



PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 773

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Newsletter



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NOTICE OF MEETING

FOURTH MONDAY

Meeting Date: 6/26/23

Place: Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

Time: 6:30 p.m.

From the Recording Secretary

The June Union meeting will be a Special/Regular meeting held on the fourth Monday, June 26, 2023 at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location.

The Special portion of the meeting will include nominations and elections of *Delegates to the 113th Annual Convention of the New York State Pipe Trades Assn.* The Convention will commence on Sunday, July 30th and conclude on Wednesday, August 2nd at the Fort William Henry in Lake George, NY.

From the Business Manager

It's hard to believe we are halfway through June and entering the summer months. Work looks solid once again with school work and other projects about to start. As always, I am putting forth all efforts possible to help secure work for our members. Please don't hesitate to stop by the office or call me on my cell phone if you need anything at all. I hope everyone has an enjoyable summer!

From the Benefits Office

Welfare Fund

The Fund Office would like to remind our members that during the month of June, you may submit healthcare receipts totaling any dollar amount. In addition, all medical services incurred from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 must be submitted by June 30, 2023. Any 2022 receipts received after June 30, 2023 are invalid. Please remember that the best way to submit receipts is through a "year to date statement of account" which can be obtained from any physician, hospital, pharmacy or dental office.

Pension Fund

The Local 773 Benefits Office will be mailing out "Alive and Well" letters to all pensioners. Please review and send back your notarized form in a timely manner.

We will also be mailing out individual pension statement letters in mid-July, please be on the lookout for yours. The statements will include an *estimated* monthly benefit using current accrued credits at our full retirement age. *Please remember that many of you are able to retire early with no reduction at age 62.* Contact our office with any questions.

Benefits Office

D'Arcangelo & Co, the auditors for the Welfare, Pension & Annuity Funds will be sending out letters to some of our members. If you receive a letter requesting information confirming benefit amounts please complete it to the best of your ability and return it to their office in a timely manner. This is an important step in reviewing the financial integrity not only of our office, but of the partners who assist in our operation such as Keena and Empower Retirement.

Please make sure your beneficiary forms are up to date. *If you have not yet submitted copies of your marriage certificates and birth certificates, please do so immediately.*



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From the Training Office



Open Welding is underway at both our Glens Falls and Plattsburgh facilities and participation is off to a good start. As a reminder, open welding is currently every Tuesday afternoon, thru the end of July. The Glens Falls shop opens at 5:00pm and the Plattsburgh shop opens at 4:30pm. **All members are welcome!**

**TRAINING
OPPORTUNITIES**

VARI-TECH HDPE fusion training. The training department is scheduling an HDPE fusion training class at our Glens Falls facility at the request of one of our signatory contractors, and offering the day-long training to any interested member. **A representative from VARI-Tech will be conducting the training and it will be held on a weekday during normal working hours. Training will certify participants from 1/2" to 20" on the fusion process.** If you are interested, please contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone at 518-307-9424 or Alexis in the Union/Training Office.

SIGN UP NOW

A summertime **Orbital Welding training class** is being offered at our Glens Falls training facility beginning mid-July, with classes taking place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Class will be limited to ten (10) participants. If you are looking to achieve your U.A. 18-A Orbital Welding certification, please contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer or Alexis in the office to sign up.

A **STAR Commercial Refrigeration Mastery** exam may be scheduled to take place in the near future. If any qualified member is interested in taking the exam, please reach out to Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone at (518) 307-9424 or you may contact Alexis in the Training office.

Please note the following: **a STAR Commercial Refrigeration Mastery certification candidate is a qualified individual who can demonstrate mastery knowledge of the trade and will be skilled and experienced in operations, planning, blueprint reading, safety, and the practical installation, repair, and service of commercial refrigeration systems.** A qualified candidate should possess knowledge of installation, repair, and service of commercial refrigeration systems. This knowledge includes the design, construction, installation, alteration (retrofit), repair, service and maintenance of all auxiliary systems, control systems, rack systems, and self-contained units in commercial settings. A qualified individual may perform these tasks alone, or through the supervision of other individuals. It is expected that the STAR Commercial Refrigeration Mastery examination candidate is a technician who has completed a UA training program or equivalent, and/or has three (3) years of experience in the industry.

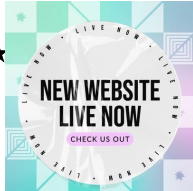
Brothers and Sisters, if there is any class you are interested in taking, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Training Department via our website, call Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone at (518) 307-9424, or call the Training Department at (518) 792-9157.

Heads up: the July UA Weld Test Day at our Glens Falls Authorized Testing Facility is scheduled for Saturday, July 15th. There will be no testing in August. 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: 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!



Shout out once again to Brother Josh Hubbell who stepped up to compete at the NYS Apprenticeship Competition last month.

Josh competed in the Plumbing division and we are proud of his efforts and representation of Local 773!



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To log in to the members only section of our new website, you will need to go to the Members Only page and follow the prompts to create a log in. You will need a valid email address and a unique password.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Union Office.



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Brother Steven Sanders
Initiated July 26, 2010
12+ year member



9/27/1952 - 4/22/2023



With sadness, we share that Local 773 has lost another member of our beloved Local Union, Brother Steven Sanders, who passed away at home on Saturday, April 22, 2023. *Steve, 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):