



NEWS NETWORK

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Contractors Association Cocktail Reception



This years cocktail reception was held at the beautiful Joliet Renaissance Center in downtown Joliet on February 8th. Over 150 members and guests attended this complimentary networking event.

There was a short program with a Member of the Year presentation and an Honorary Member presentation (see related articles on page 2).

Members and guests enjoyed the networking, cocktails and delicious appetizers along with the music of "Just Jim."

CAWGC Ambassador Cheney to visit members



CAWGC's Ambassador Les Cheney will be visiting the CAWGC membership during the next few months. He will be available to help members as needed with any complaints or concerns you may have. If you have union issues or contract questions or possibly would like to see us hold a special seminar — Les would be your go to person. Les has spent his whole life in the construction industry and should be able to tackle the problem or question you may have. We are very fortunate to have Les on our staff and know he will be a valuable addition.

The CAWGC is always looking for ways to serve their members. Recently we sent out a survey to the membership asking for the members input on the plan room service we provide. A good percentage of the members responded and after reviewing, the Board of Directors decided the plan room was still a useful tool for our membership.

If you have an construction related issue and would like Les to visit you please contact him at 630/303-2036.

Join us at the CAWGC Meet & Greet EXPO

The next CAWGC networking event will be the Meet & Greet EXPO which will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at the Stone City VFW in Joliet. The event will be from 3—7 PM.

There will be indoor and outdoor exhibits, 50/50 drawings, raffles, door prizes, networking, beverages and great food! All funds raised from this event will be donated to the Joliet Area



Community Hospice.

We invite our GC's, CM's, subcontractors, suppliers, architects, engineers and associate members to participate. The cost for members is \$75 (\$100

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JAY ADLER CAWGC Member of the Year

A very surprised Jay Adler, Vice President of *J.L. Adler Roofing & Sheetmetal* was awarded the CAWGC Member of the Year award at the Cocktail Reception on February 8th by Executive Director, Mary Metz.



Jay, has been in the roofing business for over 30 years, and has 16 years of experience installing all roofing and over 20 years as an estimator, project manager and in sales. Jay is also a Certified Solar Roofing Professional.

Metz commented that Jay was asked to finish his brother Michael's term out on the CAWGC Board of Directors in 2014. Jay finished the term and ran for the seat in 2017 where he was overwhelmingly elected.

Metz added that Jay also took over as Co-Chair of the Annual CAWGC Golf Outing in his brother's absence. This year only hours before the outing his father was in a tragic car accident and Jay, being the highly dependable and responsible person that he is, saw to it that all his obligations were taken care of at the outing by sending his wife Patty and their daughter Jenny out to the course to deliver all the prizes that he had picked up the night before.

Jay is also on the Steak Fry Committee where he not only helps plan the event but also is one of the cooks for this event. Jay also has spent his time at the steak fry selling tickets for the 50/50 raffle which benefits worthy charities. He also serves on the ICIC Committee and the Nominations Committee.

Along with his involvement with the CAWGC Jay is also involved with the Chicago Roofing Contractors Association where he is on the Board of Directors and a Program Committee Chair, he is on the Three Rivers Construction Alliance Board, a member of the Yuletide Club, a member of the South Side Civic Club, the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Logistics Chair, he is also a past Habitat for Humanity Board member where he was instrumental in the opening of the Habitat Restore in Joliet.

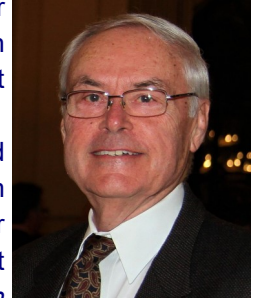
Jay is married to Patty and they have 3 children: Jenny, Joe (Elisabeth) and Jon (Amber) and has 3 grandchildren: Joseph IV, Caleb & Charlotte.

In addition to all of these committees Jay enjoys being a Papa the most, however, he also finds time somewhere to enjoy his hobbies of boating, golfing and NASCAR.

Metz added "Jay always is the first one to volunteer himself (or his family or even his company) to help out where needed and is a total joy to be around!"

