewer main replacement project in Redding and performing \$7 million worth of pavement and dig-out replacement work across our district. **Walsh Construction** and **Myers and Sons** are accelerating the pace of work on the Dunsmuir Northbound white paving project. **J. F. Shea** is performing pavement replacement work on both sides of Hwy. 299. Meanwhile, **Kiewit** continues to work on the Klamath Dam removal project and preparing for the dismantling of the Irongate Dam, the Copco 1 Dam and Copco 2 Dam.

Happy Fourth of July! Stay safe, have fun and remember to keep hydrated during these increasingly warm days, as heatstroke is a serious matter and should not be taken lightly.



Heavy Duty Repairer (HDR) Eric Staggs works for Myers and Sons.

HDR Howie Johnston works for Walsh Construction.

District SACRAMENTO	Number 80	Address 3920 Lennane Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834	Phone Number (916) 993-2055	District Representative John Rector
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Title
Crews move massive amounts of dirt on landfill project

Report

Progress continues on the Mosquito Bridge replacement project. **Shimmick Construction** has completed the north side trestle, which now houses a crawler crane. Work is underway on the south side access road, where a second crawler crane will be positioned in a few weeks. Once completed, the bridge will span approximately 1,200 feet in length and stand around 400 feet high. The project is set to wrap up in mid-2025 and is currently providing work for about 15 members.



Members with Ford Construction work on a project at the Kiefer Landfill in Sloughhouse.

Our members with **Ford Construction** continue to work on the \$20 million Kiefer Landfill Module 4 project, which involves relocating 1.5 million yards of soil and installing a liner for a new landfill cell. So far, approximately 900,000 cubic yards of soil have been shifted, with about 600,000 cubic yards remaining. This project, scheduled for completion next March, is keeping

roughly 30 members employed.

Folsom Dam Constructors, which is a Joint-Venture (JV) between **Shimmick Construction** and **California Engineering Contractors, Inc. (CEC)**, has been formed to tackle the \$114 million Folsom Dam raise project. The plan is to elevate the main, left and right dams by up to 3.5 feet and modify eight spillway gates. These changes will allow for greater control over dam releases during significant flood

events and increase Folsom Lake's temporary storage capacity. The project is expected to finish in 2027.

For line boring, certified welding or mobile mechanic services, turn to **Josh Buhlert**, owner of **Hangtown Welding and Equipment Repair** in Placerville. Josh has been a Local 3 brother for 27 years and established **Hangtown Welding and Equipment Repair** in 2016.

District MORGAN HILL	Number 90	Address 325 Digital Drive, Morgan Hill, CA 95037	Phone Number (408) 465-8260	District Representative Neils Ash
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Title
Members make progress on new housing development in Morgan Hill

Report

Work in our district continues to increase! Our members with **Mountain Cascade** are working on Evergreen Village, a Lennar Homes housing project in Morgan Hill. The project will have 125 attached townhome units, and **Mountain Cascade** is digging utility trenches with excavator operators **Robert Kole** and **Jesse Pena**. Apprentice **Gavin Johnson** is assisting them.

Guerra Construction Group Foreman **Jose Villanueva** and Roller Operator **Rafael Velazquez** are working on the \$2.6 million South County Sheriff's Office project, which is being done under a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) in San Martin. The work consists of demolition of hardscape and softscape, installation of all wet and dry utilities, grading for a new parking lot, asphalt paving and the construction of concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutter.

Foreman Jose Villanueva works for Guerra Construction in San Martin.



Apprentice Gavin Johnson works on the Evergreen Village project for Mountain Cascade.



Operator Jesse Pena works for Mountain Cascade.



Roller Operator Rafael Velazquez works for Guerra Construction.



Excavator Operator Robert Kole is digging trenches for Mountain Cascade.

UTAH CELEBRATES APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM GRADUATES

Last month, OE3's Utah Apprenticeship Program held a celebration in honor of 19 graduates of the program. Fourteen attended the event. With their friends and family members there to support them, as well as Apprenticeship, union and industry representatives and elected officials, these new journey-level members were treated to a catered dinner before being presented with their Certificate of Completion by Business Manager Dan Reding, Vice President Justin Diston and Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC) Board of Trustees Chairman Ben Mills. A lanyard with a set of equipment keys was also given to each of the graduates, symbolizing the "Keys to Success," which they earned through their hard work in order to unlock their future careers.

