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****READ CAREFULLY****

****IMPORTANT NOTICES****

Please be advised that the REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of Local Lodge #13 will be held on **Friday, December 9, 2011 at 8:00 P.M.** at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Rd., Newportville, Pennsylvania. The traditional Christmas refreshments will be served immediately following the meeting.

Fraternally yours, Michael Impagliazzo, President – Local Lodge No. 13

FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

*****Monthly Dues***** As of February 1, 2012, monthly union dues will be \$41.25 per month. Remember to put your registration number on your check. Due to security concerns please do not put your social security number on your check, only your registration number. Local #13 will no longer be able to cover members who allow their dues to go into arrears! A \$500.00 reinstatement fee will be imposed. It is your obligation to the union to pay union dues on time.

*****Vacation Checks***** Please be advised that vacation checks will be mailed on Thursday, December 1, 2011 unless you opted to pick up your vacation check between the hours of 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

*****No phone calls pertaining to vacation checks will be accepted*****

***** Cigna Insurance Seminar***** will be held on **Saturday, December 3, 2011 at the union hall at 10:00 a.m.** You are encouraged to bring your spouse. Representatives from the Health and Welfare Office will host the seminar. **Please call the union hall if you plan on attending.**

Wagon of Fun and Wheelbarrow of Cheer tickets are now available. If you have seen them over the past few years, you know they get bigger and better each year. Each one is now worth over \$1,600.00. Tickets are \$1.00 each and it benefits the Sick & Distress Fund. **Drawing will be held at December's meeting on Friday, December 9, 2011. See enclosed flyer for more details.**

Our Annual Family Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2011 at the Newportville Fire House, 2425 New Falls Road (across the street from the union hall). Mark your calendars, every child 12 and under receives a gift from Santa. Flyers were recently mailed. **If you plan on attending and have not sent back your response, please contact the union hall immediately.**

Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 in conjunction with Natalias Blankets will be collecting new items for St. Jude's Hospital, Philadelphia Children's Hospital and St. Christopher's Hospital. Donations will be accepted at the family Christmas party on December 4, 2011 and at December's union meeting on December 9, 2011. See enclosed flyer for more details.

Boilermakers Barbecue Smoker "Boiler Pit" Raffle" - Local 13 is now selling chances for a Barbecue Smoker proudly made by Local 13 apprentices!! Chances are \$5.00 each and benefit the Scholarship and Entertainment Funds. Only 1,000.00 chances are available. Drawing will be held at February's meeting on Friday, February 10, 2012. See enclosed flyer for more details.

Our 35th Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at the Sheet Metal Workers Local #19, 1301 South Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19147. Ticket and ad forms were recently mailed. Deadline for ordering tickets and submitting ads is January 21, 2012. If you would like to make this a special weekend we have blocked rooms of your choice at Hyatt Penns Landing or Comfort Inn Penns Landing. Contact the union hall for more information.

*****Pennsylvania AFL-CIO 2011 Scholarship Essay Contest*** Scholarships will be offered by the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO in three categories; Graduating High School Seniors, students attending an accredited, post-secondary institution, and Affiliated Union Members attending an Accredited Institution. First award is \$2,000.00, second award is \$1,000.00 and the third award is \$500.00. If interested, please contact the union hall and we will have an application mailed to you. **The deadline for submitting the application is January 31, 2012.****

*****AT&T Cell Phone Subscribers*** Take advantage of the Union Plus AT&T 15 % Discount on wireless service for union members. Visit UnionPlus.org/ATT for more details.**

*****Notice*** - To receive this meeting notice and/or obituary notice via e-mail send your e-mail address to the union hall at blrmkrs13@comcast.net. You can also view this meeting notice anytime by visiting the Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 website at www.boilermakers13.org**

*****Cell Phones for Soldiers*** - Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 is a collection site for cell phones for soldiers. Drop off any old cell phones that you are not using at the union hall. We will then forward them to the Cell Phone for Soldiers office. Their goal is to help our soldiers serving overseas call home by providing prepaid phone cards.**

*****Retired Boilermakers from the Maryland and Northern Delaware areas*** meet monthly for a breakfast gathering at the Elkton Diner in Elkton Maryland at 8:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month. The Elkton Diner is located at the Big Elk Mall in Elkton on the Northeast corner of Routes 40 and 213. If interested, contact Ron Demmler (410) 398-1348 or Lloyd Seal (302) 328-6470 or Bill Twupack (410) 378-2236 or email rdemmler30@comcast.net**

*****Retired and Active Boilermakers from Northumberland and Surrounding Counties*** meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 9:00 a.m. at the El-Rancho Restaurant on Route #11, Northumberland, Pennsylvania. If interested, contact Ron Olson at (570) 765-2567 or (570) 743-6971.**

*****Upstate retired Boilermakers*** meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. at the Perkins just off the Buckhorn exit of route #80 (between Bloomsburg and Danville). If interested contact Lester Yarnell at (570) 864-3350.**

*****Social Gathering***** Several of our members have been attending a social gathering in the Scranton/Clark Summit area. They meet at Gin's Tavern in Factoryville, PA and will be meeting at 1:30 p.m. on March 24, 2012. If you are interested, please contact Rich Kelley at (570) 689-9380, Mike Mongiello at 570-842-2638 or Joe Harvey at (570) 836-2487.

