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- 2011 Convention

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## Farewell from President John Scapin

As my term as President of UCA has come to an end, it is time to express my appreciation and gratitude. It's hard to believe that the two years are over already. Although many are perhaps saying it didn't go fast enough especially with the state of the economy over the years. I am relieved to say that the association has survived these last 2 years (in spite of me) because of the mission of UCA, and most importantly the people of the underground construction industry. I have thoroughly enjoyed the last two years with its many experiences and challenges. I have had the pleasure to meet many new people and have gotten to know many others that I wouldn't have otherwise had the chance. For this I am deeply appreciative and grateful.



I want to thank the Board of Directors who always gave sound counsel and guidance. You can be confident that UCA's Board of Directors is totally committed to the betterment of the underground construction industry. The leadership and commitment of the Board often goes unnoticed but their time and energy is so important to keep UCA involved on many fronts. I also want to thank our Executive Committee of Elizabeth Perino from Perdel Contracting Corp as Senior Vice President, Dave Henderson from Joseph J. Henderson & Son, Inc. as Treasurer, and our Past Presidents Terry Barnett from Glenbrook Excavating and Concrete, Inc., Gary Klein from Laser Construction, Inc., and Mike Piraino from PirTano Construction Co., Inc. for their support and advice. It is definitely a team effort.

The lifeblood of UCA is our committees. I want to thank the Committee Chairs and participating members who keep UCA at the forefront of today's issues. It never ceased to impress me how the committees addressed these issues with their diverse



expertise, knowledge and resources. It is reassuring to know that when something has to be done the committees will rise to the occasion. This can be seen from our Labor Committee dealing with the labor negotiations this past year, to the Legislative Committee dealing with the Clean Construction Demolition Debris (CCDD), to the Construction Materials Committee putting on live demonstration seminars to foster our relationship with APWA, to the Safety Committee dealing with the increased enforcement by OSHA, to the Events Committee looking for more economical venues as a means to network, to the Utility Committee working with NICOR to develop a more practical means to deal with utility hits, to the Membership Committee attracting new members during this recession, to the Continuing Education Committee putting on seminars dealing with the economy, to the Statewide Committee holding meetings with the IEPA, to the Scholarship Committee able to give 3 scholarships due mostly to generous donations, to the Convention Committee looking at economical yet quality alternatives. Thank you to all the committee members for your dedication to UCA and the underground industry.

I will be forever grateful to the hard working staff of UCA led by Executive Director Dave Benjamin, Legislative Affairs Director Scott Dworschak, Events and Marketing Coordinator Amy Wicks, and Administrative Manager Rita Scully.



**John Scapin, UCA Past President  
Neslund & Associates, Inc.**

They are a great team and a pleasure to work with. It was comforting to know that if something had to be done, they were already on top of it. They keep UCA moving forward and certainly made my life a lot easier.

I also want to thank my partner Fred Neslund along with my staff at Neslund & Associates for their support over the last two years. Finally, thank you to my wife Pam and my family for their understanding and patience.



As I close for the last time, I again want to say thank you for this humbling opportunity to have served you and this great association as it has been my honor and pleasure. I sincerely appreciate all the kind words and encouragement I received. Thank you for the gifts and remembrances I received at our Annual Meeting last month. As I have said many times, at UCA I always get out a lot more than I could ever put in and it couldn't be more true now.

Congratulations and best wishes to Elizabeth Perino as our new President! UCA is in good hands with Elizabeth in charge.

**Elizabeth Perino**  
Perdel Contracting Corp.  
President

**David Henderson**  
Joseph J. Henderson & Son, Inc.  
Senior Vice President

**Frank Lollino**  
Holiday Sewer & Water  
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Editorial comments, articles and photographs are welcomed and encouraged. Please contact Amy Wicks, Events and Marketing Coordinator, for more information, (630) 467-1919 or [awicks@uca.org](mailto:awicks@uca.org).