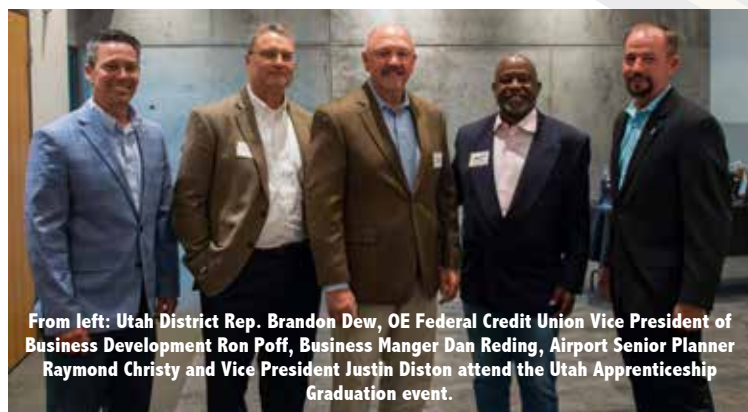
"When we take these jobs as instructors or business agents, it's a different kind of gratification," said Utah Apprenticeship Administrator Jeff Anderson. "There's a new sense of accomplishment, because we get to see these individuals change their lives for the better. This is what we're building. This is what we're all about."

Special awards were given to graduates Roberto Ramirez, recipient of the Outstanding Apprentice Award, Cody Allman, recipient of the Ironman Award, Cody Allman, recipient of the Excel Award, Dedra Tabbee, recipient of the 110 Percent Award, and Keila Davids, recipient of the Impact Award.

In addition to honoring these graduates, former Utah State Sen. Karen Mayne, WCF Insurance Vice President Dennis Lloyd and Ben Mills were recognized for their unwavering support for the Apprenticeship Program. This year's Outstanding Employer Award was presented to Geneva Rock and accepted by the company's Business Development Executive Bill Howes. The Outstanding Supervisor Award was given to Ames Construction Supervisor James Smith. A Partnership Award was given to Lon Stam of Mountain Crane for his help in securing a new crane for apprentices to train on. Before giving out these awards, District Rep. Brandon Dew made it a point to thank each of them, as well as everyone who came out to support the graduates.

"Each and every one of you have played a role in our journeyman graduating tonight," he said. "Whether you are family, an employer or a union representative, what you do is significant in our community, so I want to thank everybody for being here and supporting these graduates."

"Graduates, congratulations!" said Business Manager Dan Reding. "This is just the beginning. You took the first step toward a great and long career, but don't let it be where you stop. Don't slow down. Keep going. Reach for those dreams that are out there. The possibilities of what you can achieve will match what you put into it. Now you've just got to go out and get it!" ✨



From left: Utah District Rep. Brandon Dew, OE Federal Credit Union Vice President of Business Development Ron Poff, Business Manger Dan Reding, Airport Senior Planner Raymond Christy and Vice President Justin Diston attend the Utah Apprenticeship Graduation event.



2023 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM GRADUATES



GABRIEL AGUILAR



CODY ALLMAN



CHRISTIAN ARIAS



ANTHONY BEGAY



MALACHI BROWN



LEILA DAVIDS



MADDUX DEW



LUKE KNIGHT



NANG POT



ROBERTO RAMIREZ



LEAH SALIS



COLTON STARKS



DEDRA TABBEE



SHAWN VIGIL



OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 3



CONGRATULATIONS,

Bob Abbott Jr.	11/1/73	Windsor, CA
George Anagnos	7/1/73	Atwater, CA
Derek Awa	11/1/73	Ewa Beach, HI
Dennis Bachman	11/1/73	Woodland, CA
Lawrence Baisa Sr.	1/1/74	Haiku, HI
Jerry Baker	1/1/74	Clearfield, UT
John Barron Jr.	8/1/73	Selma, CA
Richard Bartlett	10/1/73	Auburn, CA
Leo Bautista	5/1/69	Honolulu, HI
Joseph P. Beals	11/1/73	Springville, UT
Ronald Beiter	12/1/72	Stonyford, CA
Michael L. Bell Sr.	10/1/73	Pittsburg, CA
Joe Benefield	7/1/74	Rescue, CA
Charles W. Bird	10/1/73	Dayton, NV
Steve Bodie	3/1/72	Concord, CA
Edward Bolitho	8/1/72	Tuolumne, CA
John A. Bonilla	4/1/73	Sacramento, CA
Anthony Borba	2/1/73	Petaluma, CA
Lionel R. Borges	11/1/73	Pearl City, HI
Mike Boyd	6/1/73	Oakley, CA
Tim Bozarth	11/1/73	Winters, CA
Jim Brandon	11/1/72	Soulsbyville, CA
Dave Branum	10/1/73	Santa Cruz, CA
Ray Bresnan	4/1/73	Santa Rosa, CA
Bill Brumley	3/1/72	Cocolalla, ID
Wayne Buchanan	8/1/73	West Jordan, UT
Jack Burriss	10/1/73	Louisville, KY
Gerald Butchko	7/1/73	Livermore, CA
Thomas J. Byrne	9/1/73	Red Bluff, CA
Gilbert R. Cabingabang	2/1/61	Waipahu, HI
Ardolfo P. Caraang	6/1/73	Honolulu, HI
Tom Card	12/1/72	Casa Grande, AZ
Rick Case	5/1/91	Pleasanton, CA
Mario Chacon	6/1/73	Salinas, CA

