



## *Local 314 Newsletter* *June 2021*

### Local Updates

Carpenters of Local 314,

It has been a long and difficult past 15 months, but as things slowly move back to normal we have some exciting news to share:

#### **FIRST AND FOREMOST, WELCOME BACK!**

If you haven't heard, our union hall/training center on Monument Lane is NOW OPEN to the public. We've also begun holding in-person monthly local meetings at the labor temple on Park Street and are excited to see you all face-to-face once again. These meetings take place at 6pm on the second Wednesday of each month.



## WAGE RATES

As of June 6, the 2021 wage rates are in effect! Journeypeople now earn \$36.14 per hour in gross wages, with a total package valued at \$61.51 per hour including benefits like health insurance, pension and more. Please contact the local office with any questions or if you'd like to obtain a copy of the breakdown sheet.



## UPCOMING SOLAR PROJECTS

In other news, if you're looking to get into solar work, our contractors have some big projects coming up. We'll be hosting solar work classes open to all members in the meantime with expectations that the actual projects will begin in autumn. Please email [kbraunsky@ctiwi.org](mailto:kbraunsky@ctiwi.org) or call 608 241 0960 for more info about these classes.

## BANNERING AT JUDGE DOYLE SQUARE

As a union we fight for all workers - even those who are not our members. In the past months, Local 314 business reps have been bannerizing outside of the Stevens Construction Corp. apartment project on Judge Doyle Square in downtown Madison, in order to call attention to construction industry tax fraud and wage theft by Stevens' subcontractors. These are issues that affect workers as well as taxpayers, and we are proud to take part in this fight.



## LIFETIME INCOME BENEFIT

Good news! With the newly negotiated wage rates, our members now see an extra \$1.11 per hour go toward their LIB. Please feel free to call a local business rep for more information.

## TEAM - WELLNESS AT WORK

Your health is a priority for the carpenters union. That's why we partner with TEAM, an organization that has been assisting builders for over 30 years with issues related to mental health, physical health, nutrition and wellness, relationships and family, drugs/alcohol and work life. For more info, please visit the TEAM website at <https://www.startwithteam.com> or call [800 634 7710](tel:8006347710).



## TRUSTEE ELECTION

On Wednesday, June 9, our members came together to vote for a new Local 314 trustee for the 2021-2024 term. Juan Gonzalez, a third-year apprentice with our local, was chosen for the role. Congratulations, Juan!



## Upcoming Events / Volunteer Opportunities



Looking to give back to the community? We are in need of volunteers for Kids Building Wisconsin!

- Date: Saturday, September 11
- Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Location: McKee Farms Park - 2930 Chapel Valley Rd (city of Fitchburg)

Please call our office to sign up!





## Word from the Training Center

Here at the Madison Training Center, we have worked to provide a safe yet productive learning environment for our members throughout the pandemic.

During the early phases of quarantine, we utilized virtual learning to ensure that apprentices met the training requirements to receive their raises. While this solution represented uncharted waters for our instructors, it was necessary for our apprentices to thrive. After seven weeks of virtual training consisting of print reading, concrete formwork, shoring, metal framing, roof framing, site development and exterior finishes, the apprentices returned to the Training Center - with proper safety measures implemented - to complete their practical, hands-on training. As of this newsletter's publishing, most, if not all, of our over 200 apprentices are fully caught up in their training.



Currently, the Training Center is preparing for regularly scheduled "Fall Semester" classes to begin in early August. With a large amount of solar work emerging in the area, we will be hosting additional upgrading classes for all members to take. We are planning to host these solar classes after work hours within the coming summer months. Please reach out to our administrator Karla at [kbraunsky@ctiwi.org](mailto:kbraunsky@ctiwi.org) or [608 241 0960](tel:6082410960) for more information.



## Member Spotlight

For next month's newsletter we'd love to highlight one Local 314 member who has made an extraordinary impact in the community and/or on the job site. If you'd like to nominate a fellow member, please call our office at 608 240 0314 or email [jstreeck@ncsrcc.org](mailto:jstreeck@ncsrcc.org) to tell us who you've chosen and why. We look forward to hearing about the great things our members have been up to!

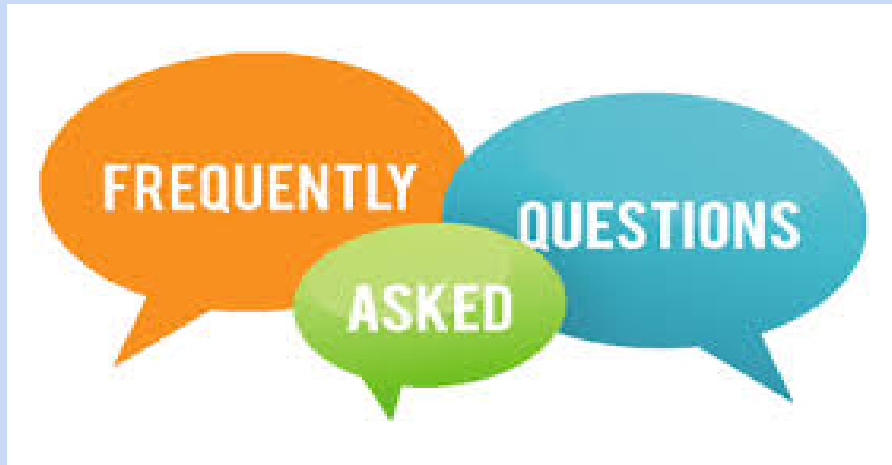
## Joke of the Month

We tried coming up with a  
carpentry pun that *wood*  
*work*...

We thought we *nailed* it

But nobody *saw* it





1. How much are monthly dues now?
  - a. As of January 1, 2021, monthly union dues are now \$29
2. Why are my monthly dues not coming out automatically anymore?
  - a. If you work out-of-area (even near Milwaukee) or are laid off, we cannot use your vacation fund to pay monthly dues; in these situations, you need to make your payments manually
3. Does the union offer assistance for someone who is out of work due to COVID-19?
  - a. The union does not offer COVID-19 assistance at this time; some employers might still be offering assistance
4. Where can I find the working agreement, UBC constitution or other policy-related documents?
  - a. We have extras in the office; stop in at 5202 Monument Ln in Madison to pick up a copy
5. Why haven't I received the dues card from my last payment?
  - a. If you're retired and would like a dues/work card, you must request one from Training at 608 241 0960 (if you don't already have a picture on file with us, you will need to come in to take one beforehand); dues payment receipts also function as work cards and can be requested from the local admin
6. Who do I talk to for general questions?
  - a. Always feel free to call the office at 608 240 0314; we have a new full-time administrative assistant to answer your questions or at least ensure that you reach the right person to do so



1. Madison Local 314 Office: 608 240 0314
2. Benefit Fund Office: 715 835 3174, ext. 0
3. Carpenters Federal Credit Union: 888 815 8827
4. Madison Training Center: 608 241 0960
5. MIX 2020 Office: 855 987 2020
6. Lead Business Rep. Mike Higgins: 608 598 9225
7. Business Rep. Aaron Zimmerman: 608 516 7987
8. Business Rep. Apolonio (Polo) Duran: 608 516 6104
9. Business Rep. Scott Watson: 608 516 5036

We hope you've enjoyed reading through our inaugural newsletter. If you have any suggestions for content you'd like to see included in next month's edition, please send them to Jake, our admin, at [jstreeck@ncsrcc.org](mailto:jstreeck@ncsrcc.org) or call [608 240 0314](tel:6082400314).

In solidarity,

*The Local 314 Team*



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