KEN WILHELMI Awarded an Honorary Membership

Long time member Ken Wilhelmi was awarded with a CAWGC Honorary Membership. Ken started his construction career working for his father Bernie's company called B. Wilhelmi & Sons. After graduating from Minooka High School in 1966 he went to college at Southern Illinois University in 1971.



Then after graduation he worked with Crown-Trigg Construction from 1971 until 1992. In 1992 after Crown Trygg closed down he went to work for *P.T. Ferro Construction* and worked for them for 13 years. Then Ken went to work at *D Construction* and worked for them for 12 years where he finally retired in 2017.

Ken has been associated with the Contractors Association of Will & Grundy Counties since 1971. He served as CAWGC's Chairman of the Board in 1980 and 1981. Ken has regularly attended most all of the CAWGC events for many years including membership meetings, steak fry's, expo's and the golf outings where Ken always has a team that's hard to beat! He also is Past President of the Asphalt Paving Association.

Ken is married to Lorrie and they live in Shorewood. They have a daughter Sheri and a son Brian and 2 grandchildren Kaylee and Kyle.

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Members in the News

Congratulations to CAWGC Members: Chris Adler, *Adler Roofing*; Rick Cronholm, *Johansen & Anderson*; John Simpson, *Frank Burla & Sons*; as well as (the late) Jeff Thompson,

Northern Insurance Agency who recently received the Rabbi Hershman Community Service Award.



This award was presented to them at the Annual Dinner & Celebration of Success by the Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce. Also receiving this award was Tom Grotovsky (former CAWGC Chairman), Clay Johnson and Ken Plante.

Sincere Sympathy is extended to CAWGC member Brad Jones, President of *Bradco Excavating* on the recent passing of his father Wes Jones.

CAWGC pledges to continue to donate funds to JOAH

The Joliet Area Community Hospice (JOAH) has recently launched its campaign to raise funds for the expansion and renovation of its in-patient unit. JOAH is trying to raise \$3.5 million to expand and renovate their in-patient unit. They hope to add beds, a spiritual room, spaces for family gathering, cooking and dining. They also hope to replace the central nurse station with nurse cubbies throughout the facility to be closer to patients. So far they have raised \$2,178,629. They hope to break ground by April 24th. Anyone interested in supporting the campaign can contact Jackie Bersano at 815-740-4104 or visit www.joliethospice.org. The CAWGC has made a pledge to help them with their efforts over the next 3 years.

Expo (continued)

for non-members) and includes tickets for 2 company representatives, 1 table, 2 chairs, food, beer or pop. There is limited space available so call early to reserve your space.

The admission to attend is \$20 per person for a ticket in advance or \$25 a person at the door and includes food, beer and pop.

The flyer/form for this event is included in this newsletter.

CAWGC Scholarships Available

The CAWGC Scholarship chair Becky Fallin, President of *RHL Insulation and Firestopping, Inc.* is pleased to announce the Annual Contractors Association of Will and Grundy Counties Scholarship Program. Since the program's inception in 1996, the association has awarded over \$100,000 to deserving scholars who will be pursuing degrees the construction field.

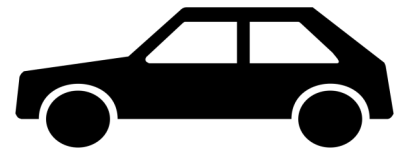


Applicants must be the son/daughter of an owner **OR** Applicant must be a son/daughter of a full-time employee of a CAWGC member company **OR** a son/daughter of a Will/ Grundy union building tradesman, who will be attending college full-time in the Fall of 2019 or a present full-time college student who is pursuing an undergraduate degree.

A construction related major and a "C or better" average is also required. The application deadline is March 15, 2019. An interview will be required for all first-time finalists. Recipients will be announced in April.

2019 Standard Car Allowance

The Standard Mileage Rates to be used in computing deductible costs of operating a passenger automobile in 2019 will be .58 cents per mile. The rate is up 3.5 cents from 2018.



The CAWGC Safety Committee is looking for input from our members on the safety concerns that affect their business. From this feedback they will research and implement a safety resource that will be available to our membership who may not have access otherwise.

