RAISING THE STANDARDS IN CONSTRUCTION

MONTHLY UPDATE

October 2026

In Case you Missed It...

ACCNJ hosted two successful golf outings this past month!

On October 5, we welcomed beautiful weather at Vineyard National at Renault Winery in Egg Harbor City.

On October 27, we traded rain for fall foliage at the rescheduled summer outing, held at Hamilton Farm Golf Club in Gladstone.

Congratulations to the first place winners on each course!

Thank you to all who participated and our sponsors. We look forward to next year.



Vineyard National at Renault
First Place
Mazza Recycling, Inc.



Hamilton Farm - Highlands
First Place
Natoli Construction Corp.



Hamilton Farm - Hickory
First Place
Wetlands, Inc.

Labor

Access the bulletins listed below in your Info Hub at accnj.org.

REMINDER: Bargaining Rights Authorization Forms
As a reminder, in Bulletin 64-2026, we informed Active members the collective bargaining agreements between the Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey and the following trades expire on April 30, 2027:

- Eastern Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters
- New Jersey Building Construction Laborers District Council, Locals 3 & 77
- Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local Unions No. 4 & 5
- Dockbuilders, Local No. 1556
- Dockbuilders, Local No. 474

If you currently assign your bargaining rights to ACCNJ for any of these trades, we strongly encourage you to continue to do so by completing the Bargaining Rights Authorization forms.

Election Day Holiday Provisions
In Bulletin 67-2026, we provided Signatory Members with holiday provisions for Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

Veterans Day Holiday Provisions
In Bulletin 68-2026, we provided Signatory Members with holiday provisions for Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2026.

Legal & Insurance Affairs

Dyed Diesel Fuel Executive Order
In an Email Alert issued October 7, 2026, we notified members President Trump signed an Executive Order, which immediately, but temporarily, allows the use of dyed diesel fuel for on-road purposes and directs the federal government to defer the federal excise tax on dyed diesel through December 31, 2026. Access the Email Alert for more details.

Safety

Protecting Under the Hard Hat
In conjunction with NJIT, Chris Lalevee and the Operating Engineers have launched a new campaign entitled "Protecting Under the Hard Hat." This web-based program is aimed at getting materials on construction sites, giving workers access to free mental health and addiction resources. This is a project that will keep growing with time, adding more detailed and localized resources. Job site banners, stickers and indoor posters with a QR code that will take people to the website are available at no charge. ACCNJ has partnered with the project to get this information distributed as widely as possible. Materials can be ordered through this form or picked up from the ACCNJ office by contacting jschiff@accnj.org.

Education & Workforce Development

Summer Internship Program - Contractor Registration / Career Fair
In Bulletin 65-2026, we invited Active Members to join us for the CIAP Career Fair, scheduled for January 6, 2027. It will be held at Forsgate Country Club, Monroe Twp., New Jersey. For more information, access the Bulletin in your Info Hub at accnj.org.

Tuition Reimbursement Program
As a reminder, in Bulletin 05-2026, we informed Active Members the ACCNJ Industry Advancement Trust (IAT) has approved the continuation of the Tuition Reimbursement Program for eligible, full-time employees of ACCNJ member firms that contribute to the IAT. The courses selected must be aimed at providing job-related knowledge and skills for construction personnel in either office or field operations. For details, access the Bulletin in your Info Hub at accnj.org.

Events

ACCNJ Annual Membership Meeting
In Bulletin 66-2026, we announced ACCNJ's Annual Membership Meeting will be held Tuesday, December 8, 2026, at the Association Offices, Edison, New Jersey. This year, we will host the event as an Open House from 5 - 7 PM. For more information and to register, visit the event page or access the bulletin in your Info Hub at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Pop-Up Happy Hour
ACCNJ will be hosting another Pop-Up Happy Hour on Tuesday, November 17, 2026, 5 PM, at Caroline's Tavern in Avenel, New Jersey. Space is limited, so make sure to register today!

Member News

October Member Mondays
ACCNJ features members on our Facebook page and LinkedIn on Mondays. Check out last month's Member Mondays, featuring Walters Marine Construction, Inc. and Enterprise Fleet Management.

Hot Topics

Follow along with ACCNJ's Facebook page and LinkedIn page for real-time Hot Topics. October Hot Topics included:

- One-Half of Metro Areas Add Construction Jobs Over the Past 12 Months; Data Centers, Power and Factories Drive Demand as Other Areas Shed Jobs
- Construction Input Costs Rise 11.9% from September 2025 to September 2026 as Price Increases Spread from Fuel & Metals to Other Goods & Deliveries
- Contractors Add 11,000 Jobs in September, Construction Unemployment Rate Drops to 3.5%; Association Warns Further Gains are at Risk
- Construction Spending Climbs in August from July but Trails Year-ago Level as Contractors Face Multiple Threats to Further Increases

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