



PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 773

37 Luzerne Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804
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Newsletter

7/16/2021

NOTICE OF MEETING

FOURTH MONDAY

Meeting Date: 7/26/2021

Place: Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

Time: 6:30 p.m.

From the Recording Secretary

The July Union meeting will be a **Special/Regular meeting** held on the fourth Monday, July 26, 2021 at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location.

The Special portion of the meeting will be to:

1. Discuss and vote on hosting a clambake/bbq for our membership.
2. Make nominations for one (1) Trustee to be elected to the Joint Apprenticeship Training Trust Fund. This position is held for a three (3) year term. Election of this Trustee will take place at our August 2021 Union meeting.

From the Business Manager

As I mark my 2 year anniversary this month as Business Manager of our Local Union, I can't but think, "time flies"! A lot has been thrown my way throughout the past 24 months and I have taken everything presented to me with the utmost seriousness and as the days, weeks and months have ticked by, I am grateful for the experiences and education I have received through it all. I am also thankful for the support I have been given by our Local Union Officers, Members and Office Staff; we certainly have a great team.

I am proud of our members and the dedication and commitment they show not only to our Local Union, but to our surrounding communities. As I know Training Coordinator Brother Jake Ringer has already shared and given thanks, I would also like to thank our Apprentices who recently volunteered labor at the Ronald McDonald Family Retreat at Krantz Cottage in Lake George. I attended the ribbon cutting ceremony with Brother Ringer and I can say that we were both humbled for our Local Union to be even just a small part of this project. The children and the families who are connected to the Ronald McDonald House are so deserving of this new retreat house. Thank you to all involved in this community project and for representing our Local Union in a most positive way.

~Mike

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*Business Manager Mike Jarvis,
Volunteer Apprentice Brother Justin Jeffery,
and NY State Senator Dan Stec*



From the Benefits Office

Welfare Fund

The Local 773 Benefits Office Trustees have decided to reimplement the vision plan with CDPHP. Please do not use your NVA card for vision benefits. CDPHP has a provider network that is more conducive to ease of use for the members. A postcard was mailed earlier this month.

Any member reaching Medicare eligibility knows it is a very confusing and overwhelming time. We are pleased to announce that CDPHP offers **FREE** online Medicare education sessions that can help you understand how Medicare works, what Medicare covers, and the cost of Medicare. In addition, you can schedule a one-on-one meeting with a CDPHP Medicare representative to help with enrollment. For basic information, visit www.cdphp.com/medicare/learn/. And to register for a Medicare 101 event, visit www.cdphp.com/medicare/learn/seminars

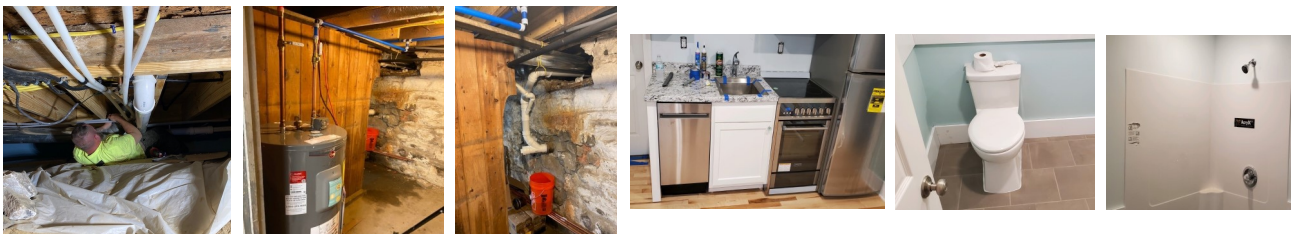
Pension Fund

The Local 773 Benefits Office will be mailing out pension benefit statements this month. Many members are confused by the age 65 eligibility calculation. Please note that while our plan states that vested members may retire under a Normal Retirement Benefit at age 65, our plan also allows for eligible vested participants to retire at age 62 with an unreduced benefit. Please be sure to review the statements and if you have any questions, contact the office.

From the Training Office

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, Local 773 Apprentices have been volunteering their evening time hours a couple nights a week for the past month for a very special project, the **Ronald McDonald Family Retreat at Krantz Cottage** in Lake George. The Ronald McDonald Family Retreat provides a peaceful, supportive setting where families experiencing serious childhood illness can enjoy being together, making lasting memories. **A big thank you to Apprentice Brothers Justin Jeffery, Chris Palmer, Mike Tirri and Joel Cantiello** for your efforts to finalize the plumbing needs in this retreat house; notable mention to Justin and Chris for not missing one volunteer night! The ribbon cutting was held on July 14th and seeing it first hand hit home how important and special this project was to be a part of. Thank you Brothers!

~Jake



Open welding has been a success this summer, especially at our Plattsburgh facility. With it being our first year offering this up North, it was great to see the participation. Thank you to everyone who took advantage of this opportunity and a bigger thank you to our Instructors for giving of your Summer time. **The final night of Open Welding will be Thursday, July 29th at both facilities;** no open welding during the month of August. *With that said*, if you need to take a UA Welder Certification test at any time during the summer, please do not hesitate to contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer and he will certainly set this up for you!

Apprentices and Instructors, as we are nearing the month of August, the Training Department is of course working on the upcoming school year and are hopeful for a much better/easier school year. We are also excited to welcome some new faces to our Training Facilities. Please keep an eye out for texts, Facebook posts or letters in the mail very soon regarding Orientation dates. As always, you can reach Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone or you may contact the Training Department if you have any questions.

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!

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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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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):