Phil Cheung	8/1/73	Oakland, CA
Alfred J. Correa Jr.	7/1/73	Wahiawa, HI
Grant D. K. Davidson	11/1/63	Waianae, HI
Sanders Davis	10/1/73	N. Las Vegas, NV
Larry Diamond	4/1/73	Spanish Fork, UT
Michael E. Doane	7/1/73	Sacramento, CA
Michael Donaghy	12/1/72	Shingletown, CA
Wallace Douke	5/1/72	Ralls, TX
Patrick Downey	12/1/69	Foresthill, CA
James Y. Dunn	10/1/73	Georgetown, CA
Lynn Durrant	11/1/73	Provo, UT
Dallis Edwards	7/1/74	Benicia, CA
Richard Engelke	10/1/73	Chester, CA
Manuel David Escovedo	2/1/73	Livermore, CA
James P. Evans	11/1/72	Klamath Fall, OR
Victor Farwell	6/1/73	Kapaa, HI
R. R. Flora	11/1/73	Brisbane, CA
Richard J. Flores	10/1/73	Rocklin, CA
Art Fodge	10/1/73	Millville, CA
Eugene Follansbee	10/1/73	Midlothian, TX
Paul Fordyce	6/1/72	Antioch, CA
Rogelio Gallegos	7/1/73	Livermore, CA
Gerald Gerrard	10/1/73	Stockton, CA
Emile Giacchino	4/1/73	Belmont, CA
John Glage	1/1/74	Campbell, CA
Roy L. Godwin	3/1/73	Pinehurst, ID
Aaron E. Gomez	12/1/73	Felton, CA
Jerry Gowens	9/1/63	Sanger, CA
Dennis Griffith	2/1/61	Sparks, NV
Earl Hair Jr.	6/1/73	San Leandro, CA
Wilbert Hancock	10/1/73	Oakland, CA
Bunichi Harada	11/1/73	Hilo, HI
Mallie Harden	10/1/73	Vidalia, GA
Charles Harker	12/1/56	Parker, AZ

Dennis Wayne Harlan	10/1/73	Cloverdale, CA
Kurt O. Hasenpusch	7/1/72	Mendocino, CA
Ralph Hatton	11/1/63	Oakdale, CA
Dennis Heath	10/1/73	Suisun City, CA
David Hendrix	4/1/73	Woodland, CA
George P. Henningsgard	12/1/73	Morro Bay, CA
Gamaliel Hernandez	4/1/73	Stockton, CA
David R. Hill	11/1/73	Winters, CA
Rendall S. Ho	7/1/73	Las Vegas, NV
Ronald L. Hokanson	6/1/70	Santa Rosa, CA
Dale E. Jensen	3/1/73	Genola, UT
James Jones	1/1/74	American Fork, UT
Werner Kahlen	10/1/72	Campbell, CA
Kama Kalalau	8/1/73	Hana, HI
Vernon Kaneshiro	3/1/65	Waipahu, HI
Lawrence Kuni Kapanui	1/1/74	Kapolei, HI
Michael Kealoha	8/1/73	Honolulu, HI
George W. Keeran Jr.	10/1/73	Concord, CA
Garth F. Kinder	5/1/70	Price, UT
Larry Carl Kirkwood	4/1/73	Woods Cross, UT
Charles Michael Kramer	1/1/74	Monterey, CA
Joe Lawrence	3/1/71	Sacramento, CA
Tom W. Layman	8/1/73	Forbestown, CA
William Lee Sr.	4/1/73	N. Las Vegas, NV
Raul P. Lizarraga Sr.	1/1/74	Yuba City, CA
Kerry Lowe	3/1/73	Castro Valley, CA
Glenn Madrid	2/1/73	Walnut Creek, CA
David Madsen	7/1/72	Mount Pleasant, UT
Bruce Maes	1/1/73	Reno, NV
Ricardo J. Magday	6/1/73	Honolulu, HI
Stanley E. Mair	10/1/73	Heber City, UT
Raul M. Maldonado	11/1/73	Patterson, CA
Manohar Mangewala	10/1/73	Concord, CA
Bernell H. Manwill	6/1/69	Centerfield, UT

THANK YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE.



