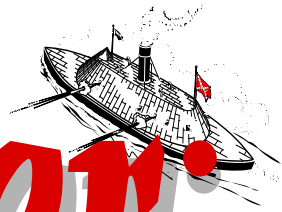
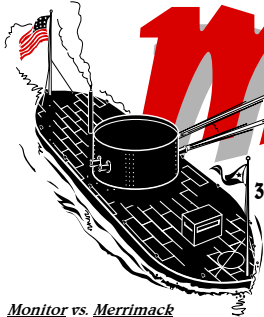


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A Few
Words
From ...

JEFF HESTER President, FCA of Chicago

Where has Summer gone? I look around and find the yard suddenly full of leaves, then recall how we've been enjoying such mild weather right into Fall.

It's been quite busy at work, more so than in recent years, and the hours reports indicate that business is improving. In fact, hours jumped this Summer to the best levels we've seen in a couple of years. Let's hope the trend continues into the Winter months.

We had a fantastic turnout for the Fall General Membership Meeting at Maggiano's in Chicago on September 11th...and I hope you were able to join the fun. A capacity crowd spent an evening highlighted by a super meal and an energized speaker... Blackhawks great Eddie Olczyk. It was one of the best sports celebrity programs we've ever had.

It's time to sign up for the Annual Finishing Industry Forum in Las Vegas, which will take place at a new venue this year, moving to the Mirage on December 8-11, 2013. FIF is presented by the Labor-Management Cooperation Initiative (LMCI) which is a partnership of FCA International and the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades. It always features informative programs on topics of current interest to finishing contractors, dynamic professional speakers, and the opportunity to rub shoulders with your counterparts from across the country. Mark your calendars to save the dates, and watch your mail for an official invitation from LMCI.

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Over 120 FCAC Contractors and Associates gathered at Maggiano's Little Italy in Chicago to hear Chicago Blackhawks veteran Eddie Olczyk entertain at the September 11th FCAC General Membership Meeting.

Eddie-O began his NHL career in 1984 as an 18-year old with his hometown Chicago Blackhawks. Over the next 16 years, Olczyk scored 342 goals and recorded 794 points in his professional hockey career, winning a Stanley Cup with the Rangers in 1994. On July 11, 2012, Olczyk became the 16th Blackhawk voted into the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame.

Following his playing career, Olczyk embarked on a second career as a Broadcaster, and is currently in his seventh season as the Television Color Analyst for Blackhawks hockey on Comcast SportNet Chicago and WGN-TV Channel 9.

Eddie's presentation combined the right amount of humor, candor, and insider perspective to hold the crowd in rapt attention, and he remained long after the dinner to sign autographs and visit.

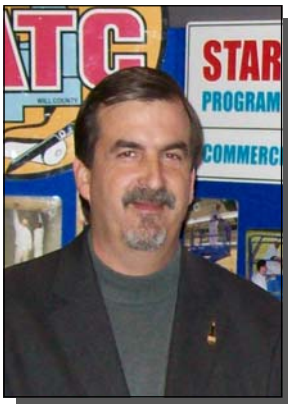


Above: FCAC Board Member, Chuck Kakos, (The Levy Company) shakes hands with Eddie Olczyk as Joe Golminas (The Levy Company) looks on.

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News From The Apprentice School...

By ED BOGDAN, Apprentice Training Coordinator

Financial Reports for August, 2013, indicated that Ordinary Income of \$170,123.07 plus Investment Income of (\$43,746.53) minus Expenses of \$218,488.90 yielded a Net Income of (\$92,112.36).

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$1,305,971.76 plus Investment Income of \$10,037.63 minus Expenses of \$1,247,056.90 yielded a Total Net Income of \$68,952.49.

The JATC Fund Value as of 8/31/13 was \$5,311,783.22.

OSHA HAZCOM UPDATE

New changes to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard are bringing the United States into alignment with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS), further improving safety and health protections for America's workers. Building on the success of OSHA's current Hazard Communication Standard, the GHS is expected to prevent injuries and illnesses, save lives and improve trade conditions for chemical manufacturers. The Hazard Communication Standard in 1983 gave the workers the 'right to know,' but the new Globally Harmonized System gives workers the 'right to understand.'

The new hazard communication standard still requires chemical manufacturers and importers to evaluate the chemicals they produce or import and provide hazard information to employers and workers by putting labels on containers and preparing safety data sheets. However, the old standard allowed chemical manufacturers and importers to convey hazard information on labels and material safety data sheets in whatever format they chose. The modified standard provides a single set of harmonized criteria for classifying chemicals according to their health and physical hazards and specifies hazard communication elements for labeling and safety data sheets.

Major Changes to the Hazard Communication Standard

Hazard classification: Chemical manufacturers and importers are required to determine the hazards of the chemicals they produce or import. Hazard classification under the new, updated standard provides specific criteria to address health and physical hazards as well as classification of chemical mixtures.

Labels: Chemical manufacturers and importers must provide a label that includes a signal word, pictogram, hazard statement, and precautionary statement for each hazard class and category.

