



Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

# MONTHLY UPDATE

September 2019



## *In Case You Missed It*

Keep up with ACCNJ events and opportunities by following us on social media: [@accnjofficial](#).

*Top:* Thank you to all who sponsored, attended and supported ACCNJ's 2019 Fall Convention. We heard from speakers Jeff Otteau and Anthony Huey, escaped the rain in Haven Nightclub and enjoyed many sponsored treats, including the cigar roller pictured above!



*Middle:* ACCNJ's Diversity and Compliance Director Carol Fulton attended the Statewide Diversity Conference. Two ACCNJ members participated in panel discussions. This was the first statewide event of its kind and ACCNJ was pleased to be a part of it.



*Bottom:* ACCNJ Government Affairs Director Michael Travostino testified before the Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee concerning the Water Quality Accountability Act.



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## Labor News

All items referenced below may be accessed in the members-only section under September Bulletins at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### Labor Information Reference Binder Update

In Bulletin 99-19, we provided information on Laborers Local 78 wage & fringe benefits, effective September 1, 2019.

### Labor Information Reference Binder Update

In Bulletin 103-19, we provided members with a list of Contract Expiration Dates for the New Jersey general construction and specialty trades that has been updated as of September 2019.

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## Member News

### Welcome New Members

At the ACCNJ Board of Trustees meeting on September 12, the following companies were approved as new members:

Golden Crown Contractors, Inc., Yardville, NJ  
Rosenberg + Parker, King of Prussia, PA  
Perimeter Protection Products LLC, Middlesex, NJ  
Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers, New York, NY  
LDA Compliance Consulting, Inc., Bronx, NY  
Our Rental Pumps LLC, Farmingdale, NY

Look for a full write-up of each new member in the Fall 2019 issue of *New Jersey Construction*.

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## Economics

### MarketCAST from Otteau Valuation Group

At the ACCNJ Fall Convention, Jeff Otteau of Otteau Valuation Group presented his latest construction forecast. In Bulletin 100-19, we distributed to members Otteau Group's PowerPoint presentation and posted it under Industry Studies in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

Jeff Otteau of Otteau Valuation Group presents his latest construction forecast at ACCNJ's Fall Convention.



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## *Diversity and Compliance*

### **Uniform Certification Service Portal for SMWVBEs**

In Bulletin 102-19, we informed members of the creation of a new web-based portal, the Uniform Certification Service (UCS), that now allows small, minority, women and veteran-owned business enterprises (SMWVBEs) to more easily become certified and compete for state contracts with the Department of Treasury. Access the bulletin under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **ACCNJ Diversity and Compliance Director Presents on Panel**

ACCNJ Diversity and Compliance Director Carol Fulton presented on a panel for the African American Chamber of Commerce, where she explained the importance of finding qualified SMWVDBEs in the construction industry.



Carol Fulton, (second from the left), sits on African American Chamber of Commerce Panel.

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## *Safety*

### **ACCNJ Safety Council Meeting**

In Bulletin 88-19, we informed members of ACCNJ's next Safety Council Meeting, October 18, 2019, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Edison. In October, we will welcome Margaret "Peg" Chandler Neville, REHS, subject matter expert on Asbestos, Lead and Silica Exposure, with ACCNJ Member HazTek Inc. Ms. Neville is a NJ Licensed Lead Inspector/Lead Risk Assessor. Her presentation

will cover Occupational Take-Home Lead (Leave Your Job at Work!), Potential Health Effects of Lead, New and Emerging Lead Regulations (state and federal, including EDA, HUD and OSHA) and Protecting Everyone from Lead Exposure through Awareness (lead in drinking water, cutting lead pipes, melting lead/torch use on leaded components and contaminated consumer products). For more information and to register, access the bulletin in the members-only section under August Bulletins at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **ACCNJ Safety Recognition Program**

In Bulletin 89-19, 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 August Bulletins at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org). The most recent recipient was Keith McGrath of Railroad Construction Company and a member of Laborers Local No. 472. Congratulations, Keith!

### **OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Course**

ACCNJ will host an OSHA 30-hour Construction Safety Course November 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2019 (consecutive Tuesdays), at the Association Office in Edison, NJ. This course will cover OSHA policies, procedures and standards, as well as construction safety and health principles. For details and registration information, access the bulletin under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **811 Underground Utility Safety and Damage Prevention Program Published**

In Bulletin 98-19, we alerted members that the Utility Infrastructure Division (UID) has published its Elements of an Effective Underground Utility Safety and Damage Prevention Program. The document, developed in concert with AGC's Highway & Transportation Division, will help contractors improve and memorialize their overall underground utility safety and damage prevention/811 program. For details, access the bulletin in the members-only section under September Bulletins at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***ACCNJ Events***

### **2019 ACCNJ Diversity Conference – *Register Now***

Registration is open for the ACCNJ 2019 Diversity Conference on Thursday, October 10, 2019, at the Northeast Carpenters Apprentice Training Center in Edison. For registration information, please call the Association Office.

