



February 26, 2016

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

Please be advised that the **REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING** of Local Lodge #13 will be held on **Friday, March 11, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.** at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Rd., Newportville, Pennsylvania.

*******NOMINATION OF CONVENTION DELEGATES******* - Please be advised that nomination of Delegates to the Thirty-third Consolidated Convention of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers will take place after the regularly scheduled **March meeting** to be held at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Road, Newportville, PA 19056 at 7:00 p.m. on **Friday, March 11, 2016**. Please be further advised that we were informed that meeting attendance requirements as contained in the Constitution and Local Lodge By-Laws pertaining to the nomination and elections of delegates have been **waived**. **See enclosed notice for more information.**

Fraternally yours, **Scott A. Werkheiser, President – Local Lodge No. 13**

FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

******Scholarship Dinner Dance****** Tickets are still available!! If you have not ordered your tickets for this year's Scholarship Dinner Dance and would like to attend contact Eleanor at the union hall immediately. Our Thirty-ninth Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday, April 2, 2016** at Insulators Local #14, Philadelphia Ballroom, 2014 Hornig Road, Philadelphia, PA 19116.

****Field Dues Increase*****We have been advised by the International President, Newton B. Jones and Articles 20.3.6.6.: effective February 1, 2016 our field dues assessment increased from 5.25 percent (5.25%) to 6.00 percent (6.00%) of gross income.

*****Nuclear Outages*****There will be an outage at Limerick starting March 21, 2016 for 3 – 4 weeks. CBI will be doing maintenance. **Please contact Brad Mickatavage or the union hall if you are interested in these upcoming nuclear outages.**

*****Refinery Work***** There will be upcoming work at Monroe Energy and Marcus Hook late spring.

*****50/50 Drawing*****Sick and Distress Fund is holding a 50/50 drawing with the winner to be announced at our Annual Family Picnic on June 11, 2016. Tickets are \$5.00 each and will be available from your steward, Sick and Distress Committee member or the union hall **See enclosed flyer for more details.**

*****MOST BDS Requirements Effective January 1, 2016***** Recently adopted changes to the national referral rules require members to meet a list of minimum criteria to be eligible for dispatch from the primary list starting January 1, 2016. If you need any classes please contact the union hall as soon as possible to register for the next available training session. Be sure to visit the local's website for updates to the training schedule.

*****Monthly dues***** Monthly dues increased to \$44.40 per month effective January 1, 2016. Remember to put your registration number on your check. Due to security concerns please do not put your social security number on your check, only your registration number. **Local #13 will make every attempt to contact any member whose dues are in arrears. After 60 days you will be suspended and a \$500.00 reinstatement fee will be imposed.** It is your obligation to the union to pay union dues on time.

*****MOST Annual Drug Testing Reinstated***** The MOST Board of Trustees have amended the Drug Policy to include annual testing. This new policy took effect on August 31, 2015. MOST sent renewal cards to everyone who hasn't tested from February 1, 2013 to the present so they know that they need to test. **Anyone who does not comply with the new policy by that date will move to the ineligible list until a negative drug screen has been completed and received by the MOST office.** Any questions please contact MOST at 800-395-1089.

*****New TWIC Enrollment Requirements***** Effective July 1, 2015 the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has 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 to review the updated list of acceptable documentation.

*****Building Trades National Medical Screening Program***** Over the years, many workers in the trades, including Boilermakers, have worked at a Department of Energy site where they may have been exposed to hazardous materials. It is vital that those who worked at such sites be informed of the Building Trades National Medical Screening Program (BTMed), which provides FREE medical screening. BTMed is run by CPWR, the Center for Construction Research and Training, and is supported by the Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO. Members can call 1-800-866-9663 to find out if they are eligible for the free screening. For more information, please visit www.btmed.org.

*****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 2016 Scholarship Program in honor of those we would like to remember.

*****Important Dates to Remember*****

Family Picnic – June 11, 2016 – Mermaid Lakes Swim Club
Beach Party & Bike Run - July 9, 2016 – Westy's Irish Pub
Golf Outing – August 8, 2016 – Northampton Country Club
Clambake – August 20, 2016 - The Checkerboard Inn

Congratulations and lot's of luck to our newly retired member Richard L. Kiefaber.

*****Retired Boilermakers from the Maryland and Northern Delaware areas***** meet monthly for a breakfast gathering at the Elkton Diner in Elkton Maryland at 8:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month. The Elkton Diner is located at the Big Elk Mall in Elkton on the Northeast corner of Routes 40 and 213. If interested, contact Ron Demmler (410) 398-1348 or Bill Twupack (410) 378-2236 or email rdemmler30@comcast.net

*****Social Gathering***** several of our members have been attending a social gathering in the Scranton/Clark Summit area. They meet at Gin's Tavern in Factoryville, PA and will be meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday March 5, 2016. If you are interested, please contact Rich Kelley at (570) 689-9380, Mike Mongiello at 570-842-2638 or Joe Harvey at (570) 836-2487.