To submit your suggestions, email Lori at lori@dupreeconst.com

National Emphasis Program on Trenching & Excavation



Osha has instituted a National Emphasis plan for inspecting excavation and trenching operations. This supersedes the Special Emphasis program that was in force. The reason for this is stated by OSHA as:

"In light of the recent resurgent number of trenching/excavation fatalities and serious injuries, the agency has determined that these worksites continue to warrant an increased enforcement presence."

The directive as stated by OSHA describes the action the compliance officers are to take. "Compliance Safety and Health Officers (CSHOs) shall initiate inspections under this NEP whenever they observe an open trench or an open excavation, regardless of whether or not a violation is readily observed. These observations may occur during the course of their normal work-day travel or while engaged in programmed or unprogrammed inspections. Trenching and excavation operations will also be assigned for inspection as the result of incidents, referrals, and complaints."

Keep in mind that OSHA penalties have once again increased as of January 23, 2019 and the revised penalty structure is as follows: Serious \$13,260, Failure to Abate \$13,260/day, and Willful or repeat \$132,598.

OSHA Accident Reporting Provisions

The OSHA reporting provisions could initiate an on site investigation by the area office, if it is determined that an OSHA standard may have been violated. Remember that any loss of eye, amputation, or in patient hospitalization of only one worker requires that you call the local area office within 24 hours, and report the incident. It is possible that this reporting may result in an on site inspection. Fatalities must be called in within 8 hours of your having knowledge. Also do not forget to electronically file the appropriate OSHA record keeping forms by March 2, 2019 for the 2018 calendar year. Any company with 20-250 employees must file the OSHA form 300A. Any company with more than 250 employees must file the OSHA form 300, 300A and 301.

PROPER PLANNING IS THE MAIN KEY TO PROVIDING A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT WHEN WORKING IN AND AROUND TRENCHES.

Trench Safety Tips

- ◆ Locate all underground utilities before digging. (*JULIE* must be contacted and no use of mechanical equipment can be allowed prior to a valid ticket)
- ◆ Enter only trenches that have been sloped at the proper

angle, shored, or shielded. (1 1/2:1 slope for type C) Benching allowed in A & B soil.

- ◆ Spoil and loose material must be a minimum of 2' back from the edge of the trench
- ◆ Protection (Box, shoring, etc. unless properly sloped/benched) required at 5' total depth or as determined by the competent person.
- ◆ When using a box you must protect the ends that are not sloped away also never go outside the area that has been sloped, shored, or shielded, not even for a moment.
- ◆ Eliminate or control water accumulation before entering the trench.
- ◆ Stay alert when working in or near previously disturbed soil conditions.
- ◆ Do not permit vehicles near the edge of the trench.
- ◆ Check regularly for hazardous materials and oxygen levels in the trench.
- ◆ Never enter confined spaces without proper training, and follow procedures.
- ◆ Never allow machines to run unattended.
- ◆ Use a ladder or ramp to get in and out of the trench. Place the ladder inside the protective system. Must have proper access when at 4' depth and within 25' laterally of workers.
- ◆ Never climb on shoring or shields. Never ride in equipment buckets or on crane hooks.
- ◆ Wear hard hats when working in or around trenches.
- ◆ All chain, cables, slings used for lifting must be inspected and have legible weight capacity tags in place.
- ◆ Stay out from under raised loads.
- ◆ Operators must inspect quick couplers, follow procedures and perform "ground test" every time a different bucket is used.

In the event of a cave-in Call 911 for help. Do not attempt a rescue, unless you have been properly trained in trench-rescue techniques.

Remember, if you are buried by a cave-in, your chance of survival is very low. Therefore, always be sure that the trench walls are sloped, shored, or shielded with a trench box and that the trench is safe before you enter.

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Members Earn **\$50** in Referral Credits

Refer a business to join the CAWGC and earn a **\$50** credit for each company that is approved for membership. The credit can be used for any CAWGC event or towards your membership dues. Membership forms are available on our website at www.CAWGC.org. Be sure to sign the membership form where it says "sponsored by" for your membership credit.

