

*International Brotherhood of*  
**BOILERMAKERS • IRON SHIP BUILDERS**

SUBORDINATE LODGE NO. 13

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

**THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM  
AT THE NEWPORTVILLE FIRE COMPANY  
HERITAGE HALL  
2425 NEW FALLS ROAD  
NEWPORTVILLE, PA 19056**

Due to Covid-19 restrictions for indoor gatherings in the state of Pennsylvania we are unable to hold a physical meeting at the union hall. Therefore, **The Regular Monthly Meeting will be held on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the Newportville Fire Company (across the street from the union hall), Heritage Hall, 2425 New Falls Road, Newportville, PA 19056.**

**\*\*\*Nomination of Convention Delegates\*\*\*** - Please be advised that nomination of Delegates to the Thirty-fourth Consolidated Convention of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers will take place at the **March meeting to be held at 7:00 pm on March 12th at the Newportville Fire Company (across the street from the union hall), Heritage Hall, 2425 New Falls Road, Newportville, PA 19056.**

**\*\*\*Field Dues Amendment\*\*\*** - Pursuant to article 23.3.2 (Monetary Amendment) of the International Constitution, this is a notice that we will be voting on an adjustment to the field dues at this meeting. This vote will be for an adjustment to the field dues only, not an increase.

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

**FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER**

**\*\*\*Nuclear Outage\*\*\*** There will be a 25-day outage at Limerick starting on April 25, 2021 with **Allied Power as the contractor** It will involve maintenance activities during the refueling of the reactor. Please contact Brad Mickatavage or the union hall if you are interested in this upcoming nuclear outage.

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

**Congratulations to the class of 2021 Local #13 Academic Scholarship Recipients!!**

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| Madison D. Angstadt | Angelina M. Ciferni | Devin V. Italiano   | Lauren D. Smith |
| Madeline M. Bailey  | Janelle Deveney     | Kaitlyn V. Mulligan | Hunter J. Suter |
| McKinley E. Bandy   | Samantha S. Fink    | Julia R. Roman      |                 |

**\*\*\*All Local #13 upcoming events are being postponed due to Covid-19\*\*\***

**\*\*\* Scholarship Dinner Dance Postponed\*\*\*** Due to the recent circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 virus, we have made the decision to postpone our 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance that was to be held on Saturday, April 17, 2021. **We have decided to still go forward with the souvenir ad book to honor all the scholarship recipients as the proceeds from the souvenir ad book has helped us award scholarships to the students.** Ad forms will be mailed out soon.

**\*\*\*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 2021 Scholarship Program in honor of those we would like to remember.

**\*\*\*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.

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

**\*\*\*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.

**\*\*\*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.

**\*\*\*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 members passed away:**

**John Sacchetti passed away February 11, 2021.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Cathy Sacchetti, 43 Racine Road, Northeast, MD 21901

**Edgar S. Watkins passed away February 12, 2021.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Janice Watkins, 18677 Dimock to Nicholson Road, Nicholson, PA 18446

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

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| John Barbera       | 4332 Bermuda Street          | Philadelphia, PA 19124  | johnbarberajr1@gmail.com |
| Emanuel Castellano | P.O. Box 14882               | Reading, PA 19612       | castellano379@gmail.com  |
| Michael J. Frey    | 2015 N. Konkle Road,         | Montoursville, PA 17754 | mjfrey88@yahoo.com       |
| 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.

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

**\*\*\*New phone system at the union hall\*\*\*** We have a new 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).

**\*\*\*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. 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

Also, if you or someone you know needs help, please call the Boilermakers Substance Abuse Crisis Line at 877-244-3572.

**\*\*\*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**