



Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

MONTHLY UPDATE

November 2019



In Case You Missed It

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Top: ACCNJ CEO Jack Kocsis participated in a panel discussion for SAX LLP's Construction Industry Update event with Art Corwin, ACCNJ Board Member and President of Railroad Construction Company, and Vic Wortmann, President and CEO of VRH Construction. Jack had the opportunity to discuss the current & future state of the construction market.



Middle: ACCNJ supported the KML Regional Council of Carpenters' National Apprenticeship Week celebration. Five local schools brought students to learn about the benefits of careers in carpentry. We were joined by the NJ Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, Robert Asaro-Angelo. *Bottom:* ACCNJ attended the Flag-Raising ceremony at the groundbreaking site for Riverton. The Sayreville Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), attended and executed the ceremonial flag-raising, and union officials, craftworkers and local residents attended to show support.



Labor News

Labor Information Reference Binder Update

In Bulletin 127-19, we distributed to Active Members the wage and fringe benefits for Tile, Marble & Terrazzo BAC Local 7. Access the Bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Events

ACCNJ Annual Membership Meeting

ACCNJ's Annual Membership Meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at the Clubhouse at Galloping Hill Golf Course, Kenilworth, NJ. The evening will include voting on the 2020 Slate of Officers & Trustees, as well as amendments to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. For more information and to register, access Bulletin 107-19 under October Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Governance

Amendments to ACCNJ's By-Laws

In Bulletin 118-19, we shared with members amendments to ACCNJ's By-Laws, which Active Members will vote on at the December Membership meeting. For details, access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

2020 Proposed Slate of Officers & Trustees

In Bulletin 119-19, we informed Active Members that those in good standing will vote on the 2020 Slate of Officers & Trustees at the December Membership Meeting. Along with the Bulletin, Active Members received a list of nominees for the 2020 Officers and Trustees for consideration. Access the bulletin and proposed slate under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Diversity and Compliance

NJ Small Business Bonding Readiness Assistance Program - Nominations

In Bulletin 123-19, we informed members that the State of New Jersey has appropriated funding to continue its Small Business Bonding Readiness Program for 2019-2020. The program positions small, women and minority-owned businesses for contracting opportunities with state, county and municipal agencies. ACCNJ will now serve as a stakeholder for this effort. For details, access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

MWSDVOB Capability Statements Now Available on ACCNJ Website

In Bulletin 125-19, we directed members to the members-only section at accnj.org to access capability statements of MWSDVOB firms. Also available on our website, ACCNJ has created a Diversity page, which is host to the Diversity Conference video as well as an informational flyer about ACCNJ efforts to bring members together with diverse firms. Access the page by visiting accnj.org/diversity/. Access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Safety

ACCNJ Safety Council

In Bulletin 120-19, we announced our next Safety Council Meeting, to be held January 17, 2020, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Edison. At this meeting we will welcome Richard Brown, VPP Manager, US DOL OSHA. The Voluntary Protection Program (VPP), promotes effective worksite-based safety and health. Approval into VPP is OSHA's official recognition of the outstanding efforts of employers and employees who have achieved exemplary occupational safety and health. Access the bulletin and the registration form under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Safety Recognition Program

In Bulletin 121-19, we reminded members to nominate union craftworkers and company employees for the Safety Recognition Program – designed to identify individuals who have shown an exemplary commitment to or random act of safety, making them a standout for their efforts. For details on how to nominate someone, access the bulletin in the members-only section under November Bulletins at accnj.org.

AGC of America

Update on Senate Proposal for Multiemployer Pension Plan Reform

In Bulletin 126-19, we updated members on the Senate's alternative to the Butch Lewis Act, which AGC of America and ACCNJ will continue to analyze and track. For more information, access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Education & Workforce Development

Summer Internship Program Update

The application for the 2020 Construction Industry Advancement Program (CIAP) Summer Internship closed on October 15. In Bulletin 105-19, we updated Active Members on scheduled pre-interviews that will take place during November. Once the selections are made by the interviewers,

approximately 80 students will be invited to participate in the mandatory Career Fair scheduled for January 8, 2020. For additional information and how to reserve your space at the Career Fair, access Bulletin 105-19 under October Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Tuition Reimbursement Program Continued

Just a reminder, in Bulletin 26-19, we alerted Active Members that ACCNJ's Industry Advancement Trust approved continuing the 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 under February Bulletins at accnj.org.

Economics

2020 AGC of America Construction Industry Hiring and Business Outlook

In Bulletin 122-19, we asked members to participate in AGC of America's latest survey to collect input for its annual Construction Hiring and Business Outlook, a projection of construction activities and business climate for the coming year. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes. If enough New Jersey contractors respond, AGC will prepare a state-specific outlook. Access the bulletin and the survey under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

MarketCAST from Otteau Valuation Group

In Bulletin 124-19, we shared with members the quarterly report on New Jersey's construction activity from Otteau Valuation Group. For details and to read the report, access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Member News

ACCNJ Members Named Top NJ Law Firms by NJBIZ

ACCNJ is pleased to recognize Connell Foley LLP, Jersey City, and Stark & Stark, Marlton, for being recognized by NJBIZ as top New Jersey law firms.

Communications

Advertising Opportunities in *New Jersey Construction Magazine*

In Bulletin 117-19, we informed members of advertising opportunities in New Jersey Construction. As you may know, ACCNJ will begin publishing three issues of New Jersey Construction in 2020. For details and advertising information, access the bulletin under November Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Industry News

BACNJ Fairness Campaign

In an email blast accompanied by an attached letter, ACCNJ informed members the Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers have spearheaded an initiative to develop and execute a comprehensive campaign to further motivate the Governor, state agencies and legislators to take action to crack down on illegal, underground construction activity. For details and to read the letter, access the email blast and letter in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Hot Topics Recap

In November, we posted these Hot Topics at accnj.org:

- New York College Bringing Dorms to Jersey City
 - NJ DOT Awards \$161 Million in Transportation Grants
 - Elizabeth Mixed-Use Lands \$55 Million Construction Loan
 - Delco Rail Storage Gets Environmental Permits
 - NJ Airports Land Nearly \$40 Million in Infrastructure Grants
 - Metro Construction Employment Steady in October, Up in NJ
 - Franklin Square PATCO Station Gets Fed Funding
 - Carbon Reduction Facility Coming to Linden
 - Governor's EO Doubles Wind Farm Production
 - Cape May Theatre Site to Become Luxury Resort
 - Year-Over-Year, October Construction Jobs Rise Nationwide
 - Custom-Fitting Safety Harnesses for Women in Construction
 - More Pressure for School Construction Funding
 - Economists Predict Construction Spending for 2020
 - Natural Gas Facility Coming to Mantoloking Road
 - RWJBarnabas Joins Hospitals for Place-Based Investing
 - NJ Transit Seeking Public Private Partnership
 - Senators Ask for Explanation for Gateway Inaction
 - Flood Hazard Mitigation Coming to North Wildwood
 - Westhampton Warehouse Closer to Reality
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