

Memo to Members

by Larry Mazzola
Business Manager



Let's begin by talking about Local 38 newest Business Agent, John Chiarenza.

Brother Chiarenza will be starting his new position in about two weeks, and I have to say I'm excited. I've known John for years, and have watched his growth and development both as a Local 38 journeyman and as a Local 38 instructor.

As a journeyman Brother Chiarenza has proved an excellent hand in the field, both in commercial construction and with the City of San Francisco. His history as a foreman and supervisor reflect his outstanding leadership abilities.

As an instructor John has proven his dedication to his apprentices, to Local 38, and to the labor movement as a whole. He has shown his willingness to work hard to ensure that Local 38's members are top in the trades, and he will bring that same dedication to the position of Business Agent.

A REMARKABLE TEAM

Over the past few years we have seen a number of changes in Local 38 leadership as many of the officers we have relied on for years have retired.

I believe our leadership team includes some unique and exceptional people, who serve the membership of Local 38 well, and will continue to do so in the future. Our current officers are intelligent, talented and dedicated, and I am proud to have the chance to work with each of them.

I believe John Chiarenza will be another outstanding Business Agent, and one who has the tools to continue to keep Local 38 one of the premiere local unions in the country.

METAL TRADES

I also want to congratulate Assistant Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Jr., on his election as Vice-President of the Bay Cities Metal Trades Council.

For years the Metal Trades served as one of the important foundations of Local 38. But in recent years much of our shipyard work has been outsourced to naval shipyards in Washington and Southern California, as well as to Korea, China and Japan.

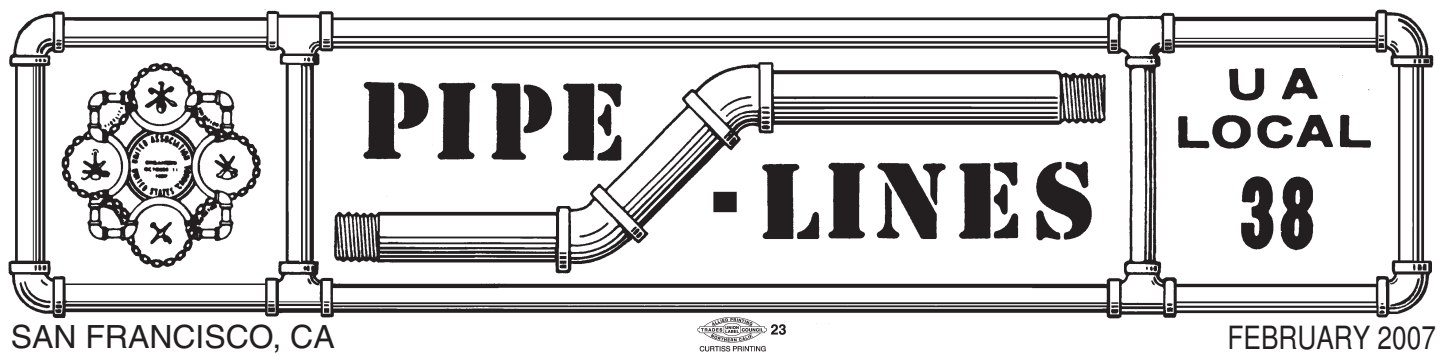
CRUISE SHIPS

Recently there has been increased interest in using the Bay Area's shipyards for repair and renovation of cruise ships. This work has the potential to revitalize at least some of the Bay Area's metal trades work, and the work of the Metal Trade Council is vital to that future.

Many of Local 38's longtime members did stints in the shipyards and understand just how important that work could be to our future.

I also want to thank retired Local 38 Business Agent Jim Kazarian for his years of work on the Metal Trade Council. Brother Kazarian

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Labor and Allies Push New Political Advantage

House Examines Employee Free Choice Act

Moving to capitalize on the new Democratic majority in the US Congress, organized labor is urging the passage of the Employee Free Choice Act, currently before the House of Representatives (H.R. 800).

"This measure is vital to the future of organized labor," said Local 38 Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Sr., in talking about the act. "It makes it realistic for employees to choose union representation without the type of illegal anti-union measures that have become so common.

"We hear that employees are free to join unions," he continued. "But the reality is that employees are threatened, disciplined or even fired regularly for union organizing. Anti-union consulting is a booming business, and even when employees vote for union representation, they frequently can't get a contract."

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Fair vs. Free Trade In Upcoming Debate

The issue of "free trade" is once again taking center stage, as the Bush administration gears up for an expected fight with Congress over extending the President's "Special Trade Authority."

Union and non-union workers alike have become all too familiar with the effect of "free trade" agreements such as the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA). Since the passage of NAFTA in 1993 more than 1 million US jobs have been lost, many union jobs with good wages and benefits.

SPECIAL AUTHORITY

The Special Trade Authority allows the President to negotiate trade agreements that must be considered by Congress on an expedited basis without any

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John Chiarenza, Jr.

Long-Time Local 38 Instructor Named New Business Agent

Well known Local 38 instructor John Chiarenza was named as the newest Local 38 Business Agent by Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Sr., earlier this month.

"We are very proud to have John Chiarenza join the Local 38 leadership team," said Mazzola, in announcing the appointment. "Over the years John has proven to be a dedicated Local 38 member, and has shown the leadership abilities that will make him an outstanding Business Agent."

"I'm very proud to be chosen a member of the Mazzola leadership team," said Chiarenza.

"I know the difference being

a Local 38 member has meant to me and my family," he continued. "I'm really looking forward to this chance to work on some of the challenges Local 38 will be facing in the coming years."