## President's Editorial

UCA's official "changing of the guard" took place at the Annual Meeting on September 23rd at Harry Caray's in Lombard. It was a tremendous event, thanks in no small part to all the hard work of our great staff. The pre-dinner seminar on the Clean Construction Demolition Debris (CCDD SB-3721) was very well attended and provided critical information on the new law that has gone into effect and directly impacts our industry. Many thanks to everyone that came out for the evening and shared in our celebration.

I would like to once again thank John Scapin for his outstanding leadership through what has been the most difficult economic times any of us have seen in our lifetimes. John has done a wonderful job guiding our ship through the storm and I am glad (and grateful) to have him around for continued guidance and support. I hope everyone takes a moment to give John a call and thank him personally for his selfless dedication to UCA.

And speaking of the economy, we have, unfortunately, come to the realization that it shows little sign of improving in the near future, especially as it relates to our industry. Many of us are putting more time, effort and energy into attaining what little work there is out there and we seem to have little time for anything else. It is during these times that it's important to remember that we draw the most strength from our alliances with associations and our peers. So stay connected and involved! In this economy, our focus has to be keener and more deliberate and our efforts need to be strategic. With your help, we will rise to the challenges presented to us and emerge from this difficult time a stronger organization.

Growth is the most critical element to any organization's success and we are fortunate that our membership continues to rise, even in these troubling times. So, please join me in welcoming all of our new members: Bunker Hill Underwriters Agency, Concept Plumbing, Di Meo Brothers



**Elizabeth Perino, UCA President**  
Perdel Contracting Corp.

Inc., McDonagh Demolition, Montemayor Construction, Inc., Richard Excavating, Inc., RiskInform, and Undereasy Vacuum Excavating, Inc.

I look forward to working in partnership with all of you in the months ahead!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Perino, UCA President  
Perdel Contracting Corp.



*Celebrate the holidays early with UCA!*

*Holiday Party & PAC Silent Auction*

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November 19, 2010  
Eaglewood Resort & Spa, Itasca, IL

## Welcome New UCA Members!

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(A) **McDonagh Demolition**  
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Chicago, IL 60642  
(773) 276-7707 Fax: (773) 276-7723  
Contact: Geraldine McDonagh

(C) **RiskInform** (A)  
3215 Golf Road #274  
Delafield, WI 53018  
(262) 349-7608 Fax: (262) 646-5272  
Contact: Eivind Oland

**Concept Plumbing**  
554 W. Wood St.  
Palatine, IL 60067  
(847) 776-6180 ext104 Fax: (847) 776-6189  
Contact: Mark Juliano

(C) **Montemayor Construction, Inc.**  
290 Willard Avenue  
Elgin, IL 60120  
(847) 608-6000 Fax: (847) 608-9233  
Contact: Joe Montemayor

(C) **Undereasy Vacuum Excavating Inc.** (A)  
5521 W 110<sup>th</sup> St Unit 7  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
(708) 423-8202 Fax: (708) 423-8212  
Contact: Susan Vanderwalker

**Di Meo Brothers Inc.**  
720 Richard Lane  
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
(847) 640-2240 Fax: (847) 640-2221  
Contact: John DiMeo

(C) **Richard Excavating, Inc.**  
42645 N. Delany Rd  
Zion, IL 60099  
(847) 872-5583 Fax: (847) 872-4033  
Contact: David Richards, Jr.

(C) **Don't forget...**  
*The companies listed in UCA's Directory are all UCA members and deserve your preference when looking for products and services.*

## OSHA's New Subpart CC—Cranes and Derricks in Construction

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) issued a new rule addressing the use of cranes and derricks in construction. The new rule, which replaces the standard that was established in 1971, will go into effect on November 8, 2010.