50-YEAR MEMBERS

Ben D. Marianno	10/1/73	Vacaville, CA	George Pinches	10/1/73	Willits, CA	Gary L. Sterner	10/1/73	Las Vegas, NV
Joe M. Marquez	7/1/72	Oakdale, CA	Eddie Plaster	12/1/73	Oroville, CA	Shaney Stone	12/1/72	Honolulu, HI
Frank Martin	12/1/73	Willits, CA	John Plummer	10/1/73	Martinez, CA	Bradley Stringfellow	12/1/73	Dupuyer, MT
Michael Martin	11/1/73	Vacaville, CA	Ron Pruitt	8/1/73	Galt, CA	Eliot S. Takai	8/1/73	Pepeekeo, HI
Norman Martinez	5/1/73	Turlock, CA	Chuck Ramires	6/1/72	Hollister, CA	Jose Tarin	6/1/72	Rodeo, CA
Bernard Mattos	4/1/73	Ewa Beach, HI	Dale M. Ratcliffe	11/1/68	West Valley City, UT	Bill Thompson	12/1/73	Lodi, CA
Bill McCrary	6/1/73	Live Oak, CA	Ken Riolo Jr.	5/1/73	Roseville, CA	Mark Trimble	6/1/71	Sacramento, CA
Thomas McMurry	11/1/72	Clovis, CA	Pete Rios Jr.	11/1/73	Brentwood, CA	Larry Tronstad	11/1/73	Napa, CA
Clarence V. Medeiros	4/1/77	Waianae, HI	Phillip L. Roberts	4/1/77	Reno, NV	Stuart L. Turner	8/1/73	Oroville, CA
Jeffrey Miller	4/1/73	El Sobrante, CA	Veldon D. Rodgers	4/1/73	Livermore, CA	Felix Valle	6/1/73	Fresno, CA
Robert Lee Mills Jr.	2/1/73	Tracy, CA	Ernest F. Rodriguez	5/1/73	Union City, CA	Ron Vancantfort	7/1/73	San Jose, CA
Masami Miya	10/1/73	Roy, UT	Artemio Rodriguez	10/1/73	Salinas, CA	Frank Vara	1/1/74	San Francisco, CA
Maya Miyamoto	9/1/66	Carmel, CA	Ronald D. Rossi	9/1/66	Royal Oaks, CA	Vidal J. Villarreal	1/1/74	Stockton, CA
Marlyn V. Morey	8/1/73	Moab, UT	Glen V. Ruff	8/1/73	Springville, UT	Ricardo Villaseñor	8/1/73	Concord, CA
Ray Myers	1/1/74	Gulfport, MS	Lee W. Ruff	7/1/73	Sparks, NV	John A. Vinal Sr.	10/1/72	Modesto, CA
James Nathan	2/1/73	Santa Rosa, CA	Gary Russell	2/1/73	Dublin, CA	Gary Wagner	5/1/73	Menlo Park, CA
Rudy N. Nebreja	10/1/73	Pearl City, HI	George Sardam	10/1/73	Casa Grande, AZ	Chuck Walker	4/1/72	Florence, OR
Jim Nevins	5/1/72	Colfax, CA	George Sausedo	10/1/72	Citrus Heights, CA	Mark Warnick	2/1/73	Pleasant Grove, UT
Allan T. Okamura	10/1/73	Hilo, HI	David C. Scales	10/1/73	San Jose, CA	Carl Weiss	6/1/73	Troy, MT
Kendal Oku	7/1/73	Tamales, CA	Bob Schram	7/1/73	Novato, CA	William Wentworth	2/1/73	Fairfield, CA
Garvin O'Neal	8/1/69	Carson City, NV	John Seaberg	8/1/69	Roseville, CA	Ben M. Williams	12/1/73	Salt Lake City, UT
Jose Ortega	8/1/73	Sacramento, CA	Jerry Seales	4/1/71	Cookeville, TN	Fred Williams	10/1/73	Fairfield, CA
James Parker	10/1/73	Cottonwood, CA	John G. Sears	11/1/73	Redcrest, CA	Albert Wilson	2/1/73	Redmond, OR
Cary Patalingjug	1/1/74	Modesto, CA	Frank J. Sequeira	12/1/73	Gainesville, GA	Jim Wisler	12/1/73	Hughson, CA
Don Patters	2/1/58	Livermore, CA	Gerald Lee Sharp	9/1/70	Coos Bay, OR	Lee Worcester	9/1/70	San Rafael, CA
Samuel Paulo Jr.	7/1/73	San Francisco, CA	Clive Sharrocks	10/1/73	Sebastopol, CA	Ronald Worthington	10/1/73	Rocklin, CA
David Payton	3/1/71	Oakley, CA	Jack Shelton	4/1/73	Quartzsite, AZ	Mike Zine	4/1/73	Rio Linda, CA
Jeffrey Perreira	10/1/73	N. Las Vegas, NV	Gerald Shipp	6/1/73	Casa Grande, AZ			
Ken Peterson	9/1/70	Murrieta, CA	Eddy Shoffner	10/1/73	San Bernardino, CA			
Boyd L. Peterson	2/1/73	Mesquite, NV	Lawrence Silva	1/1/66	Livermore, CA			
Roy Petrini	2/1/73	Livermore, CA	Gyan Singh	8/1/73	Folsom, CA			
Marshall Petty	6/1/73	Mesa, AZ	Dennis Snapp	6/1/73	Merced, CA			
Joseph C. Phaby	2/1/73	Santa Rosa, CA	Darell W. Steele	2/1/71	Grass Valley, CA			
Jim Pierce	3/1/71	Merlin, OR	Kayle Stephenson	3/1/71	Holden, UT			

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DISTRICT MEETINGS



All meetings convene at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

July 07.23

31st District 04: Suisun City

Veterans Memorial Building
427 Main St.

