

Carpenters Local 1243

Keeping You Up to Date with Your Union

April 2025

LOCAL 1243 ELECTION RESULTS

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP
MEETING IS APRIL 22ND
AT 7PM**

Members voted on Tuesday, March 25 at the Special Called Meeting for Delegates for the General Convention and on various amendments to the Local 1243 Bylaws.

Local 1243 membership voted for **Chris Smith & Will Wood** for the 43rd General Convention Delegates in August.

The Local members also voted to approve all suggested amendments to the Local 1243 Bylaws. Members will be notified once the Bylaws are approved with the Western States Regional Council of Carpenters Bylaws Committee and moved to be approved at the Western District.

CSAC

For members that have not received their new insurance card contact CSAC, 1-800-293-1370. Members can obtain a digital copy by using this link

member.ibx.com

members should also be sure to create a member XG account at

MemberXG

gobasys.com

At Member XG members can see their hours bank for health insurance and employer contribution into their annuity. Members can also submit documents directly to the Trust office, such as; Adding dependents, updating beneficiaries, or adding bank account information to receive CUPP or vacation payments.



The new \$13 million Carpenters Training Center in Anchorage was announced in the Anchorage Daily News on March 30, 2025.

April: Tax Fraud Prevention



**TAXES BUILD BRIDGES AND SCHOOLS.
TAXES PAY FOR OUR PUBLIC SAFETY.
TAXES PROTECT OUR COUNTRY.**



DID YOU KNOW?

A MINIMUM OF ONE IN FIVE CONTRACTORS COMMIT FEDERAL TAX FRAUD

Why are so many construction contractors committing tax fraud? They do it to steal jobs from tax-paying businesses and their employees.

Corrupt contractors pay workers off the books, or, less often, as independent contractors when they clearly shouldn't. That allows them to evade state, local, and federal taxes, so they can illegally lower their labor costs to underbid law-abiding competitors.

IT'S INTENTIONAL

Frequently, corrupt contractors use law-breaking subcontractors and labor brokers to shield themselves from accountability.

IT'S NOT SMALL: IT'S \$10 BILLION

Construction industry tax fraud robs our state and federal governments out of \$10 billion a year. No job site is immune. No state is immune. Here are the estimated annual losses:

FEDERAL TAX LOSSES

- › California \$302 million
- › North Carolina \$333 million
- › Texas \$1.06 billion

STATE TAX LOSSES

- › Missouri \$28.7 million
- › Indiana \$30.2 million
- › Michigan \$66.4 million
- › Oregon \$54.9 million
- › Georgia \$68.1 million
- › North Carolina \$134 million
- › Pennsylvania \$82.3 million
- › Colorado \$36.9 million
- › Massachusetts \$73.6 million

WHEN CONTRACTORS CHEAT ON THEIR TAXES, WE PAY MORE.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- › Protect tax-paying contractors and their employees
- › Support fair competition
- › Support law enforcement
- › Talk to your colleagues about this problem

STAY INFORMED

- › Visit STOPTAXFRAUD.net
- › Visit @StopTaxFraud on Facebook & Twitter and 'Stop Tax Fraud' on YouTube

Clean Up Day & CUPP

Fairbanks Clean Up Day will be on Saturday, May 10th. We are excited to let you know this will be a CUPP sponsored event. We will let you know more information as we get closer to May.

CUPP is an opportunity for members to earn points, while volunteering their time at various Local or Council events. Members are encouraged to create a CUPP account at Login | WS Carpenters Union Alaska (galaxydigital.com) to start earning CUPP points. Members can also see upcoming events and register to attend. CUPP issues stipend checks of \$250.00 every January and July to all members who accumulate a minimum of 6 hours during the previous 6-month period. Members can set up direct deposit for CUPP stipend check by entering your information directly on MemberXG .

Alaska Unemployment Tax

Members that have worked for more than 1 employer are encouraged to complete an Employee Application for Refund with the State of Alaska at this link [EMPLOYEE APPLICATION FOR REFUND](#). If the state finds that you had withholding in excess of the limits you could be entitled to a refund.

Summer Work Update

Eklutna will need hands in April for work on Fort Wainwright. Ghemm Company has been awarded the new Indigenous Studies Center at UAF. Work will start this with utilidoor work and should continue for 3 years. Davis will be starting on the new Planetarium this spring at UAF.



Instructor Matt Hackenmiller. Picture from Anchorage Daily News. Full article is in the link [Alaska carpenters union is building a \\$13M training center in Anchorage - Anchorage Daily News](#)

We Want Your Email

Email is a more efficient and quick way to reach our members with information (especially, when time sensitive). Let us know if you have an email address, we can add to your contact information. And don't forget to let us know if you have a change of address or phone number.

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