“ADULTS ONLY”
Christmas Party Information

The Christmas party for Anchorage locals (Locals 1281, 1501, and 2520) will be held at the Hilton Hotel on Friday, December 8th at 6:00 PM. Tickets are $5.00 each and go on sale from November 1st through December 4th at Carpenters Local 1281’s office. There will be a door prize drawing and you must be present to win. Local 1281 will also be holding their pinning ceremony at the party. Watch for your invitation in the mail.

The Christmas party and Annual Pinning Ceremony for Fairbanks Local 1243 (and other Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters members living in the area) will be at the Westmark Gold Room on Friday, December 22nd from 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM. Tickets go on sale from December 1st through December 20th at the Fairbanks Carpenters Hall.

As a friendly reminder, please do not bring your children to these parties. They are for adults only and it is not appropriate to bring your children. Carpenters Local 1281 (for their membership) will be holding a party just for the kids, please see the article below for more information.

There will be a Christmas party for the Juneau area members, however, they are still working out the details—watch for an invitation in the mail!

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KIDS Christmas Party

Carpenters Local 1281’s “Kids” Christmas party will be held at the Carpenters Hall in Anchorage on Saturday, December 16th. The festivities will begin at 12:00 PM and will end at 3:00 PM. Along with pizza and soda, Santa will also be there!
There have been a number of recent changes in the Alaska Regional Council to expand the statewide presence of Carpenters, Millwrights, Piledrivers and Divers.

David Robinson (pictured right), formerly the Business Manager of Piledrivers and Divers Local 2520, is now the statewide Director of Organizing. His duties include marketing the ARCC to non-union contractors and workers, coordinating campaigns to encourage membership growth and contractor participation, and assist all Locals with their organizing needs.

Steve Abel (pictured right), has been hired as the new Business Manager for Piledrivers and Divers Local 2520. Steve first joined Local 2520 as an apprentice in 1974. He received a Bachelors of Business Administration from the University of Texas. Although he enjoys his new position, Steve comments, “This job is a lot more than I thought it would be. It definitely is a 24-7 job.”

The Mat-Su valley has long been recognized as one of the fastest growing areas in the state and perhaps the nation. It is also considered one of the major breeding grounds in Alaska for non-union contractors. The ARCC is pleased to announce the opening of a new office in between Wasilla and Palmer on the Palmer/Wasilla Highway at 601 Bunker Hill Street. The office will offer limited membership services, act as a base of organizing efforts and provide a meeting place for members and training efforts. This is part of the commitment the ARCC has to being involved in the communities where our members live. The Mat-Su office is also hosting Quantum Health’s cooking classes for cancer patients and their families on Tuesday mornings.

By now you should have seen the ARCC commercials promoting our skilled hands to contractors and encouraging non-union workers to seek us out. The commercials primarily air on FOX, CBS, and cable stations. As soon as possible, we hope to have the commercials on the website at www.ubcalaska.org. The website also hosts contact information for all Locals and training centers.

A Millwright Training Center through the Northern Training Center has been opened on the Kenai Peninsula off of Kalifornsky Beach Road near the college in Soldotna. This Training Center hosts a Solar Saturn gas turbine, Elliot stream turbine, and a recently donated Flowserve Acrylic Pump and Seal Demonstrator from the UBC. In addition to the regular training curriculum, the instructors are developing recip compression training with Dresser Rand FSS and a dry gas seal with Pro-Seal.

ATTENTION CARPENTERS LOCAL 1281 MEMBERS

The Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters anticipates hiring a Business Representative to work out of Carpenters Local 1281. Qualifications include being in good standing for one year or more, self motivated, some computer experience, good people skills, and a desire to serve and represent the members of Local 1281. This may be a full time permanent position. Please submit an application with the ARCC or call the ARCC office as soon as possible.
Bush Order Furniture-10% Discount  
3005 Spenard Rd - 569-2874  
www.bushorderfurniture.com

Superior Coatings Company-10% Discount  
Toughen Anything With a Powder Coating  
Fairbanks Location  
Contact Allan Snider - (907) 452-6969  
Member Owned and Operated

Prism Optical, Inc.-20% Discount After Insurance  
Discount Eye Services - (907) 770-7747

