

November 2019

Message from Regional Manager Jeff Richardson

Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

I hope everyone had an opportunity to read the first edition of our Newsletter last month. I am excited to



provide our membership with monthly updates and stories from around our province. I feel that providing our members with vital information, events and stories from our Local will bring the members closer and highlight how hard our membership is working.

The ACRC is dedicated to the health and wellness of our staff, members and their families. Our team is excited to launch a new initiative in the office starting in the next couple of months that will provide resources for you surrounding mental health. Local 83 will be introducing a new “Wellness Corner” in our lobby that all members will have access to. Keep reading our newsletters in the coming months for more details!

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize those members of our Local who have provided service to our country and say thank you to all those in uniform, past, present and future. Lest we forget.

Jeff Richardson

Contractor Spotlight: MacGillivray Properties Limited



This summer Local 83 welcomed a new contractor, MacGillivray Properties Limited. MPL is based in New Glasgow and currently has members dispatched to three sites. Featured above is a one story commercial building with ICF construction located on Mountain Road. Seen above from left to right; MPL Foreman, Mitch Sweet, Mark Roussy, Allister Jordan, and Brenden MacIntosh.

Mainland Nova Scotia Building Trades Council Update

The Mainland Nova Scotia Building Trades Council’s mandate includes promoting and developing business for our 11,000 members, and providing a united voice on issues affecting the professional trades. We are the voice of organized construction and we work every day to promote our value, create positive exposure, and advance the objectives of the Building Trades.

The Mainland Building Trades Council has several strategic priorities to support and promote Building Trades Unions to key stakeholders. The first priority is government relations. Legislation, procurement, and apprenticeship; to name a few, all have a direct and significant impact on our unions. We work with all three levels of government to advocate on these issues with one voice in solidarity. Without these strong relationships and open channels of communication, we risk others setting the direction to our detriment.

In upcoming newsletters, we will highlight some of this work including: best value procurement, community benefit plans, and fair wage policy – all areas where Building Trades Unions excel in supporting good jobs and community.

Meeting Reminder!

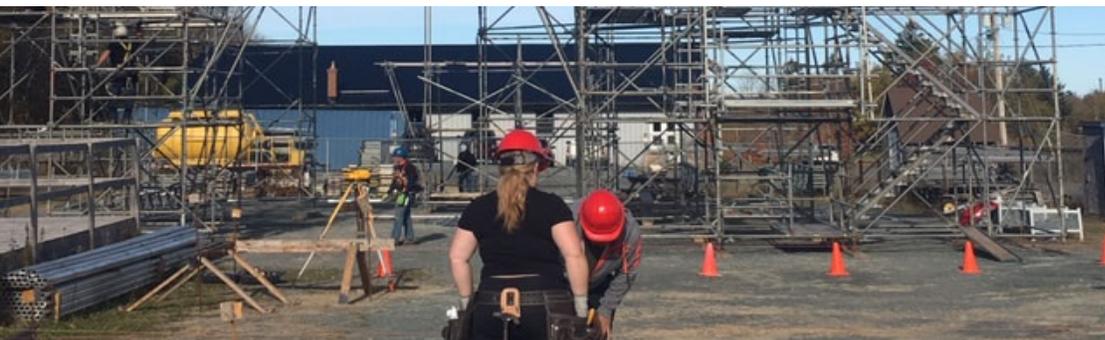
Monthly meetings are held in (four) locations (Stellarton, Sackville, Digby and Yarmouth) on the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm.





Brother Henry Thorne was presented with his 50-year gold membership card at the Hall on October 29, 2019. Henry served as Vice-President of Local 83 in the 1990's and continues to advocate for union representation at every opportunity. Henry is enjoying his retirement and can be found at the bowling alley three times per week.

Carpenter Millwright College



The Nova Scotia Carpenter Millwright College is experiencing a busy fall, thanks to a full Carpentry Development Program, a well attended 11-week UBCJA Scaffolder Program, Forklift, Telehandler, Mobile Elevated Work Platform, Fall Arrest, Confined Space Programs and more! Thanks goes out to all our Carpenter and Millwright brothers and sisters for taking advantage of the great training programs we offer.

This fall, we are piloting a NEW Industrial Solar Farm Rack and Panel Installation one-day program, as well as Insulating Concrete Forms one-day. Since the high schools are back in session, the CMC has started taking

bookings for one and two day Construction Trade themed programs for high school students that happen right here in our facility. For example, in the 2018-2019 school year, your CMC hosted 36 separate days of High School students learning the basics in Carpentry, Drywall, Scaffolding and more. This is our way of doing what we can to encourage young people to get into the trades, as well as potentially gain some great new members for our Carpenter and Millwright Locals!

Call us at 902-252-3553 and speak with Ange if you have any questions, and LIKE us on Facebook to see what's going on. Remember to keep your training up-to-date!

ACRC Texting Program

Sign up to receive texts from the Council right to your phone.

Text ACRC to 770077

Press send and you're enrolled!

Please note the ACRC does not charge members for this service; however, your standard text rates from your carrier may apply.

Dispatch Update!

The volume of labour requests in October kept in step with September with one to one ratio between dispatches and name hire requests. The province recently announced the contract for the new \$12 million primary health care clinic in Middleton being awarded to Lindsey Construction. We look forward to further developments around this project.

Our office has been assisting members who are interested in completing Reliability Status Applications, if you are interested to work at federal worksites, background checks and fingerprinting is required. Call the union hall to learn more!

Current Contractor Grievances

Three Kings Holdings
Civil Tech Construction
Remley Construction

The above noted contractors are delinquent in remittance payments, our team is working diligently to bring each situation to a resolution.

Stay in the loop and get news and information, on demand, and about the Atlantic Canada Regional Council.



Follow @weareacrc