Brother Chiarenza, 37, joined the Local 38 apprenticeship program in 1988, after graduating from Terra Linda High School in Marin. A plumber who turned out in 1993, he worked for Marelich Mechanical for 10 years including running such jobs as the St. Ignatius Gymnasium and the Buck Center. Seven years ago he went to work for the City of San Francisco, spending six years at San Francisco International Airport before taking his current position with the Recreation and

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John Chiarenza

Mazzola Elected to Bay Cities Metal Trades Council Post

Local 38 Assistant Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Jr. was elected to serve as Vice-President of the Bay Cities Metal Trades Council earlier this month.

"I'm very excited about serving on the Bay Cities Metal Trades Council," said Mazzola. "We lost a lot of work when the U.S. Navy moved their ship repair facilities to Bremerton, Washington and Long Beach. But we're beginning

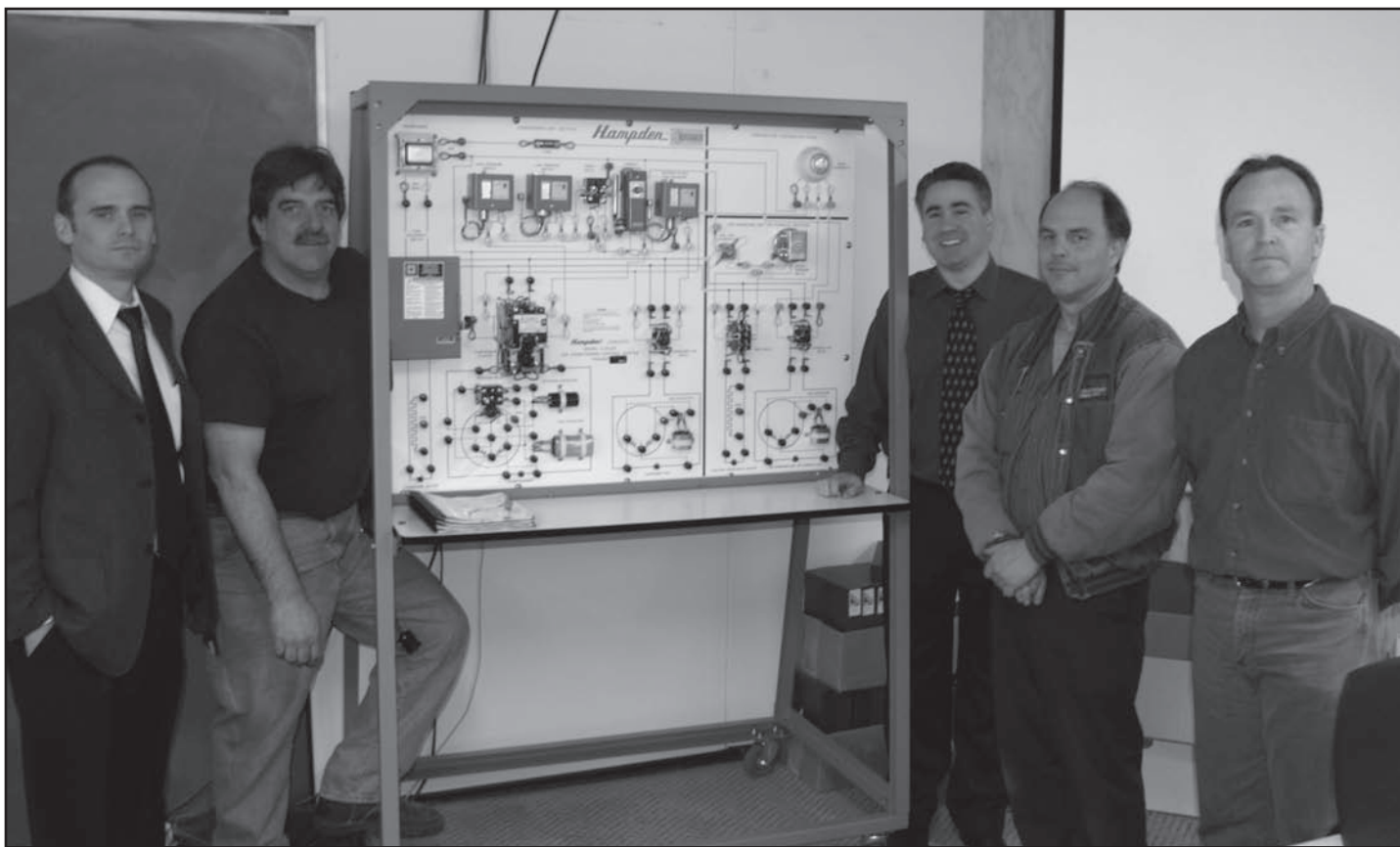
to see some new work in the form of cruise ships having work done in our shipyards. San Francisco Drydock has had two cruise ships recently, and we believe they can get a lot more business. We're doing everything we can to revitalize this important industry."

The Bay Cities Metal Trades Council represents workers in the ship building and repair industry throughout San Francisco Bay.

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Larry Mazzola, Jr.



Local 38 Schools Receive State-of-the-Art Training Equipment

Local 38 journeymen and apprentices will be able to train on the latest state-of-the-art simulators, thanks in large part to the United Association International Training Fund (ITF), who recently awarded a number of equipment grants to the Local 38 Training Department.