31st District 17: Kailua

Kailua High School
451 Ulumanu Drive

31st District 30: Stockton

Operating Engineers' Building
1916 North Broadway Ave.

August 08.23

1st District 50: Clovis

Operating Engineers' Building
1635 Shaw Ave.

1st District 70: Redding

Operating Engineers' Building
20308 Engineers Lane

2nd District 60: Yuba City

Sutter County Office of
Education - Boyd Hall
1895 Lassen Blvd.

2nd District 90: Morgan Hill

Operating Engineers' Building
325 Digital Drive

3rd District 01: Foster City

Carpenters Local Union 217
1153 Chess Drive, Ste. 100

3rd District 80: Sacramento

Operating Engineers' Building
3920 Lennane Drive

8th District 40: Eureka

Red Lion Hotel
1929 4th St.

8th District 11: Reno

Operating Engineers' Building
1290 Corporate Blvd.

8th District 12: Sandy

Operating Engineers' Building
8805 South Sandy Parkway

9th District 10: Rohnert Park

Operating Engineers' Building
6225 State Farm Drive

10th District 20: Concord

Operating Engineers' Building
3000 Clayton Road

September 09.23

No meetings scheduled.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS



July 07.23

No meetings scheduled.

August 08.23

2nd District 17: Kauai

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

3rd District 17: Hilo

Meeting: 6 p.m.
ILWU Local 142
100 W. Lanikaula St.
Hilo

5th District 17: Maui

Meeting: 11 a.m.
He Piko No Waiohuli
Community Center
Laue Drive
Kula

September 09.23

No meetings scheduled.

BUSINESS HOURS



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

Monday-Friday:

7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SERVICE PINS



In honor and remembrance of years of service in Local 3, service pins are available to members with 20 or more years of membership. These pins come in five-year increments from 20 through 75 years of service. Please contact your district office to receive your pins.

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 May 2023 and have been determined to be eligible for Honorary Membership effective July 1, 2023.

Gary Aksland

1142649 District 30: Stockton

J. K. Colburn

1958013 District 17: Hawaii

Timothy Cowley

2132446 District 12: Utah

Henry Featheran Jr.

1795566 District 17: Hawaii

John K. Hillman

2286031 District 30: Stockton

Kathy A. Hulbert

2051650 District 04: Fairfield

Rick D. Mathews

2047658 District 80: Sacramento

Richard Naehu

1993026 District 17: Hawaii

Max J. Riggs

2019520 District 99: Out of Area

Timothy D. Rivas

1954727 District 90: Morgan Hill

Mike Teglia

2134470 District 11: Nevada

T. M. White

2110794 District 12: Utah

Steve V. Williams

1866561 District 50: Fresno

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Recording-Corresponding Secretary Bruce Noel has announced that the next Semi-Annual Meeting of the membership will be held on:

Sunday, September 17th, 2023

@ 11 a.m.

Scottish Rite Masonic Center

6151 H St.

Sacramento, CA 95819

UPCOMING PICNIC INFO 

District 11: Nevada (Elko)
Saturday, July 15, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Location: VFW Hall, 731 VFW Way, Elko, NV 89801
 Menu: Tri-tip, Chicken, Beans, Paella, Green Salad, Fruit, Ice Cream and Refreshments
 Cost: Free for retirees, \$5 per adult, \$10 for families (2 adults and 2 children under 18), \$5 per child ages 6 to 18, Free for kids 5 & under

District 60: Yuba City
Sunday, July 16, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Location: Foothill Lions Community Center, 5667 Fruitland Road, Loma Rica, CA 95901
 Menu: BBQ lunch, Potato Salad, Beer, Soda, Water
 Cost: \$5 for Retirees, \$10 per adult presale (\$15 per adult at the door), Free for kids 12 and under

District 17: Hawaii (Maui)
Saturday, Aug. 5, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Location: He Piko No Waiohuli Community Center, Lauie Drive, Kula
 Menu: Hawaiian-style cuisine.
 Cost: Free

NEED MORE INFO ON PICNICS?

Visit Local 3's website (oe3.org) to find details about your particular district picnic this summer!



NEW RETIREES 

Garcia, Herman
Gomes, Hugh
Heal, Gary
Hill, Gregory

HI | **Huffman, Danny**
HI | **Josue, Edwin**
CA | **Menjivar, Walter**
CA | **Molina, Jaime**
CA | **Mora, Mark**
CA | **Robinette, Jeffery**

CA | **Rubino, Albert**
HI | **Santo, Aaron**
CA | **Tom, Lensper**
CA | **Yarbrough, Greg**
CA | **Ziehlke, Dennis**
CA

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

 OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

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

Our Sincere Condolences...

