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# EASCTC NEWSLETTER



## CELEBRATING NJ GRADUATES



Congratulations to the 81 apprentices in our inaugural NJ graduating class! We were proud to honor our accomplished apprentices and recognize those who excelled on their journey to becoming journeymen. Special guests included Jim Manning, Director of the Office of Apprenticeship and Business Services at NJDOL, and Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin.

Thank you to the Carpenter Contractor Trust for funding this event, and to the reps, trustees, and distinguished guests for their ongoing support.

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I am excited to introduce our brand-new staff newsletter! This is a platform designed to keep you informed and connected to all aspects of the Eastern Atlantic States Technical Centers. We have been through a lot of change together since January 2023. As we continue to evolve as leaders in the apprenticeship training world, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your hard work, dedication, and support to our organization. I know many of you spend time away from family and friends because that is what these jobs require. Your contributions are invaluable, and I'm truly thankful and honored to work alongside such a talented, professional, and passionate team. You consistently take pride in what you do and are understanding with our apprentices while working diligently to meet our contractors needs with the ever-evolving workforce!

In this inaugural issue, you'll find updates on our latest internal projects, recognition of student and staff outstanding achievements, upcoming professional development, and CITF updates from across our region. We hope this newsletter will foster a sense of community, teamwork and camaraderie among us all.

## STAFF RECOGNITION

Congratulations to these instructors for leveling up in the CITF Certification Program.

- Donte Boyer - Level I
- Ron Walsh - Level III
- Brian Baraniewicz - Level II
- Brian Stabeno - Level II
- Robert Maier - Level I
- Eric Baumgardner - Level III
- Philip Pomaro - Level I

These instructors have recently earned higher education degrees!

- Ron Walsh - MA of Education in Workforce Development
- Brandon Barrett - BA of Education in Workforce Development
- Joe Moore - MA of Education in Adult and Career Education

Welcome new admin hires Gianna Luna (Edison) and Christina Dunleavy (Hammonton)!

Please feel free to share your ideas and suggestions for future issues. Your input is essential in making this newsletter a valuable resource for our team.

Thank you again for everything you do.

In solidarity,

*Robert J. Smith*



## UPCOMING TTT

### WORKSHOPS TO FILL

The following CITF workshops have not yet met the minimum number of participants and may be cancelled due to low enrollment:

Please register your members on the CITF Registration Website to help fill these classes.

#### **Construction Master Pro User Guide**

- Register by: 10/18/24

#### **WFED 310 - Leadership**

##### **Competencies for Supervisors**

- Register by: 10/25/24

#### **WFED 428 Fiscal Accounting and Mngmt for Workforce Development Builders**

- Register by: 10/25/24

#### **Builders Level & Transit**

- Register by: 10/25/24

#### **ICRA: Best Practices in Health Care Construction**

- Register by: 10/25/24

#### **Roofing Applications**

- Register by: 10/25/24

#### **Solar Installer Qualification**

- Register by: 10/25/24

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

### DIVE CENTER COHORT

The Carpenters Diver Training Center has begun teaching its 3rd cohort! We look forward to this class's graduation occurring in late November.

### PHILLY STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Our next SOM winner is Semaj McGinley from class 4B and local 158! Semaj is an enthusiastic student and active member of his local. In class, he engages in discussions and is dedicated to delivering high-quality work. Semaj has shown significant improvement since starting school and is a pleasure to teach.

## COMMUNITY PROJECT

### MULLICA PLAYGROUND

Hammonton apprentices are beautifying a park in Mullica Township! It's taken a couple of years to plan this community project, but now it's finally underway. With the help of Mullica's mayor, Ed Hagaman, and instructor Jeff Battersby, our apprentices are successfully putting together three benches, a picnic table, a merry-go-round, and a swing set!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FIRST-YEAR ORIENTATION

In NJ, orientation has already begun and will last until January. In Philadelphia, orientation starts October 7th and apprentices will go through a week long training. This year the format has been revised to be more engaging for apprentices by utilizing breakout rooms.

### ROWAN UNIVERSITY CEREMONIAL SIGNING

Coming up on November 8th, we will be hosting Rowan's administrative staff at the Edison training center to recognize our partnership in providing alternative degree pathways for our members.

### NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

November marks the 10th year anniversary of NAW, and it will be celebrated from the 17th to the 23rd. Anticipate center tours and information sessions planned by your training directors and coordinators.

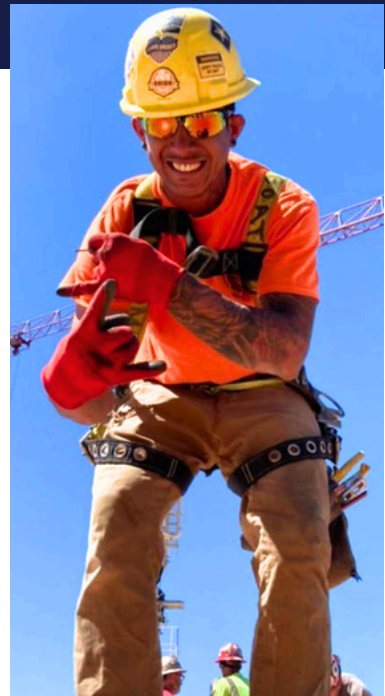
### VOTE!

Last day to register before the general election:

DE - Oct. 12th / NJ - Oct. 15th / PA - Oct. 21st

Last day to apply for mail-in ballot:

NJ - Oct. 15th / PA - Oct. 29th



## OCTOBER OBSERVATIONS

IT'S SPOOKY SEASON AND ALSO...

**Breast Cancer Awareness Month** - learn more [here](#).

**National Book Month** - Need a [recommendation](#)?

**Hispanic Heritage Month (9/15-10/15)** - Support a local business this weekend! Here are lists for [Philly](#) and [North NJ](#).

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