### Highlights of the Standard

This standard applies to power operated equipment, when used in construction, which can hoist, lower and horizontally move a suspended load. Examples of such equipment include, but are not limited to: articulating cranes, crawler cranes, mobile cranes, industrial cranes, dedicated pile drivers, tower cranes, service/mechanic trucks with a hoisting device, and multi-purpose machines when configured to hoist and lower (by means of a winch or hook) and horizontally move a suspended load. However, this standard does not include power shovels, excavators, wheel loaders, backhoes, loader backhoes, and track loaders. This machinery is also excluded when used with chains, slings or other rigging to lift suspended loads. There are limited exclusions for digger derricks and articulating/knuckle-boom truck cranes.

### Ground Conditions

The controlling entity will be responsible for providing adequate ground conditions that are firm, drained and graded, and sufficient to support the crane. The controlling entity must also inform equipment

operators of known underground hazards such as voids and utilities.

### Assembly/Disassembly

Employers must either follow manufacturer's procedures or their own procedures when assembling or disassembling cranes. If employers choose to use their own procedures the procedures must be developed by a qualified person. All rigging work done during assembly and disassembly must be performed by a qualified rigger.

### Power Lines

Electrocution hazards from contacting overhead power lines are broken down by assembly and disassembly up to 350 kV, equipment operations up to 350 kV, power lines over 350 kV and below 1000 kV, power lines over 1000 kV, traveling under or near power lines with no load, and intentionally working closer than Table A Zone. Employer's working around power lines up to 350 kV should ask, "Could I get within 20 feet of power line?" If the answer is no, no further action is required. If the answer is yes, the employer has three options. Option 1, de-energize & ground. Option 2, 20-foot clearance. Option 3, ask the utility owner of the power lines for voltage and use Table A. Table A is a chart indicating the minimum approach distance equipment can be to power lines. Using Table A requires the employer to contact the utility owner of the power line to determine the exact voltage. The utility owner must provide the re-

quested voltage information within two working days of the employer's request. Additional requirements must be implemented if the employer chooses option 1 or 2.

### Operator Certification/Qualification

By November 10, 2014 all equipment operators must be certified or qualified. There are four options available in which an equipment operator can get qualified or certified. Option 1, a certificate from an accredited crane operator testing organization. Option 2, qualification from the employer through an audited employer program. Option 3, qualification by the US Military (only applies to employees of Department of Defense or Armed Forces and does not include private contractors). Or option 4, licensing by a state or local government that meets the minimum requirements set forth by OSHA. Equipment operators choosing option 1, 2, or 4 will need to show proficiency by passing a knowledge and practical test. The only option that is portable (operator can go from one company to another) is option 1—a certificate from an accredited crane operator testing organization.

### Signal Person

Within the new crane standard OSHA addresses specific qualification requirements for the signal person. The signal person must know and understand the type of signals used and must be competent in the application of such signals.

They also must have a basic understanding of equipment operation and limitations, including the crane dynamics involved in swinging and stopping loads and boom deflection. The signal person will need to demonstrate that he/she meets these requirements through an oral or written exam, as well as a practical exam. A signal person will be required when the point of operation is not in full view of the operator. A signal person will also be required when equipment is traveling and the operator's view in the direction of travel is obstructed. Due to site specific safety concerns, either the operator or the person handling the load determines it is necessary to use a signal person. Dedicated spotters—used to watch the separation between the power line and the equipment—will be required to meet signal person qualifications.

### Inspections

Different types of inspections and those who actually conduct the inspection are also addressed in the new standard. Modified, repaired, or adjusted inspections; post-assembly inspections; and annual inspection must be done by a qualified person. Shift inspections can be done by a competent person.

For additional information or questions pertaining to training please contact the Chicagoland Construction Safety Council at (800) 552-7744 or John Rahilly, Senior Instructor x217, jrahilly@buildsafe.org.

