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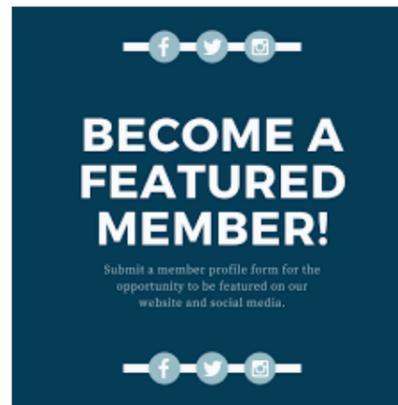
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- August 17, 2023 CAWGC Annual Steak Fry
St. Joes Park, Joliet
- September 15, 2023 Todd Sandeno Memorial Golf Outing
Nettle Creek Golf Club, Morris
- October 12, 2023 Oktoberfest/Directors Election
TBD

Reminder: Membership Renewal due by June 30th to be included in the 2023/24 Directory

WE LOVE OUR MEMBERS



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THE CONTRACTOR CHRONICLES

The Member Newsletter of the
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The CAWGC Annual Steak Fry will take place on August 17, 2023 at St. Joseph's Park in Joliet from 4:30 until 8:30 PM. The term "steak fry" is a Midwestern colloquialism for beef grill-out events like ours. This event is a favorite among members, family, and friends that attracts nearly 700 people. Ticket pricing this year is \$60 and will include a perfectly grilled steak, a variety of sides and an open bar. Entertainment will be provided by local favorite: Nova Soul Quartet. 50/50 Raffle tickets will be sold on behalf of our charity of the year, Habitat for Humanity. This event is a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends, make connections with new ones, and just have a great time! For over 35 years, the CAWGC Annual Steak Fry has been a renowned networking event that has supported many charities and fed many hungry bellies. Volunteers are also needed this year, so please reach out to the CAWGC office if you or someone you know is interested. (815)-741-1455. Ticket sales will be open the last week in June, so mark your calendars and join us for the fun!

THE BEST GRILLED SHRIMP SUMMER RECIPE



Ingredients:

- **Jumbo Shrimp:** You will need about a pound peeled and de-veined. Either frozen or fresh will work, but I prefer using fresh so I can skip the thawing process and get the best flavor possible.
- **Salt and Pepper:** Add salt and pepper to taste before soaking the shrimp in marinade.
- **Red Wine Vinegar:** Adds a tangy taste and tenderizes the
- **Garlic Cloves:** Rich depth of flavor
- **Italian Seasoning:** Use a store bought mix, or make your own by adding a pinch of basil, oregano, rosemary, and thyme.
- **Lemon Juice:** The acidity will help break down the shrimp and tenderize it.
- **Soy sauce:** Either regular or low sodium will work great, it is just up to your preference.
- **Dijon mustard:** Bold flavor and a bit of acid to tenderize.
- **Worcestershire sauce:** Adds savory, sweet and tangy flavors to the marinade.

Grill Up Some Shrimp!

1. Season and Marinate shrimp: Salt and pepper the shrimp. In a medium sized bowl combine olive oil, red wine vinegar, garlic, Italian seasoning, lemon juice, soy sauce, Dijon Mustard and Worcestershire sauce. Add the shrimp and let marinate for at least one hour or overnight.
2. Grill Shrimp: Preheat grill to medium high heat. Thread the shrimp on the skewers. Place on the grill. Grill on each side for about two minutes until cooked through. Enjoy!

UPDATED CAWGC LABOR RATES

You can now view the updated 2023/2024 WCCA Labor Rates on our website: www.cawgc.org. If you need a website login please contact Kristie, (kcichon@cawgc.org). If you have any questions regarding the rates, please contact Carla at the office 815-741-1455 or email cliburdi@cawgc.org

DIRECTORY UPDATES & PHOTOS WANTED



The 2023/2024 Membership Directory will be created this summer. The CAWGC would like to feature photos of current or recent projects our members have worked on for the front & back covers. Please send your photos along with a brief description to Cliburdi@CAWGC.org. Over 900 directories are sent out to our entire membership, Architects, Engineers, Construction Managers, Cities, Townships, Villages, Libraries, Fire Districts, School Districts and Park Districts each year.