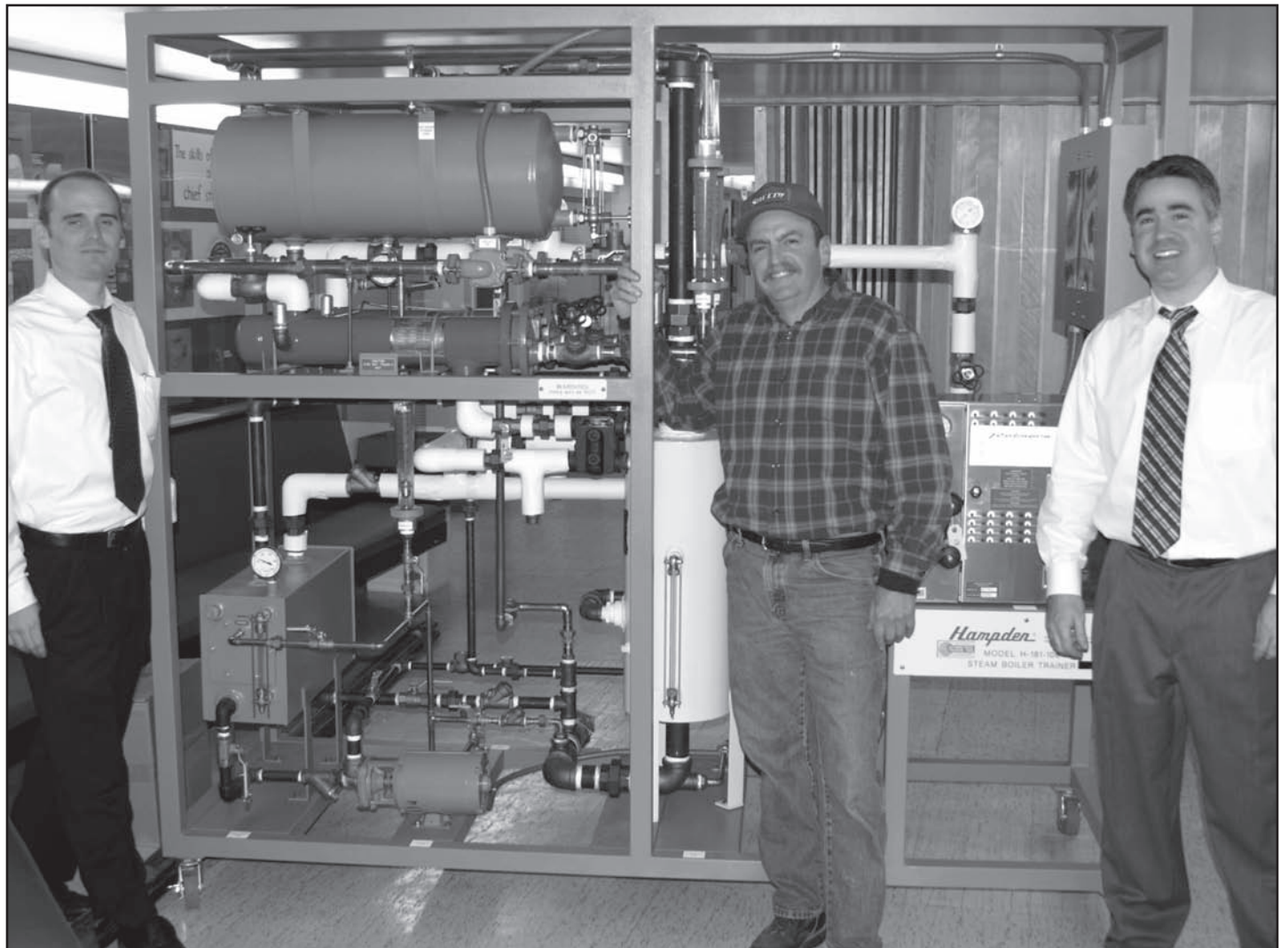
"We are very excited to get this training equipment," said Local 38 Training Director Steve Mazzola. "Over the years our trades have become progressively more technical. Our members in the field are now regularly working with automated and computerized controls, as well as new equipment and techniques.

"We have always been committed to providing our apprentices and journeymen the best training possible. We know that our trade is constantly changing, and that our members need to stay up to date," he continued. "The addition of these pieces of training equipment to our San Francisco and Santa Rosa schools mean that our members will be training on the latest equipment in the field."

