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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**, **November 11, 2011, at 8:00 P.M.** at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Rd., Newportville, Pennsylvania. Hoping to see you in attendance.

#### \*\*\*\*IMPORTANT PENSION FUNDING INCREASE REQUIREMENT \*\*\*\*

As reported at the October 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting, the membership of Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 must re-allocate \$2.73 from either our Wages, our Annuity or any combination of these funds to support the January 1, 2012 Pension Fund Supplemental Non-Accruing Contribution Increase. These funds will be re-allocated at the November 11, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting. Please make every attempt to be in attendance at this important meeting.

#### \*\*\*POLITICAL ACTION ALERT\*\*\*

## A Call to Action, Vote November 8, 2011!!!

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

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

\*\*\***Financial Planning Seminar**\*\*\* **will be held on November 11, 2011 in the classroom at 7:00 p.m. before the monthly meeting**. Ryan Namiotka (son of Lee Namiotka) who is a Financial Professional Associate with Prudential will host the seminar.

\*\*\* 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.

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.

\*\*\***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 <u>blrmkrs13@comcast.net</u>. You can also view this meeting notice anytime by visiting the Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 website at <u>www.boilermakers13.org</u>

\*\*\*Monthly Dues\*\*\* As of January 1, 2011, monthly union dues are now \$39.50 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.

\*\*\*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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 November 12, 2011. 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. Williard 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 <u>www.doylestownmohs.com</u>

\*\*\*Jobsite Injuries\*\*\* If you do get hurt it is imperative that you **immediately** notify the jobsite superintendent and the steward 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, November 30, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

\*\*\***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.

\*\*\*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, Rigging Classes, Crane Signal Course, Asbestos Class, Field Supervisor Training/Foreman Training, Journeyman Training, Planning and Scheduling Course or the Project Management Program Course.

#### Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)

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Harry Storz, III	309 Texas Avenue	Villas, NJ 08251	

\*\*\*\*\***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.