Happy Valley Bed & Breakfast-20% Discount  
Ninilchik & Anchor Point Areas - Lodging & Charter  
Referrals / Website: www.happyvalleybb.com  
Contact Robert or Teresa Sullivan - (907) 567-3648  
Member Owned and Operated

Sunrise Mountain Lodge & Cabins-15% Discount  
Anchor Point Area - Lodging & Charters  
Contact Steve Adams - (877) 425-KING  
1/2 and Full Day Rates Available  
Member Owned and Operated

Alaskan Rivers & Seas Fishing Guide-10% Discount  
Kenai Peninsula Area  
Contact Melvin Forsyth - (907) 262-4015  
Member Owned and Operated

Last Frontier Adventures-10% Discount (Charters)  
Seward Area - Fishing/Sightseeing  
 Lodging Available  
Contact Shane Voliva - (907) 240-8318

Vehicle Insurance  
GMAC - (800) 847-2886  
Give the Representative at GMAC the Savings Code of CU25 to receive your special rate

Fish Alaska Magazine-10% Discount  
Alaskan Made Fishing Magazine  
Contact Melissa Norris - (907) 345-4337

Army Navy Store-10% Discount (Excludes Sale Items)  
320 W. 4th Avenue, Anchorage Location

Alaska Industrial Hardware (AIH)-10% Discount  
Anchorage’s Old Seward Highway  
and Mt. View Locations

Jason Pepperd, D.C.-Discounted Chiropractic Services  
For ARCC Members and Their Families  
Alpine Chiropractic  
833 Commercial Drive, Wasilla Location  
Contact Alpine/Jason Pepperd - (907) 376-2475  
Offer: $47.00 Initial Visit. Includes Complete Medical History, Examination, X-rays (if necessary) and Report of Findings  
Jason Pepperd is the only doctor at Alpine honoring this discount. Please mention his name and your affiliation when scheduling to receive discount

Residential Mortgage LLC  
100 Calais Drive, Anchorage Location  
Contact J.D. Mechem - (907) 222-8827  
or toll free worldwide at 1-866-880-8827  
Discounts include a free credit report and 25% off the loan origination fee

Sun Solution-10% Discount On Minutes Pkgs & Lotion  
5011 Arctic Blvd. - (907) 349-2659

Carter & Associates, LLC—15% Discount on Tax Prep Services  
4300 B Street, Suite 507, Anchorage  
Also, setting up your LLC (Limited Liability Company) and forming a S-Corporation as your taxing status has distinct advantages. Call me today!  
Contact Bob Nicoll at (907) 561-3871

Tub Armor of Alaska—15% Discount on Bathtub Liners  
Reduce your work on installing a new bathtub/shower over your existing bathtub/shower!  
Contact Joseph Mooney at (907) 272-0740

**Please show your UBC membership card and I.D. to the above vendors as proof of Union affiliation**
DID YOU REMEMBER TO DO THIS?

If you have not filled out the enrollment/beneficiary designation form sent to you by the trust office in July, please do so. These forms are available at the Local offices. If you have experienced any difficulty with health benefit issues, it may be as a result of not having filled out this form. Also if you move, have a new beneficiary (get married/divorced or have a new baby), etc., please be sure to fill out a new form and send it in to the trust office as soon as possible. Please keep in mind that the trust only knows what you tell them about you via the beneficiary form.
Are you in need of more skills or just needing to brush up?

The ARCC Apprenticeships are now offering their upgrade classes to all ARCC members. Below is a “quick” listing of the classes and what area they are being held in. Due to the different requirements for each Apprenticeship and the classes they hold, please contact them to get detailed information on each class.

**Northern Alaska Training Center (Fairbanks Area)**

- **Forklift (8 Hour Course)**  
  November 14—16, 2006
- **Construction Worker Safety (OSHA 10) (10 Hour Course)**  
  November 18, 2006
- **First Aid / CPR (10 Hour Course)**  
  December 16, 2006
- **Building Codes-Residential & Light Commercial (8 Hour Course)**  
  December 9, 2006 (add'l $30.00 Book Fee)
- **Millwrights Training Schedule**  
  coming soon...

Please contact Lou Katzenberger with any questions, on their upcoming classes.

