

*International Brotherhood of*  
**BOILERMAKERS • IRON SHIP BUILDERS**

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**Due to the Concerns regarding Covid-19 our May monthly meeting is being cancelled at the request of International President Newton B. Jones.**

**Fraternally yours, Robert J. Cryder, III, President – Local Lodge No. 13**

**FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER**

### **IMPORTANT BENEFIT REMINDER – AMWELL ONLINE HEALTHCARE**

Amwell is a great option for fast, easy, and secure healthcare from the comfort of your home, or anywhere else for that matter! The Boilermakers National Health & Welfare Fund telehealth benefit allows individuals to have **FREE** electronic video visits with Amwell's online providers, who are available 24/7, by using the web or mobile app.

With Amwell you get an alternative to the traditional office visit or the long wait at an urgent care facility. This benefit allows:

- **FREE** office visits for minor illness and counseling 24/7 from your smart phone or computer. *Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, please anticipate longer than usual wait times.*
- Access to healthcare such as COVID-19 risk assessments, depression, anxiety, flu, cold, rashes, allergies, infections, and more!
- Prescriptions (when appropriate), or referrals when needed.
- **FREE** enrollment. Visit [WWW.AMWELL.COM](http://WWW.AMWELL.COM) or download the app from the app store (iPhone) or google play (Android). Use SERVICE KEY "BOILERMAKERS" to ensure your visit is **FREE**. Check our website [WWW.BNF-KC.COM](http://WWW.BNF-KC.COM) for detailed instructions on enrollment (also attached to this email).

The information described above *is not* applicable for individuals who have coverage under the Fund's Medicare Advantage Plan administered through United HealthCare (UHC). These individuals can learn about the resources available to them [www.uhc.com](http://www.uhc.com).

**Congratulations to the top 3 2020 Academic Award Winners!**

Danielle A, Maietta – 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Ethan M. Angstadt – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Jake R. Birchmeier – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

**We have been informed that Jake R. Birchmeier, son of Robert Birchmeier, has also been awarded a scholarship from the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers! Congratulations Jake!**

**Congratulations to the 2020 Jeffrey C. Davis Graduate Award Winners!**

Jamie Bailey  
Victoria Bernotas

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER\*\*\***

**REMINDER – Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic the Retiree Family Picnic that was to be held in June has been cancelled.**

**Beach Party and Bike Run – July 11, 2020 - The Inlet on Old (formerly Westy's Irish Pub)**  
**Golf Outing – July 20, 2020 - Northampton Country Club**  
**Clam Bake – August 8, 2020 - Checkerboard Inn**

**Monthly dues did not increase on January 1, 2020 and will remain \$49.20 per month.** Remember to put your registration number on your check. 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 your dues on time.

**\*\*\*Pay Monthly Dues Online\*\*\*** Members have the option of paying membership dues online. Visit the local's website at [www.boilermakers13.org](http://www.boilermakers13.org), select "Member Resources" then "Online Dues". A convenience fee is added to each transaction. **Please note, the login procedure for the due's payment portal has changed. Username is now your last name and your password is your registration number.** If you have any issues with the portal, please notify the hall immediately.

**\*\*\*Dues Receipts\*\*\*** Monthly dues receipts are being emailed to members with a valid email address on file. If you do not have an email address on file, a paper receipt will be mailed as normal. Please monitor your email inbox to make sure you are receiving dues receipts and contact the hall immediately if you believe there is a problem.

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* A member outreach committee has been established to help provide non-clinical support for any member who is experiencing personal challenges associated with substance abuse or addiction. The following committee members are available for contact:**

Colin Geraci	267-515-1252
Ernie Olavage	215-768-5812
Jim Pearson	610-517-0630
Dale Schaffner, Jr.	570-415-8066
Steve Wolfe	717-821-9049

Also, if you or someone you know needs help, please call the Boilermakers Substance Abuse Crisis Line at 877-244-3572.

**\*\*\*Email Addresses needed\*\*\*** as we transition more to electronic communication, it is important that we have an accurate email address on file for each member. If you have not already provided one, please contact the hall with a current email address at your convenience. Please note, member email addresses are used for internal lodge communications only and will not be shared with any outside party.

**\*\*\*TWIC Enrollment Requirements\*\*\* Effective July 1, 2015 the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) adopted new enrollment requirements for U.S. born TWIC applicants.** TSA is making this change to align TWIC proof-of-citizenship requirements with those of other TSA Programs. Before applying for a TWIC card, be sure to visit [WWW.TSA.GOV/FOR-INDUSTRY/TWIC](http://WWW.TSA.GOV/FOR-INDUSTRY/TWIC) to review the updated list of acceptable documentation.

**\*\*\*Congratulations and lots of luck to our newly retired members Leroy Moses and Carl S. Slaughter\*\***

**\*\*\*Zumba Classes have been cancelled until further notice\*\*\***

**\*\*\*AT&T Cell Phone Subscribers\*\*\*** Take advantage of the AFL-CIO Union Member 15% discount with AT&T on wireless service for union members. For more information see [att.com/wireless/union](http://att.com/wireless/union).

**Fraternally yours, John D. Bland, Interim Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer**

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

**\*\*\*\*\*All classes at the union hall have been cancelled until further notice\*\*\*\*\***

**\*\*\*\*\*The Weld shop is also closed until further notice\*\*\*\*\***

**Online Training** - Effective January 1, 2017, all Boilermakers except new apprentices are required to utilize the MOST online training programs for the OSHA 5, 10 and 30-hour courses. Any member who requires training will need to submit a request through the hall, which will then be forwarded to MOST. At this time, MOST is not accepting individual, direct training requests. A valid email address will be required for all training requests.

**The following member passed away:**

**John R. Holstein passed away March 26, 2020.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Clair Holstein, 121 South Martin Lane, Norwood, PA 19074

**Gaeton "Tom" F. Spera passed away April 18, 2020.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Jean Spera, 407 West Lea Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802

**Alphonse J. Sieklicki passed away April 18, 2020.** Cards can be sent to his son:  
John Sieklicki, 246 Ralpho Road, Elysburg, PA 17824

**Vincent D. Mullen passed away April 24, 2020.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Linda Mullen, 2191 Juneberry Court, Warrington, PA 18976

**Thomas C. Cadmus passed away April 25, 2020.** Cards can be sent to his wife:  
Jerri Cadmus, 1635 Hurd Road, Smyrna, DE 19977

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

Asa Atherholt	80 Redfield Street	Tunkhannock, PA 18657	atherholt2012@gmail.com
Lance Barry	135 Margaret Street	Palmerton, PA 18071	<a href="mailto:barryjr75@yahoo.com">barryjr75@yahoo.com</a>
Ben Britton	762 Scott Street	Kulpmont, PA 17834	bbritton29@gmail.com
Emanuel Castellano	P.O. Box 14882	Reading, PA 19612	castellano379@gmail.com
Darryl L. Kirklin	1015-66 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Philadelphia, PA 19126	dkirklin@verizon.net
James Lehman	135 Abbey Drive	Mt. Wolf, PA 17347-9517	
Frank Malcolm	264 S. Pennsville Auburn Rd.	Carneys Point, NJ 08069	
John Phillips	34 Walnut Street	Norton, PA 19070	

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