

# CAWP WEEKLY

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## CAWP GOLF OUTING REGISTRATION OPEN

AUGUST 22, 2022

Fox Chapel Golf Club & Pittsburgh Field Club

Join CAWP at the Annual Golf Outing on Monday, August 22, 2022 at the Fox Chapel Golf Club and the Pittsburgh Field Club.

REGISTRATION & SPONSORSHIPS

## CAWP Contractors meet with PennDOT OJT Leadership for ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS



On Thursday, June 30, CAWP facilitated a CAWP Contractor & PennDOT On-the-Job Training (OJT)

Roundtable. This roundtable provided the industry with an opportunity to meet PennDOT's OJT leadership and to discuss best practices in the recruiting, training, and retention of minority and female trainees in the highway construction industry. Additionally, attendees were offered an inside look at the industry training programs by touring the Laborers' and Operating Engineers' Training centers.

The day started at the Western PA Laborers' Training Center in Saxonburg, with the following individuals in attendance:

- Contractors – Alan Gemmell of Fay S&B USA Construction, Lynn Tiernan of Gulisek Construction, Ali Mills of Plum Contracting, Allie Chornick of Mascaro Contracting, Bill Kerl of Swank Construction, and Mark Weir of Trumbull Corporation
- PennDOT OJT & EEO – Perrise Saluhdin, Fonda Jackson, Alva Lichius
- CAWP – Rich Barcaskey, Erin Giardina, Jason Koss
- Laborers Apprenticeship Program – Marc Ferrari, Mike Laquatra, Joe Scolieri

The roundtable agenda included information about the following:

- Laborers' Recruiting Campaign – Joe Scolieri (To learn more, click [here](#) or view [video](#).)
- CAWP Industry Recruiting Efforts – Jason Koss, CAWP Director of Industry Relations
  - [Future Road Builders](#), [Tallo](#), Apprenticeship EEO Statistics
- [Laborers Apprenticeship Update](#) – Mike Laquatra, Laborers Apprentice Coordinator
- PennDOT OJT & OJT Supportive Services
  - [PennDOT OJT Program](#) - Perrise Saluhdin, OJT Program Administrator
  - [PennDOT OJT Supportive Services](#) – Fonda Jackson, OJT Consultant / ProRank

After a roundtable discussion, Laborers' Training Center Administrator Marc Ferrari conducted a tour.

Next, the group traveled to the Western PA Operating Engineers Training Center in New Alexandria, where they were joined by Operating Engineers Apprenticeship Program Coordinator Denny Manown, as well as Ron Sapp, Chaquita Barnett and Kristina Linkes from the Builders Guild Introduction to the Construction Trades program. Ron Sapp and Chaquita Barnett shared information about [Introduction to the Construction Trades](#). Denny Manown presented an [Operating Engineers Apprenticeship update](#), and conducted a site tour by bus, at which time apprentices were observed utilizing heavy equipment.

This Contractor & OJT Roundtable provided an opportunity to not only discuss the OJT program, but to visit and experience the apprenticeship training centers. CAWP values the importance of providing opportunities to have direct discussions with PennDOT OJT leaders, the apprenticeship training programs, and contractors about how all parties can work together to increase OJT utilization in the heavy/highway construction workforce. To get involved in future programming, contact the Association office at 412-343-8000 or e-mail [jasonk@cawp.org](mailto:jasonk@cawp.org).

PHOTOS of the OJT ROUNDTABLE & TOURS

# **CAWP** SAVE THE DATES

Plan to join CAWP over the next 12 months at these annual events! Details on each one will be made available closer to the event dates.

**CAWP Golf Outing** – *August 22, 2022, Fox Chapel Golf Club & Pittsburgh Field Club* [\*\*REGISTER\*\*](#)

**CAWP / H2AP Annual Membership Reception & Monte Carlo Night** – *January 13, 2023, Heinz Field*

**CAWP Annual Meeting** – *February 12-17, 2023, The Atlantis Resort, Bahamas*

**CAWP / H2AP Safety Banquet** – *March 31, 2023, Rivers Casino*

**CAWP CLC Sporting Clays** – *May 26, 2023, Highlands Sporting Clays*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 22**  
[CAWP Golf Outing](#)

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