



# 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:** 3/25/24

**Place:** Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

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

### From the Recording Secretary

The March Union meeting will be a Regular meeting held on the fourth Monday, March 25, 2024 at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location.

### From the Business Manager

**A message for our ACTIVE working members  
who have vacation fund allocations:**



#### **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



I am happy to share that we are in the final phase of the cumbersome process involved in setting up the new way of issuing you your vacation fund monies. As you know, in addition to the approved monies by our membership into the vacation fund, the contractors agreed to pay an extra \$0.40 per hour (please refer to our CBA) into your wage to satisfy the 196-B and 196-C NYS Sick Leave Law requirements currently in effect, in lieu of state paid sick leave. The \$0.40 per hour is then deducted and allocated over to your vacation fund.

In an effort to satisfy the request by our membership to have access to these funds at your discretion throughout the year, the new form of distribution will be via direct deposit into a checking or savings account of your choice.

With that said, **you must complete and submit a direct deposit form to the Union office.**

For your convenience, enclosed in this month's mailing is a direct deposit form. It is asked that you complete the form accurately and return it to the Union office.

**You may drop the form off in person, send it in via regular mail, or you may scan and email it to Ann Marie Patenaude at [finsec@lu773.org](mailto:finsec@lu773.org).**

You may have these funds deposited into an existing account you already have or you may choose to set up a new account for this sole purpose; the choice is yours. Please complete and return the form in a timely manner so that we may move this process to the finish line and allow you access to your funds.

In closing, I would like to thank the membership for your patience, and also immensely thank Ann Marie for all of her time, effort and hard work in setting this up. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Ann Marie in the Union office.



Fill out  
the form

## **From the Organizer**

This spring, we're looking to offer a COMET (Construction Organizing Membership Education Training) class, conducted by the New York State Pipe Trades Organizers. The class is available to all members, with priority given to those who have not previously participated in a COMET class.

If you are interested, please contact 773 Organizer Bill Austin at [BillA@LU773.org](mailto:BillA@LU773.org) or 518-796-6502, or Alexis Flewelling at [AlexisF@LU773.org](mailto:AlexisF@LU773.org) or 518-792-9157 to sign up. Lunch will be included, and each participant will receive a COMET t-shirt.

## **From the Training Office**

It seems crazy to report that the 2023-2024 Apprenticeship school year is already in its final weeks. We had minimal closings and a relatively healthy year for everyone. While we are typically planning an Apprenticeship banquet this time of year, we unfortunately do not have a graduating class this year, so please be aware that there will not be a graduation/recognition banquet.

With the Apprenticeship school year winding down and our weld shop and instructors being free on Monday evenings, **Open Welding with instruction is currently being offered at our Glens Falls location beginning March 11th at 5pm and will be every Monday, providing there is enough participation**. Please contact Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone or Alexis in the office if you plan to attend. Also, we are working on this opportunity for our northern members at our Plattsburgh facility, so if any of you in that area are interested, please contact Jake on his cell phone.

Are there training classes that you would like to participate in during the day or at night? Simply let us know! With enough participation, we can set up any training class that is needed and requested. Again, there has to be enough interest to warrant conducting the class, so please keep that in mind. Training Coordinator Jake Ringer can be reached on his cell phone any time if you have questions, concerns or interest in training classes. You may also reach out to Alexis in the Training Department.

The April UA Weld Test Day at our Glens Falls Authorized Testing Facility is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th. 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, or reach out to Training Coordinator Jake Ringer on his cell phone at 518-307-9424.

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



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To log in to the members only section, make sure you first create your login/password via the QR code URL you see here.

Scan the QR code



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



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Don't forget, Local 773 has FREE tickets available to our members **who are current on their membership dues** 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):