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**\*\*\*READ CAREFULLY - IMPORTANT NOTICES\*\*\***

Please be advised that the **REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING** of Local Lodge #13 will be held on **Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Road, Newportville, Pennsylvania.

**Fraternally yours, Robert J. Cryder, III, President – Local Lodge No. 13**

**FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER**

**\*\*\*All Local #13 upcoming events have been postponed due to Covid-19\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Workload Update\*\*\*** - We will be emailing all active members the upcoming workload after the June meeting.

**\*\*\*Phone system at the union hall\*\*\*** We have an automated phone system at the union hall. You can now call the union hall and get directly in touch with the Dispatch office (option 4), Secretary/Receptionist (option 0), Bookkeeper/dues questions (option 6), Business Manager (option 7) or the Training Coordinator (option 5).

**\*\*\*Monthly Dues Increase\*\*\*\*** Monthly dues increased to **\$51.70 per month effective January 1, 2021**. Remember to put your registration number on your check. Local 13 will no longer be able to cover members who allow their dues to go into arrears!!! A \$500.00 reinstatement fee will be imposed. It is your obligation to the union to pay your dues on time.

**\*\*\*Pay Monthly Dues Online\*\*\*** Members have the option of paying membership dues online. Visit the local's website at [www.boilermakers13.org](http://www.boilermakers13.org), select "Member Resources" then "Online Dues". A convenience fee is added to each transaction. **Please note, the login procedure for the due's payment portal has changed. Username is now your last name and your password is your registration number.** If you have any issues with the portal, please notify the hall immediately.

**\*\*\*Dues Receipts\*\*\*** Monthly dues receipts are being emailed to members with a valid email address on file. If you do not have an email address on file, a paper receipt will be mailed as normal. Please monitor your email inbox to make sure you are receiving dues receipts and contact the hall immediately if you believe there is a problem.

**\*\*\*Email Addresses needed\*\*\*** as we transition more to electronic communication, it is important that we have an accurate email address on file for each member. If you have not already provided one, please contact the hall with a current email address. Member email addresses are used for internal lodge communications only and will not be shared with any outside party.

**\*\*\* Dispatch Time\*\*\*** Please be advised that you can be called for work anytime, not just after 2:00 pm so stay by your phones! Also, remember to call in your layoff on the day you are laid off. Although it is the duty of the job steward to call in layoffs, it is ultimately the member's responsibility to contact the union hall. The best way to inform the union hall of your layoff is to call the union hall after 4:00 p.m. and leave a message on the recorder that you were laid off. Leave the date you were laid off and the name of the job you were laid off from.

**\*\*\*Unemployment Issues\*\*\*** If you are having issues with unemployment, please contact the union hall for assistance.

**\*\*\*Scholarship Memorial Cards\*\*\*** are available from the office. These cards can be obtained by sending a check payable to the Local #13 Scholarship Program for \$10.00 either with the name and address where the card is to be sent, or have the card forwarded to your home to have available for services. A memorial page will appear in the 2022 Scholarship Program in honor of those we would like to remember.

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*** A member outreach committee has been established to help provide non-clinical support for any member who is experiencing personal challenges associated with substance abuse or addiction. Also, if you or someone you know needs help, please call the Boilermakers Substance Abuse Crisis Line at 877-244-3572 The following committee members are available for contact:

Colin Geraci 267-515-1252 Ernie Olavage 215-768-5812 Jim Pearson 610-517-0630,  
Dale Schaffner, Jr. 570-415-8066 Steve Wolfe 717-821-9049

**\*\*\*Injured Workers Advocacy Program\*\*\***The Injured Workers Advocacy Program (IWAP) is a 501c3 non-profit organization that advocates and provides FREE services and resources to workers suffering from work related injuries. The Injured Workers Advocacy Program (IWAP) is NOT a hospital nor a medical center nor a doctor's office nor a medical provider of any type nor does the injured workers advocacy program have a financial or ownership interest in any hospital or medical entity/provider. Additionally, (IWAP) does not provide funding or finances to any medical entity. (IWAP) Organized Medical Provider Network – The Injured Workers Advocacy Program (IWAP) has organized a network volunteer advocates, medical professionals and facilities, specializing in the advocacy and treatment of injured workers for the purpose of helping workers suffering from work related injuries secure necessary treatment and injury benefits. ANTI-Addiction/Anti-OPIOID Campaign – (IWAP) also advocates to medical professionals for anti-opioid safe treatment methods in order to stop the cycle of addiction incurred by injured workers suffering from both acute and chronic injuries. For more information, please see their website at <https://injuredworkersnetwork.com/>

**\*\*\*TWIC Enrollment Requirements\*\*\*** Effective July 1, 2015 the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) adopted new enrollment requirements for U.S. born TWIC applicants. TSA is making this change to align TWIC proof-of-citizenship requirements with those of other TSA Programs. Before applying for a TWIC card, be sure to visit [WWW.TSA.GOV/FOR-INDUSTRY/TWIC](http://WWW.TSA.GOV/FOR-INDUSTRY/TWIC) to review the updated list of acceptable documentation.