JULIE holds Contractor Safety Meetings

JULIE, Illinois pipeline and local distribution operators and Paradigm are working together to host nearly 30 damage prevention meetings across the state that include a complimentary meal and safety training. A JULIE Damage Prevention Manager will participate in the meetings to discuss the one call process, safe digging practices and proposed changes to the Damage Prevention Act. Additional critical damage prevention information will include state regulatory and safety initiatives. "These trainings will include important information about proposed changes to the state law that will impact all members and contractors," said Kevin Chmura, JULIE Direc-



tor of Public Relations. "We will also cover the many benefits of self service options." Space is limited at some venues.

To learn more, review the meeting schedule and to register, go to JULIE's Web site at www.illinois1call.com which has a link to this along with additional resources. All attendees receive a Certificate of Completion; the certificate may qualify for Continuing Education Units.

JULIE's Damage Prevention Managers can bring the same presentation to your company at no cost. Do not wait until the busy spring season for training.

Some Joliet area dates include: March 19th, Majestic Theatre, Kankakee and March 20th, Clarion Hotel, Joliet.

JULIE also announced that the not-for-profit organization received and processed nearly 1.5 million underground utility locate requests from professional excavators and homeowners in 2018. The Joliet-based, notification system distributed more than 8.7 million requests to our 1,941 utility members. Compared to the previous year, these totals represent decreases of 4.1% and 3.9%, respectively.

The door to safety swings on the hinges of common sense..

Plans Room Watch by Karri...



Morris Hospital has announced plans for a master facility plan that will include modernization of the Morris campus and 2 new medical facilities in Ottawa and Coal City over the next 3 years. The project is expected to cost \$60 million. The modernization of the current Morris Hospital will include the renovation and re-design of 56,000 square feet of

space to include a new emergency department, a new cardiac department, new lab draw and infusion areas, renovated imaging services department, a new surgical waiting room and patient registration area. The hospital has submitted plans for the main campus modernization to the IL Health Facilities and Services Review Board for approval. Phase 1 of the main campus development could begin second quarter 2019 and it includes construction of the new emergency department and relocation of infusion therapy. Also part of the master facility plan is construction of a new medical campus in Diamond-Coal City. Another part of the plan is a new facility in Ottawa. Last part of the master plan is renovations to the Deerpath Surgery Center. The modernization project is expected to be completed by March 2021.

The Village of Minooka is hoping to secure intergovernmental agreements with Kendall and Grundy Counties for major improvements to Ridge Road. With Grundy County the Village plans to widen the Wisconsin Central Rail Road viaduct and Ridge Road south of Interstate 80 from CSX rail road tracks to McEvelly Road to make Ridge Road into five lanes and add a multi-use path and sidewalk. With Kendall County the Village hopes to widen Ridge Road to five lanes north of Interstate 80 to Holt Road. The purpose of the projects are to help with the increase of traffic due to recent residential, commercial and industrial developments. The total cost for the projects are estimated to be around \$13 million. The timeline for the Grundy County portion is a June or July letting and construction to start in August or September. The Kendall County timeline has a March letting and construction to start in Spring. Grundy County bid for Engineering for their portion of the Ridge Road project in December.

The referendum for Minooka School District 201's new Junior High School was voted down in November. The Board of Education is going to either aim for the April election or wait till fall of 2020.

A State Capital Plan for 2019 (and what it will take)

By Attorney *Elias M. Gordan*, CAWGC Associate Member

Infrastructure proposals are very much in the news these days, with little mention of the many hurdles to passing a plan. Capital plans have been around in Illinois since 1837, when the 10th General Assembly (including Abraham Lincoln, Stephen Douglas, and a number of future Congressmen, U.S. Senators, and Governors) passed an "Internal Improvements Act", to repeat the success of New York's Erie Canal. Recent capital plans in our State have included Build Illinois (1984), Illinois FIRST (1999), and Illinois Jobs Now! (2010).

