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# RANK & FILER



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July 2010 Edition

Local 1440

## **MADE IN THE USA BUY UNION MADE**

### **Why Shop Union Made?**

In today's global economy, where corporations regularly profit from moving production to exploit the world's most vulnerable worker, many of the goods we buy are made under extremely poor working conditions.

Quality union manufacturing jobs are constantly sent offshore because companies feel no responsibility to pay a fair wage.

As a consumer, you can choose how you spend your money, and that choice gives you power.

Buying Union Made gives you the power to support responsible companies that employ workers who make that product are treated fairly, receive decent wages and benefits, and have a voice at work.

## **BUY UNION**

## **NEW PAY RATES STARTING 8/01/2010**

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| LABOR GRADE 1 | \$18.970 |
| LABOR GRADE 2 | \$20.744 |
| LABOR GRADE 3 | \$22.814 |
| LABOR GRADE 4 | \$23.997 |
| LABOR GRADE 5 | \$25.475 |

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## **RETIREMENTS July**

**Tom O'Loughlin – 40 years of service, worked as the Lead Operator at the PCM.**

**Vincent Rivera – 32 years of service, worked in the Roll Shop as a Roll Grinder.**

**Steve Wolfe – 23 years of service, worked as Assistant Operator at the CA Line**

**Congratulations and good luck to our Brothers on their retirement.**

**Our Union Meetings are held every  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.**

**Our Next Meeting will be on  
August 12<sup>th</sup>  
5:30 PM at the Union Hall  
677 Cumberland St.  
Pittsburg**

# LOCAL'S WEBSITE



**www.usw1440.com**

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## Grievance Committee

|                             |                              |
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| <b>Buzz Enea Jr. -</b>      | <b>Chairman -Reliability</b> |
| <b>Mike Orlando -</b>       | Rolling                      |
| <b>Joe Perez</b>            | Sheet                        |
| <b>Steve Berendsen</b>      | Tin                          |
| <b>Stephanie De La Rosa</b> | M&I                          |

Call Hall at 432-7396 for Grievance Person Phone No.

## Contracting Out

|                        |                  |
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| <b>Andy Angelo. -</b>  | <b>Chairman</b>  |
| <b>Jim Gillespie -</b> | <b>Assistant</b> |

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## *Financial Secretary's Report*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Here we go into yet another election season. It's going to be brutal, with negative ads already showing up on TV. I, myself, dislike negative ads; all it tells me is that the candidate has nothing to show as their accomplishments. Therefore, they throw mud at the other person and hope that the voters don't see what they really stand for and hope that we'll be blinded.

You probably heard from Meg Whitman's TV ads that she calls Labor Unions a special interest group. And that the Unions are supporting Jerry Brown. I didn't know that we, the working class, are a special interest group. After all, Unionized Labor makes up less than 13% of America's Workforce. Labor's special interest is to retain our jobs in the USA.

There is an insert about Jerry Brown in this Rank and Filer, listing some of his accomplishments over the years to help the lives of us, the working class. Some of you might not remember when he was Governor last time, but he was a champion for working families. Meg Whitman has already said

how she would help working families. She promised cut thousands of jobs... her solution to balancing the budget. But then what, she would out source those Jobs over seas?

We as voters need to be smart this election and not form our opinions from 30 second TV ads. Compare what Jerry Brown has done for the state of California in the last 40 years to Meg Whitman that didn't even care about state government enough to vote.

Fraternally yours,  
Linda Doppe

## **OPENING FOR JOURNAL AGENT**

ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE POSITION OF JOURNAL AGENT PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAME IN WRITING TO THE UNION HALL BY

**AUGUST 12, 2010 – 4 PM.**

FAX (925)432-9736

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL SELECT FROM THE APPLICANTS.

## **After a Long Battle with Republican Obstruction**

### **Obama Signs Long – Term Jobless Aid**

By Mike Hall, July 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010

**President Obama this evening signed the unemployment insurance extension bill.**

**The legislation will get jobless benefits flowing once again to more than 2.5 million long – term jobless workers who were cut off after Republican Senate filibusters derailed the program.**

**The legislation cleared its last hurdle today when the house approved the bill 272-152.**

**It extends through November the long - term benefits program for workers who have been jobless for six months or more----nearly 7 million of the nation's official 15 million unemployed workers.**

# ICD

## Learning Advocates

Andy Angelo  
Hamid Heydari  
Milt Lea  
Tim Lear  
Jeanne Millecam  
Bill Swenson  
Bill Soltis

## Customized Classes at the Learning Center:



### Solar Power Your Home

Class Dates: Wednesdays August 18—September 22  
Class Times: 8—11 AM OR 4—7 PM  
Class Location: Learning Center

Students can take class before or after shift only!

