



# 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

#### THIRD MONDAY

**Meeting Date:** 12/19/22

**Place:** Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

### From the Recording Secretary

The December Union meeting will be a Regular meeting held on the **third Monday, December 19, 2022 at 6:00pm** 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 Michael Salerno ran unopposed at the November meeting and will remain as a Union Trustee with his new term beginning on January 1, 2023.

### From the Business Manager

I know all too well that this is a very busy time of year for everyone and we get pulled in every direction as the year comes to an end. 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. The holidays are an exciting time, but please stay alert and avoid any incidents or injuries.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year! ~Mike

### From the Union Office

With our new website currently being designed, we want to include photos of work performed by our members. If you have any pictures of projects – please, nothing from GlobalFoundries—please email them to Organizer Bill Austin, [billa@lu773.org](mailto:billa@lu773.org), so we can include them. We're looking for pictures at any stage of build, beginning to end. If possible, please include when and where the project was, which members were working on the project, and who the contractor was. Thank you!

**Interested?** Local 773 Brothers and Sisters, did you know that there is a UA Pipe Trades MC (Motorcycle Club)? On page 31 of the November 2022 UA Journal, there was an article talking about the club. Brother Larry Gonnely has asked that we spread the word and see if Local 773 is interested in forming a club. There are currently only 4 chapters nationwide, with 2 already in NY (Local 1, NYC and Local 7, Albany). As the article states, you have to have an American made motorcycle and be a UA Pipe Trades member to be a part of the club. Please call or email Alexis in the Union office if you are interested in learning more about forming a 773 chapter of the UA Pipe Trades MC. With enough interest, Brother Gonnely will make the necessary next steps.



*Happy Holidays from the Local 773 Office Staff*  
*Mike, Brian, Bill, Jake, Alexis, Ann Marie, Chris and Kethem*



The Union & Benefits offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday beginning Friday, December 23rd and will reopen on Tuesday, December 27th. The offices will also be closed on Monday, January 2nd for the New Year's holiday.

### 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 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, 2022.

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 2023 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.

## From the Training Office

We are almost halfway through the 2022-2023 Apprenticeship school year...crazy! Thank you to everyone involved this year for your dedication and commitment to our training program. 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 17th. 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 on his cell phone at 518-307-9424 or Alexis in the office.**

**DON'T FORGET**



Once again this year, Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 773 is collecting **non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped toys** from our membership to be donated to local agencies & distributed to families in need this holiday season.

A collection box is located in the main foyer at our Glens Falls facility. **You may drop off items any time through December 20th.**

Thank you, as always, for your generosity!



[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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Don't forget, Local 773 has FREE tickets available to our members to Adirondack Thunder home games on a first come, first served basis. Call or stop by the Union office to get some tickets today!

### 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):