## UCA – OSHA (OSPP) Partnership Attracts More Conscientious Contractors

UCA is honored to announce that Divane Brothers Electric Co. and Pat McNally Construction have joined the OSHA Partnership. This voluntary program is an industry beacon since most other associations have alliances that are not as strenuous and self regulating as UCA's Partnership. Joining the OSPP sends a strong message to OSHA, owners, and insurance carriers that you are a safety conscious company, dedicated to maintaining

the highest safety standards and compliant with OSHA's increasing high standards.

If you are interested in learning more or attending a quarterly OSPP meeting, please contact UCA's Safety Consultant Dave Soderman from Safety Alliance, Inc. at dsoderman@ameritech.net. The next meeting is scheduled for November 23rd at UCA's offices in Itasca beginning at 10 a.m.



This year JULIE, Inc. formed a strategic partnership with the Chicago White Sox allowing them to spread the "safe digging message" to thousands of Sox fans.

(From left to right: Director of Public Relations Kevin Chmura, Executive Director Mark Frost, Sox Mascot Southpaw, JULIE Board President Chuck Mueller from Ameren, JULIE and UCA Board member Gary Klein, from Laser Construction.)



## Quarry Tour Seminar Update

UCA's Construction Materials, Methods, and Specifications Committee chaired by Steve Cieslica (Trotter & Associates) travelled to McCook for a tour of Vulcan's quarry and an educational seminar on the various products they produce at that facility on Friday, September 10th.

UCA contractors, associates, municipal managers, consulting engineers and IDOT representatives started the day with an educational seminar covering the mining process, which included drilling, blasting, hauling, crushing, processing and stockpiling materials. Material specifications and quality

requirements were also discussed. The participants also engaged in an interactive discussion in regards to IDOT specifications and material use. The tour consisted of viewing the mining and manufacturing process with an emphasis on "what it takes" to make the product for the underground contractor's project.

Some of the attendees included:

- Baxter & Woodman
- Bunker Hill
- Cabo Construction Corp.
- Dearborn Companies
- DuPage County

- Frank Novotny & Associates, Inc.
- Illinois Concrete Pipe Assoc.
- Pan-Oceanic Eng. Co., Inc.
- Rabine Paving
- Testing Service Corporation
- Reinforced Earth Company
- Village of Oak Park
- Village of Schaumburg

The committee is searching for members to present future topics on gravity sewer rehabilitation and buried asset management. So if you are interested please join the committee by contacting your UCA staff.



## UCA Members Making an Impact on the Industry!

UCA's Stronghold Society PAC would like to welcome its newest member:

Gulzar Singh  
*President of Pan-Oceanic Engineering CO., Inc.*

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Congratulations to the following UCA members who were recently nominated to serve on ASA's 2010-2011 Board of Directors.

Michael Hancock  
*Divane Bros. Electric*  
(ASA President)

Karen Johnson  
*Roughneck Concrete Drilling & Sawing Co.*  
(ASA Board)

Margery Newman  
*Deutsch, Levy & Engel Chartered*  
(ASA Board)

Jim Naylor  
*Assurance Agency*  
(ASA Board)

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UCA's newly appointed Treasurer Frank Lollino from Holiday Sewer and Water Construction, Inc. was named to the CISCO Board of Directors in March.

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For the fifth consecutive year, Rabjohns Financial Group/New England Financial was named one of "Chicago's 101 Best and Brightest Companies to Work For" by the National Association for Business Resources

## HACIA Offers Second Minority Contractor Training Program

HACIA in partnership with IDOT, DCEO, and IWE are very proud to present the new Minority Contractor Training Program (MCTP).

The program is designed for owners or managers who want to learn small construction contractor best practices as they begin their transition into the public sector of construction. It covers the skills needed to run a construction contracting business, addresses sales strategies,

estimating & scheduling techniques, OSHA safety concerns, technology applications, green construction best practice and provides preparation for the LEED green associate exam. This training program is designed with a very interactive and hands-on approach based on adult learning theory and it includes presentations, demonstrations, activities and exercises, and multi-media tools.

