



May 2014

UTCA NEWSLETTER

UTCA's Infrastructure Bank Legislation Is Approved By The Senate Transportation Committee

The Senate Transportation Committee passed UTCA's infrastructure bank legislation by a unanimous vote. Representatives from the Association were on hand to provide testimony in support of the measure. As reported to you in previous advisories, Governor Christie vetoed the association's legislation last January.

UTCA staff continues to work with officials from the New Jersey Department of Transportation on technical changes to some of the bill's provisions. The bill is next expected to be taken up by the Assembly Transportation Committee before the Legislature's summer recess in late June. Association representatives are also working with Senator Cory Booker's office on infrastructure bank language in the federal reauthorization of MAP-21 in order to provide funding for New Jersey's Transportation Infrastructure bank when it becomes state law.



Bob Briant, Jr. left is pictured with Anthony Attanasio, UTCA's new Managing Director.

Anthony Attanasio Joins UTCA Staff

UTCA President Harry Chowansky recently announced the hiring of Anthony Attanasio for the position of Managing Director. Anthony was most recently employed by the NJDOT where he served in the role of Assistant Commissioner of Government & Community Relations. Prior to his stint at NJDOT he also served as Deputy Chief of Staff for NJ Transit. In his position with UTCA, he will be heavily involved with the association's legislative initiatives. He will also represent UTCA on several specification subcommittees which meet with the various public agencies such as NJ Transit, the NJ Turnpike Authority, NJDOT and the Port Authority of NY/NJ.

Anthony is a graduate of Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA, with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Minor in Public Administration. The association is pleased to welcome Anthony and looks forward to working with him.

UTCA Convention Exhibits Are Selling Quickly

More than 80% of the exhibits space has already been reserved for the UTCA convention which will be held September 18-21, 2014 at the Tropicana Hotel & Casino.

Those interested in exhibiting should contact Mike DeVito at the association office immediately.



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2014 Briant Scholarship Recipient is Gabrielle Grys Additional Scholarship Recipients Named

This year's recipient of the Robert A. Briant, Sr. Memorial Scholarship is Gabrielle Grys who will graduate from Notre Dame High School in Easton, PA next month. Her father is employed by PKF Mark III. Gabrielle will attend Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. An additional scholarship will also be awarded to Teshawana Joaquin of Eastside High School in Paterson.

Recipients of this year's scholarships at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) are Kim Roman and Lucas Martin. Stephen Walter is the recipient of the scholarship at Stevens Institute of Technology.

CWCC To Conduct Washington, DC Meeting & Reception

The Clean Water Construction Coalition will conduct its Annual Meeting and Congressional Reception on June 11, 2014. These events are held in conjunction with ARTBA's Annual Legislative Conference.

The Coalition was established in 2006 to promote federal funding for wastewater and drinking water construction.

New Member Applicants

<i>R. Kremer & Son Marine Contractors Brick Subcontractor</i>	<i>McVac Environmental New Haven, CT Subcontractor</i>
<i>Utility Trailer Sales Of NJ North Brunswick Associate</i>	

June Magazine To Feature Creamer Environmental & Mr. John/Russell Reid

The June Issue of the Utility and Transportation Contractor magazine will feature Creamer Environmental and Mr. John/Russell Reid. Creamer Environmental has completed 20 years in construction while Mr. John/Russell Reid is celebrating 50 years in business.



The August Issue of the publication will feature West Bay Construction and True & Associates. Also, anyone who has a unique job story or company milestone to include in future editions of the magazine should contact the association office.

UTCA June Meeting Features NJDOT Fiscal 2015 Construction Program, Elections & Scholarships

The association's June 5, 2014 General Membership Meeting will feature a presentation by Dana Hecht, NJDOT's Deputy Director, which will focus on the Department's State Fiscal 2015 construction program which begins July 1, 2014. The DOT anticipates a \$1 billion construction program for the upcoming fiscal year.