Deceased Dependents

Baldwin, Karen Spouse of Baldwin, Robert (dec.) 2-24-23	Ford, Phyllis Spouse of Ford, Paul V. (dec.) 4-4-23	Jones, Patricia Spouse of Jones, Robert (dec.) 4-23-21	Makekau, Hope Spouse of Makekau, Harvey 4-19-23	Puckeylow, Donnalea Spouse of Puckeylow, Harold (dec.) 4-18-23	Simmons, Viola Spouse of Simmons, Jack (dec.) 4-4-23
Bloom, Lynna Spouse of Bloom, Donald 4-7-23	Ganly, Gabriela Spouse of Ganly, James 2-3-23	Kaluhiokalani, Theola Spouse of Kaluhiokalani, Clarence 4-29-23	Miller, Mary L. Spouse of Miller, Charles C. (dec.) 4-26-23	Ricci, June Spouse of Ricci, Elmo (dec.) 4-15-23	Sweet, Betty Spouse of Sweet, Irving Dean 4-30-23
Brandon, Carol Spouse of Brandon, Clifton (dec.) 5-1-23	Hester, Barbara Spouse of Hester, Thomas 5-2-23	Kite, Mable G. Spouse of Kite, Russell 3-30-23	Mitchell, Virginia Spouse of Mitchell, Donald (dec.) 4-18-23	Rinker, Linda Spouse of Rinker, Robert (dec.) 5-9-23	Thrower, Myrtle Spouse of Thrower, H. C. (dec.) 4-8-23
Carrell, Genevieve Spouse of Carrell, Bill W. (dec.) 4-28-23	Hull, Hilarie Spouse of Hull, John B. (dec.) 4-7-23	Leonard, Cherie Spouse of Leonard, Theodore 9-12-19	Molina, Louella Spouse of Molina, Leonard 4-16-23	Rose, Barbara Ann Spouse of Rose, Edward 5-6-23	Torres, Maureen Spouse of Torres, Rudy (dec.) 4-3-23
Chapman, Flora Spouse of Chapman, Lawrence (dec.) 3-24-23	Isaacson, Evelyn Spouse of Isaacson, Carl (dec.) 4-4-23	Llanas de Romo, Silvia Spouse of Romo- Martin, Jose 5-26-20	Padron, Glenda A. Spouse of Padron, Miguel (dec.) 4-25-23	Shelley, Gale Spouse of Shelley, Jim W. M. (dec.) 4-6-23	Wells, Maxine Spouse of Wells, Ross (dec.) 4-11-23

Departed Members

Bean, Gilbert Lakeport, CA 4-24-23	Crumb, Alfred L. Roff, OK 4-11-23	Farnham, James A. Gardnerville, NV 4-4-23	Graham, Keith Cazadero, CA 4-15-23	Nelson, Keith Crescent Mills, CA 4-14-23	Sandefur, Kenneth W. Clovis, CA 4-6-23
Bills, Thomas St. George, UT 4-28-23	Defratus, Daniel Brentwood, CA 4-7-23	Fichter, Michael H. Salinas, CA 3-28-23	Hall, Kevin J. Round Lake, IL 4-16-23	Phillips, Wesley Marysville, CA 4-16-23	Santo, Aaron R. Stockton, CA 4-9-23
Bradford, Jimmie Dillon, MT 3-13-23	Doub, Joseph L. Lincoln, CA 3-21-23	Figone, John Petaluma, CA 4-2-23	Hribovsek, John E. Galena, MO 4-30-23	Pierson, Chuck Quincy, CA 4-21-23	Skog, Roger Vista, CA 5-2-23
Bucher, Richard Grass Valley, CA 4-14-23	Drouin, Arthur W. Jamestown, CA 5-4-23	Forgey, Norman Bend, OR 4-20-23	Laurich, David L. San Leandro, CA 3-30-23	Ramos, Francisco Fremont, CA 4-18-23	Soto, Joseph Hollister, CA 4-4-23
Burke, Randy Sonora, CA 3-27-23	Dupee, Eddie Sunnyvale, CA 5-1-23	Gau, Philip J. Waipahu, HI 4-15-23	Marvin, Wayne Clovis, CA 5-2-23	Rush, Richard Forsyth, MO 4-20-23	Swinnock, Troy Miranda, CA 4-5-23
Calderon, Ezequil American Canyon, CA 4-21-23	Eckles, Warney Enfield, IL 3-27-23	Gibson, Jerry Spokane, WA 4-6-23	Mason, Marc Fernley, NV 4-21-23	Russ, Lucus A. Silver Springs, NV 4-30-23	Whitmire, Gary Salinas, CA 4-15-23
Case, Donald L. Klamath Falls, OR 3-29-23	Fadelli, John E. Petaluma, CA 4-21-23	Gonsalves, Henry Kailua, HI 4-12-23	Nacua, Rosendo Kaneohe, HI 4-23-23		
Ching, Wilfred K. Ewa Beach, HI 5-6-23					

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.

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FOR SALE: 27-foot 2001 Komfort trailer. Features: large slide out living room and dining room, fully stocked kitchen, new rugs and carpets, new recliner, pillows and throws, hydraulic jack, outside lights, flags, recliners, outside rug. Sleeps 4. Extremely clean. \$13,500. Call (650) 208-6901 or (650) 341-6048. Reg# 1117596.