**The program will be offered**

**free of charge to all minority and non-minority owned firms.**

For more information please visit: [www.haciaworks.org](http://www.haciaworks.org), or contact HACIA's office at (312) 666-5910.



## Equipment Watch's 'Time & Materials'

UCA received the second of two semi-annual updates of the 3-volume set of Equipment Watch's Bluebook. The Bluebook is IDOT's mandated tool for quoting force accounts (hourly use and maintenance rates) instead of the old state published Blue Book.

Volume I summarizes equipment produced this year & up to 5-years of age. Volume II summarizes equipment manufactured between 6 to 10 years ago. Volume III summarizes equipment 11 to 20 years of age.

All 3 volumes retail for \$2,250 and are updated semi-annually. Save money and use UCA's copy! Call UCA staff and schedule a visit to our offices to review the 3-volume set any day of the week. UCA normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

## Save \$ on your Company's Wireless Service!

Verizon wireless has National pricing through National Purchasing Partners (NPP) that your company may qualify for. NPP is available to companies in the construction industry. This program could allow you to receive a 22% discount on your Verizon Wireless Service, unlimited Blackberry and PDA data for only \$20, as well as a \$75 bill credit per line on

eligible new lines of service and upgrades! You do not have to wait until your current Verizon contract expires and there is no cost to join.

For complete information and forms to start the program please contact Jim McKenna, Account Executive Business Sales, at Verizon Wireless' office.

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**Mobile:** (630) 310-2681

**Fax:** (847) 706-7112

## UCA of Illinois Hosts Clean Water Construction Coalition Meeting

The Clean Water Construction Coalition (CWCC) is a group of 28 regional and state associations nationwide dedicated to improving our water and sewer infrastructure network. The group works to increase funding for the Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund, which provides low interest & long term loans to communities expanding, improving or rehabilitating local water, sewer and related systems. Individual states run the program locally, and provide a 20% funding match.

On October 8, several members of the CWCC traveled to Chicago for their quarterly meeting, and Illinois UCA served as host. In addition to coordinating our mutual federal interests, and exchanging information, the CWCC membership hires a federal lobbyist to represent our interests in the U.S. Congress. UCA was a founding member of the CWCC and since it's founding over 5 years ago, annual federal funding for the Re-

volving Loan program has more than doubled!

Items discussed at the meeting included:

### Fiscal 2011 Appropriations Update

Congress has yet to approve a budget for FY2011, although it has voted to keep the current Clean Water Program funded at the current rate through December. Following the November elections Congress will return to finalize the budget. We are advocating keeping funding constant for 2011 at 2010 levels.

### Support for Congressman Blumenauer Legislation H.R. 3202

Congressman Blumenauer has proposed a bill establishing a Clean Water Trust Fund. This fund would provide direct funding for Clean Water related programs, similar to the way in which the

motor fuel tax operates. Several funding sources have been proposed, although the current emphasis is gaining support for the concept among individual Members of Congress. A steady funding source would help alleviate year to year budget battles over funding, and hopefully provide additional support. Several members of the Illinois delegation have been approached in an effort to seek support.

### New Congress Following Elections

While the outcome of the November elections are unknown, there is little doubt that Republicans will pick up additional seats in the House and Senate. Understandably, most Republicans are pro-business, but many in this election cycle are also anti-spending and maybe less inclined to support funding increases for the Clean Water Program in the future. We will continue to work with all members of Congress, from both

parties, to inform them of the benefits of the Clean Water Revolving Fund.

For more information on the CWCC and other Legislative Affairs topics, please contact Scott Dworschak at [sdworschak@uca.org](mailto:sdworschak@uca.org).



(From L to R:)  
UTCA of NJ Chairman Bob Briant and  
UCA President Elizabeth Perino from  
Perdel Contracting Corp.



## New Clean Construction Demolition Debris Law Passed

There has been considerable consternation in the construction industry regarding the new Clean Construction Demolition Debris (CCDD) Law recently signed into law on August 1st.