CAWGC 42ND ANNUAL SPRING GOLF OUTING



The 42nd Annual Spring Golf Outing was held Friday, May 19th at the beautiful Cog Hill Golf & Country Club. Courses 1 & 3 were played this year to accommodate the high demand of golfers. The weather held up for the golf outing starting with a drizzle and ending in beautiful 70 degree weather. Each golfer received a shoe bag compliments of the CAWGC filled with snacks and golf balls with tees. Each golfer also received a door prize scratch off ticket for a chance to win over \$5,000 in cash and prizes. Golfers had a bratwurst grilled out on the course with a bag of chips for lunch. The banquet was held in the tent this year at the bottom of the hill. The 50/50 winner, Chris Stevens of Conveyor Specialties, generously donated all the winnings back to our charity of the year, Habitat for Humanity. J.L. Adler Roofing & Sheet Metal won first place on course 1, taking home the Adler Memorial Glasses and a \$200 prize. Rod Baker Ford took first place on course 3, winning the Adler Memorial Glasses and another \$200 prize. A special thank you to all of our sponsors & volunteers that helped to make this our biggest outing yet! Our next golf outing is September 15, 2023 at Nettle Creek Golf & Country Club in Morris. Stay tuned on our social media pages for upcoming event flyers and information!



CAWGC CELEBRATES 90 YEARS

The CAWGC 90th Anniversary kicked off on March 24, 2023 with a celebration at Bolingbrook Golf Club. Over 200 guests attended, and drinks were flowing from the champagne wall, with a complimentary open bar, butler passed hors d'ouerves, and a four course dinner. Guests also enjoyed a cigar bar and a bourbon bar, compliments of the CAWGC. There were plenty of gourmet desserts to go around. Attendees received a special edition 90th Anniversary CAWGC magazine and a boxed set of wine tumblers or rocks glasses. Entertainment was provided by comedian Nick Smeriglio, a Chicago native who is known for his hilarious impersonations. CAWGC honored 3 of our hard working volunteers by giving out the inaugural "2022 Volunteer of the Year" award. The recipients included Sharon Nicholson from Baish Excavating, Pete Valek from Lindblad Construction, and Steve Costello from McCann Industries. A "Founders Award" was also given to CAWGC founding member, J.L. Adler Roofing and Sheet Metal, celebrating their 90 years of membership. The night ended with dancing and photos at the photo booth. Fun was had by all who attended. A party fit for 90 years.

Scholarships Continued.



Noah Boeckmann- Noah will be a sophomore in the fall at Michigan technological University, majoring in Electrical Engineering. he has a special interest in Robotics and hopes to someday work in an environment where he can creatively find solutions to assembly processes in the construction industry. Noah is the son of Stephen Boeckmann from member firm JM Electric Services.

Jordan Boban- (not pictured)

Jordan will be a sophomore in the fall at Iowa State University with a major in Civil Engineering. She is also on the Executive Council of Alpha Gamma Delta, serving as the Director of Property. Her goal is to become a construction project manager, and she hopes to intern in the civil engineering field next summer. Jordan is the daughter of Robert Boban, an IBEW Local 176 Journeyman Wireman.

Cody Hazzard- (not pictured)

Cody is a 2023 graduate of Yorkville Christian High School with a 4.0 GPA, he plans to attend Missouri Science & Technology to study Architectural Engineering and play D2 baseball. Cody would one day like to combine his passion for fishing with his love of math and become a design engineer for fishing industry company. Cody is the son of Jim Hazzard from member Brieser Construction.

EVENTS ONLY MAILING LIST

We are producing a new events only mailing list for all employees of members. The new mailing list will send upcoming flyers and invitations to our events for your staff to partake in. Strong social connections make people happier and physically healthier, which can translate into work performance. Employers who support social connections in the workplace and help employees form strong relationships with one another help build a successful workforce. Sometimes it can be difficult for employees to socialize because they don't have an area in the office where they feel comfortable doing so. Let our events create that "social spot" for your employees to build connections, and socialize with colleagues. Send all contact information to Kristie, (kcichon@cawgc.org) to be added to the mailing list.