June's meeting, which will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Jamesburg, will also include the election of association officers and directors for the period of 2014 and 2015. The annual UTCA Scholarships, including those at the New Jersey Institute of Technology and Stevens Institute of Technology, will also be presented.

SET Program Scholarship Designated For Rick Berenato

The Laborer SET Program will designate one of its 2014 Scholarships in the name of Rick Berenato. This scholarship named for Rick Berenato recognizes his services as a member of the UTCA Board of Directors.

The award will be presented next month to a dependent of a member of Construction Laborers Local 172 who will enter college in September.

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Precipitation Reports For Second Half of 2013 Now Available

New Jersey Precipitation Reports for July – December 2013 are now available from the association website, www.utcanj.org or by contacting the UTCA office. Members frequently utilize this data when requesting time extensions due to weather delays.

Tony Chrysanthopoulos Passes Away

Last month, Antonios “Tony” Chrysanthopoulos passed away at the age of 80. Tony worked with his sons at Tarheel Enterprises for 20 years. He was active with the business until November 2013. Tony was born in Limnohori, Greece and came to the United States in 1951 by way of Ellis Island and settled in Plainfield, NJ. After living in Sayreville for many years, he had been settled in Little Silver for the past six years.

Heidi Decowski Wins UTCA/FedEx Raffle Prize

Heidi Decowski Office Manager/HR Administrator for IEW Construction was the winner of the 32 GB iPad Air from Federal Express. UTCA staff person Dan Neville presented it to her in a random drawing for those members that completed the shipping survey for FedEx. Please remember to participate in any association polls and surveys.



UTCA staff person, Dan Neville, is pictured presenting Heidi Decowski of IEW Construction with her new iPad Air from Federal Express.

NJ Asphalt Pavement Association To Host NJDOT Ride Quality Specification Program

The NJ Asphalt Pavement Association will host a seminar next month to explain the changes to the NJDOT Ride Quality Specification. Jim Purcell, the Technical Director for NJAPA, will conduct the seminar which will include information on the new pay adjustment equation, the changes to the specification and discussion on the bonus/penalty impacts.

The presentation is scheduled for Friday June 6, 2014 at the Hilton Woodbridge from 7:30AM – 10:00AM. The seminar is free for association members and space is limited. To register for this important meeting, please contact Stacey Lindenmuth at the NJAPA office, 609-838-1867.

UTCA Partners With Azureblu For Safety & Office Apparel

The UTCA has entered into a partnership with Azureblu Lifestyle Apparel to offer safety and office apparel to member firms. Azureblu can supply high visibility safety vests, hard hats, eye protection items, as well as office shirts or outfits at a 25% member discount rate. Visit <http://utcanj.com/> for more information.

Space Still Available For TCC Refresher Workshop

There is still space available for the July 8 Traffic Control Coordinator Refresher Workshop. NJDOT requires Certified New Jersey Traffic Control Coordinators to take this class every two years if they wish to continue working on state-funded projects. The course provides a review of the 2009 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and includes a brief overview of federal changes, worker safety considerations, sign placement, and special considerations for local and state roadways. The course covers new safety specifications required on NJDOT roadways as well as other safety issues such as the proper set up of New Jersey barriers and use of truck-mounted attenuators to prevent worker injuries.

To register for this workshop, contact Bethany Allinder at 848-445-3112 or visit: <http://cait.rutgers.edu/cait/tcc-refresher>

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UTCA: Upcoming Events

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June General Membership Meeting

June 5, 2014

Crowne Plaza

Robert A. Briant, Sr. Memorial
Scholarship Golf Outing

June 9, 2014

Eagle Oaks

Clean Water Construction Coalition Event June 11, 2014

Coalition's Annual Washington, DC Meeting & Congressional Reception.

UTCA Annual Convention & Exhibit

September 18-21, 2014

The Annual Convention & Exhibit will be conducted at the Tropicana Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City.

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