



# PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 773

37 Luzerne Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804  
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## Newsletter



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### NOTICE OF MEETING

#### THIRD MONDAY

**Meeting Date:** 12/20/21

**Place:** Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

### From the Recording Secretary

The December Union meeting will be a Regular meeting held on the **third Monday, December 20, 2021 at 5:30pm** at our Glens Falls location. This change is due to the Christmas holiday and as in the past, food and beverages will be served at this meeting in celebration of the holiday season.

Please note that there will not be an election for the one (1) Trustee position for the Annuity, Pension & Welfare funds at the December meeting as announced in last month's newsletter. Brother William Austin was the only nominee at the November meeting and will assume his position as a Union Trustee on January 1, 2022.

### From the Business Manager

First and foremost, I would like to wish everyone a **Merry Christmas!**

I know all too well that this is a very busy time of year for everyone. We get pulled in every direction for almost a month straight, between decorating our homes, to shopping, and attending holiday gatherings. Sometimes it seems like there just isn't enough hours in a day to accomplish all that needs to be done this time of year.

With that being said, fatigue is a common contributor to work place incidents. We all need to make sure that we are getting proper rest at night to avoid making any careless mistakes that could lead to serious injuries on the job sites. The holidays are an exciting time, but please stay alert and avoid any incidents or injuries while working.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

~Mike



### OFFICERS

#### Business Manager/ Financial Sec. Treasurer

Michael R. Jarvis

#### President

Adam A. Round

#### Vice-President

Daniel J. Monroe, Sr.

#### Recording Secretary

William A. Austin

#### Business Agent

Brian E. Kill

#### Organizer

William A. Austin

#### Inside Guard

Andrew J. Lehet



*from the Local 773 Office Staff*

*Mike, Brian, Bill, Jake, Alexis, Ann Marie, Chris and Kethem*

**HOLIDAY  
CLOSINGS**

The Union & Benefits offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday beginning Thursday, December 23rd and will reopen on Monday, December 27th. The offices will also be closed on Friday, December 31st for the New Year's holiday.



## From the Benefits Office

### Welfare Fund



Any members using the Café-Well/Life Points program with CDPHP, please remember to redeem your life points before they expire on December 31, 2021.

The winter holiday season is fast approaching, and with it, colds, stomach viruses, strep and the flu. We would like to take the opportunity to remind our members of the Doctors on Demand App. The App allows for confidential online visits with a doctor at NO COST, allowing you to skip the drive, the wait (and germs) of a waiting room, and any associated urgent care fee. Any doctor found through Doctors on Demand is Board Certified, and can treat a wide variety of issues. Through live video a Doctor on Demand can order lab work, and even write prescriptions. Don't drag all the kids to the waiting room this winter season....use the app: Save Time, Save Money!

We would like to remind members that December is the month to turn in eligible medical expenses that total less than \$500. Please remember that the best way to submit a request is to include a "year to date statement of account" from the medical facility. This will ensure all of the required information will be provided to the Fund Office and can help avoid claim denials due to missing information.

Please be on the lookout for your annual HRA statement of account, which will be mailed in January 2022 to your address currently on file. If you need to update your address, please contact either the Union Office or the Fund Office.

## National Pension Fund

The Local 773 Benefits Office does NOT administer the National Pension Fund benefit. You should be receiving a report from the National Pension Fund every year around your birthday. The Benefits Office would like to remind everyone to review your reports and contact us immediately if you notice any discrepancy. It is much easier for us to assist in potential delinquent payments if we know right away.



On Monday, November 15th, Local 773 hosted a breakfast at our Glens Falls facility for our retirees. A handful of Brothers attended and enjoyed their time seeing one another, catching up and sharing stories. We look forward to seeing our retirees at the next get together!



*Retired Brothers pictured from left to right: standing are Steven Sanders, Larry Gonnely, Steven Hamilton, Joe Vitouski, Ralph Strong, Greg Brown, and Jack Jennings. Seated are Craig Hanchett, Val Baez and Earl Dean.*

## From the Training Office

We are almost halfway through the 2021-2022 Apprenticeship school year! Thank you to everyone involved this year for your continued patience and understanding as we navigate through a difficult time that is affecting everyone in some way. Wishing you all Happy Holidays with your families and friends! ~ Jake

A reminder that if you are interested in ANY training classes, please contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer or Alexis in the Training Office. With enough participation, we can get any class scheduled that you would like or there may be Regional Training opportunities available through the U.A. You may also visit our website to express your interest in classes.

The December UA Weld Test Day at our Glens Falls Authorized Testing Facility is scheduled for Saturday, December 18th. If you are interested in coming in to take a test, you must call the office to sign up by the close of business the day before. **Reminder: keep your welder continuity up-to-date! If you need a form to have your continuity updated by your contractor, are unsure of when your weld process expires, or simply have a question, please don't hesitate to contact Jake or Alexis!**

[www.lu773.org](http://www.lu773.org)

To log in to the members only section of our website, your User ID is your last name and your password is your UA member #.

If you have any questions or need help navigating through the site, please feel free to call the Union Office.



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**Brother William J. Collins**  
Initiated September 15, 1961  
60 year Member



8/24/1938 - 11/18/2021

With sadness, we share that Local 773 has lost another member of our beloved Local Union, Brother William J. Collins, who passed away at home surrounded by his family. *Bill*, may you rest in peace and we thank you for your Brotherhood.

### Updated Membership Information Needed

It is vital that Local 773 know how to reach our members. If you have moved, or if any of your personal information has changed recently, please complete the following form and mail it to :

UA Local #773, PO Box 312, Glens Falls, NY 12801

Name:

Old Address:

City, State, Zip:

New Address:

City, State, Zip:

New Home Phone:

New Cell Phone:

Effective Date of change (s):