This law was promoted by a coalition of quarry owners and was intended to clarify the controversy and confusion caused by Governor Blagojevich's unilateral actions against some quarry operators, and the overall dispute as to what constituted safe CCDD material. The law is intended to restrict contaminated debris/soil from being placed in a quarry (current or former quarries, mines, or other excavations where CCDD is used as fill material). Unlike landfills, quarries do not

monitor the surrounding ground water, and there is a concern over what is actually deposited in them.

Contractors now need to complete either one of the two certifications forms (available on the UCA website on the legislative page). They allow either, the owner, operator, or a professional engineer to certify the soil/debris is uncontaminated. Quarries are then required to maintain these forms for possible state inspection.

Form LPC-662 allows the site owner or operator to certify that your debris/soil is not industrial/commercial and can be accepted by the quarry.

Form LPC-663 allows a Licensed

Professional Engineer to certify that your debris/soil is safe from contaminants and can be accepted by the quarry.

In conjunction with the passage of the law, the Illinois EPA (IEPA) was directed to write regulations in order to administer the law's intent. Unfortunately, the IEPA went beyond the laws intent and classified roads as "commercial/industrial" use, which required the use of Form 663 requiring the certification of a licensed engineer. UCA strongly believes this classification is wrong and without any foundation in the law. We are currently lobbying IEPA to change this regulation. In the event they are unwilling to do so, we will move to change the law

itself.

Prior to our Annual Dinner in September, we held a brief seminar on this legislation hosted by Greg Wilcox from Land Reclamation and Recycling Association to update UCA members. Nearly 75 members attended.

In the interim, The IEPA has also dedicated a page on its website to this issue that may be of assistance. <http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/ccdd/index.html>

Questions can be addressed by contacting Scott Dworschak at [sdworschak@uca.org](mailto:sdworschak@uca.org).

## Utility Task Force to Help Train Underground Crews

UCA's Utility Committee has created a Task Force to build training programs and 'tool-box like programs' for underground crews. The committee will start the process by surveying the contractor membership in the upcoming months.

This program will train crews to identify underground utility hazards before they happen and create a "Best Practices" list of ways to prevent time loss and potential litigation if you do hit a utility. The program will also act as a reminder to collect important statements, photographs, and videos in

preparation for negotiating with the owning utility company.

UCA is also concerned that all underground crews are not aware that it is required by federal law to call 911 immediately after hitting a unmarked, mismarked or properly marked gas line. Important infor-

mation such as this would be included in this training program.

For more information or to help with this Task Force, please contact UCA staff for details on upcoming Task Force meetings.

## UCA Celebrates Inauguration of 25th President Elizabeth Perino

UCA said thank you to former President John Scapin of Neslund & Associates, Inc. and celebrated the inauguration of the 25th President, Elizabeth Perino from Perdel Contracting Corp. on Thursday, September 23, 2010, at Harry Carey's in Lombard, IL.

UCA is looking forward to the next two years with Elizabeth as UCA's President. She represents the leadership, dedication, and

professionalism needed for the underground industry in such trying times.

David Henderson from Joseph J. Henderson & Son, Inc. was welcomed as the new Senior Vice President and Frank Lollino from Holiday Sewer & Water Construction, Inc. was voted in as the 2010-2012 UCA Treasurer.

UCA thanked J.R. Gillogly from

East Jordan Iron Works for serving on the Board of Directors for his two year Associate Director term. UCA would like to thank J.R. for his enthusiasm in promoting the association with others as well as his thoughtful dedication to the association through committee work.

Two new Board Members were voted in during the dinner meeting; they are Brian Klimes from FOCIS

Promotions & Incentives and Ed Knowles from Knowles Construction, Inc.

Our new Treasurer, Frank Lollino won the 50/50 raffle and donated his half right back. Thank you Frank!

## UCA Returns to Puerto Rico for Convention!

Registration is open for the 2011 UCA Annual Convention to be held January 23-28, 2011, in Puerto Rico at the El Conquistador Resort & Spa. This is UCA's third visit to Puerto Rico and second stay at the El Conquistador Resort!