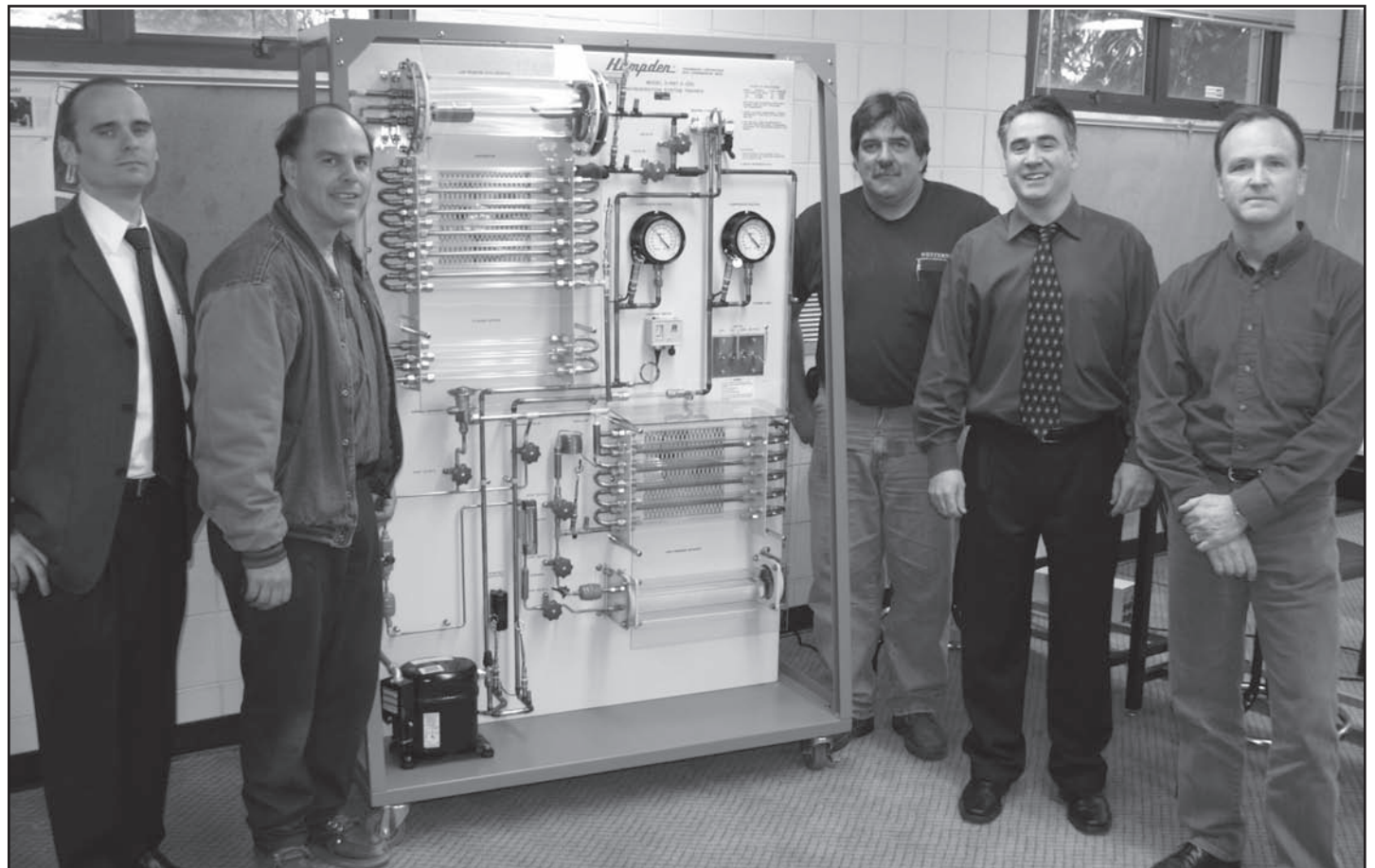
BOTH TRAINING CENTERS

The Training Department received two of each trainer, meaning that students at both of the Local 38 schools will have access to the new equipment. Included in the ITF grants were 2 refrigeration cycle demonstrators, 2 steam boiler trainers, 2 air conditioning Controls trainers, and two Medical Gas Trainers.

In addition the Training Department purchased two new Vitaulic machines (for grooving pipe), one for each of the schools.



Local 38 Training Director Steve Mazzola and Assistant Training Director Liam Devlin were on-hand in both San Francisco and Santa Rosa to oversee the arrival of the newest training equipment earlier this month. Pictured here are (top left) Mazzola and Devlin along with Instructors Rolf Stevens and Dave Copping and Business Agent Frank Reardon with the Air Conditioning Controls Trainer; (top right) Instructor Ken Sousa with one of the new Vitaulic machines; (above) Devlin and Mazzola along with instructor Brian Conkling and the new Steam Boiler Trainer; and (below) Mazzola, Devlin, Copping, Stevens and Reardon with the new Refrigeration Controls Trainer.



New Union Hotel Facility in North Bay

Looking for a spot for your next union meeting, wedding party or soiree?

Well, Sonoma County now has a first class facility available in Petaluma. And best of all, it's a union house!

The Petaluma Sheraton Hotel, at the south end of town right on the Petaluma River, became a union house when more than 100 employees voted to affiliate with UniteHERE, Local 2850, and signed their first contract in September.

Under the contract workers received a significant wage increase during the first year and additional increases over the next two years. The contract also includes workload reduction for housekeepers and immigration protections for all workers.

The union contract represents a victory not only for Sheraton workers, but for the North Bay Central Labor Council and the Living Wage Coalition of Sonoma County, who were successful in getting the Sheraton and the Petaluma City Council to agree to a "public subsidy agreement. The Sheraton developers agreed to remain neutral on labor organizing at the hotel in return for loans and tax abatements.

Local unions, as well as the North Bay Labor Council, have already scheduled or hosted events at the Sheraton, and are urging anyone who is looking for a facility for a party, workshop, meeting, conference or banquet, to patronize Sonoma County's only union hotel.

The Petaluma Sheraton is located at 745 Baywood Drive, Petaluma, and features a beautiful view of the Petaluma Marina. The reservation phone number for the 183-bed hotel and conference center is (707) 283-2888.

Employee Free Choice Act...

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EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE

Among the key provisions of The Employee Free Choice Act are:

- The establishment of stronger penalties for violation of employee rights when workers seek to form a union and during first-contract negotiations.
- Providing mediation and arbitration for first-contract disputes.
- Allowing employees to form unions by signing cards authorizing union representation.

ANTI-UNION ACTIVITY

The need for the Employee Free Choice Act becomes clear, according to the AFL-CIO, when you look at the unfair labor activities undertaken by companies fighting working organizing campaigns.

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- Employees are fired in one-quarter of private-sector union organizing campaigns;

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- Seventy-eight percent of private employers require supervisors to deliver anti-union messages to the workers whose jobs and pay they control;
- One-third of newly chosen union bargaining units are unable—because of employers unwillingness to bargain in good faith—to get a contract.

WRITE YOUR LEGISLATOR

"We are urging all Local 38 members and supporters to write their legislators—either in the House or Senate—and let them know that we support H.R. 800," said Mazzola. "For years we have watched Republican presidents or congressional majorities attack the right of workers to organize unions and bargain collectively. This is our chance to turn that around and provide all workers—union and non-union alike—a better life."

Free vs. Fair Trade...

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amendments or revisions. The Authority is set to expire June 30, and the Bush Administration is eager to renew the legislation.

Congress, with its new Democratic majority, is less willing to grant the President carte blanche in trade negotiations than were previous Republican legislators. And the public—led by the AFL-CIO—apparently agrees.

FREE TRADE VS. FAIR TRADE

In an analysis of last year's election by Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch, in virtually every election that pitted a "free trade" advocate against a "fair trade" advocate, the fair trade candidate won the election.

