



PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 773

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Newsletter



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NOTICE OF MEETING

FOURTH MONDAY

Meeting Date: 11/27/23

Place: Local 773 Union Hall

37 Luzerne Rd.

Queensbury, NY 12804

Time: 6:30 p.m.



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 27, 2023 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, 2024. Election will be held at the December meeting.

From the Business Manager

In a world filled with negativity and unkindness, as I sat down to relax one evening after Halloween, I was taken aback by a news article I came across about a local 8-year old boy named Thatcher Marra who not only generously shared his Halloween candy at a home that had run out, but he was trick or treating as plumber, which he aspires to become one day! His kindness and aspiration touched me and I immediately knew we needed to do something for him. In recognition of his selfless act, we invited Thatcher and his father to tour our training facility, which they did this past Tuesday, November 14th. During the visit, he received official citations from the NYS Assembly and the NYS Senate. Assemblymember Carrie Woerner, Warren County Sheriff Jim LaFarr, NYS Supreme Court Justice Robert Muller, and representatives from Assemblyman Matt Simpson's office and Senator Dan Stec's office joined our Apprentices in congratulating Thatcher on his kindness. The world needs more kids like Thatcher and I am humbled to have met this little man!



As we enter another holiday season, as always, I am thankful for my Brothers and Sisters at Local 773, and for my family and my friends. I wish everyone a very blessed Thanksgiving! ~Mike

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 773 is once again proudly sponsoring **Military Appreciation Night** at the **Adirondack Thunder** hockey game. Join us on **Saturday, November 25th** in support of our local military veterans. Tickets are available in the Union Office.



The Union & Benefits Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 23rd.



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. Failure to provide a beneficiary form can result in your family having to create an estate, follow court proceedings and incur extra otherwise unnecessary cost for the receipt of any funds/benefits intended for them. If you have questions about whether or not you have a beneficiary on file, please call the office.

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

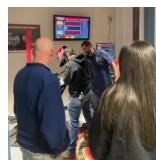
An Earnings Distribution Benefit is available to all participants with Annuity Accounts, based on the participant's investment earnings in his or her Annuity Account from January 1 to November 30 with a cap of \$1500.00. This benefit is not available if you have taken an In-Service Benefit during the same calendar year. Applications should be submitted during the month of November for a processing date of December 1, 2023. You can expect your distribution check between December 10th and December 15th.

From the Training Office



In recognition of National Apprenticeship Week taking place this week from November 13—19, 2023, Local 773's JATC once again this year wished to recognize our Apprentices and Instructors for their hard work, dedication and sacrifices made throughout the school year.

Festivities were held at our Glens Falls facility on Wednesday, November 15th. Joining our Apprentices and Instructors were many family members, our JATC, representatives from the Mechanical Contractors Association of the Capital District and of course our Union, Training and Funds Office staff. A warm meal and activities were enjoyed by all. Thank you once again to our JATC for hosting this wonderful event!



***Our Plattsburgh recognition event is scheduled for Thursday evening, November 16th.
Pictures of our northern gathering to follow in the December newsletter!***

The December UA Weld Test Day at our Glens Falls Authorized Testing Facility is scheduled for Saturday, December 16th. 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 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 **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):