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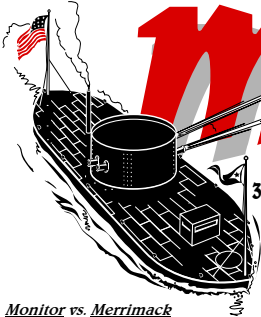
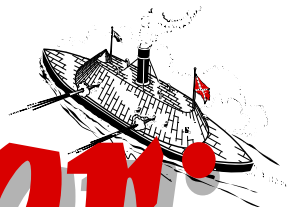
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Monitor vs. Merrimack
March 9, 1862,
Hampton Roads, Virginia



A Few Words From . . .

JEFF HESTER

President, FCA of Chicago

WINTER IS ON THE WAY!

October is here and we are starting to feel the chill of winter in the air. Along with that comes the end of our calendar year and the hope of a new Spring. However, first things first.

At our September General Membership Meeting our Association took care of some important business prior to enjoying a fun evening with former Pro football player, Jim Miller. The Nominating Committee announced four Candidates to fill the four vacant FCAC Board of Directors positions. The nominees are Roy Dennis (Midwest Decorating), Sam Hart (National Decorating Service), Jim Sourbis, Jr. (CL Coatings), and Mark Zamiar (Lankford Construction). These men are stepping up to help our Association move into a brighter, more profitable future. Since there were no nominations from the Floor, these men will be elected at the December 12, 2012, General Membership Meeting/Christmas Luncheon, and be sworn in at the President's Night Dinner on Friday, January 18, 2013.

As FCAC President, I feel it is important to share educational events that concern our Contractors. This one really hits home - "Safety." FCAI is offering a one-day Safety Seminar on Wednesday, November 7, 2012, and DC14 Signatories are welcome to attend. It covers every aspect of the rules, paperwork, and how to comply with OSHA regulations, and promises to be very informative. I urge our Contractor Members to attend or send the person in charge of your company's Safety Program. To register, call FCAI at 630/264-7880.

More... →

September 12, 2012 ○ Maggiano's Little Italy ○ Chicago

JIM MILLER DRAWS THEM IN AT FCAC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Chicago Bears great Jim Miller appeared as the keynote speaker at the September 12th FCAC General Membership Meeting held at Maggiano's Little Italy in Chicago. The former NFL Quarterback shared his stories of the gridiron and fielded lots of questions from Contractors, Painters, and Vendors alike. Jim played on the Bears starting line-up from 1999 through 2002 when he suffered a shoulder injury in the NFC Divisional Playoffs against the Philadelphia Eagles. Miller currently serves as an analyst on the Bears Postgame Live on CSN Chicago.



Ninety guests filled Maggiano's Dining Room to listen to former Chicago Bear Quarterback, Jim Miller, relate locker room anecdotes giving a behind the scenes view of the NFL in the early 2000's. Jim proceeded to answer questions about past and present football personalities, remaining well after the dinner to sign autographs and visit.



WELFARE FUND REPORT

Financial Reports for the Health & Welfare Fund for August, 2012 indicated that Ordinary Income of \$3,228,159.70 plus Investment Income of \$821,288.12 minus Expenses of \$2,864,157.90 yielded a Net Income of \$1,185,289.92.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$13,117,018.46 plus Investment Income of \$984,787.58 minus Expenses of \$10,945,605.53 yielded a Net Income of \$3,156,200.51.

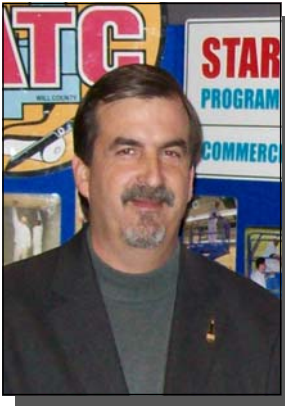
The Fund Value as of 08/31/12 was \$104,416,000.41.

PENSION FUND REPORT

Financial Reports for the Pension Fund indicated for August, 2012 indicated that Ordinary Income of \$2,924,535.92 plus Investment Income of \$7,651,717.05 minus Expenses of \$3,356,328.30 yielded a Net Income of \$7,219,923.97.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$14,898,777.41 plus Investment Income of \$7,121,304.56 minus Expenses of \$17,426,538.01 yielded a Net Income of \$4,593,543.96.

The Fund Value as of 08/31/12 was \$561,794,815.81.



News From The Apprentice School...

By **ED BOGDAN**, Apprentice Training Coordinator

Financial Reports for August, 2012, indicate that Ordinary Income of \$157,111.89 plus Investment Income of \$38,291.93 minus Expenses of \$223,363.96 yielded a Net Income of (\$27,960.14).

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$1,205,178.88 plus Investment Income of 266,603.09 minus Expenses of \$1,166,764.03 yielded a Total Net Income of \$305,017.94. The JATC Fund Value as of 08/31/12 was \$4,977,936.42.

Contractors & Associates Are Cordially Invited to Attend the FCAC Christmas Luncheon!

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Maggiano's Little Italy

1901 E. Woodfield Road, Schaumburg

- 11:30 am Reception
- 12:00 pm Family-Style Lunch
- 1:00 pm Membership Meeting
 - Vote on Proposed Bylaw Changes
 - Election of New Directors

Please R.S.V.P. Your Reservations by Friday, 12/7/12 to 630/393-1313, or Register On-Line at www.chicagopdcafa.org



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Associates Christmas Luncheon

Friday, December 7, 2012

GREEK ISLANDS

300 East 22nd Street, Lombard

11:30 AM Reception

12:00 PM Lunch

Two Free Lunches Per Company, For Associates Only!

Please R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, 12/4/12 to 630/393-1313, or Register On-Line at www.chicagopdcafa.org



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XIM PRODUCTS
Westlake, OH ☐ 800/262-0469

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Vernon Hills ☐ 630/240-9135

CUSTOMER TESTIMONIALS NEEDED

The Finishing Chicago Marketing Office needs customer testimonials and project photos for the new FinishingChicago.com customer website. Here is the process.

- The FCAC Contractor provides the Finishing Chicago Marketing Office with the Customer contact information.
- A Copywriter will contact the Customer to conduct an interview & write the testimonial.
- The completed testimonial & a release form are sent back to your Customer for approval.
- Your Company receives a free, professionally-written testimonial for inclusion in your marketing efforts.

To participate, call Clark Johnson at 630/258-3718 or email him at clarkj@finishingchicago.com.

And now for some encouraging news. The latest IAF contributions report shows one of the biggest up turns in a long time. In fact, the year-to-date hours report shows a double-digit percentage increase over the same period last year. This is good to see but I will be sold when we see an increase in hours for everyone, and a decrease in DC14 Painters who are unemployed. The way I look at it, if all available DC14 Painters are working everyday and

the Contractors are making a nice profit, then everyone will be happy. For now, it's nice to see this kind of an upswing.

Now I want to talk to the Contractors.... Our Association has been going through some big changes and with that our plans are to better this Industry. It's time to stand up as FCAC Contractors and have your voice heard. The few I have talked to have given me great hope

for the future of our Industry. We are planning for the future and want your ideas, changes, and any input you may have. Without your input and support, we are on our own as a Board. Please call me or anyone on the Executive Board and help us shape our future

Hope to talk to all of you soon.

Until Later,

Jeff