The report defined "free trade" advocates as those who consistently vote for free trade agreements without worker rights or environmental protections, such as NAFTA or CAFTA. Fair trade advocates, on the other hand, support including enforceable core workers' rights in all trade agreements and are pressuring President Bush to enforce U.S. trade laws more effectively and consistently.

IMPACTING EVERYONE

"Growing imports and offshore outsourcing have contributed to the loss of good jobs in every sector that faces international competition, including almost 2 million jobs lost to growing trade deficits in the manufacturing sector since 1998," wrote the AFL-CIO in a pro "free trade" resolution adopted at their 2006 convention. "The loss of skilled production workers, scientists, engineers, and technical and professional workers across the manufacturing sector makes it more likely that the next best idea, the next in-

novation, the next generation of products, and the next investment will take place somewhere else, not in the United States.

"In addition, offshore outsourcing has rapidly moved into information technology, telecommunications, financial services, and health care, among other sectors, raising concerns about national security, privacy and the potential for future innovation and development."

WHAT ABOUT THE TRADES?

While it's easy to see how manufacturing and service jobs are being shipped to low wage workers overseas, many building trades workers believe they are immune to trade impacts, since most of their work is done on job sites.

"We're already seeing pre-fabricated work being imported from out of state," said Local 38 Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Sr. "How long will it be until contractors begin shipping pre-fabricated materials from overseas? If someone can build a boiler room in a shipping container and drive it in from Oklahoma, why not ship it in from Malaysia? We're not immune to the same problems other workers have faced because of unfair free trade agreements."

WORKER PROTECTIONS

"The kind of protections we're looking for are really modest and reasonable, protections against child labor, forced labor, discrimination," AFL-CIO policy director Thea Lee recently told an interviewer. "Slavery's bad. Child slavery is even worse. Nobody should make money from violating the human rights of workers. No government should make money by offering up to foreign investors that, if their workers join a union, they'll be shot in the head or put

in jail. It's just not the way we want competition to work."

A CONGRESSIONAL MOVEMENT

Recognizing that trade was a key issue in the 2006 elections, 39 freshmen members of the House wrote Rep. Charles Rangel (D-N.Y.), Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, recently urging new trade policies that save jobs and communities.

"Vital to our electoral successes was our ability to take a vocal stand against the administration's misguided trade agenda, and offer our voters real, meaningful alternatives to the job-killing agreements, such

as CAFTA that the majority of our opponents supported," the House members wrote.

"It is very important that we not only reverse the troubling results of the Administration's trade agreements and trade policies, but also that we are able to deliver on the promise we made to our constituents to move our nation in a new and improved direction on trade."

Vice-President Dick Cheney told the National Association of Manufacturers recently that extending the President's Special Trade Authority will be a "tough fight." Labor and our new allies in Congress would like to make it an impossible one.

Write Your Representative

U.S. SENATE

Dianne Feinstein - 331 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON DC 20510

Barbara Boxer - 112 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON DC 20510

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

District 1 - Mike Thompson, 231 Cannon HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0501

District 6 - Lynn Woolsey, 2263 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0506

District 7 - George Miller, 2205 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0507

District 8 - Nancy Pelosi, 235 Cannon HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0508

District 9 - Barbara Lee, 2444 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0509

District 10 - Ellen O. Tauscher, 2459 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0510

District 12 - Tom Lantos, 2459 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0510

District 13 - Fortney Pete Stark, 239 Cannon HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0513

District 14 - Anna G. Eshoo, 205 Cannon HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0514

District 15 - Michael Honda, 1713 Longworth HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0515

District 16 - Zoe Lofgren, 102 Cannon HOB, Washington, DC 20515-0516

Global Warming Is Real: Now We Must Save The Planet

by Bob Balgenorth, Pres.

State Building and Construction
Trades Council of California

There's little room for argument any more. Global warming is real and it's going to take the cooperation of just about every sector of business and industry, including construction, to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and save the planet from a meltdown.

Those aren't the exact words of a new study by a prestigious international panel of scientists, but it's a pretty accurate summary of their findings. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is preparing a report that says the burning of fossil fuels is heating the earth's atmosphere, melting icecaps, raising sea levels, spreading deserts and increasing the numbers of hurricanes and floods.

The report was written by more than 600 scientists, reviewed by another 600, and edited by climate experts from 154 countries. An early draft says: "It is very likely that [man-made] greenhouse gas increases caused most of the average temperature increases since the mid-20th Century." "Due largely to the combustion of fossil fuels," says the Pew Center on Global Climate Change, "atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide, the principal greenhouse gas, are at a level unequaled

for more than 400,000 years."

In January, a panel of six Nobel Prize winners on the UC Berkeley faculty also agreed that a lack of action on global warming will result

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in apocalypse. But they also argued that if we act quickly, the prospects are far from hopeless. One commonly used forecast says if we muddle along without changing the way we do business now, global greenhouse gas emissions will reach 14 billion tons per year by 2055. But two respected researchers, Stephen Pacala and Robert Socolow of Princeton's Carbon Mitigation Initiative say the technologies already exist to allow us to cut those emissions in half and stabilize the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

Here's a sample of their recommendations:

- Produce 2 billion cars that get 60 miles per gallon of gasoline instead of 30 mpg.
- Decrease car travel for 2 billion 30-mpg cars from 10,000 to 5,000 miles per year.
- Improve energy efficiency by one-fourth in buildings and appliances.

- Build 1 million 2-megawatt wind turbines to displace coal power.
- Build 700 billion watts of nuclear power to displace coal power (twice current global nuclear

many other sectors of the national and world economy. But in January, chief executives of 10 major corporations urged Congress to require limits on greenhouse gases this year. The executives represent major utilities, aluminum and chemical companies, and financial institutions.

