



# 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: 7/18/22**

**Place:** Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.



### **OFFICERS**

#### **Business Manager/ Financial Sec. Treasurer**

Michael R. Jarvis

#### **President**

Adam A. Round

#### **Vice-President**

Andrew J. Lehet

#### **Recording Secretary**

Justin D. Jeffery

#### **Business Agent**

Brian E. Kill

#### **Organizer**

William A. Austin

#### **Inside Guard**

William J. Van Guilder

### **From the Recording Secretary**

The July Union meeting will be a **Special/Regular meeting** held on the **third Monday, July 18, 2022** at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location. The change is due to the 112th Annual Convention of the New York State Pipe Trades Association. During the Special portion of the meeting we will perform the Installation of our newly elected Officers.

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Elected Delegates to the 112th New York State Pipe Trades Annual Convention  
Sunday, July 24th - Wednesday, July 27th at the Fort William Henry:

Michael Jarvis  
William Austin  
Lawrence Gonnely  
Adam Round  
Michael Salerno

Alternate Delegate - William Van Guilder



### **From the Business Manager**

Brothers and Sisters, while this is a minor request, it is an important one. We are in the midst of summer where graduation parties, barbecues, etc. take place and our members come in to borrow tables and folding chairs. I am kindly asking if you have any borrowed tables and chairs, to please return them ASAP so that they are available for the next member. It seems as though these items are being borrowed and not being returned, especially in a timely manner. No questions asked, just stop by and return them. Thank you!

### **From the Benefits Office**

#### **Welfare Fund**

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 and to register for a Medicare seminar please visit <https://www.cdphp.com/medicare/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.

Also, the Local 773 Benefits Office mailed out "Alive and Well" letters to all pensioners. Please review and send back your notarized form by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

## From the Training Office

As a reminder, **Summer Open Welding** is still being offered at our Glens Falls facility, but had to be moved to Tuesday evenings from 5:00 - 8:00pm (instead of Thursdays) for the month of July as was shared via a membership-wide mass text. **Final night of Open Welding will be Tuesday, July 26th.** Also as a reminder, it is recommended to either call Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone or Alexis in the Training office in advance if you would like to attend.



Our second eight (8) week **Orbital Welding class** has another full group of participants and will be kicking off at our Glens Falls training facility on Tuesday, July 12th and will go thru Tuesday, August 30th (Tuesday & Thursday 5-8pm).

**2022-2023 APPRENTICESHIP SCHOOL YEAR:** the Training Department is busy creating schedules, putting together our massive book order, prepping for a handful of Instructors to travel to Ann Arbor for Instructor Training next month, along with updating paperwork and getting ready for Orientation!

As we do each year at the end of July/beginning of August, we will mail letters out to all Apprentices with the dates of Orientation, but as a heads up, since there have been a lot of inquiries:

### ***SCHOOL YEAR ORIENTATION DATES***

**PLATTSBURGH TRAINING CENTER - Thursday, September 1st at 5:00pm**

**GLENS FALLS TRAINING CENTER - Tuesday, September 6th at 5:00pm**



**Apprentices, your attendance at Orientation is MANDATORY**, and you must bring the required payment of \$150 that night for your yearly initiation fee and school books. For the past many years, Plattsburgh orientation has taken place the Thursday before Labor Day and Glens Falls the Tuesday immediately following Labor Day, so these dates should be of no great surprise. Please plan your summer vacations with these dates in mind.

We look forward to welcoming our new Apprentice Brothers and Sisters and welcoming back everyone else for a great year. If you have any questions during the summer months, please don't hesitate to reach out to Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell at 518-307-9424. Enjoy your summer!

**Continuing education training:** if there is a class you are interested in taking, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Training Department via our website, call Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone at (518) 307-9424, or call the Training Department at (518) 792-9157.

**Please note that there will NOT be a UA Weld Test Day in the month of August.**  
**Monthly test days will resume September 17th.**

**Reminder: it is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to keep your Welder continuity up-to-date EVERY 6 MONTHS.** If you are unsure of your expiration date, please call the Training Office!



[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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### 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):