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Canadian Building Trades Supports TransCanada's Energy- East Project

This is the sort of job that proves that a pipeline is a conduit that connects high paying jobs in one region of Canada to high paying, long term and sustainable jobs in other Canadian Regions.

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Senate blocks union disclosure Bill C-377

The Canadian Senate has blocked Bill C-377, voting 49-33 to support changes proposed by Conservative Senator Hugh Segal (Kingston-Frontenac-Leeds).

The Senate amendments sent back to the House of Commons raise payment disclosure to \$150,000 from \$5,000 and raise the threshold for salaries to \$444,661. The Senate also amended the bill to exempt unions and union locals with fewer than 50,000 members.

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UA Local 324's Nanaimo pipeline upgrade complete

Two pipefitters, an apprentice and four welders worked on the job between October and May.

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UA Local 71 training centre in Construction Comment Magazine

UA Local 71's training centre was recently featured in Construction Comment Magazine. Check out page 25 for pictures of the new training centre under construction.

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UA brother Mitch Griffiths (Ret.) awarded the Peter Armstrong Community Award

Mitch Griffiths, a UA member for over 60 years, has been recognized for his continuing service, volunteerism and awareness of addiction awareness in Canada.

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CALLING ALL WELDERS
HELP US ILLUSTRATE OUR UPCOMING HANDBOOK



SEND US PHOTOS OF PRODUCTS MADE OF THESE MATERIALS:

- Aluminum
- Magnesium
- Copper
- Nickel & Cobalt
- Lead & Zinc
- Titanium
- Reactive, Refractory and Precious Metals
- Plastics
- Ceramics
- Composites

Email photos to handbookphotos@aws.org
Include a description, as well as your name and the company's name.

Attention UA Canada welders – photos needed for welding handbook

The American Welding Society is seeking help from UA Canada welders in illustrating their new welding handbook.

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Quebec Union Alliance on strike

Quebec's construction sites are at a standstill due to a strike called by the Union Alliance, a group representing 175,000 workers in construction negotiations in Quebec.

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UA Local 325 and JATC help at-risk youth and women in New Brunswick



Video: Canadian Singer Songwriter pays tribute to UA Local 663

UA Local 325 and the JACT promote trades careers by getting out in the community to let people know they can earn money and certification over a five-year period and that working in the trades can be a lucrative, rewarding career.

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UA wins best booth at Winnipeg Annual Career Symposium

Piping Industry Technical College of Manitoba (P.I.T.C.) and UA Local 254 won best booth at “largest and most comprehensive career symposium in Canada.”

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Canadian singer songwriter Justin Hines has written a special song of thanks to the members of UA Local 663 in thanks for their donation of \$10,000 in support of his current tour.

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2013 UA Canada Regional Central Apprenticeship Competition welding winner

Congratulations to Keegan Keeshig for winning the welding portion of the 2013 UA Canada Regional Central Apprenticeship Competition (Ontario) this past April.

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UA Local 179 apprentice wins plumbing gold at national competition

Saskatoon's Jason Eidsness-Hodges, a 2nd year apprentice at UA Local 179, won gold at the 2013 Skills Canada National Competition in Vancouver on June 9th, 2013.

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UA Local 324 – Bill Wickett Recognition Award

Dave Frampton received the Bill Wickett Recognition Award at a UA Local 324 celebration in Victoria.

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Too few young Canadians in the skilled trades, statistics show

Across Canada, approximately 12 per cent of Canadians aged 25-64 hold a trades



UA Canada donated \$50,000 to help Albertans in wake of flooding

As Albertans begin to survey the damage of recent floods, UA Canada is helping to ease

certificate, diploma, or registered apprenticeship certificate as their highest level of education, according to the survey.

the burden on those who have been most affected by the tragedy.

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The fallout from C-377 continues: Formal complaint filed against Merit poll

Today's Vancouver Sun newspaper features a story on the public opinion poll paid for by LabourWatch Canada and used by supporters of Bill C-377 to demonstrate public support for the legislation. The Canadian Labour Congress has filed an official complaint against the poll with the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association.

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UA Quebec workforce views long-term prospects

The journeymen and apprentices Local 500, as well as UA brothers and sisters transition from other locals, worked hard in the most recent expansion of the Mont-Wright complex.

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2013 Skills / Compétences Canada National Competition – Vancouver, BC

It's cool to be in the trades! Skills Canada National Competition 2013.

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UA Local 496 meets Justin Trudeau at Calgary Stampede

Members of UA Local 496 met Federal Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau while on his recent visit to Calgary.

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Helmets to Hardhats meets UA Local 179

UA Local 179 business manager Troy Knipple met Helmets to Hardhats executive director Brigadier-General (Ret.) Gregg Matte on his visit to UA union training facilities in Regina and Saskatoon.

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Red Cross: Update on Alberta flood relief

Thanks, in part, to the Building Trades of Alberta the Red Cross has been able to respond to the thousands of Albertan's who have been affected by the largest flood in the province's history.

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UA Canada backs the Ontario College of Trades

Recent media stories about the Ontario College of Trades and the membership fees for apprentices and Certificate of Qualification (C of Q) holders are raising questions among UA members.

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Tell us your stories...

Do you have a story you would like included in the UA members newsletter? We want to hear from you.

Every month we pull together stories from across Canada that demonstrate the impact UA Locals have in their community, profession and on prospective members. Your stories are important.

If you have a story to share, contact us and we will ensure your good work is shared with members nationwide.

Contact Carrie Croft at croft@thornleyfallis.ca or call 613-231-3355 ext. 227.

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