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Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

# **MONTHLY UPDATE**

June 2017

## ***Labor***

### **Ironworkers Local 11 Wage & Fringe Benefits Increase**

In Bulletin 57-17, we emailed Active Members the announcement of the wage & fringe benefits increase for Ironworkers Local 11. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Ironworkers Local 399 Settlement**

In Bulletin 58-17, we emailed Active Members announcing completion of a new collective bargaining agreement for Ironworkers Local 399, including the changes from the merger of the South Jersey locals. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Ironworkers Local 399 Wage & Fringe Benefits**

In Bulletin 61-17, we sent Active Members a summary of the new wage & fringe benefits schedule for Ironworkers Local 399. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Operating Engineers Local 825 Wage & Fringe Benefits**

In Bulletin 59-17, we sent Active Members an announcement of Operating Engineers, Local 825 wage and benefits package for Heavy/Highway work, effective July 1, 2017. In Bulletin 63-17 we announced the Operating Engineers, Local 825 Building wage & benefit rates. Access the bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

#### **Independence Day Holiday Provisions**

In Bulletin 60-17, we sent Active Members an update of how each trade recognizes July 4th. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***Welcome New Members***

We welcome these members who joined ACCNJ in March and June:

**Adirondack Scenic, Inc. dba Adirondack Studios** - Argyle NY

**Bayshore Rebar Inc.** - Pleasantville

**Bel-Con Construction Services Inc.** - Belleville NJ

**Chubb Surety** - Basking Ridge

**Donaldson Interiors, Inc.** - Hauppauge NY

**Empire Office** - New York NY

**Hankin Sandman Palladino & Weintrob** - Atlantic City

**HK Panel Systems** - Dublin PA

**InstaSpace, LLC** - Chalfont PA

**Layout Inc.** - Newfoundland

**LVC Window Blinds Inc.** - Garfield NJ

**MMC Contractors** - Somerset NJ

**Northfield Construction Corp.** - Fairfield NJ

**SiteOne Landscaping Supply LLC**- Northvale NJ

**Stark & Stark** - Lawrenceville

**Stevens Jersey City Ford** - Jersey City

**Turner Surety & Insurance Brokerage Inc.** - Paramus NJ

**Wealth Preservation Solutions, LLC** - Somerset NJ

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## ***Government Affairs***

### **State Shuts Down After Budget Deadline Passes**

At midnight on June 30, the State government shut down after the Legislature failed to meet the mandated deadline to pass the budget. In Bulletin 65-17, we reported details of the debate between Legislative leaders

and Governor Christie. When no agreement was reached, the Governor closed all but essential State services. Late on Monday, July 3, the Legislature and the Governor came to an agreement, the budget was passed and the State government reopened, as we told you in Bulletin 66-17. Access both bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **NJ Primary Elections Choose Gubernatorial Candidates**

In Bulletin 56-17, we gave members a brief overview of the candidates running for governor in the primary elections on June 6, 2017. As expected, Phil Murphy won the Democratic vote while Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno won the Republican vote. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***ACCNJ Events***

### **TopGolf Event - September 14**

All members are invited to an upcoming event at TopGolf in Edison. Join us on September 14, 2017, from 5-8pm for a dinner buffet, open bar and three hours of unlimited TopGolf. Enjoy team-building, networking, improving your golf swing, and supporting ACCNJ PAC or the Scholarship Foundation. TopGolf is a unique form of golf, where players hit microchipped balls to track each shot's accuracy and get points for hitting targets in the outfield. Access the flyer under June bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org). Sign up soon, the event will fill up quickly!

### **ACCNJ Gala Dinner Dance - October 13**

Save the date! ACCNJ requests your presence at the Gala Dinner Dance on Friday, October 13, 2017, at The Palace at Somerset Park in Somerset. There will be a cocktail reception at 6pm followed by dinner and dancing at 7pm. Invitations will be mailed in early July.

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## ***In Memoriam...***

### **Remembering John Capo, Sr., of Bricklayers Local 4**

This month, we regretfully reported the passing on June 4 of John Capo, Sr., long-time member and officer of the Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 4. John had served as Secretary/Treasurer for 10 years before retiring in 2001.

His commitment to his trade and signatory union contractors was evident throughout his career, and he was highly regarded and respected by Association leadership, staff and members.

John leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Catherine; two daughters; his son John Capo, Jr., who today serves as Secretary/Treasurer of Locals 4 & 5; seven grandchildren; and two brothers. Donations in his memory may be made to the Multiple Myeloma Foundation.

### **Remembering Morris Rubino of Ironworkers Local Union No. 68**

Also this month, we were saddened by the passing of Morris Rubino on June 16. He had served as the business manager of Ironworkers Local Union No. 68 for 50 years, retiring in 2006. He had been vice president of the Ironworkers for the New Jersey State Building and Construction Trades Council from 2008 until 2017 and a trustee of the Ironworkers District Council, along with many other trade-related service positions.