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## ***Education & Workforce Development***

**Summer Internship Program – Online Application Now Open!**

The application for the 2020 Summer internship through the Construction Industry Advancement Program (CIAP) is now open. If you know students you would like to refer to the program, direct them to [www.ciapofnj.org](http://www.ciapofnj.org). Access Bulletin 97-19 under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Tuition Reimbursement Program Continued**

Just a reminder, in Bulletin 26-19, we alerted Active Members that ACCNJ's Industry Advancement Trust has 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](http://accnj.org).

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## ***Communications***

### **2020 New Jersey Construction Update**

In Bulletin 91-19, we announced to members ACCNJ will begin publishing three issues of *New Jersey Construction* in 2020. We will no longer distribute the industry update. This will allow for Association events and industry news to be relayed in a timely manner and in a publication receiving equal recognition. For details, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Seeking Member News**

In Bulletin 96-19, we asked members to contribute news and information for ACCNJ's Fall 2019 issue of *New Jersey Construction*. ACCNJ is looking for in-house news of awards, projects, people and events as well as volunteer activities. For details and how to contribute, access the bulletin under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***Programs and Events***

### **Year-End Journal**

In Bulletin 101-19, we informed members of the opportunity to support the Association through a Souvenir Journal, which will be distributed at our December Membership Meeting. Access the bulletin under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***School Construction***

### **Referendum Results from September 24, 2019**

In Bulletin 104-19, we distributed to members the results of the special school construction referenda held September 24, 2019. Access the bulletin under

## *Resumes and Positions Available*

### **Resume Available**

ACCNJ has obtained the following resume from an individual seeking employment:

- Recent graduate from the Rowan University Rohrer College of Business with a Bachelor of Science in Finance.
- Honor Society member with leadership and work experience

For a copy of this resume, please contact the Association Office.

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## *Industry Events*

### **GBCA Construction Technology Expo**

On Tuesday, October 29, 2019, the General Building Contractors Association will host a Construction Technology Expo at the Penn State Navy Yard in Philadelphia. The GBCA kindly extends the invitation to ACCNJ members. Access the flyer under September Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **National Apprenticeship Week**

The 5th Annual National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) will take place November 11-17, 2019. NAW is a nationwide celebration established by the US Department of Labor that brings together leaders in business, labor, educational institutions and Americans interested in apprenticeships to showcase the positive impact of apprenticeship programs on closing the skills gap and preparing the American workforce for the jobs of today and tomorrow. Visit <https://www.apprenticeship.gov/national-apprenticeship-week> for details and how to get involve

### **Bluebeam Revu for Takeoff and Estimating Online Course**

ACCNJ member ZenTek Consultants, a certified Bluebeam Partner, is offering a Bluebeam Revu for Takeoff and Estimating online course for ACCNJ members in October and November 2019. This eight-hour program is delivered in four two-hour online sessions. A live instructor will explain the detailed functions and address questions as the class progresses. For details and registration, visit:

<https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/7942930674476554241>

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## *Hot Topics Recap*

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

- FHWA Awards \$100 Million in Extra Funding to NJDOT

- Scalia Confirmed as US Labor Secretary
  - Ørsted Chooses Next-Gen Turbines for AC Wind Farm
  - August Construction Jobs Hold Steady
  - New OSHA Construction Director Appointed
  - Prevailing Wage Violator: Stop Work Orders Issued
  - New EMS Building Scheduled for Mount Laurel
  - After Big Increases Last Year, Construction Materials Prices Drop in August
  - Jersey City Building State's Largest Movie Studio
  - Misclassification Enforcement: Violator to Pay Back \$1.25 Million
  - Springfield Eyes Old Saks Fifth Ave Store for Mixed-Use
  - Pemberton Approves Construction of Large Warehouse
  - Palisades Park Proposes \$63 Million Schools Upgrade
  - Stratford to Replace Laurel Mills Shopping Center
  - Schiff Foods Plans Expansion with New Acquisition
  - Stevens Institute Lands \$270 Million for Student Structures
  - Metro Construction Employment Holds Steady in July
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