

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 773

37 Luzerne Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804 (PO Box 312, Glens Falls, NY 12801)

Newsletter

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NOTICE OF MEETING FOURTH MONDAY

Meeting Date: 5/24/2021

Place: Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

Time: 6:30 p.m.



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From the Recording Secretary

The May Union meeting will be a Regular meeting held on the fourth Monday, May 24, 2021 at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location. **Face masks are required for the duration of the meeting.**

From the Business Manager

As we are optimistic that our country is coming out of the coronavirus pandemic with more and more individuals receiving the COVID vaccine, you all know that throughout this unprecedented time, our Brothers and Sisters far and wide have remained at the forefront as essential workers and continued to get the job done. That is something I am certainly proud of. We remained strong, did what he had to do and forged our way through. While we are not out of it completely, I know we will continue to do what we have to and will keep moving forward!

With that said, throughout the past 12+ months, our Union officers continued to conduct business, albeit not in our normal fashion, but again, we did what was necessary to keep our Union strong and our members employed. We recently resumed our in-person monthly Union meetings and I am looking forward to seeing more and more of you returning to our meeting hall each month to discuss business. Please be assured that we will continue to take the necessary precautions and will follow certain safety protocols for our protection.

I am excited to be coming into the warmer, summer months and a time where work will be plentiful in our jurisdiction. As always, my phone is on and my door is always open to my Brothers and Sisters if you have any questions or concerns.

~Mike



Local 773 will always remember and honor the men and women who died while serving for our country.

Past and present U.S. military members, we thank you for your service!



In observance of Memorial Day, Local 773's Union & Benefits offices will be closed on Monday, May 31st.

From the Benefits Office

The Benefits Office would like to advise our members that if you have recently either married or divorced it is highly recommended that you update us on your status. Now is also a great time to review your beneficiary information!!

If you recently married, please provide our office with a copy of your marriage certificate, together with your spouse's date of birth and social security number. This will allow you to submit medical expense reimbursement requests and will allow a more accurate calculation of any potential benefits.

If you recently divorced, please provide our office with a copy of your divorce decree. We will be able to calculate your pension benefits more accurately and in addition will remove your ex-spouse as a point of contact. Often if a member divorces prior to their pension application, it is difficult for the member to locate their paperwork years later. If we already have it in your file, the stress of providing all relevant information will be significantly less and will allow for an easier more streamlined process.

Welfare Fund

You should have received a Health Insurance Open Enrollment packet in the mail. Please be sure to review the packet as there have been some changes. If you would like to change your insurance selection, enroll in dental insurance, or opt out of the benefit, please contact our office for the respective application. All changes must be postmarked by May 31, 2021.

Please remember that the month of June is the last month in which members can submit medical expense reimbursement requests for expenses incurred and paid for January 1 through December 31st of the previous calendar year. In addition, these expenses do not have to add up to a minimum of \$500. However, the balance in your HRA cannot be reduced below \$6,000, except for health insurance premium deductions.

From the Training Office



With the Apprenticeship school year wrapped up, our weld shops are freed up and open to our membership to come in and practice and/or obtain a weld certification. As we shared in last month's newsletter, Open Welding will be offered at both our Glens Falls and Plattsburgh facilities every Thursday afternoon.



Glens Falls - shop will be open from 5:00 - 8:00pm Plattsburgh - shop will be open from 4:30 - 7:30pm

All members are welcome and a weld instructor will be on hand. It is recommended to call the Training office in advance if you would like to attend.

As always, the Training Department is always ready to help put together a class. Please visit our website at www.lu773.org for a list of trainings available and to sign-up. If you don't see a training course listed that you would like to take, please contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer and he can work to make it happen. With enough participation, any class can be organized! You may also call Alexis in the office at (518) 792-9157 to express your interest in training classes.

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):		