

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: 11/28/22

Place: Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

Time: 6:30 p.m.

HAPPY THANKS & GIVING &

OFFICERS

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From the Recording Secretary

The November Union meeting will be a **Special/Regular meeting** held on the fourth Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:30pm at our Glens Falls location.

The Special portion of the meeting will be to nominate one (1) Trustee for the Annuity, Pension & Welfare funds to fill a 4-year term beginning January 1, 2023. Election will be held at the December meeting.

From the Business Manager

As we enter another holiday season, I am always thankful for my Brothers and Sisters at Local 773, for my family and my friends, and I wish everyone a very blessed Thanksgiving! May we all continue to embrace life's moments with an open mind and heart, and be thoughtful to those around us. ~Mike

With sadness, we share that Local 773 recently lost 2 Brothers of our beloved Local Union. Brother Clark Duquette of Plattsburgh passed away on August 11, 2022, peacefully at home alongside his family as he celebrated his 66th wedding anniversary to his wife, Margaret.

Also, Brother Larry Trombley of Mooers Forks passed away on November 2, 2022, doing what he loved most, hunting!

Clark and Larry, may you rest in peace & we thank you for your Brotherhood.

Brother Clark "Duke" Duquette Initiated August 28, 1957 Life Member with 64+ years



2/14/1938 - 8/11/2022



Brother Larry "Red" Trombley Initiated December 8, 1969 39+ years of membership



10/19/1950 - 11/2/2022



The Union & Benefits Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 24th.

From the Benefits Office



Trustee nominations will be held at the November Union Meeting. We ask that you carefully consider your nominations, as a trusteeship holds a high level of fiduciary responsibility, personal financial risk and the ability and obligation to act solely for the benefit of others and not oneself. If you have any questions regarding the responsibilities of a Benefits Office Union Trustee, please contact the Fund Administrator.

Please make sure your beneficiary forms are up to date.

Also, please be sure to provide any change of address to the Benefits Office as soon as possible. This will ensure you receive any relevant correspondence regarding your welfare, pension and annuity benefits.

Welfare Fund

As we near the end of the calendar year, the Welfare Fund Office would like to remind individuals that the best way to ensure you receive reimbursement for all eligible health care related expenses is to request a "year to date statement of account" from any and all medical facilities (Physician, Dental, Hospital, Pharmacy) you visit. If you are submitting a request for any over-the-counter medical expenses, please remember that an original (not a copy) receipt is required, and you must have a physician note on file for many expenses. If you are unsure if you have a note on file, please contact the Welfare Fund Office.

In order to receive reimbursement for dependent related expenses, we must have a birth certificate and a social security number on file. If we do not have these items in your file, your request may be denied. If you are unsure if we have this information in your file, please contact the Welfare Fund Office.

Annuity Fund

The transition from MassMutual Retirement Services to Empower is now complete. We encourage you to download the app for your Smartphone, which allows you access to your fund balance and investment information. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact the Annuity Fund Office.

From the Training Office

CONGRATULATIONS to our 5th year Apprentice group at our Glens Falls location who recently wrapped up their EPRI Industrial Rigging & Crane Signaling certification course, ALL 6 of our NYS Registered Plumber/Steamfitter Apprentices tested last month and we are excited to announce that Brothers Andy Gates, Eric Guest, Josh Hubbell, Kevin Malek, Matt Raggi and Alex Stewart each achieved this valuable certification. Job well done guys! And THANK YOU to Instructor Dan Lauderbaugh for your expertise on this matter; as always, they couldn't have done it without you. Shout and thanks to Instructor TJ Whitman as well for your assistance during the practical portion of this exam!

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, 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-todate EVERY 6 MONTHS. If you are unsure of your expiration date or simply need a continuity form, please call the Training Office!

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.



Once again this year, Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 773 will be collecting non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped toys from our membership to be donated to local agencies and distributed to families in need this holiday season. Items collected will be donated above and beyond Collection the contributions approved by our Executive Board.

Collection boxes are located out in the main fover at our Glens Falls facility. You may drop off items any time through December 20th.

www.lu773.org

To log in to the members only section of our website, vour User ID is vour 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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Pictured above is one of our own Brothers and more commendably, Staff Sergeant, Eric Guest. Eric dropped the puck at the Adirondack Thunder game on Saturday, November 12th in honor of Military Appreciation Night sponsored by Local 773. Thank you for your service, Eric!

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:		7
Old Address:	City, State, Zip:	
New Address:	City, State, Zip:	
New Home Phone:	New Cell Phone:	
Effective Date of change (s):		