**\*\*\* Please check the expiration date of your TWIC Card to make sure it has not expired\*\*\***

**\*\*\*For active members only\*\*\*** Once you renew your TWIC card, please send a copy of your TWIC card along with a copy of your paid receipt to the union hall and you will be reimbursed for the cost of renewing your TWIC card.

**\*\*\*AT&T Cell Phone Subscribers\*\*\*** Take advantage of the AFL-CIO Union Member 15% discount with AT&T on wireless service for union members. For more information see [att.com/wireless/union](http://att.com/wireless/union).

**Fraternally yours, John D. Bland, Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer**

**\*\*Notices from the Training Coordinator\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Process Safety Management Reminder \*\*\*** Please pay close attention the date of your last PSM class. This training needs to be updated yearly to gain access into the refineries.

**\*\*\*The Process Safety Management Class\*\*\*** Will be held at the union hall at 8:00 am on June 16<sup>th</sup>. You must call Matt Fink at the hall to be scheduled for this class. There will be no walk-ins. You must be at the union hall by 8:00 am. The doors will be locked at 8:05 am. If you are not on time, you will not be able to take the class.

**\*\*\*Rigging Module Classes\*\*\*** We will be holding Rigging Module #1 and #2 on June 29<sup>th</sup>, Rigging Module #3 on July 13<sup>th</sup>, and Rigging Module #4 on July 27<sup>th</sup>. All classes begin at 8:00 am. Call Matt Fink at the hall if you are interested in taking any of these classes.

**\*\*\*OSHA 30 Hour Course\*\*\*** - will be held July 19<sup>th</sup> – July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Class begins at 8:00 am. Call Matt Fink at the union hall to register for this class.

**\*\*\*Field Leadership Class\*\*\*** There will be 2 different classes. The 1<sup>st</sup> class will be held August 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> class will be held August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. This is a two-day class. Call Matt Fink at the union hall to register for this class.

**\*\*\*M.O.S.T. Annual Drug Test Reminder\*\*\*** - You must have a current M.O.S.T. drug test within a year to be eligible for work.

**\*\*\*Common Arc Reminder\*\*\*** - Please remember to keep any eye on your common arc expiration date. Contact Matt Fink at the union hall if your common arc is ready to expire.

**\*\*\*MOST 5 Hour Reminder\*\*\*** - Please pay attention to the date of your last 5 Hour M.O.S.T. Refresher. This training needs to be updated once within 5 years to satisfy the referral rules.

**\*\*\*Online Training\*\*\*** - Effective January 1, 2017, all Boilermakers except new apprentices are required to utilize the MOST online training programs for the OSHA 5, 10 and 30-hour courses. Any member who requires training will need to submit a request through the hall, which will then be forwarded to MOST. At this time MOST is not accepting individual, direct training requests. A valid email address will be required for all training requests.

**The following member passed away:**

**Robert G. Colbenson passed away May 15, 2021.** Cards can be sent to his wife and son:  
Blanche Colbenson, 607 North Eaton Road, Tunkhannock, PA 18657  
Billy Colbenson, 41 Horizon Land, Tunkhannock, PA 18657

**Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)**

John Barbera	4332 Bermuda Street	Philadelphia, PA 19124	<a href="mailto:johnbarberajr1@gmail.com">johnbarberajr1@gmail.com</a>
Billy Bobon	1408 US Highway 522 N.	Lewistown, PA 17044	<a href="mailto:billy.bobon1721@gmail.com">billy.bobon1721@gmail.com</a>
John J. Breslin	1878 Long Run Road	Schylkill Haven, PA 17972	<a href="mailto:jbreslin442@gmail.com">jbreslin442@gmail.com</a>
James Lehman	135 Abbey Drive	Mt. Wolf, PA 17347-9517	
Frank Malcolm	264 S. Pennsville Auburn Rd.	Carneys Point, NJ 08069	
John Phillips	34 Walnut Street	Norton, PA 19070	

**\*\*\*\*\*SPECIAL NOTE\*\*\*\*\*** any sick member requesting that their name and address be included on the sick list will need to sign an Authorization Form. Please contact the union hall if you would like an authorization form mailed to you. **Note:** These members are not all collecting Sick & Distressed benefits. They are listed so you may keep in touch and let them know you are thinking of them. If you are collecting Sick & Distress benefits and are ready to go back to work, please notify the union hall. Failing to do so in a timely manner could jeopardize your last benefit check.