Morris will be sorely missed but long-remembered for his character and integrity by both craftworkers and signatory contractors.

He leaves behind his wife, Arlene; a son; two daughters; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter. Donations may be made in his name to Our Lady of the Angels Parish, 21-23 Bayard Street, Trenton NJ 08611.

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## ***Safety***

### **New ACCNJ Safety Council**

At the ACCNJ Coffee Talk with OSHA on June 29, Jill Schiff, Executive Director of Operations, announced ACCNJ's new Safety Council. The first meeting will be held on October 20, 2017. Look for more details in early August.

### **ACCNJ Presents 27 Safety Awards to Members**

At the membership meeting on June 7 at Mayfair Farms in West Orange, the Association presented 27 Safety Awards to members.

### ***Zero Lost Work Days***

Drill Construction Co., Inc.; Willard Dunham Construction Company; Epic

Management; Hall Construction Co., Inc.; HC Constructors Inc.; JBL Electric Inc.; Joseph A. Natoli Construction Corp.; J.R. Prisco Inc.; RCC Builders and Developers Inc.; Michael Riesz & Co.; Sundance Construction Co.; Torcon, Inc.; Walker Diving Underwater Construction LLC; TN Ward Company; Waters & Bugbee Inc.

*Lost Workday Incidence Rate Below the National Average*

BFC Ltd.; Wm. Blanchard Co.; J. Fletcher Creamer & Son; Crisdel Group, Inc.; JPC Group Inc.; Edward Leske Company; Moretrench; Network Construction Co., Inc.; Railroad Construction Company Inc.; Schiavone Construction Co. LLC; Tutor Perini Corporation; Vericon Construction Company LLC

**OSHA Extends Deadline for Electronic Injury and Illness Recording**

OSHA has proposed an extension for the electronic submission of 2016 injury and illness data to December 1, 2017, which will allow contractors to familiarize themselves with the electronic data system that will become available on August 1, 2017. OSHA has also announced its decision to reconsider some provisions of the May 2016 injury and illness recordkeeping final rule.

**Construction Safety Course Schedules**

In Bulletin 62-17 we distributed the July/August schedules of the safety courses offered by the training centers affiliated with the general construction trades. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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***Education & Workforce Development***

**Students Awarded Scholarships at June Meeting**

The ACCNJ Membership Meeting on June 7 at Mayfair Farms in West Orange featured five recipients of scholarships from the ACCNJ Scholarship Foundation and a recipient of the Floor Covering Institute of New Jersey Scholarship. Look for complete details of the students' achievements in the September Industry Update.

***Donald R. Waters Scholarship***

Neethu Thottakara - Stony Brook University

***ACCNJ Foundation Scholarships***

**Louis A. Garlatti, Sr. Memorial Scholarship**

Eve Hennebery - University of Pittsburgh

**Gig Manville Memorial Scholarship**

Kieran Farrell - University of South Carolina

**Foundation Scholarship**

Kaitlyn Deo - University of Delaware

***John F. Donohoe Scholarship***

Michael Martello - Manhattan College

***Floor Covering Institute of New Jersey***

Sonja Meberg - Cornell University

**Tuition Reimbursement Program - *REMINDER***

As we announced to Active Members in Bulletin 15-17, ACCNJ's Industry Advancement Trust has approved a Tuition Reimbursement Program for eligible, full-time employees of ACCNJ member firms that contribute to the IAT. For complete information, access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***Industry Issues***

**ACCNJ to Host SMWDBE Conference - September 28**

The Association will host an SMWDBE Conference on September 28, 2017, at the NJ Convention & Expo Center in Edison, providing a venue for small, women-owned, minority-owned and disadvantaged contractors to learn about opportunities to work with ACCNJ general contractors on public and private projects. Also invited are public contracting agencies to participate in a panel discussion. ACCNJ general contractors and subcontractors were mailed details and the registration form.

**New AIA Documents Reviewed**

In Bulletin 63-17, we sent a review of the new AIA contract document, written by ACCNJ member Peckar & Abramson PC. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## *Hot Topics Recap*

In June, we posted these Hot Topics at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org):

- Cumberland County Jail Approved
- Matrix Proposes 530,000-Square-Foot Warehouse in Burlington Township
- UPDATE: American Dream Financing a Done Deal
- Metro Construction Employment Increases for the Year Despite Hiring Difficulties
- Camden Hotel Gains \$18.3 Million EDA Tax Break
- Penn Station Expansion Includes Farley Building Mixed-Use
- \$26.7 Million Performing Arts High School Planned for Ocean County
- Construction Among States Up for Year But Weaker for Month
- UPDATE: Stranded Asset Hoffman-LaRoche Campus to be Redeveloped
- \$18.5 Million Riverfront Project Coming to Trenton
- Joint Base First to Get New Tankers - and \$154 Million in Construction
- AC Electric to Proceed with \$79 Million Capital Investment
- MGM and Caesars to Partner in Atlantic City
- UPDATE: American Dream Bonds Issued

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