IBEW Local Union #43

October 2016

Newsletter

Union Office.....422-0435 - Business Manager, President, Organizers, Job Referral, Dues

Funds Office......474-5729 - Benefits, Pension, Annuity, Health Insurance

JATC Training Center...546-0221 - Apprentice Classes, Training

Union Meeting Schedule

Tuesday - November 1, 2016

6:00 pm at the

JATC Training Center

4566 Waterhouse Rd, Clay, NY 13041

Tuesday - December 6, 2016

6:00 pm at the

Doubletree Hotel

6301 St. Rte. 298, east of Carrier Circle

** Holiday Party **



Attention: All Union members and families, We will be sending out the PAC Newsletter soon, containing IBEW Local 43's Political Endorsements for 2016. Each one of these endorsed candidates has exhibited a genuine concern for unions and working families in our area. We *can* make a difference, so please vote on Tuesday, November 8th!

The Bill Towsley Memorial Park was built to honor our Brother Bill Towsley and is also a place to honor our fellow Union Brothers and Sisters who have passed away. The park is located in the lawn area next to the entrance to the Union Hall.

A brick can be purchased in remembrance of a deceased Local 43 member and engraved with their name.

A field of bricks forms the floor of the small park.



Please call the Union office to request a Memorial Park order form.

SYRACUSE CRUNCH AND UTICA COMETS HOCKEY TICKETS

Through the donations made by members who contribute to the Brotherhood Fund, we've purchased 8 tickets to each Crunch home game in Syracuse and 6 tickets to each Comets home game in Utica. If you are interested in attending any of these home games this season, call the union office to reserve your seats.

These tickets are only to be used by Union members and their families.

Tickets cannot be picked up until one (1) week prior to each home game.

Maximum: up to 4 tickets per game / up to 3 games per season.

2016 Union Dues

Each Quarter (3 Months) = \$ 103.50

A \$30.00 reinstatement fee will be charged if paid later than the end of each quarter.

Please visit Brother Brian Stevens' page online to read his story.

www.gofundme.com/226x7yc

As a 5th year apprentice at Local 43, Brian Stevens could not continue working and his medical insurance has now become depleted. He is in desperate need of a kidney transplant and also needs a pancreas. Brian has incurred substantial expenses for his medical care and is in serious need of our help.

GOOSE HUNT

Attn: Union, or family member, Disabled Veterans: Retirees Larry Olivia and Jerry Hart have set up a goose hunt this fall in Montezuma, NY. Please call Larry at 689-7860 or Jerry at 834-3016. Local 43 sponsors this event for disabled Veterans to experience hunting in the great outdoors - something that maybe they haven't had the opportunity to do in many years. Enjoy.

Obituaries

IBEW 43 notes the passing of these members, with gratitude for their service to the union.

Gerald W. Regan, Jr. passed away August 22nd at age 88. Brother Regan was initiated into Local 43 in 1952. He was an IBEW member for 64 years.

Leonard J. Songer, Jr. passed away September 18th at age 76. Brother Songer was initiated into Local 43 in 1963. He was an IBEW member for 53 years.

Robert Hanks passed away September 23rd at age 63. Brother Hanks was initiated into Local 43 in 1978. He was an IBEW member for 38 years.

IBEW Local 43 Open Enrollment

November 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016

Open Enrollment is your annual opportunity to review your benefit coverage and make choices for the upcoming calendar year.

During Open Enrollment, you may elect coverage, change coverage, opt-out of coverage, or add an eligible dependent.

An Open Enrollment packet will be mailed to your home prior to November 1, 2016.

If you fail to make your changes on or before November 30, 2016 your next opportunity to do so will be during the next Open Enrollment period in November 2017.

For further information, call the Fund Office at (315) 474-5729.

News from the JATC Training Center:

Welcome and Congratulations to the Apprentice Class of 2021!

Congratulations to our 40 new 1st year apprentices. Let's do our best to train and welcome them into the IBEW.

Joseph Allen	Jesse Gibson	William Houde	Zachary Maine	Steven Simone
Cory Anthony	Patrick Gignilliat	Timothy Kelly	Nicholas Messano	Douglas Smith
Jacob Bailey	Daniel Gray	Colby Kennedy	Vadim Olesh	Darryl Stivers
Kylee Beckwith	Effia Harrison	Joel Kenyon	Austin Peglow	Alyssa Tassone
John Bornemann	Pericles Hayes	Trista Kuhn	Andrew Rogers	Duncan Taylor
Jeremiah Castello	Matthew Henry	Eamon Lacey	Joelle Ryan	Benjamin Tyrrell
Robert Christensen	David Hildman	Thomas Lippke	Joshua Ryan	Alex Whitcomb
Aaron Elmore	Allen Holdridge	Andrew Low	Timothy Schmidt	Donald Williamson,III

IDEAL CHALLENGE

We are hosting the **IDEAL Hands On Challenge** at our new Training Center **October 11**th from 1:00PM – 4:00PM and 5:00PM – 8:00PM. Please visit http://idealnationals.com for all the details on how to register. Food, Prizes and steady competition will be taking place. Call the Training Center (**546-0221**) if more details are needed.

Please bring empty returnable bottles and cans to any of this fall's Union Meetings to be donated to the CANS 4 KiDS charity.



<u>Reminder to all Journeymen</u> ⇒

In our current contract - Section 2.19 Tool List - it states "In addition, Journeymen shall be responsible to have verifiable 'OSHA-10' training and CPR Certified Training." Please call the JATC (315-546-0221) to see when the next scheduled classes are, if you need either of these training sessions. OSHA-10 and CPR training are needed to work in Local 43's jurisdiction as a Journeyman.

<u>Free, Confidential Counseling Services</u> provided by Mental Health Professionals are available either in-person or over the phone. We encourage you and your eligible family members to take advantage of this benefit whenever you feel that life is getting too stressful.

Call **1.800.EAP.CALL** or log on at **www.mybalanceworks.com**

Our Member ID is: 93793410 Our Group ID is: 8413