FOR SALE: 1989 Dodge 250 factory built motorhome. 18-feet long. 318 cubic-inch V8 engine. Features: new front brakes, 5,000 miles on Michelin tires. 2,000 miles on tune-up. All original, very good condition. Everything in working order. Bought in 2005, second owner. Never driven over 55 mph. Sleeps 2 adults, 2 children. 173,000 miles. Asking \$13,900. Call or text for pictures (650) 436-7064. Reg# 1251275.

FOR SALE: Utility trailer. 6'4" x 15' tandem trailer. Two 5k lb axels. Rear and side gates. Diamond plate bed. 2.5' sidewalls. Excellent for hauling anything. Used mainly for hunting, carrying quads and motorcycles. \$3,500 OBO. Text for pictures: (925) 771-4072. Reg# 1984976.

FOR SALE: 1930 Ford coupe street rod. Fully restored with BMW dark blue paint, mild chop top, custom upholstery, tilt steering wheel, drop front axle, small block V8 Ford engine and three-speed auto transmission with less than 100 miles on each, new tires and brakes. Will consider reasonable offer. Listed in other ads for \$50,000. Call or text Alfred for pictures. (831) 801-0406. Reg# 2389914.

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, electrical cords. Sleeps 10. Portable black water tank & hoses. Asking \$20,000 OBO. Contact Tom (530) 906-7360. Reg# 2529977.

FOR SALE: 1990 Chevy custom livable van. 140,000 easy miles. Nice double mattress. Elderly owned and maintained. \$4,500 OBO. (530) 249-3346. Reg#2077229.

WANTED: Local 3 pin buttons for hat from 1964. Call (916) 765-4620. Reg# 1060122.

FOR SALE: Three ultra-light aircraft. 1st: Part 103 legal. No license required. 2nd: 2-seat sports plane. 3rd: basket. Includes enclosed trailer. \$10,000 firm, no offers. Selling all together. Call (408) 353-4772. Reg# 1980723.

FOR SALE: 1985 Colnago road bike. 12-speed, 26" wheels, women's saddle. \$1,250. Text for pictures (209) 728-7812. Reg# 2153215.

FOR SALE: 2005 Chevy Duramax Silverado 2500HD LS extended cab. Well maintained. All new: radiator, transmission cooler upgrade, turbo, steering box, power steering pump, brake booster assembly, headliner upholstery. Body, paint and interior in good condition. 240,000 miles. Runs excellent. \$11,000 OBO. Call Jamie at (209) 323-0074. Reg# 2389868.

FOR SALE: 2003 F150 Lariat XLT 4x4 Supercab. Features: 5.4 liter V8 engine, power steering, moon roof, electric windows, A/C, leather seats, great body. Clean title. Clean and well cared for. 200,000 miles. Recently had top engine rebuilt. \$7,750. Optional camper shell, brush guard, subwoofers for \$1,500 additional. Can be sold separately for \$575, \$375, \$550, respectively. Call (208) 755-0256. Reg# 1812603.

FOR SALE: Delta 10-inch power miter saw. \$100. Falcon Roadmaster 5250 tow bar. \$300. Warn Z3500 winch w/frame and receiver mounts. \$200. Jepson Super cutter heavy-duty chop saw. \$200. Roto-Hoe chipper/shredder model 500H. \$200 as is (no spark) or \$475 with new engine. Please text for more info or pictures (925) 525-5157. Reg#1842971

FOR SALE: 16-foot steel shovelnose flat bottom hull and barrel back stern. Includes: 283 V8 engine, motor mount, rudder, prop shaft. Mahogany wood deck, floor and sides. Includes trailer. Needs assembly. \$600. No trades. Text for pictures. (209) 639-2285. Reg# 1774822.

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. Will consider owner financing with non-refundable large down payment. Call (208) 755-0256. Reg# 1812603.

FOR SALE: 1998 Chevy 2500 Silverado extended cab long bed 4x4 with Vortec 7400 engine. New tune up, tie rods, brakes, etc. Leather interior with bucket seats up front and bench seat in back. Summit white paint with matching newer Snugtop. All in great shape. 167,000 highway miles. \$16,500. Call or text (408) 210-1430. Reg# 1677552.

FOR SALE: Stock 1970 Scout 800A pickup. Needs upholstery and body work. Includes new and rebuilt features. Rebuilt: 304 V8, transfer case, 3-speed automatic Borg Warner transmission, front and rear end and driveline. New: twin saddlebag gas tanks, painless wire system, dual exhaust, radiator, brakes and lines all the way around, custom rear bumper, tires and Holley carburetor. \$10,000 OBO. Call or text (707) 834-7251. Reg# 2583860.

FOR SALE: 2019 Durango 33' fifth-wheel camping trailer. Model M-283RLT. Selling due to illness, excellent condition. Asking \$38,000. Call (209) 452-7593 or (209) 452-7735. Reg# 1737629.