*****Zumba Class***** held at the union hall on Monday and Thursday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 and a portion of the proceeds benefit the Entertainment Fund.

*****AT&T Cell Phone Subscribers***** Take advantage of the Union Plus AT&T 15% Discount on wireless service for union members. Visit UnionPlus.org/ATT for more details.

*****Cell Phones for Soldiers***** - Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 is a collection site for cell phones for soldiers. Drop off any old cell phones that you are not using at the union hall. We will then forward them to the Cell Phone for Soldiers office. Their goal is to help our soldiers serving overseas call home by providing prepaid phone cards.

Fraternally yours, Martin Williams, Jr., Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

*****From the Desk of the Dispatcher*****

Please keep calls to the union hall to a minimum after 2:00 p.m. We start dispatching work at 2:00 p.m. and it is unfair to members waiting to be called for work to be delayed by tied up phone lines. Also, many times we have to fill jobs for that same night and are delayed due to many incoming calls. If you need to call the hall for matters other than dispatch please call before 2:00 p.m. 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 4:30 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. 5 Hour Refresher Course at the Union Hall

Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Remember to check the website for any additional Training dates.

The following members passed away:

Lester Yarnell passed away August 29, 2015. We were recently notified of his passing. Cards can be sent to his wife Phyllis Yarnell, 1581 SR #239, Stillwater, PA 17878

Wilbert J. Weil Jr. passed away February 7, 2016.

Cards can be sent to his wife Joanne Smith, 430 S. Shore Rd. #1, Marmora, NJ 08223

Elmer K. Wood passed away February 21, 2016.

Cards can be sent to his wife Mary A. Wood, 109 Skyline Locust Drive, Smyrna, DE 19977

Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)

Matthew Bray	426 Westminster Road	Wenonah, NJ 08090	mbray125@yahoo.com
Robert Churchill	1447 S. Garnet Mine Rd.	Garnet Valley, PA 19060	BobbyCamaro67@gmail.com
Boyd Clark Jr.	952 Ridge Rd.	Jersey Shore, PA 17740	
Mike Dennis Hartman	1309 Haynes Run	Medford, NJ 08055	unclemike8013@yahoo.com
Jason Laber	320 Highland Terrace	Holmes, PA 19043	
Frank Malcolm	264 S. Pennsville Auburn Rd.	Carneys Point, NJ 08069	
Rafael Massa	7044 Souder St.,	Philadelphia, PA 19149	
Patrick A. O'Malley	7840 Pineapple Lane	Port Richey, FL 34668	pcco717@gmail.com
John Phillips	34 Walnut Street	Norton, PA 19070	
William Shingler	450 Alfarata Road	Lewistown, PA 17044	
Harry Storz, III	300 Willow Drive	Cinnaminson, NJ 08077	
John Whalen	771 High Road,	Ashland, PA 17921	jacknwil@ptd.net

*******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 Tina at 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.

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**TO ALL LOCAL LODGE PRESIDENTS, BUSINESS MANAGERS
AND SECRETARY-TREASURERS IN THE U. S. AND CANADA**

Re: Waiver of the Meeting Attendance Requirements for Eligibility for Nomination and Election as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate

THIS NOTICE IS TO BE READ AT ALL REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS BETWEEN THE DATE OF THIS LETTER AND THE NOMINATION MEETING IN MARCH 2016, AND SUCH ACTION REFLECTED IN THE MINUTES

Brothers and Sisters:

Pursuant to Article 2.3.4 and Article 25.4.1.4 of the International Brotherhood Constitution, Local Lodge By-Laws may state that members must satisfy certain meeting attendance requirements to be eligible for nomination and election as convention delegates. However, the Department of Labor has held that the application of such requirements may be “unreasonable” where they disqualify a large portion of the membership.

We would prefer that every local lodge be allowed to abide by its by-laws without the threat of government interference. However, in order to assure that members in good standing are not “unreasonably” denied the right to be nominated and/or elected as delegates to the forthcoming convention (and to avoid the possible expense of re-running the convention), the International Executive Council has elected to waive all such meeting attendance requirements with respect to establishing eligibility for nomination and election as a delegate or alternate delegate to the Thirty-Third Consolidated Convention.

Accordingly, no local lodge shall impose the meeting attendance requirements to disqualify any member seeking nomination and election as a delegate or alternate delegate to this upcoming convention. All other conditions for eligibility, as prescribed in the International Brotherhood Constitution or your lodge’s approved by-laws, shall still apply.

This Notice shall be posted at such locations (e.g. the union office, all job sites, shops, shipyards, etc.) and in a manner reasonably calculated to reach all members. Furthermore, if the lodge has not already mailed the nomination notice, such notice when mailed must include language advising that the attendance eligibility requirements are waived for this election only.

BOILERMAKER LOCAL #13
SICK & DISTRESSED
50/50 RAFFLE

\$5.00 PER TICKET



TO BE DRAWN SATURDAY JUNE 11TH AT OUR
36TH ANNUAL RETIREES PICNIC
MERMAID LAKE BLUE BELL, PA

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

OF TICKETS _____