**Southern Alaska Carpenters Training Center (Anchorage Area)**

- **Scaffold Erectors Certification (16 Hour Course)**  
  November 15—18, 2006
- **Optical Instrument, Builders Level (12 Hour Course)**  
  November 28—29, 2006 and December 5—6, 2006
- **Plastic Laminates Countertops (14 Hour Course)**  
  January 11—13, 2007
- **Advanced Math, Trigonometry and Radius Layout (9 Hour Course)**  
  January 16—18, 2007
- **Door Hardware, Locksets (14 Hour Course)**  
  January 18—20, 2007
- **Wood Stair Math (12 Hour Course)**  
  January 23, 24, 30 & 31, 2007
- **Door Hardware, Exit Devices (14 Hour Course)**  
  February 1—3, 2007
- **Metal Studs (16 Hour Course)**  
  February 7—10, 2007
- **Total Station (Theodolite) (12 Hour Course)**  
  February 13, 14, 20 & 21, 2007
- **Advanced Total Station (12 Hour Course)**  
  March 6, 7, 13 & 14, 2007
- **Door Hardware, Ingersoll Rand Installation Certification (24 Hour Course)**  
  March 8, 9, 10, 16 & 17, 2007
- **Scaffold Erectors Certification (16 Hour Course)**  
  April 4—7, 2007
- **Print Reading (40 Hour Course)**  
  November 20—24, 2006
- **Certified Rigging (32 Hour Course)**  
  April 9—12, 2007
- **Concrete & Formwork (40 Hour Course)**  
  February 12—16, 2007
- **Drafting (40 Hour Course)**  
  December 4—8, 2006
- **Fall Protection (16 Hour Course)**  
  April 23—24, 2007
- **Builders Level & Transit (32 Hour Course)**  
  February 20—23, 2007
- **Aerial Lift (8 Hour Course)**  
  April 19, 2007

**Alaska Piledrivers and Divers Joint Training Program (Anchorage Area)**

- **Printing (40 Hour Course)**  
  April 20, 2007
- **OSHA 10 (16 Hour Course)**  
  April 16—17, 2007
- **Piledriving (16 Hour Course)**  
  April 5—6, 2007
- **Tools, Materials, Ethics & History of the Trade (24 Hour Course)**  
  April 2—4, 2007
- **Traffic Control (8 Hour Course)**  
  April 14, 2007
- **Welding Procedures & Specifications (40 Hour Course)**  
  January 8—12, 2007

Other Classes being offered year round are as follows:

- Basic Mathematics
- Confined Space
- First Aid/CPR
- Hazardous Materials -40 Hr Course
- Hazardous Materials -8 Hr Course
- Powder Actuated Tools
- Welding

Some classes have certain specifications, please be sure to contact your local Apprenticeship if you are interested in taking any of the courses offered by the UBC.
The Statewide election is November 7, 2006. There are many good candidates that support the working men and women of Alaska. These are the people that support you, that believe in a fair day’s pay for a fair day’s work. The ARCC is proud to announce their support of the following candidates:

**STATEWIDE**

**US HOUSE**
DON YOUNG (R)
What can we say? He keeps delivering projects for Alaska and is a strong supporter of Davis Bacon and workers’ rights.

**GOVERNOR**
KNOWLES/BERKOWITZ (D)
Tony Knowles and Ethan Berkowitz have been long supporters of workers rights, livable wages and capital projects. If a Gas Line is to be built, Knowles probably stands the best chance of getting an agreement. Although the other candidates have compelling reasons to support them, the ARCC sees the experience and longtime carpenter supporter to have the edge. Sarah Palin comes from a union family and has expressed the strongest commitment of all the candidates on building the Knik Arm Bridge and the Gravina Bridge. Andrew Haltero speaks eloquently of his vision of Alaska and has obviously put a lot of thought into many of our issues. All promise to oppose right to work legislation and listen to union issues. All candidates met with the Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters and were knowledgeable on issues important to us.

**SENATE AND HOUSE**

All forty House seats are up for election every two years. Ten of the twenty Senate seats are up for election every two years. This year has many candidates that have worked in Labor including Bill Wielechowski (State employee), Harry Crawford (Ironworker), Bob Buch (Plumber), Valerie Baffone (Laborers and Nurses Association), Chris Tuck (Electrician), Joe Thomas (Laborer), and David Guttenberg (Laborer). These are hard working people that understand our issues and need our support.