2023 CAWGC Undergraduate Scholarship Winners



Ryan Cox- Will be a sophomore in the fall of 2023, attending Milwaukee School of Engineering, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He believes his focus will be on materials of mechanical engineering. Ryan is the son of Jason Cox from member Len Cox & Sons

Ryan Cox



Arie Hofman- A 2023 graduate of Crete Monee High School with a 3.94 GPA and very impressive college entrance exam scores, Arie plans to attend Valparaiso University to study Mechanical Engineering. Arie is the son of Craig Hofman, a member of Laborers Local No. 5



Bridget Knowles- Entering her second year in fall of 2023 at St. Mary's College, to pursue a dual degree in Engineering from Notre Dame and math from St. Mary's. She is leaning toward civil engineering. Bridget is the daughter of Daniel Knowles from "D" Construction, Inc.

Bridget Knowles



Alexander Bird- Will be a sophomore attending Lewis University with a major in Physics & Engineering. He plans to design better equipment and create new safety measures for the construction industry. Zander is the son of Dean Bird, an IBEW Local 176 Journeyman Wireman.



Alexander Gordon- Earned a 4.0 GPA this past fall as a freshman attending the University of Illinois with a major in Civil Engineering. Alexander's goal is to rebuild and reconnect America for every citizen by redesigning cities to be less vehicle dependent. Alexander is the son of Elias M. Gordon from member Gordon Law Office.

Alexander Gordon



Kaden Humphries- Will be a sophomore in the fall, attending the University of Illinois as an Electrical Engineering major. He hopes to be the fourth generation owning and growing his family's business. Kaden is the son of Bryan and Christine Humphries from member Clennon Electric.



Frank Ryan- Will be a Junior in the fall, attending the Milwaukee School of Engineering majoring in Civil Engineering. He aspires to pass both PE and FE exams and begin working with a large construction company as a field or civil engineer. Frank is the son of Lawrence Ryan, a Laborers Local #68 member.

Frank Ryan

Brody Fatlan- A 2023 graduate ranked number 1 in his class at Gardner-South Wilmington High School, Brody will be attending Joliet Junior College to earn an associate degree in Construction Management. He plans to become the fourth generation of the Fatlan men to join Local 150 as an Operating Engineer and carry on the family business, Fatlan Trucking & Excavating, a CAWGC member.



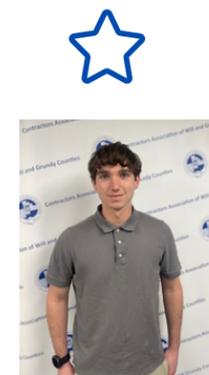
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Neve VanDuyne- Neve will be a sophomore at the University of Michigan, majoring in Business Administration. Neve earned a 4.0 in the fall, when she was also working remotely 15 hours per week for a Will County law firm specializing in family law. Ultimately, Neve would like to concentrate in business law and become a corporate/ construction attorney. Neve is the daughter of David VanDuyne, an IBEW Local 176 Journeyman Wireman.

Neve VanDuyne



Gea Alberico- Attending the University of Iowa and majoring in Mechanical Engineering. She will be graduating in December 2023 and hopes to work for a construction-based engineering firm in project management or construction vehicle design. Gea is the daughter of Luigi Alberico from member firm JS Alberico Construction.



Teagan Kubinski



Teagan Kubinski- a 2023 graduate of Joliet Catholic Academy, pursuing a Mechanical Engineering degree from the University of Cincinnati. Her career path includes designing, advising and planning construction projects or working with a team to create an innovative design to simplify workers' lives. Teagan is the daughter of Rich Kubinski, a member of Local No. 150 Operating Engineers.



Liam Knott



Liam Knott- Graduating in spring of 2023 from Lincoln-Way West High School to attend Milwaukee School of Engineering with a major in Civil Engineering. Liam aspires to obtain his PE licensure with a goal to help construction teams reduce their carbon footprint and improve environmental stability using smart infrastructure. He is the son of David Knott from member firm LA Sites Sewer & Water.



Richard "RJ" Swaw-

Richard "RJ" Swaw- Richard is a 2023 graduate of St. Rita of Cascia High School with a weighted GPA of 4.52. He will be attending Purdue University Northwest to major in computer engineering while also playing D2 ice hockey. He plans to use his degree to develop construction and building safety monitoring systems or new software technology for the more efficient use of construction resources. RJ is the son of Rick Swaw, a Sprinkler Fitters Local No. 281 member.



Gea Alberico



Kyle B. Humphries



Thomas Sieczkowski



90th Anniversary Celebration



42nd Annual CAWGC Spring Golf Outing