Safety Data Sheets: The new format requires 16 specific sections, ensuring consistency in presentation of important protection information.

Information and training: To facilitate understanding of the new system, the new standard requires that workers be trained by December 1, 2013 on the new label elements and safety data sheet format, in addition to the current training requirements.

What employers need to do and when:

- Train employees on the new label elements and SDS format by December 1, 2013.
- Comply with all modified provisions of this final rule by June 1, 2015, except: Distributors may ship products labeled by manufacturers under the old system until December 1, 2015.
- Update alternative workplace labeling and hazard communication program as necessary, and provide additional employee training for newly identified physical or health hazards by June 1, 2016.
- During the transition period employers must comply with either 29 CFR 1910.1200 (this final standard), or the current standard, or both.

KRAWIEC NEW OSHA MASTER TRAINER



Mike Krawiec, Instructor at Painters District Council #14 JATC/DFTC Apprentice School in Berkeley has become an OSHA Master Trainer for the Finishing Trades Institute. FTI is the professional training agency for IUPAT, the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades.

Mike's responsibilities in his new role include conducting and overseeing OSHA 500, OSHA 502, and OSHA 510 training courses for instructors at the Finishing Trades Institute, as well as assisting in the development of other Health and Safety courses.

Mike notes, "It is an honor to receive this recognition from IUPAT and FTI, and I must express great appreciation to our JATC-DFTC Committee and Terry Fitzmaurice for allowing me to pursue this continuing education opportunity. It will support our mission of bringing state-of-the-art training to our members and contractors."



Hosted by LMCI, the Labor-Management Cooperation Initiative, the Finishing Industries Forum takes place at The Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas this coming December 8-11, 2013. Register online at www.lmcionline.org.

9-11-13 FCAC General Membership Meeting



Far Left: FCAC President Jeff Hester called for a few moments of silence in memory of the Americans who lost their lives on 9-11-01, then lead guests in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Near left: FCAC Board Member and Nominating Committee Chair, Miles Beatty, announced the slate of nominees for the open FCAC Officer and Director positions.

Below: No FCAC membership meeting would be complete without a toast by Mark Clemens (All-Tech Decorating); this one honoring the fallen heroes of 9/11/01.



You'll come home from the FIF just in time for our own FCAC Christmas Luncheon, planned to be held at Maggiano's in Schaumburg on Thursday, December 12, 2013, beginning at 11:30 AM. Always a festive occasion, the Christmas meeting also features our annual election of Officers and Directors. A slate of nominees was presented at the September meeting, including myself for another term as President and returning Don Steadman as Vice President, Tom Tyrakowski as Secretary, and Scott Hall as Treasurer.

Directors returning for another three-year term include Tony Bochniak and Hugh Williams.

Time is running out to take advantage of the 50/50 Fall Clothing Deal for FCAC Contractors and IAF Signatories. Through November 30th, you can order quantities of shirts, hooded sweatshirts, jackets, and caps bearing your company logo for half price. Our company is placing a nice order, and I recommend it as a good deal.

Finally, we have learned that LMCI is seeking Chicago area "marquee projects" to promote in a special video being prepared for presentation at the Finishing Industry Forum. Call Clark Johnson at 630/258-3718 to get on board with this great promotional opportunity if you have a major project currently under way.

That's it for now...

Until Later,

Jeff

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



Thursday, December 12, 2013

Maggiano's Little Italy
1901 E. Woodfield Road, Schaumburg

Please R.S.V.P. Your Reservations by Friday, 12/9/13 to 630/393-1313, or Register On-Line at www.chicagopdcafc.org

- 11:30 am Reception
- 12:00 pm Family-Style Lunch
- 1:00 pm Membership Meeting

Associates Christmas Luncheon

Friday, December 6, 2013

GREEK ISLANDS

300 East 22nd Street, Lombard
11:30 AM Reception ○ 12:00 PM Lunch
Two Free Lunches Per Company,
Attendance Limited To Associates Only!



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WELFARE FUND REPORT

Financial Reports for the Health & Welfare Fund for August, 2013, indicated that Ordinary Income of \$3,725,173.28 plus Investment Income of \$1,298,712.78 minus Expenses of \$3,580,069.23 yielded a Net Income of \$1,443,816.83.

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$14,275,723.55 plus Investment Income of \$871,843.20 minus Expenses of \$13,719,808.12 yielded a Net Income of \$1,427,758.63.

The Fund Value as of 8/31/13 was \$116,786,869.69.

PENSION FUND REPORT

Financial Reports for the Pension Fund for August, 2013, indicated that Ordinary Income of \$3,198,582.30 plus Investment Income of (\$1,414,604.27) minus Expenses of \$3,820,147.60 yielded a Net Income of (\$2,036,169.57).

For the Fiscal Year-to-Date, Ordinary Income of \$15,834,567.26 plus Investment Income of \$17,810,956.17 minus Expenses of \$18,425,800.27 yielded a Net Income of \$15,219,723.16.

The Fund Value as of 8/31/13 was \$622,654,323.79.



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