**ANCHORAGE AREA**

| Senate District J | Bill Wielechowski (D) |
| Senate District N | Leslie McGuire (R) |
| House District 17 | No endorsement |
| House District 19 | Mary Pedlow (D) |
| House District 21 | Harry Crawford (D) |
| House District 23 | Les Gara (D) |
| House District 25 | Mike Doogan (D) |
| House District 27 | Bob Buch (D) |
| House District 29 | Chris Tuck (D) |
| House District 31 | Bob Lynn (R) |
| Senate District L | Johnny Ellis (D) |
| Senate District P | Max Roberts (D) |
| House District 18 | Nancy Dahlstrom (R) |
| House District 20 | Max Gruenberg (D) |
| House District 22 | Sharon Cissna (D) |
| House District 24 | Berta Gardner (D) |
| House District 26 | Lindsey Holmes (D) |
| House District 28 | Valerie Baffone (D) |
| House District 30 | Kevin Meyer (R) |
| House District 32 | Pat Abney (D) |

**FAIRBANKS AREA**

| Senate District D | Joe Thomas (D) |
| House District 7 | No endorsement |
| House District 9 | Scott Kawasaki (D) |
| House District 11 | No endorsement |
| Senate District F | No endorsement |
| House District 8 | David Guttenberg (D) |
| House District 10 | No endorsement |

**KENAI PENINSULA**

| House District 33 | No endorsement |
| House District 35 | Anthony Sieminski (D) |
| House District 34 | No endorsement |
| House District 36 | Gabrielle LeDoux (R) |

**KODIAK**

| Senate District R | Charles Davidson (D) |
| House District 12 | William Johnson (D) |
| House District 14 | Katie Hurley (D) |
| House District 16 | No endorsement |
| House District 36 | Gabrielle LeDoux (R) |

**MAT-SU VALLEY**

| Senate District S | No endorsement |
| House District 37 | Bryce Edgmon (D) |
| House District 39 | Richard Foster (D) |
| House District 6 | Woodie Salmon (D) |
| House District 38 | Mary Kapsner (D) |
| House District 40 | Reggie Joule (D) |
| Senate District 1 | No Endorsement |
| House District 2 | Beth Kerttula (D) |
| House District 4 | Randy Wanamaker (R) |
| House District 5 | Aaron Isaacs (D) |

**NORTHERN AND WESTERN ALASKA**

| Senate District A | No endorsement |
| House District 1 | No Endorsement |
| House District 2 | Jay Stelzenmuller (D) |
| House District 4 | Kim Elton (D) |
| House District 5 | Beth Kerttula (D) |
| House District 6 | Woodie Salmon (D) |
| House District 7 | Mary Kapsner (D) |
| House District 8 | Reggie Joule (D) |

**SOUTHEAST**

| Senate District B | No Endorsement |
| House District 2 | Jay Stelzenmuller (D) |
| House District 4 | Randy Wanamaker (R) |
| House District 5 | Aaron Isaacs (D) |

PLEASE VOTE. Many of the elections in Alaska have been decided by a handful of votes. During the Primary election one contest was tied and had to be decided by a coin toss. Every vote counts.
AFL/CIO HONORS ARCC CARPENTERS
DWAYNE CARLSON AND DAN HOFFMAN RECEIVE AWARDS

The Alaska AFL/CIO bestowed one of their highest honors to Dwayne Carlson and Dan Hoffman.

Dwayne Carlson, former Carpenters Local 1281 member and longtime political activist, was selected to receive the Alaska AFL/CIO’s 2006 Robert A. McFarland Award in recognition of a lifetime of service to the labor movement in Alaska. Dwayne stated that he was humbled to receive such an honor and is touched that people still remember him.

Dan Hoffman, former Training Coordinator for the Fairbanks Training Center, was also a recipient of the Alaska AFL/CIO’s 2006 Robert A. McFarland Award in recognition of a lifetime of service to the labor movement in Alaska. Dan is a 44 year member of the UBC, serving 38 of those years in Alaska. He was the Fairbanks Training Coordinator for twenty years and is still an active member of Local 1243.

Honorees were presented with their awards at the Alaska AFL/CIO’s Biennial Convention Dinner on August 23, 2006 at the Captain Cook Hotel.

The Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters cannot express how proud we are of our members and their accomplishments.

JOHNSON BROTHERS MEMORIAL BRIDGES

A special thanks to Carpenters Local 1281 members; Brian Howe, David Eagle, Dustin Darden, Joseph Coppa, and Isaac Sheppard for donating their time and efforts in building the “Johnson Brothers Memorial Bridges”. In a joint effort with Kevin Hanley, Apprenticeship Coordinator of Piledrivers & Divers of Alaska, three bridges were built in memorial to Isaiah and Malcolm Johnson (the two brothers that drowned at Cummins pond nearly three years ago). There were many companies and organizations that donated to this effort. Some of those companies were Spenard Builders Supply who provided the building material, Anchorage Sand and Gravel donated gravel, Swalling Construction provided their yard and forklift, and Johnson Construction provided the crane. This memorial was brought about by Jessica Reed, she enlisted the help of the Eagle Scouts of Alaska who decided to take this project on to earn their badges.

In Remembrance

LOCAL 1243
John Martin-8/20/06

LOCAL 1281
Raymon Emmons-7/25/06
Theodore Martin-8/13/06
Daniel “Red” Kelly-9/23/06

LOCAL 1501
No Deaths to Report

LOCAL 2247
No Deaths to Report

LOCAL 2520
Tommy Hankins-9/29/06
Brian Wilson-8/19/06

The Alaska Regional Council extends our sincere condolences to the friends and families of these members.

Need to Register to Vote?
Change your Affiliation?
Need an Absentee ballot?

You can download the forms you need to do all this at:
http://ltgov.state.ak.us/elections/
You will need the Adobe program.

Voter Registration forms and Change of Affiliation forms need to be sent to the Election office at least 30 days before the election; absentee forms at least 7 days before the elections.

Items For Sale at
Piledrivers & Divers
Local 2520
Long sleeved shirts-$15.00
Sweatshirts-$30.00
Carhart jackets-$125.00
Hats-$10.00

Items For Sale at
Carpenters Local 2247
T-shirts-$15.00
Plumb bob reel & magnet-$25.00
(reel-$18.00, magnet-$7.00)
Magnetic tape measures-$10.00
Pea shooters-$25.00

Items For Sale at
Carpenters Local 1243
T-shirts-$15.00
Suspender/weight lifters-$40.00
Plumb bob reel & magnet-$25.00
Chamfer cutters-$40.00
Master pro-$35.00 (calculator)
Master pro (non-member)-$80.00
Project calculator plus-$20.00
Varnaguchi bars-$35.00
Grabber Utility Knives-$8.00
Magnetic tape measures-$10.00

Items For Sale at
Carpenters Local 1281
Suspender/weight lifters-$35.00
Pea shooters-$25.00
Plumb bob reel & magnet-$25.00
(reel-$18.00, magnet-$7.00)
Magnetic tape measure-$10.00
Local 1281 hats-$10.00
Frozen chosen t-shirts-$15.00
T-shirts-$10.00
Membership pin-$2.00
Master pro trig-$60.00

Items For Sale at
Millwrights Local 1501
T-shirts-$15.00
Hats-$10.00

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!!

The Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters (ARCC) is always interested in member feedback. If you have a comment, suggestion, a story you would like included in the newsletter, a letter to the Editor, or anything else, we encourage you to contact our office at 907-274-2722 or via email at arcc4059@alaska.net.
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Susan—Pension/Defined Contribution
Claims & Benefits in Washington:
1-800-531-5757

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Stan Hunt, Director of Training
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Anchorage, AK 99515
907-344-1541 • 907-349-5823 Fax
Statewide Toll Free — 1-888-825-1541
Website: http://web.acsalaska.net/~sactc
Email: carpenters.training@acsalaska.net

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If you have questions about millwright training, please call Louis Katzenberger, Lead Millwright Instructor
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Local Union Meetings
Carpenters Local 1243 - 4th Tuesday of the month
Carpenters Local 1281 - 1st Tuesday of the month
Carpenters Local 2247 - 1st Tuesday of the month
Millwrights Local 1501-3rd Tuesday of the month
Piledrivers Local 2520 - 3rd Tuesday of the month

THIS IS YOUR UNION!
ATTEND YOUR UNION MEETINGS!

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