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Boilermaker apprentices from eight states compete for honor and jobs

PHOENIX, Ariz. (May 13, 2014) – Boilermakers from Arizona and eight other states including Alaska, California and Utah will show off skills in welding, knot tying, and torch cutting in a competition where the top finishers get the honor to represent the Boilermakers Western States Region in the 2014 Boilermakers National Apprentice Competition later this year in Louisiana.

The competition consists of six tests including tube rolling, rigging, and welding.

Seven apprentices including Sheridan Peralto from Phoenix have an opportunity to show their skills in front of hiring contractors who will be part of the judging panel.



Boilermakers build, install and repair boilers and other large vessels that hold liquids and gases.

Median pay for Boilermakers is \$54,640, that's 19 percent higher than the median pay for all occupations, which is \$45,790, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

What: Boilermakers Western States apprentice competition

When: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., May 19 - 22

Where: Boilermakers Local 627 Apprentice and Training Center, 2345 W. Thomas Road Phoenix, AZ 85015

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