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IMPORTANT Dates to Remember

- **September 17th** - Annual Golf Outing Woodcrest Country Club
- **October 10th** - Annual "Can We Talk" Meeting, Caffe Aldo Lamberti, Cherry Hill, NJ

Annual "Can We Talk" Meeting

Mark your calendar and plan on attending Wednesday, October 10th at Caffe Aldo Lamberti, Cherry Hill, NJ.

Guest Speaker will be Daniel P. Cosner, South Jersey Building Trades Council President, and IBEW Local #351 Business Agent. Further information and invitation will be forthcoming.

Off-the-Job Safety: September is Home Eye Safety Awareness Month

Most people might not think about wearing eye protection while cleaning, cooking, doing yard work or working in the garage, but according to the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO), half of all eye injuries occur when doing these everyday chores. And while 90 percent of eye injuries are preventable by wearing the proper eye protection, AAO reports that 78 percent of those injured were not wearing any protective eyewear.

Prevent Blindness America has declared September as Home Eye Safety Awareness Month to remind everyone of the hazards in their own homes that could damage the precious gift of sight.

All too often, when we're working around the house and doing chores that we've done a thousand times before without incident, we forget about the risks we take by not protecting our eyes, but all it takes is one split-second accident that could damage your vision for a lifetime.

The American Society of Ocular Trauma (ASOT) recommends that every household have at least one pair of American National Standards Institute (ANSI) approved eyewear. The eyewear should have (Cont.)

the "Z-87" logo stamped on the frames and can be purchased inexpensively at hardware stores and home building centers.

Safety Tips

Almost 40 percent of home eye injuries occur in the yard or garden. Debris from lawn mowers or power trimmers unexpectedly can enter the eye at a high rate of speed. Prevent Blindness America offers these tips on how to protect your eyes while doing work in the yard:

- When mowing, wear safety glasses with side protection or goggles. Check your yard and remove debris before mowing.
- When using a weed eater, wear safety glasses or goggles under a face shield.
- Wear goggles when working with power saws or trimmers.
- Turn off power tools when near an unprotected bystander, especially when young children approach. Bystanders and helpers need eye protection when around tools that are in use.
- Wear goggles to protect your eyes from fertilizers, pesticides and other yard chemicals, including lime dust.
- Read and follow all product instructions. Obey warnings on yard chemicals and equipment.

In addition, household chemicals, including bleach or other cleaners, cause 125,000 eye injuries every year. Eye protection should be worn when using any chemical, and wash hands thoroughly before touching the eyes or face.



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As Reported From ACCNJ

Only Five States Lost Construction Jobs in July – One Was NJ:

Compared to July 2017, 45 states and DC added construction jobs in July 2018. But in New Jersey, which shed 6,000 jobs, a 3.9% drop, the job loss was the steepest, both in numbers and percentage, among the five states that lost jobs. The New Jersey news wasn't good for the month from June to July either, as the state lost 1,000 jobs, a 0.7% drop. In the region, Connecticut added 3,200 jobs, up 5.5%, for the year-over-year, and 400 jobs, a 0.7% gain, for the month. Delaware picked up 1,300 jobs for the year period, up 6%, and 300 for the month, up 1.3%. New York added 12,800 jobs for the year period, up 3.3%, although it slid back 0.1% for the month on the loss of 300 jobs. Pennsylvania added 2,500 for the year period, up 1%, but also lost jobs for the month, down 1,600 for a 0.6% drop. Rhode Island gained 900 jobs for the year period, up 4.9%, but lost 100 for the month, a 0.5% drop.

July Prices for Construction Materials Soar Over Last July:

The good news, as reported by AGC of America's Chief Economist Ken Simonson, is the prices for construction materials and services remained unchanged overall from June to July of this year. The bad news is the year-over-year price index on construction goods and services leaped 8.1% (July 2017 to July 2018). Some of that increase is a result of rising materials costs and some is due to rising service costs, including the delivery of materials and equipment to construction sites, hauling away dirt, debris and equipment, and operating diesel-powered equipment. Diesel fuel prices soared 43.6% for the year-over-year; aluminum mill shape prices shot up 17.8%; steel mill product prices increased 12.4%; and lumber and plywood prices climbed 16.3%. Truck transportation and freight prices were up 8.2% over the year.

Stockton's Intent to Purchase Atlantic Club Approved:

The Stockton University Board of Trustees has approved the university's plan to negotiate the purchase the former Atlantic Club casino, a couple of blocks up the Atlantic City boardwalk from campus, from current owner TJM of Florida. Stockton plans to expand its Atlantic City campus housing, now at almost 100% capacity, and could use the Atlantic Club property for that expansion. The site has 11 upland lots, one beach lot, a nine-level parking garage with 550,000 square feet, approximately 50,000 (Cont.)

square feet of office space and a 23-story hotel tower, which TJM would demolish as part of the sale. At least some of the funds from Stockton's recent sale of the Seaview Resort in Galloway Township to KDG Capital LLC of Florida will be used for the Atlantic Club purchase. No timeline for acquisition or development has been announced.

What is a Flood Elevation Certificate and Why Do I Need One?

Did you know that flood damage is not covered under homeowner's insurance?

To protect your home and belongings against floods, you need flood insurance. To qualify for flood insurance, you need an Elevation Certificate (EC) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

An EC documents the elevation of your property's structure in comparison to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE). BFE is the elevation that floodwaters are estimated to have a one percent chance of reaching or exceeding in a given year.

Criteria listed on an EC typically includes:

- Location of your building
- Lowest floor elevation
- Building characteristics
- Flood zone

In most cases, the higher your lowest floor is above the BFE, the lower the risk of flooding, and the lower your flood insurance premiums are!

In the event you need an EC, we recommend you hire only licensed professionals who can take you through each step of the process. Only experienced professionals have the state-of-the-art technology and strict data quality standards to ensure the most reliable information for your EC.

Flood insurance and elevation certificates may seem daunting, but by using licensed professionals, you can ensure that the procedure is done correctly.

Glenn Insurance agents can answer any of your Elevation Certificate, flood insurance and other flood-related questions.

Contact Associate Member Glenn Insurance(856-692-4500) today to help you through the process.