The 2010 "Illinois Jobs Now!" program offers a roadmap to a successful Capital Plan. Signed into law by Governor Patrick Quinn in July, 2009, "Illinois Jobs Now!" involved six bills to address funding, investment, and authorization for road, bridge, school, and transit projects:

- Public Act 96-34, which raised drivers license fees, raised vehicle registration fees, raised vehicle titling fees, raised alcoholic-beverage taxes, and allowed video gaming;
- Public Act 96-35, which appropriated (set aside) funding for transportation, school construction, university / junior college, and other public projects;
- Public Act 96-36, which increased the State's authority to issue bonds to fund projects;
- Public Act 96-37, which attempted to outsource the Illinois Lottery, and required a preference for 50% Illinois workers on road projects;
- Public Act 96-38, delaying certain sales taxes by one month; and
- Public Act 96-40, allowing a Downstate forest preserve district to receive capital funds if it maintained a zoo.

Even in States with Legislatures dominated by a single political party, a capital plan can take years to build consensus for approval. The Indiana General Assembly needed three years to develop a capital plan for its roads and bridges, with the final version not approved until the last day of the 2017 legislative session, as House Enrolled Act 1002.

A 2019 Capital Plan in Illinois will have to address the following issues:

- where (and how) to raise the money for a Plan;
- how to geographically distribute funding;
- ◆ what classes of projects to fund (roads, bridges, build-

- ings, broadband, water, sewer, mass transit);
- subcontracting goals and preferences (for professional services and construction services);
- a "ramp-up" plan, so A/E consultants and contractors have time to recruit and develop talent;
- job training, for both trades and professionals. The Crash of 2008 forced many people out of our industry (and, in some cases, out of our State). What can we, individually and collectively, do to bring our "best and brightest" young people into the A/E/C field?

One overlooked source of infrastructure funding is pension-fund money. Illinois' State, local-agency, university-endowment, and union pension funds hold over \$150 billion, yet out-of-state and non-US pension funds control parts of our local intermodal infrastructure, plus the Chicago Skyway, and the Indiana Toll Road. Why not let Illinois funds invest in Illinois infrastructure?

A Capital Plan will be difficult, but not impossible, to attain. What can we do, individually and as an industry, to reach out to our legislators, and encourage them to agree on a plan?

Workshop on Subcontract Forms and Loan-Agreement Forms

As part of the Construction Management 190 (Construction Law) class offered this semester at *Joliet Junior College*, they devote an entire class session to reviewing a subcontract used by a (non-CAWGC member) mega – general contractor, and a separate session to reviewing sample loan-agreement documents. Many of the students will go on to run a construction company (through promotion, inheritance, or start-up), and knowing the terms of "standard" bank and subcontract agreements are essential.

This year's class sessions will be held from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, on two Monday evenings in late March or in April. There are a few seats available for any CAWGC members interested in "sitting in" on the workshop, and offering any insights to the "next generation". Call 708.923.9735, or e-mail gordanlaw@att.net, if you are interested in attending.

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Mark Your Calendars!

CAWGC 2019 Calendar of Events

Our next scheduled event....

May 2, 2019

CAWGC Expo
Stone City VFW, Joliet

Later this year....

June 7, 2019

39th Annual Golf Outing
Broken Arrow, Lockport

August 22, 2019

Annual Steak Fry
St. Joseph's Park, Joliet

September 13, 2019

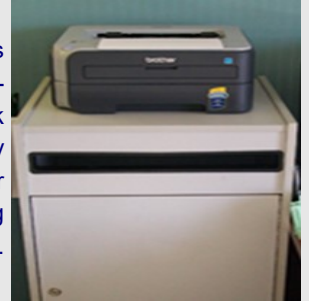
Fall Golf Outing
Morris Country Club

Networking is a key to success!

CAWGC Member Benefit

The CAWGC offers to its members an opportunity to have their important documents shredded free. Members are invited to toss their documents in the slot of the locked cabinet console located at the association offices.

Shark Shredding shreds the documents on a quarterly basis. They unlock the cabinet and destroy the papers right in our parking lot. Everything Shark Shredding, Inc. shreds is **100% recycled!**



Three Rivers Safety Center

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Contractor Safety Training (Basic)



Monday-Wednesday-Friday

7:30 – 11:30 AM

Contractor Safety Refresher

Monday-Wednesday-Friday

7:30—10 AM

Must have current TRSC card in possession, no more than 30 days past expiration date, work steadily in chemical industry.

Register On-Line only at:
www.trma.org



CAWGC Board of Directors Meetings
First Wednesday of each month, 4 pm, CAWGC Office