

PIPE TRADES ACTION POLITICAL

An Update from the 469 Political Action Committee

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Business manager's report



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Politics is often a simple case of arithmetic.

In Arizona, it seems we are always counting

our enemies and devising strategies to block the harmful laws they propose. Times are changing and the number of our friends elected across Arizona has increased. We are now engaged in a new type of arithmetic – counting our friends and moving on policies that benefit our contractors and members.

2014 elections

Campaigns are beginning earlier and earlier, and our focus is now fixed on electing friends in 2014 and beyond.

This year is going to be huge for our PAC. Arizona will elect officials to city councils, the state legislature, statewide offices and Congress. As always, the PAC will carefully analyze all candidates for their potential to win and help create high-quality union

jobs.

Regardless of political affiliation, the 469 PAC endorses candidates with a shot at winning who share our vision and will work to create union construction jobs. The PAC will keep you updated as we move through the endorsement process.

As we continue to evaluate and develop a winning strategy for the 2014 elections, we will also keep a close eye on the 2014 legislative session to ensure your interests are heard.

Money in politics

I don't have to tell you that money is one of the biggest factors in political campaigns. The 2014 governor's race is expected to cost millions of dollars, not including independent expenditures and dark money.

That's where your PAC comes in. We are on the front line making certain anti-union forces don't have free reign over our elections and our public policy. Without the strength of our PAC and our friends, Arizona would go down a path that would be almost

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PAC volunteer spotlight: DJ Rothans

After years working behind the scenes of various political campaigns, DJ Rothans, is stepping forward as a candidate.

Rothans, a longtime member of UA Local 469, is running for the state House in Legislative District 12, which covers Gilbert.

“This is the year we turn Arizona around,” he said. “Instead of standing on the sidelines, you have to jump in with both feet.”

Working on campaigns for decades showed Rothans that he has the energy and talent to make a difference.

In 2010, Rothans worked tirelessly on the campaign of Attorney General candidate Felecia Rotellini. After witnessing the near victory of the campaign and the direction Arizona’s political landscape has taken, he knew he could make a difference.



DJ Rothans, 2013 retired PAC volunteer of the year, accepts his award from Business Manager Phil McNally at the February union meeting.

For Rothans, who has been a UA member for 44 years, civic engagement is a top priority. He has served on a number of campaigns and Democratic Party committees and is now a candidate for the State House in Legislative District 12.

“The values of our political leaders have been on the wrong track for 30 years,” Rothans said.

Still, he sees things getting better for Arizona and beginning to move in the right direction for working families. Rothans notes that he has seen a vast increase in UA 469’s influence and relevance at all levels of government.

Rothans, now retired, had a long career that included a time teaching welding at Yavapai College.

As someone who has been involved with UA 469 and Arizona politics for almost a half a century, Rothans believe that every member should take an active role in the community. He

encourages all members to go to their local school board or city council meeting and give their input.

“If you’re going to be in the world, you need to be engaged and informed,” he said.

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PAC volunteer spotlight: Rick Lindmar

Going above and beyond is something third-year apprentice Rick Lindmar has shown since joining UA Local 469.

Lindmar has been a consistent presence at PAC events and has even volunteered for the Local beyond the required hours all apprentices must complete. Outside of the PAC, Lindmar went door-to-door for U.S. Senate candidate Richard Carmona in 2012.

For his service and commitment, Lindmar was named one of the 2013 PAC apprentice volunteers of the year.

“It was the apprenticeship that first got me involved in the community,” Lindmar said.

For Lindmar, getting involved is not partisan. Electing candidates, regardless of party affiliation, that



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share 469’s vision of bringing strong union jobs to Arizona is his priority.

The New Jersey native was originally an International Brotherhood of Electrical Worker

member at APS, but moved over to the UA to find something more challenging. He first learned about the UA from his father who owns his own plumbing company.

Union membership and public service run in Lindmar’s family. His grandfather was a Teamster and his grandmother worked for the mayor of his hometown.

Lindmar sees the PAC’s influence growing locally and nationally. In 2014, he looks forward to volunteering his time for 469-endorsed candidates.

When he isn’t working or volunteering for the PAC, Lindmar is an avid

hockey player.

“I encourage everyone to stay involved,” Lindmar said. “We are all one big family and we share the same goals.”

DID YOU KNOW



- Abraham Lincoln owned a bar named Berry and Lincoln in Springfield, Ill. Lincoln was also a licensed bartender.
- Former president George W. Bush and Secretary of State John Kerry are distant cousins. According to ABC news, they are ninth cousins twice removed.
- George W. Bush was on the cheerleading team during high school.
- About \$3.2 billion was spent on all political advertising on broadcast television in 2012, according to the Cook Political Report.

Stay informed and register to vote



Important Dates

July 28, 2014. Voter registration deadline for Primary Election

August 26, 2014 Primary Election

October 6, 2014 Last day to register for General Election

November 5, 2014. General Election

Who is on the ballot this year?

Arizonans will vote for the Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Corporation Commissioner, Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, representative in Congress, and state representatives.

How do I register to vote?

- Go to servicearizona.com and click on register to vote.
- Visit your County Recorder's Office.

Remember about you and your family's voter registration

- Every time you move, you need to update your voter registration.
- Everyone who is a US citizen and a resident of Arizona is eligible to vote.
- If you or your family members will be 18 before the next election, they can register to vote.

Don't forget

- When you register to vote, don't forget to sign up for the Permanent Early Voter List.
- This is how you vote by mail.
- Voting by mail makes it easier and faster to cast your vote.

Date: Wednesday, April 23
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Meet at the union hall.
Transportation and lunch will be provided.