*****Dermatology Treatment***** Local Lodge No. 13 has been in contact with one of our own scholarship winners from 1986, Dr. Robert Willard (son of Bob Willard). Dr. Willard is signatory with Cigna and is located at the Dermatology & Mohs Surgery Center, 610 Farm Lane, Doylestown, PA 18901 (215) 345-6647 and the website is www.doylestownmohs.com

*****Jobsite Injuries***** If you do get hurt it is imperative that you **immediately** notify the jobsite steward and the superintendent of all injuries no matter how minor the injury. This important step helps protect your ability to a workmen's compensation claim. I would also like for all members to contact me (John E. Clark, Jr.) personally about all injuries, no matter how minor you may think they are. **Please work safely!**

Fraternally yours, John E. Clark, Jr., Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

*****From the Desk of the Dispatcher*****

Please keep calls to the union hall to a minimum after 2:00 p.m. We start dispatching work at 2:00 p.m. and it is unfair to members waiting to be called for work to be delayed by tied up phone lines. Also, many times we have to fill jobs for that same night and are delayed due to many incoming calls. **If you need to call the hall for matters other than dispatch please call before 2:00 p.m. Also, remember to call in your layoff on the day you are laid off.** Although it is the duty of the job steward to call in layoffs, it is ultimately the member's responsibility to contact the union hall. The best way to inform the union hall of your layoff is to call the union hall after 4:30 p.m. and leave a message on the recorder that you were laid off. Leave the date you were laid off and the name of the job you were laid off from.

*****Notices from the Training Coordinator*****

*****M.O.S.T. 5 Hour Refresher Course***** Will be held at the union hall on **Wednesday, December 28, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.**

*****Training Classes ***** Please contact the union hall to be placed on the waiting list If you are interested in taking any of the upcoming classes like the OSHA 30 Hour Course which will be held January 9, 2012 through January 12, 2012, Crane Signal Course which will be held December 12, 2011 and again on December 19, 2011, Rigging Classes, , Asbestos Class, Field Supervisor Training/Foreman Training, Journeyman Training, Planning and Scheduling Course or the Project Management Program Course.

*****Local #13 Common Arc Welder Testing***** There will be Common-Arc Testing at the Boilermaker Local Lodge 13 Union Hall from **Monday, February 13, 2012 through Friday, February 17, 2012.** The type of testing will be Carbon Tube, Stainless Tube, and Inconel Tube. If interested please call Tina at the Union Hall to setup a time and date for testing. **You must specify when calling which test you would like to take.**

*****M.O.S.T. Chain of Custody Forms***** Please keep in mind that the proper procedure for renewing your annual M.O.S.T. drug test is as follows; after receiving the M.O.S.T. drug test postcard, fill it out and send it back to M.O.S.T. They will then send to you a chain of custody in the mail which you can use at a M.O.S.T. collection site near you. It has come to our attention that some members are under the impression that the chain of custody is available at the union hall. Although the union hall has the chain of custody papers for certain situations, the proper procedure to obtain a chain of custody is to go through the M.O.S.T Program.

*****M.O.S.T. Drug Testing Facilities***** The M.O.S.T. program has changed some of the facilities that you can go to for a drug test. Please call the drug testing facility before going for your drug test to make sure that the facility is still on the list of M.O.S.T. approved collection sites. **A new drug testing collection site has now been approved by the M.O.S.T. Program in Hazelton, PA which is the Degenhart Chiropractic Health Center, 1749 East Broad Street, Hazelton, PA 18201.** Also, all Boilermakers must assume that they will be drug & alcohol tested when signing up on all jobs and they must assume that there will be random drug & alcohol testing as well during such jobs.

The following members passed away;

Steve M. Woulk passed away November 4, 2011. Cards can be sent his aunt Maureen Woulk, 1160 Emerson Lane, Bensalem, PA 19020.

Kevin A. Packer passed away November 9, 2011. Cards can be sent ti his wife Natalie Packer, 925 SR #61, Sunbury, PA 17801.

Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)

Richard Crouse	3604 Rossmere Road	Port Charlotte, FL 33953	rich6613@aol.com
Frederick C. Denecke, Jr.	304 North Mill Street	W. Nanticoke, PA 18634	fdenecke@yahoo.com
Harry Storz, III	309 Texas Avenue	Villas, NJ 08251	
Walter A. Strohl	4035 Ellendale Road	Drexel Hill, PA 19026	
Joseph D. Sweitzer, Jr.	173 Sawmill Road,	New Providence, PA 17560	

*******SPECIAL NOTE******* Any sick member requesting that their name and address be included on the sick list will need to sign an Authorization Form. Please contact Tina at the union hall if you would like an authorization form mailed to you.

Note: These members are not all collecting Sick & Distressed benefits. They are listed so you may keep in touch and let them know you are thinking of them. If you are collecting Sick & Distress benefits and are ready to go back to work, please notify the union hall. Failing to do so in a timely manner could jeopardize your last benefit check.