FOR SALE: Victory 3-wheel electric mobility scooter. Costs \$3,600, asking \$1,800. Located in Pleasant Hill. Call for pictures (925) 699-0687. Reg# 1199157.

FOR SALE: 1929 Ford AA cab and chassis. Photos available. Four new 600x20 tires, 8 extra wheels, 4 new tubes with boots, extra hood and front fenders, rear brake shoes and bands. Relined. \$1,500. Call Sandy at (707) 363-3075. Reg# 1562992.

FOR SALE: 2020 Honda CRF 125F Big Wheel. \$3,000. 2019 KTM 250 XC-W TPI. \$8,500. Less than 10 hours on each bike. Call (209) 631-8378 and leave a message if interested. Reg# 2596298.

FOR SALE: Various tools, mostly wrenches and specialty items. Serious buyers only. Call Ignacio at (559) 403-9058 or email ignaciogee@gmail.com. Reg# 2443714.

FOR SALE: 2019 Chevrolet 3500 dually. Features: flatbed, 4x4, Firestone airbags. Odometer at 14,000. \$67,000 OBO. 2023 Southland 5'x10' dump trailer. Never used, bumper pull. \$8,500 OBO. 2020 Big Tex gooseneck 8'x20' dump trailer with equipment ramps. \$25,000 OBO. Call or text (209) 914-9474. Reg# 4197024.

FOR SALE: 1947 custom built stucco home in Reno, NV. 1,188 sq ft. 3 bed/1+ bath. Features: natural gas, forced heat and air, basement for laundry and storage, one-car garage, room for RV and toys. All schools and shopping within walking distance. \$425,000. Call Ed (775) 786-8961 for location and appointments. Leave message, if no answer. Reg# 1296063.

FOR SALE: Vintage 1971 Thomasville dining room set. French Country pecan wood, medium color. Oval table with rose emblem carved. 4 chairs and 2 armchairs. Two-piece hutch with glass shelves, lights, 4 doors. Close to perfect. \$2,300 for both items. Call or text (209) 931-2058. Reg# 1022395.

FOR SALE: 2 female cows, each with calves. 1 male and 1 female calf. Call to see the cows. Located at 9950 Brittany Lane, Acampo, CA 95220. Call (209) 210-2492. Reg# 1317611.

FOR SALE: KR1000 Snap-On tool box including Snap-On tools and others. Good condition. \$3,700. Call (510) 919-4519. Reg# 2260355.

FOR SALE: Solid maple furniture. Includes: men's upright dresser, women's dresser with mirror, dining table with 6 chairs and 2 leaves. Bought in 1964, still in very good condition. Would like to sell as a package deal; will accept solid offers. Asking \$1,500. Call (209) 229-5235. Reg# 2193846.

FOR SALE: Wesco Jobmaster Boots. Men's size 11-D. RW 110100. Lace to toe. Hand built to stock size (11-D) in Scappoose, OR. Excellent condition. Boots sell for \$450 new; will sell for \$200. Call (510) 283-8930. Reg# 1774642.

FOR SALE: 76-acre property in Nevada County. Owner will finance. Borders the town of Floriston. \$250,000 OBO. Call for information. (530) 418-8364. Reg# 1261969.

FOR SALE: 1997 Massey Ferguson MF390 tractor. 4WD, front-end bucket/scrapper, 2,046 hours, 70HP at PTO, 80HP at engine. \$22,500 OBO. Located in Red Bluff. (530) 567-8435. Reg# 1082385.

FOR SALE: 1990 F250 project/parts truck. Single cab pickup, 4x4, 5-speed manual trans w/OD. 351w engine is currently out of the truck as well. Trans was great, ran without issue. Engine had oil leaks and unknown mileage. Brand new catalytic converter and new tires. Some rust. Call Lucas (414) 405-9685. Reg# 4183540.

FOR SALE: 1992 Coronado Fleetwood motorhome. 29 feet long. Very clean. Features: queen bed, powerful engine, sink, stove, bathroom. 37,000 miles. Fully contained. \$14,000 OBO. Located in Sacramento. Call (916) 549-6201. Reg# 2320516.

FOR SALE: Victor Pattern Torch DC2400. Mounted on heavy rolling leveling table. 4'x6'x32". \$700. Borg Warner T19-148 4-speed transmission for F-350. 2 PTO ports. Low miles on rebuild. \$700. Call (559) 917-4244. Reg# 1514852.



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Parent: Andrei Polischuk
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Luke Johnston
Kingsburg, Calif. 93631
District 50
Parent: John Johnston
Reg. #2553559

SECOND PLACE - \$12,500

Winners will receive \$5,000 for the first year and an additional \$2,500 per year stipend for the second, third and fourth years of college, provided they remain full-time students.



Taylor Strait
Rocklin, Calif. 95765
District 80
Parent: Todd Strait
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District 80
Parent: Jim Jacobs
Reg. #2132601

THIRD PLACE - \$10,000

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Reg. #4231167



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Sunnyvale, Calif. 94086
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