In California, the struggle is already under way to reduce the emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases by 25 percent by 2020. That's the goal set in landmark legislation signed by the Governor last fall.

Conversion to environmentally friendly energy systems will present both enormous challenges and huge opportunities for the building and construction trades. It will require workers to master new technologies, but for more than 100 years, union apprenticeship programs have proven themselves equal to any task, training the most skilled workforce in the world.

The technology revolution needed to protect the earth from global warming will present tremendous opportunities for a skilled workforce, including construction workers, and for businesses that position themselves to meet the demands of a low-carbon economy.

'Way back in the 1960s, Bob Dylan sang, "The Times, They Are A-Changin'." The times are changing again, and our challenge is to be ready to change with them.

Code Classes Offered

The Local 38 Training Department will continue its program of offering a series of one night classes on the Uniform Plumbing Code in March and April

The classes will be taught by San Francisco Chief Plumbing Inspector Bob Farrow, Jr. at the Joseph P. Mazzola Training Center, 1623 Market St., San Francisco CA 94103.

Classes are scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2007 from 5-8 p.m., and on Tuesday April 10, 2007 from 5-8 p.m. Each class will cover a specific portion of the Uniform Plumbing Code and its San Francisco addendums, though specific topics have yet to be determined.

Members interested in attending the classes should contact the Training Department at (415) 626-2000.

U.A. STAR Examination To Be Offered In May

The Local 38 Training Department will be offering members the opportunity to become U.A. STAR Certified in their respective trades, including a new HVACR Technology AAS Degree for HVAC Service Technicians, in May.

The U.A. STAR Examination allows members to receive U.A. certification for their expertise in their particular trade, as well as 32 college credits through Washtenaw Community College in Michigan. With the 32 credits, you will be able to pursue an Associate Degree from Washtenaw, a Bachelor Degree from the National Labor College, or a Bachelor Degree from Ferris State University (for HVAC Service Technicians). For more information on the Degree Programs please contact the Training Department, or visit www.uauniversity.org on the Internet.

Local 38 Journeymen and Apprentices completing their five-year Apprenticeship Program are eligible to take the examination.

The STAR Examination will be held in May 2007 on a date to be determined. Please see future editions of Pipelines for specific dates. The Examination is held in a proctored setting and is administered and graded by National ITC, Inc.

Local 38 will assist with this Examination by paying the \$30 test registration fee for members taking the test. The Training Department will provide a STAR Examination study guide free of charge.

If you are interested in taking the STAR Examination you should pick up a study guide and begin your review right away. At this time no review classes are scheduled. However, if there is enough interest we can hold classes.

To register please contact the Training Department at (415) 626-2000.

Labor Fight Night Set For Civic Auditorium

Local 38 will join with a cross section of San Francisco labor unions to sponsor a labor boxing night, set for the Bill Graham Civic Auditorium on Friday March 9, 2007.

The San Francisco Championships are a USA Olympic Boxing Qualifying event, and is being sponsored by the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Fire Fighters, and other Bay Area labor unions.

Tickets for the Fight Night are available at the Local 38 office at (415) 626-2000, or through the Bill Graham Civic Center Box Office.

Local 38 Mail Box

Scholarship Recipient Says Thanks

Local 38,

Thank you so much for awarding such a generous scholarship to me. The money has been very helpful and has substantially reduced the loans I have had to take out to pay for college. As you may know, I'm attending San Diego State University and I'm really enjoying it there. I have made it on the Dean's List every semester and my grades continue to improve. Thank you again for your generosity and I hope you all had a happy New Year.

Melissa Collins

Scholarship Helps Toward Goals

Dear Larry Mazzola and Local 38,

I would just like to thank you for

the scholarship you have granted me this year. I would never have been able to achieve my goal of going to a UC and competing on a DI gymnastics team without your help. My family and I are very thankful for this opportunity and all your generosity.

Sincerely,
Kendall McCann

Thanks For Your Contribution

Dear Mr. Frank Reardon,

On behalf of the Redwood Empire LMCC and the Make-a-Wish Foundation, thank you for your support in our golf tournament that was held on August 25, 2006 at Stone Tree. Because you are a caring member of the community, you are well aware of the challenges many seriously ill children and their families face. Escalating medical costs and reductions in health insurance benefits make giving an ill child something to look forward to seemingly financially impossible.

Time and again, we have heard heartfelt testimony from families as to how the Make-a-Wish Foundation has made a difference in their lives. Because of your efforts, we were able to raise over \$12,000. Again, thank you for supporting us in this extremely worthwhile cause.

We wish you the best in the coming year.

Sincerely,
Anisa M. Thomsen
Secretary

Scholarship a Great Way To Give Back

Dear Members of the Local 38 Joseph Mazzola Scholarship Fund,

Thank you very much for the money that you have given me for my schooling. I will use it to enhance my education. I think this scholarship is a great way to give

back to the family members of your harder working employees. Thank you again.

Sincerely
Jake Richardson

IAPMO Chapter Appreciates Support

Dear Larry,

I wanted to thank you very much for the generous donation U.A. Local 38 made to our Chapter for its annual installation. The donation not only contributed to the success of the installation but also provided funds which will allow us to send a representative from our Chapter to the IAPMO conference in September.

Our members appreciate the strong support Local 38 has provided to our Chapter over the years.

Gratefully,
David J. Ledda, Chairman

Local 38 Reinstates Blood Donation Program

Local 38 is renewing a program designed to encourage people to donate blood to their local blood bank by giving members credit on their monthly union dues for their contribution.

"We have run this program in the past and it has always been very effective," said Local 38 Business Manager, in announcing the renewal of the blood drive. "Our members have responded enthusiastically, and the local blood banks need every contribution they can get."