Meet State Sen. Anna Tovar and State Rep. Lela Alston for a private tour of the Arizona Legislature. Please RSVP to Dan by emailing Dan@thetorresfirm.com or calling 620.626.8805.

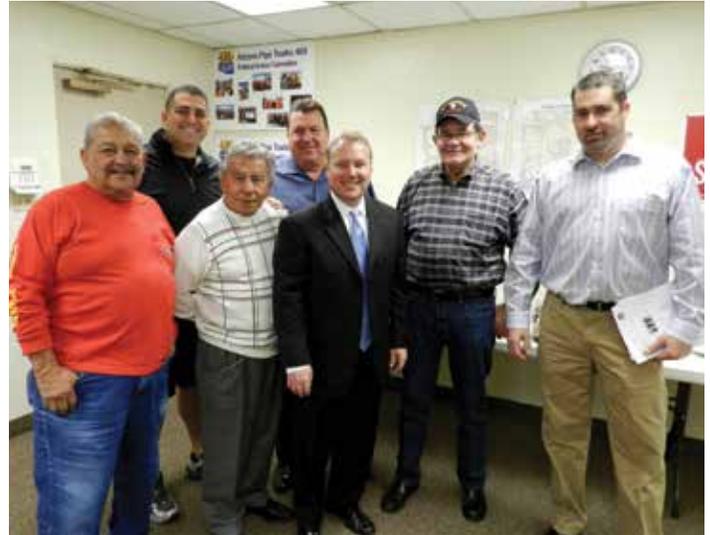
2014 Annual Legislative Field Trip



469 PAC begins the endorsement process for 2014



Business Agent Mel Ingwaldson chats with Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick during a recent PAC interview.



The 469 PAC greets Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell during the PAC's endorsement interviews.

UA Local 469's shield of approval is highly prized. The process is designed to ensure only the best candidates receive the 469 endorsement.

Candidates are first asked to complete a questionnaire on issues specific to UA Local 469, such as support for project labor agreements. Then, at the PAC's invitation, candidates tour our training facilities and learn all that is

involved in creating the best crafts men and women in the industry.

The last phase is an intensive in-person panel interview with PAC

members.

The process is rigorous to ensure the best candidates are selected.

During the entire process, we

are also looking at the strength of the candidate's campaign and ability to win.

The 469 PAC does not evaluate candidates by their party affiliation. We are on the lookout for any candidate that shares our vision for growing our market share.



Phoenix City Councilmember Kate Gallego tours the 469 JATC with Training Director Rick Wieting.

UA 469	Send	Receive	Questionnaire Review or PAC Meeting	Interview	JAC Tour
Legislative	5/14	5/28	6/7	6/27	TBD
Statewide	5/14	5/28	6/7	6/27	TBD
Cities	5/14	5/28	6/7	6/27	TBD

Momentum behind the Rosemont mine builds

The Arizona Pipe Trades Local 469 has advocated approval of the Rosemont mine since the beginning of the project.

In January, the 469 PAC requested the U.S. Forest Service bring forth approval of the proposed Rosemont Copper project in southwestern Arizona.

During the mine's first 20 years, 2,900 annual direct and indirect jobs would be supported locally, with another 4,581 positions supported at the state level and 9,043 national jobs supported. The project will have an annual economic impact of \$701 million on southern Arizona, a \$900 million

impact on the state of Arizona and \$1.3 billion impact on the United States.

These numbers speak for themselves.

The Arizona Pipe Trades Local 469 will strongly support any project that will create high-quality union construction jobs. As the construction sector recovers in Arizona, we cannot afford to pass up an opportunity as promising as the Rosemont Mine.

The jobs created by the Rosemont Mine will require crafts men and women with the highest level of training. UA 469 members are required to graduate from the

UA International's certified and accredited Joint Apprenticeship Training Program, which produces the best journeymen in the industry. This five-year apprenticeship program requires apprentices to have more than 10,000 hours of on-the-job training and more than 1,200 hours of classroom education.

The Record of Decision from the USFS and a 404 permit from the Corps of Engineers are the final steps before construction can begin on this important project.

The USFS conducted a rigorous, six-year-long process to evaluate the mine. It's time to build the mine and get more Arizonans back to work.

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impossible to recover from. Anti-union forces with their unlimited amounts of money for politics would love nothing more than to eliminate unions and lower your wages and benefits.

Projects

The PAC's efforts are beginning to translate into jobs.

The Rosemont mine in southeast Arizona is close to approval and construction. We have been staunch supporter of the mine since day one. The proposed west valley resort and casino in Glendale is getting closer to construction - it's another project that we have supported with our PAC since the beginning.

These projects represent just the tip of the iceberg. The PAC will continue to support any proposed project that will create jobs for

union plumbers and pipefitters.

Volunteers of the year

The second pillar of a good campaign is boots on the ground. Members of 469 excel at showing our support by turning out in record numbers for events like the BIG Day of Action. Thank you for

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giving up your weekends to drop literature and put up signs in the 120 degree heat – that takes true dedication and commitment.

I want to recognize our top volunteers who volunteered more than 20 hours to our PAC. Thank you to top apprentice volunteers Richard Lindmar II and Christopher M Coats and our top retired volunteer DJ Rothans.

Get involved in 2014

We will host the annual legislative field trip April 23 for those interested in touring the Capitol in a more private setting.

Thank you again for making the 469 PAC shine. We are the biggest and the best in the state because of your efforts. Brothers and sisters, let's lead the way in the 2014 elections.

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**Thanks to our members,
469 leads the way!**



Legislative Field Trip – April 23