International Sisters in the Brotherhood Welcomes Two New Members

The International SIB Committee (ISIB) extends a warm welcome to its newest members, Angela Pieti and Amanda Leggette. Angela will replace Dottie Shoff in the Industrial Council. Amanda will replace Samantha Okabe in the Canadian District.

We look forward to working with our new Sister members. They each bring years of experience working with SIB Committees.

We also very much appreciate the many contributions from Dottie and Samantha. Both have contributed greatly to our committee’s success. They have our sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude.

In Solidarity,

International Sisters in the Brotherhood Committee
Regional Updates:

Sisters in the **Louisville, Kentucky SIB Committee** worked with Local 2501 and the Council to host a luncheon for 95 bargaining-unit members. Luncheon attendees met their new Council Representative, Annie Jewell, and interacted with SIB Committee members. Much goodwill was created, and the SIB Committee succeeded in getting three former Union members to re-sign with the Local and five to consider doing so.

Click [here](#) to see the good food and the members interacting.

In other achievements, Sisters signed up 39 workers for the SIB Texting program; trained four Stewards on the benefits and process of recruiting members; and assisted the Political Director in getting NAFTA repeal cards signed.

Awesome Kentucky!

Sisters in the **Florien, Louisiana SIB Committee** once again celebrated Halloween with their well-known “trunk or treat” event. The turnout was great and everyone had a lot of fun.

Click [here](#) to see the families, festivities, and treats.

Florien also has a new committee member – Kandace Semons.

Welcome Kandace and Fantastic Florien!
Sisters in the Atlantic Canada Regional Council SIB Committee continued their focus on recruitment, education, and community.

- Cape Breton partnered with Nova Scotia Community College to host “meet and greet” classes, which included four females. They are trying to recruit them.
- New Brunswick is networking with high school students – their goal is recruitment.
- Some Sisters attended Journeymen Leadership classes at the ITC.
- One Sister was promoted to General Foreman for a shutdown at the oil refinery in Saint John, New Brunswick.
- Sisters had SIB booths at area Union awareness events.
- Nova Scotia Sisters are working with the Women United Organization to promote women in trades.

Great work Atlantic Canada Regional Council!

In the Prairie Arctic Regional Council, SIB Committee co-chair and newly appointed ISIB member, Amanda Leggette, spoke to students at St. Michaels School on “Working in Unconventional Jobs.” The event was intended to empower young girls.

Click here to see Amanda and read the news article.

Congratulations Amanda!

In the New England Regional Council, Sisters had several successes.

- New England Sisters held their second monthly Open House for women interested in construction careers. The goal is to share information about apprenticeship, Unions, and the application process. Almost 50 women attended this month!

Click here to read more and see some of the event organizers.

- Twenty-One Sisters from the New England Regional Council attended this year’s Women Build the Nation Conference in Chicago. Liz Skidmore, Boston SIB Chair, co-led two workshops. Lisa Clauson, Western Massachusetts SIB Chair, co-led one workshop with Samantha Clinton-Aimble.

Click here to read more and see the event photos.
Eastern District (continued)

• Boston Sisters took their support of Mayor Marty Walsh to the next level by offering video testimonials. One features Sisters describing the Mayor’s support for Unions. The other features Local 56 Piledriver, Ziven Drake, who is also a Veteran.

Click here to read more and see the videos.

• On September 26, 2017, Western Massachusetts Sisters from Locals 43, 107, and 108 held their first joint meeting. This offered everyone a great opportunity to converse and share ideas.

Click here to see the meeting participants.

Midwestern & Southern Districts

Outstanding New England Regional Council!

In Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio, Council SIB Chair, Teresa Moore, participated in a “Girls with Goggles” event, which introduces girls to non-traditional careers by providing hands-on learning. The 300 sixth-grade girls wore pink t-shirts and pink goggles.

Teresa talked about her experiences as a Carpenter and showed a video from the New England Regional Council of Carpenters (NERCC).

Click here to read more and see the girls in action.

Sisters from Toledo, Ohio showed their Union pride by marching with Brothers in the annual Labor Day Parade.

Click here to see the photos.

Wonderful Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio!
Midwestern & Southern Districts (continued)

In the **North Central States Regional Council**, there was progress in several areas.

**Minnesota Metro**
- Sisters hosted their annual bonfire.
- At the October meeting, guest speaker, Silvia Gonzalez, reported on the requirements and process to become a building inspector.

Kudos Minnesota Metro!

**Pewaukee**
- For Labor Day, Sisters marched in the annual parade.
- Sisters attended the Women Build the Nation Conference in Chicago. They delivered reports at their October meeting.
- Several Sisters participated in the Maker Faire event, which welcomes “Makers” such as inventors, crafters, and tinkerers to exhibit their work. Their SIB booth attracted a lot of attention, with a few attendees expressing interest in the apprenticeship. They actually received a “Maker of Merit” ribbon!

Congratulations Pewaukee!

Western District

The **Northern California SIB Committee** continued to meet with high school Community Based Organizations (CBO) and Board Members to recruit women. Several Sisters also attended two separate events: the Women Build the Nation Conference and the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) Power Lunch.

Excellent Northern California!

In the **Pacific Northwest Regional Council**, SIB Committees had several achievements.

**Portland, Oregon** sent two Sisters and one Brother to the Women Build the Nation Conference in Chicago. Several Sisters also participated in the Freedom Foundation Rally on September 28, 2017. The rally was awesome, with many Unions participating.

Nice Portland!
Western District
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North Puget Sound had five Sisters complete the Apprenticeship and Non-Traditional Employment for Women (ANEW) pilot Carpenters training program. They have been accepted into the Carpenters apprenticeship. The Sisters were invited to the SIB meeting and asked to “bring a friend.” Also, Sisters are excited to have more Brothers attend their meetings.

Well done North Puget Sound!

South Puget Sound Sisters will be working with the local Carpenters in Action (CIA) chapter on organizing and on the Olympia Toy Run.

Good South Puget Sound!

In the Southwest Regional Council, the Las Vegas SIB Committee continued to educate Sisters about skills, certifications, and resumes. They also discussed how Project Labor Agreements affect work for minorities and women. Several sisters participated in the American Cancer Society Breast Cancer Walk on October 29, 2017.

Super Las Vegas!
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