Any Local 38 member who submits a blood donation receipt from a local blood bank, will

receive one month's dues credit, up to two donations per calendar year through April, 2008.

American Red Cross

6230 Claremont Ave, Oakland, CA 94618-1324, (510)594-5100

Blood Bank of the Redwoods

2324 Bethards Dr. Santa Rosa, CA 95405-8572, (707)545-1222
Ukiah, CA 95482, (707)463-1844

Blood Bank Peninsula

360c Main St # C, Redwood City, CA 94063-1728, (650)369-8211

Blood Centers of the Pacific

4050 Redwood Hwy., San Rafael, CA 94903-5149 (415)454-2700
270 Masonic Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118-4496(415)567-6400
260 Main St # C Redwood City, CA 94063-1733 (650)369-8211
1730 S Amphlett Blvd # 116, San Mateo, CA, 94402-2709
(650)697-4034

1834 Soscol Ave # C, Napa, CA 94559-1352, (707)226-7334
620 Kings CT # 110, Ukiah, CA 95482-5005, (707)462-1754
415 Hospital Dr Ukiah, CA 95482-4545, (707)463-7610

Coldwell Banker Towne & Cntry

9781 Point Lakeview Rd., Kelseyville, CA 95451, (707)277-7100

Irwin Memorial Blood Center

264 Bush St # 136, San Francisco, CA 94104-3524, (415)567-6400
270 Masonic Ave, San Francisco, CA 94118-4417, (415)749-6643

Blood Center

980 Welch Rd., Palo Alto, CA 94304-1516 (650)723-7831

Stanford University

800 Welch Rd # 278, Palo Alto, CA 94304-1607 (650)723-7976

UCSF Medical Center

505 Parnassus Ave., San Francisco, CA 94143, (415)476-1000

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Parks Department.

WELL KNOWN TEACHER

Brother Chiarenza began teaching in the Local 38 apprentice program nine years ago. He taught first through fifth period apprentices at the Joseph P. Mazzola Training Center in Santa Rosa, as well as teaching the Medical Gas Certification course in the North Bay. Two years ago he graduated from the five year UA Instructor Training program in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

A SECOND GENERATION PLUMBER

John is a second generation Local 38 plumber. His father, also John Chiarenza (the middle initial

is different so they aren't officially Senior and Junior, though they are often referred to that way) has been a Local 38 member for almost 48 years. He retired from the trade in 1996.

Brother Chiarenza, Sr., is also well known throughout the union, having taught sixth through tenth period apprentices in the North Bay for years, and having served as the Principal of the Santa Rosa training center.

Brother Chiarenza and his wife, Nancy, have four children, Kayla, 13, Kelsey, 12, Krista, 10 and John, 8. Like many of today's journeymen, John grew up spending summers at Camp Konocti and vacations at the Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa, an early lesson in the importance of labor unions to workers.

Metal Trades...

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For more than eight decades—from the 1900's through the 1980s—shipyards throughout the Bay Area employed hundreds of Marine Pipefitters, as well as shipyard workers from other trades.

United Association Local 590, one of the four locals which were merged in 1947 to form Local 38, was chartered in 1912, and represented thousands of shipyard workers throughout the military mobilizations of World Wars I and II, when local facilities turned out hundreds of ships.

AN IMPORTANT SHIPYARD CITY

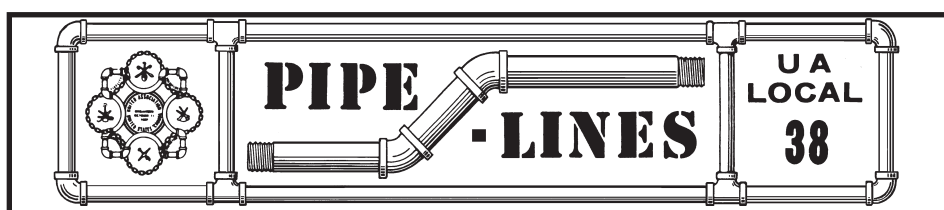
In 1988 San Francisco voters actually voted to homeport the U.S. Missouri at the Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard in San Francisco. The Missouri is an Iowa Class Battleship with a history of distinguished service. It was on the Missouri's deck that the Japanese actually signed their formal declaration of surrender to end World War II. Despite the vote, the Navy eventually decided to homeport the Missouri in Honolulu, Hawaii, where it currently served as a Museum Ship in Pearl Harbor.

In the intervening years, largely under Republican leadership and "free trade" advocates, thousands of ship building and repair jobs have gone overseas, with work being done in Japan, China and Korea. The Naval jobs remaining on the West Coast of the United States have been largely consolidated into naval shipyard in Washington, Southern California and Hawaii.

FIGHTING AGAINST OUTSOURCING

The Bay Cities Metal Trades Council is the local affiliate of the Pacific Coast Metal Trades, and is affiliated with the Metal and Maritime Trades Departments of the AFL-CIO. In addition to representing workers, the Metal and Maritime Trades Departments have led the fight against outsourcing of shipyard jobs, particularly against having U.S. Navy ships built and repaired by foreign governments.

Former Local 38 Business Agent Jim Kazarian, who retired in 2005, continued to serve as the President of the Council until the election this month. He is replaced by newly elected President Dan Huff of United Brotherhood of Carpenters, Local 2236, who had been serving as Vice President.



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just stepped down as President of the Metal Trades Council, after years of representing our shipyard members. Thanks Jim, for a job well done.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

As you can see from the article on Page 6 of Pipelines, we're encouraging everyone who can to participate in the 155th St. Patrick's Day Parade, to be held on Saturday, March 17 in San Francisco.

We hope that Local 38 members will turn out in force to honor not only the parade, but also Grand Marshall Mike Casey, the President of San Francisco's Hotel Workers, Local 2. Congratulations, Mike!

