

December 30, 2016

Please be advised that the **JANURY 2017 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING** of Local Lodge #13 will be held at **10:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 14, 2017** at IBEW Local #81, 431 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503. ****** THIS IS FOR JANUARY 2017 ONLY******. Our normal lodge meeting schedule will resume in February 2017.

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

FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

*****Nuclear Outage****** There will be an outage at Berwick (Susquehanna) starting March 4, 2017 lasting 3-4 weeks with 2 contractors. Day and Zimmerman will be doing maintenance and BHI (Weldtech) will be replacing feedwater heaters. There will also be an outage at Limerick starting April 17, 2017 for 2-3 weeks. CBI will be doing maintenance. Please contact Brad Mickatavage or the union hall if you are interested in these upcoming nuclear outages.

*****Monthly dues****** **Monthly dues will increase to \$46.60 per month effective January 1, 2017.** 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 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.

Congratulations to the Class of 2017 Local #13 Academic Scholarship Recipients!!!!

Mackenzie L. Bailey
Jessica A. Bernotas
Lindsey A. Buchman

Morgan J. Clark
Brooke L. Fortune
Kaitlynn M. Olszewski

Brielle G. Ordog
Timothy B. Suter, Jr.
Cassidy L. Werkheiser

Congratulations to the Class of 2017 Local #13 Jeffery C. Davis Vocational Scholarship!!!

Charles J. Kern

*****Pennsylvania AFL-CIO Scholarship****** Scholarships are available from the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO for graduating high school seniors and post secondary students, affiliated union members and their families. Applications can be obtained through the hall or at paafcio.org.

*****International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Scholarship ***** Scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors and dependents of Boilermaker members. They are based on academic record, extracurricular activities and an essay. Applications are now available through the hall.

*****Scholarship Dinner Dance*** Our 40th Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday, April 8, 2017**. The Dinner Dance will be held at the Insulators Local #14, Philadelphia Ballroom, 2014 Hornig Road, Philadelphia, PA 19116. Ticket and ad forms were recently mailed. **Remember the deadline is March 3, 2017.****

*****The 19th Annual Boilermakers Local #13 Christmas party** was a huge success. Local Lodge #13 members and their families enjoyed an afternoon of family fun with Santa. Special thanks to Santa for stopping by on his busy schedule to deliver presents for all of the children, to the Entertainment Committee and all the volunteers for making this a success. We received many donations to Natalia's Blankets and were able to distribute to St. Jude Hospital, St. Christopher Hospital, Children's Hospital and Libertae Women's shelter.

***** Wheelbarrow of Cheer/Wagon of Fun****** Congratulations to the following winners;
Wheelbarrow of Cheer – Mary Davis Wagon of Fun – Heather, ticket sold by Mike DellPriscolli
Thank you to everyone who helped make this a success!!!

*****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 2017 Scholarship Program in honor of those we would like to remember.

*****Delaware Building Trades Action Center***** Recently, The Delaware Building and Construction Trades Council invested in an email notification tool to more quickly mobilize and respond to developing legislative and political issues. All Delaware members are encouraged to visit the Delaware Building Trades website at debltdgtrades.com/action-center/ to sign up for email alerts through the Action Center.

*****Yahoo emails compromised***** Yahoo revealed recently that information from at least 500 million Yahoo accounts was stolen from the company in 2014. The theft may have included names, addresses, date of birth and email addresses. Potentially affected users have already been contacted by Yahoo but, if you possess a Yahoo account, it is highly recommended that you reset your password.

*****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 at your convenience. Please note, member email addresses are used for internal lodge communications only and will not be shared with any outside party.

*****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.

*****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 13 website for updates to the training schedule.

*****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. 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.

*****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 to review the updated list of acceptable documentation.

Congratulations and lot's of luck to our newly retired member's Burton Blanch and Davis Perry.

*****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 February 25, 2017. 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 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 AFL-CIO Union Member 15% discount with AT&T on wireless service for union members. For more information see att.com/wireless/union.

*****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. 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*****

Online Training – Beginning January 1, 2017, all Boilermakers except new apprentices will be 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.

*****Common Arc Testing****** - There will be Common Arc Testing at the Union hall from Monday, June 12, 2017 through Friday, June 16, 2017. The type of testing will be Carbon Tube, Stainless Tube, Inconel Tube and Flux Core Plate. If interested, please contact the union hall to reserve a spot for testing. You must specify when calling which test you would like to take.

Remember to check the website for any additional Training dates.

Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)

Mike Dennis Hartman	1309 Haynes Run	Medford, NJ 08055	unclemike8013@yahoo.com
William D. Jayne	61 Marian Drive	Dover, DE 19901	
Frank Malcolm	264 S. Pennsville Auburn Rd.	Carneys Point, NJ 08069	
Rafael Massa	7044 Souder St.,	Philadelphia, PA 19149	
Bill Miller	345 Fairview St.	Plymouth, PA 18651	
John Phillips	34 Walnut Street	Norton, PA 19070	
Peter Sacchetti	206 Oriole St.	West Deptford, NJ 08066	ketti101@gmail.com
William Shingler	450 Alfarata Road	Lewistown, PA 17044	
James Smyth	203 Vernon Road	Yardley, PA 19067	smythjam@gmail.com
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 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.