The Convention Committee anticipates a well-attended event by both new and returning members. This year's convention, held in Cabo San Lucas, was the host to over 90 members and guests. All members are encouraged to attend!

The Convention will kick off on Sunday, January 23rd at the Welcome Reception and wrap-up on Thursday, January 27th after the President's Dinner. UCA's negoti-

ated room rate of \$259 per night (plus tax) is available to members from Friday, January 21st through Saturday, January 29th. Extend your stay and enjoy all that Puerto Rico has to offer!

If you are interested in attending, please contact UCA's Events and Marketing Coordinator Amy Wicks at [awicks@uca.org](mailto:awicks@uca.org). Additional information can also be found at [www.uca.org/events/events.asp](http://www.uca.org/events/events.asp).

*This is a very unique opportunity to network amongst members and should not be missed!*



## UCA Now Collecting 2011 Dues

UCA's leadership understands the economic situation and wants to take this opportunity to remind everyone that your dues statement is not an invoice.

Please review the tiered dues levels also included on the state-

ment and remember that your dues payment is based on your underground work-not other construction work.

Dues payments are based on the "Honor System" - *you decide how much to pay*. Additionally, UCA is

considerate of your specific situation and will work with you to create a dues payment plan for partial payments throughout the year. If you have any questions please feel free to contact UCA staff.

## UCA Scholarship Applications Now Available

The Underground Contractors Association (UCA) is offering three scholarships of up to \$2,000 each for the 2011 - 2012 academic year for college and trade school bound students.

Applicants must be U.S. Citizens, provisionally accepted or participating in an accredited trade school, college, or university, and be in pursuit of higher education and training related to the underground construction industry. Ap-

plications must be received by February 11, 2011, to be considered. To obtain a UCA Scholarship Application, contact your UCA employer or visit [www.uca.org](http://www.uca.org).

## Membership Spotlight RiskInform

UCA welcomes RiskInform, one of the newest associate members of the association.

RiskInform is represented by Eivind Oland, CIC, AAI, CWCA. Eivind has been in the Insurance industry since 1980 as an underwriter, broker and consultant. His deep specialty is cost and risk management in Workers' Compensation along with assisting businesses with their injury management practices. He has had great success in identifying work comp rating errors and premium overcharges and in helping clients to both recover overcharges and to mitigating or avoid future charges. Eivind has a passion for educating clients to improve their outcomes and is a great business partner to have!

For contact information for RiskInform and new UCA members, please turn to page 2 of this edition of the Pipeline. Don't forget to include the new member labels into your 2010 Directory and Buyer's Guide!



Eivind Oland from RiskInform

# UCA's Annual Dinner Meeting

September 23rd - Harry Caray's, Lombard, IL



# October 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Safety 8 a.m.	7	8 CWCC Meeting Chicago, IL	9
10	11 Columbus Day	12 Const. Materials. 9 a.m. Executive 3 p.m.	13	14	15 National Boss' Day	16
17	18	19 Board 8 a.m.	20 Associates 7:30 a.m.	21 Events 8 a.m.	22	23
24	25	26 Utility 10 a.m.	27 Groundhogs Oktoberfest 5:30 p.m.	28	29	30
31 Halloween						

# November 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Election Day	3 Associates 8 a.m.	4 Statewide 11:30 a.m.	5 IDOT Letting Date	6
7 Daylight Savings Time Ends	8	9 Executive 3 p.m.	10 Convention 8 a.m.	11 Veterans Day	12	13
14	15	16 Board 8 a.m. Legislative 10:30 a.m.	17 Membership 7 a.m.	18 Const. Materials 10 a.m.	19 UCA Holiday Party Eaglewood Resort	20
21	22	23 OSPP 10 a.m.	24	25 Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28	29	30 Labor 8 a.m.				