The Local 38 contingent will gather at 2nd and Folsom at 11 a.m. on Saturday. We'll have Local 38 banners and each marcher will receive a free Local 38 parade tee-shirt.

Come if you can. It's important to have a good labor turnout, and it's a lot of fun!

TRAINING EQUIPMENT

Just a couple more things. It is exciting to see the new training equipment the Training Department has acquired for both San Francisco and Santa Rosa.

These trainers are the latest educational tools in the trades, and will help to ensure that our apprentices and journeymen are familiar with the newest innovations in the trades.

Training has always been the backbone of Local 38, and equipment such as these trainers give our teachers the tools they need to maintain our record of excellence.

CHARITY DRIVES

I also want to mention two charity programs, the KGO Cure-A-Thon and the Local 38 blood donation program.

On March 30 and 31, KGO will be holding their annual Cure-A-Thon to raise money for the fight against Leukemia.

Over the years the Cure-A-Thon has raised over \$11 million, with all the money going directly to research. Since its inception, Bay Area labor has played a key role in the fundraising effort, and this year will be no exception.

Union leaders from throughout Northern California are donating their time, effort and money to the cause, and we want to encourage Local 38 members and supporters to join in by contributing what they can afford.

BLOOD DRIVE

Local 38 is also proud to revive our blood donation program, which proved to be successful a few years ago. Donate blood, get a free month's dues, up to twice a year, through April 2008. The article on page five gives details, as well as blood bank contacts.

EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE

Finally I want to encourage you to read the story about the Employee Free Choice Act on page 1, and to write your congressional representative.

For too long anti-union forces have made organizing difficult, if not impossible. It's time we took back the right to organize and bargain collectively!

Grand Marshall Mike Casey

Local 38 Contingent To March in St. Patrick's Day Parade

Local 38 is organizing a contingent of members and supporters to march in San Francisco's 155th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, on Saturday, March 17, 2007.

Labor is working on a stronger than normal turnout for the parade, since UniteHERE Local 2 President Mike Casey is serving as this year's Grand Marshall.

"This event is important to us," said Local 38 Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Sr., "both because it is the annual St. Patrick's Day parade which is always a special event, but also because Mike Casey is the Grand Marshall. Brother Casey and UniteHERE have been good friends to Local 38 and the Building Trades, and we want to voice our appreciation and support."

UniteHERE and Local 2 have taken a leadership role in union solidarity in their recent contracts, negotiating clauses requiring that any renovation or remodeling work done at union hotels be done by at union building trades workers at prevailing wage.

The Local 38 parade contingent is being organized by Dan McCormick, II. The Local 38 contingent will meet at 2nd and Folsom in San Francisco, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 17, 2007. The location, along with a map, is posted on the Local

38 website, www.ualocal38.org.

Accompanying this article you will find a sign up sheet for people interested in participating in the Parade. Please fill out the form and return it to St. Patrick's Day Parade, Attention Dan McCormick, c/o UA

Local 38, 1621 Market St., San Francisco CA 94103.

Make sure your contact information is included in case march organizers need to reach you. All marchers will receive a free Local 38 tee-shirt.

I am interested in marching as part of UA Local 38 contingent in the 155th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, scheduled to be held in San Francisco on Saturday, March 17, 2007.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

_____ I would be interested in helping to organize the Local 38 parade contingent.

Complete this form and mail it to St. Patrick's Day Parade, Attention Dan McCormick, C/O UA Local 38, 1621 Market St., San Francisco CA 94103

Contributions Sought for Labor-Backed Leukemia Cure-A-Thon

Local 38 is joining with the Bay Area and statewide labor community and Newstalk Radio station KGO, in the Leukemia Cure-A-Thon, a radio marathon which will be aired on KGO 810 AM on March 30 and 31.

"We are asking labor's members and supporters to open their hearts and their checkbooks," said Local 38 Business Manager Larry Mazzola, Sr. "For 27 years members of the labor community have supported the KGO Cure-A-Thon, an event that has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars toward the fight against Leukemia. We're asking people to step forward once again, and contribute what they can."

The KGO Cure-A-Thon is a live, 24-hour pledge event on KGO Newstalk AM 810 benefiting The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (formerly known as the Leukemia Society of America). The KGO Cure-A-Thon features KGO Radio hosts, musical and theatrical entertainment, informative interviews, and an exciting live auction. A television simulcast will air on ABC-7 TV on Saturday, March 19th between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. Listeners and viewers are encouraged to call (800) 810-CURE. Volunteers are on hand to answer phones and take pledges from listeners. 100% of the money raised goes directly to research.

\$11 MILLION RAISED

The KGO Cure-A-Thon began 24 years ago and has grown dramatically since its inception, raising nearly

\$11 million dollars for research on blood-related cancers. Many of the personalities that are involved with the KGO Cure-A-Thon today have been involved since the very beginning, including KGO Radio General Manager Mickey Luckoff and The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Northern California Chapter founding member Paul Handlery.

LABOR'S SUPPORT FOR THE CURE-A-THON

The San Francisco Labor Community has been among the leading partners with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in its fight to cure blood-related cancers and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. Event Chairman Robert "Spider" Cantley, of Asbestos Workers, Local 16 has been involved with the Cure-a-thon since its inception, and

the event has garnered support from throughout the labor community.

Members of the labor community involved with the Cure-A-Thon include Art Pulaski of the California Labor Federation, Shelly Kessler of the San Mateo Labor Council, Walter Johnson and Tim Paulson of the San Francisco Labor Council, Mike Theriault of the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council, Mazzola and a host of other local union leaders. Tax deductible donations should be sent to the Labor Fights Leukemia Drive, c/o Robert "Spider" Cantley, File 30054, P.O. Box 60000, San Francisco CA 94160.

