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The JATC Will Be Interviewing for a New Coordinator

Brother Jay Green and his family will be moving on seeking new opportunities come the end of March of this year. Jay started his apprenticeship with Local 192 in March of 1980. He received his 35 Year Membership Certificate in March of 2015. I would like to thank Jay for all his hard work and dedication to this Local and to the JATC. I wish him well in his future endeavors. He will be missed. Upon the approval of the JATC, Tony Haller and myself will see that the apprentices finish the season. We will also be scheduling Journeyman upgrade courses as well. The JATC will accept resumes starting April 1, 2016. The JATC will hold interviews in May. The new coordinator position will be available to start as of June 1, 2016.

A Round of Important Informational Meetings are Coming

We will be discussing Local business and we will also have two presentations in Rock Springs and Casper with one in Cheyenne. We will be at the Holiday Inn in Rock Springs on Monday March 28th, Casper at the Iron Workers Hall Tuesday March 29th and the Local here in Cheyenne on Wednesday March 30th. All meetings will start at 6:00pm. I will be introducing Steve Bollinger who is Public Relations for Runkle Law Firm PLLC. This presentation is to inform you of legal assistance available to you for your exposure to asbestos. The Runkle Law Firm PLLC has been a long time supporter and advocate for workers throughout the West. The Runkle Law Firm proudly represents thousands of injured workers who were exposed to asbestos. It is this firm's belief that if you are a victim of any asbestos related disease, you have the right to seek compensation. The Runkle Law Firm PLLC will handle cases for all diseases related to asbestos exposure.

Workers who tested negative several years ago are welcome to be examined again. Previous asbestos exams had cut off dates of 1972, but the Runkle Law Firm will evaluate any worker who *began* working in an industrial setting prior to 1980. Additionally, a minimum of five years of exposure is necessary to receive compensation.

The Runkle Law Firm PLLC currently represents thousands of our Union Brothers & Sisters throughout the West. I have met with the Runkle Law Firm PLLC and I feel it is vitally important that you seek their assistance. **Please call the Runkle Law Firm at their toll free number: (855) 816-1410 to schedule an x-ray at a clinic in your area. This will be at no cost to the member and there will be no obligation to use Runkle Law Firm PLLC to represent you.**

The second presentation will be Corey Reavis from Wells Fargo. He spoke already before the Union Meeting in Cheyenne in February. We are looking to possibly move from the Pipe Trades Pension of Montana to the Colorado Annuity Plan. We have had good feedback from the members of Cheyenne so far. I would like everyone to have the opportunity to hear what he has to say and get every ones feedback. In the next few months to come that is something we can put to the members for a vote. Personally I see many more advantages to the Colorado Annuity Plan than I do the Pipe Trades Pension of Montana. I have met the requirements that the Colorado Annuity Plan Trust would require to be have representation. So if we were to move to that Trust I would sit on that board right away to represent you.

Hayes Mechanical Group a Union Contractor signed to the National Agreement out of Chicago was recently awarded the Bottom Ash Overhaul project at Naughton Station this spring. There are other projects there that they are bidding on as well. We will be attending a pre job meeting with Hayes Mechanical along with the Building Trades on March 8th in Evanston, WY.

April's Union Meeting Is Changing Dates

April's union meeting will be moved to Thursday April 7th. It will still be in Cheyenne at 6pm. I will be at a conference from April 11th thru the 15th.

Training

The tentative schedule for Rigging Training is this:

Green River 4/9 & 16 & 17

Practical is on 4/16

A refresher class will be on Saturday 4/2

Cheyenne 5/7 & 8, 14 & 15

A refresher class will be on Saturday 4/30

Call the JATC to sign up for these classes.

We are in need of an instructor for Rigging in the Cheyenne area. If your up for the challenge, please call the JATC.