To Sign up, call Jessica at 6189 or visit  
[www.icdclasses.com](http://www.icdclasses.com)  
Class size limited to 15 people  
Register by: August 1

ICD Presents...

## ESTATE PLANNING

### Basic Estate Planning

- Understanding what a will does and does not do
- The cost of a probate estate plan
- Understanding what a living trust does and does not do
- The cost of a living trust estate plan.

Thursday August 12  
3pm **or** 4pm (30—45 min each)  
Learning Center

Call Jessica at 6189 to sign up  
Classes must be taken before or after your shift



# CAA DISCOUNT TICKETS 2010

FOR TICKETS COME ON DOWN TO THE CAA OFFICE AND SEE DEE OR CALL EXT 6081



### Gilroy Gardens Family Theme Park

|                                  |         | CAA     |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| General Admission (Ages 11 - 61) | \$44.99 | \$16.00 |
| Child (Under 3 - 10)             | \$34.99 | \$16.00 |
| Two & Under                      | FREE    |         |



### Universal Studios Hollywood

(You can pay by Visa/Master Card)

|   |         | CAA                              |
|---|---------|----------------------------------|
| General Admission                         | \$69.99 | \$59.00                          |
| Child Under 48"                           | \$59.99 | (Good for 3 visits with in 2010) |
| 12-Month Annual Pass (11 Black-Out dates) | \$69.00 |                                  |

### Six Flags Discovery Kingdom



|   |         | CAA     |
|---|---------|---------|
| General Admission                             | \$49.99 | \$25.61 |
| Child Under 48"                               | \$31.99 | \$25.61 |
| Two & Under                                   | FREE    |         |
| Meal Vouchers (4 Different Options to choose) |         | \$10.00 |



### California's Great America

|   |         | CAA     |
|---|---------|---------|
| General Admission (Ages 3 & up)                               | \$59.99 | \$27.00 |
| Adult (Ages 3 - 61 and 48" taller)                            | \$54.99 | \$27.00 |
| Junior/Senior (Ages 3 - 61 and under 48", ages 62+)           | \$24.99 | \$27.00 |
| Gold Pass (Halloween Haunt, Gilroy Gardens, includes Parking) | \$90.00 | \$59.99 |



### WaterWorld Concord

|                      |         | CAA     |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| General Admission    | \$31.95 | \$18.00 |
| Junior (Under 48")   | \$19.95 | \$18.00 |
| Senior Citizen (55+) | \$19.95 | \$18.00 |
| Two & Under          | Free    | Free    |

## The C.A.A. Office Hours

|           |                   |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Monday    | Closed            |
| Tuesday   | Closed            |
| Wednesday | 7:00 to 11:00 am. |
| Thursday  | 12:30 to 4:30 pm. |
| Friday    | 12:30 to 4:30 pm. |

**Profit Sharing Checks  
will be distributed on  
August 10<sup>th</sup>  
during payroll hours**

### **Keeping It Clean and Organized:**

Some call it a normal part of their job,  
Others consider it a different way of working.  
Keeping it clean and organized  
helps to keep it safe.  
Thank you for looking out  
for yourself and others.

### **Protecting Your Hands**

To date more injuries have occurred to the  
fingers, hands and wrists than any other part  
of the body.

The use of gloves are available in various  
types and sizes to protect your hands.

Remember to wear the proper hand  
protection, inspect hand tools before using  
and watch for pinch points.



### **Respirator Classroom Training**

Wednesday July 28

7-9 am

Safety Training Center

To sign up call Jessica at 6189

Is this on your JQR?

Refer to 2010 Safety Training Calendar for Details.

### *QUOTE OF THE MONTH*

*Everything that is really  
great and inspiring is created  
by the individual who can labor  
in freedom.*

*Albert Einstein (1879-1959)*

### **NEW VENDING MACHINES TO BE INSTALLED**

**Thank you to the CAA  
Board Members**

West Coast Vending & Food Service,  
Is the new vendor that will be  
upgrading and changing out all of the  
vending machines and servicing them  
with a great variety of food, drinks and  
snacks.

Some of the new machines will accept  
debt or credit as well as cash.

The transition should be completed by  
the middle of August.

Note: this company is a UNION SHOP

### **WARRIOR BROTHERHOOD VMC**

**1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL POKER RUN  
FOR FAMILIES OF FALLEN HEROS**

**SEPT. 11<sup>TH</sup> 10 AM – 4 PM  
SIGN IN AT RED CABOOSE –  
ANTIOCH**

**FOOD-50/50 RAFFLE-DOOR PRIZES-  
VENDORS-MUSIC  
\$20.00 DONATION**

**MOTORCYCLES & CARS INVITED  
MORE INFO**

**DALE VANZANT (925)238-6532**