

January 28, 2011

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

*******PLEASE READ*******
*******IMPORTANT NOTICES*******

Please be advised that the REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of Local Lodge #13 will be held on **Friday, February 11, 2011 at 8:00 P.M.** at the Frank Donlon Hall, 2300 New Falls Rd., Newportville, Pennsylvania.

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

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

Nominations of Consolidated Convention Delegates and Nomination of Local Lodge Officers – will be held at the Regular Monthly meeting on **Friday, March 4, 2011**.

Election of Consolidated Convention Delegates and election of Local Lodge Officers – will be held on **Saturday, April 16, 2011**.

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

FROM THE DESK OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

*****Nuclear Alert*** There will be two upcoming nuclear outage's.** The first one will be at the Limerick Nuclear Power Plant starting **March 28, 2011** for a 26 day outage. Prescreen starts, Monday, February 28th. Please call the office by, February 17th if you are interested.

Second outage will be at the Susquehanna Nuclear power plant starting **April 4, 2011** for a 30 day outage. Prescreening starts Monday, February 14th and need names by February 8th. Please contact Alex Tallick or Tina Gushue at the union hall if you are interested in being put on the list for these upcoming nuclear outages.

*****Gift Card Raffles***** The Sick and Distress Committee and the Entertainment Committee will again be having a combined raffle to benefit each fund. **This year there will be three prizes awarded. 1st prize will be a \$2,500.00 gift card to Lowes Home Centers, 2nd prize will be a \$1,500.00 gift card to Cabela's Sportsman's Centers and the 3rd prize will be a \$1,000.00 gift card to Best Buy Entertainment Centers.** Drawing will take place at the Clambake on August 27, 2011.

***** International Scholarships***** **Boilermakers International Scholarship applications are now available at the union hall.** If interested please contact the union hall and we will have one mailed to you. **Deadline for submitting application to International is March 1, 2011**

*****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 hall and we will have an application mailed to you. **The deadline for submitting the application is January 31, 2011.**

*****Boilermakers 13 Phillies Night****** Phillies vs. Athletics on June 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Rooftop Bleacher seat, \$26.00 per ticket (includes \$10.00 Concession voucher). Only 56 tickets available. First come, first served. Reserve a ticket today by calling Bill Bradley or Joe Jacoby, Jr.

****Important dates to remember******

Retirees Picnic – June 18, 2011 – Mermaid Lakes Swim Club, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania
Golf Outing – July 11, 2011 – Northampton Country Club – Northampton, Pennsylvania
Beach Party - July 23, 2011 – Westy's Irish Pub – Wildwood, New Jersey
Clambake –August 27, 2011 – Konefal's Grove – Shavertown, Pennsylvania

*****Scholarship Memorial Cards***** are available from the office. These cards can be obtained by sending a check payable to the Local #13 Scholarship Program, for \$10.00 either with the name and address where the card is to be sent, or have the card forwarded to your home to have available for services. A memorial page will appear in the 2011 Scholarship Program in honor of those we would like to remember.

*****Dues Increase***** **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.

*****Beneficiary Cards***** - It has been brought to our attention that many of our members have not filled out beneficiary cards. If you have recently married or divorced it is imperative that your beneficiaries be updated. Protect your loved ones by filling out beneficiary cards for Annuity and Pension/Health & Welfare. Contact our office and we will be glad to send them to you.

***** Jobsite Theft***** This office has been notified of instances of jobsite theft on several construction sites. Please be advised that jobsite theft, violence, acts of sabotage and serious and chronic violations of the referral rules **may be cause for permanent removal from all boilermaker out-of-work lists.**

*****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.

*****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**

*****Sexual Harrassment*** Local #13 has received complaints of sexual harassment on some of our jobsites. Sexual harassment is unlawful and violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when submission to or rejection of this conduct explicitly or implicitly affects an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment. **No one should be subjected to sexual harassment and it will not be tolerated by the Boilermakers' Organization. We must respect each other. If you feel you are being sexually harassed please inform the Business Manager Immediately.****

*****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 19, 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.

*****Annual Routine Physical*** - Please be advised that the Boilermakers National Health and Welfare has increased the no-deductible annual physical from \$150.00 to \$300.00 per year for active members and retirees covered by the Health and Welfare Active (G-plan) and Retiree plan. For your consideration, Industrial Healthcare Center at 1854 New Rodgers Road (Rt. 413), Levittown, PA (215) 750-6426 will perform the following services for the "No money out of pocket price of \$300.00". Comprehensive Physicals, Laboratory Testing, PSA, Fecal Occult Blood Test, Chest X-Ray, CBC with Differential, EKG with Interpretation, Urinalysis, Vision Testing and a Whisper Hearing Test. Please request the Boilermakers Annual Physical when making an appointment.**

*****Rigging Safety Alert***** High lines are dangerous!! Even to a trained eye high lines can appear to be safe when they are not. Always double check your rigging!

*****Welding, Cutting and Burning Safety Alert***** - Breathing welding fumes is hazardous to your health, especially hexavalent chromium (Cr(VI)) compounds which are present in stainless steels. These fumes are potential human carcinogens and exposure to these fumes should be minimized. Be sure to protect your health by properly ventilating your work area and breathing zone. The use of proper respirators will also minimize your risk. Take the time to work safely!

*****Jobsite Injuries***** Local #13 has seen an increase in jobsite injuries and accidents. Please take the time to work safe and don't take any safety issue for granted. Insist on making sure that your work area is safe. Good housekeeping is a good place to start. Also, follow all lock out and tag out procedures and read the work permits each time you enter a vessel or confined space. **Take the time to work safely!** 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. **Please notify the union hall immediately of any unpaid medical bills that you may receive due to a result of a workmen's compensation injury. Do not make any deals with contractors.** I would also like for all members to contact me (James W. Banford, Jr.) personally about all injuries, no matter how minor you may think they are. **Please work safely!**

Fraternaly yours, James W. Banford Jr., Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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

*****M.O.S.T. 5 Hour Refresher Course***** Will be held at the union hall on **Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.**

*****Safety Training Alert***** Please be advised effective January 1, 2007 the MOST safety training requirement for the Philadelphia Area Refineries is only good for one (1) year. You will be required to take the 5 Hour MOST safety refresher course every year.

*****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. **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.

*****RIGGING TRAINING CLASS***** The following Rigging Module Classes will be held at the union hall on the dates listed below. **All classes will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m.** Please call Tina Gushue at the union hall if you are interested in attending any of these classes.

Rigging Module #1 – Friday, March 4, 2011 *OK*
Rigging Module #2 – Friday, March 11, 2011 *OK*
Rigging Module #3 – Friday, March 18, 2011 *OK*
Rigging Module #4 – Friday, February 11, 2011 *— OK*
Rigging Module #4 - Friday, March 25, 2011 *OK*

*****OSHA Qualified Crane Signal Person Examination Course***** The following OSHA Qualified Crane Signal Person Examination Courses are being held at the union hall on the dates listed below. All classes begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. Call Tina Gushue at the union hall to reserve a spot. Space is limited. When calling you must specify which day you are interested in attending this class.

Friday, February 18, 2011
Friday, February 25, 2011

*****Need for Asbestos Trained Boilermakers***** Local No. 13 is in need of boilermakers with asbestos training in both Pennsylvania and Delaware. Please contact the union hall to make arrangements to receive asbestos training so we can hold onto this valuable part of the boilermaker work.

*****Field Supervisor / Foreman Training Module***** In the near future local #13 will be holding a field Supervisor / Foreman Training Module. The module will last 2 days at 8 hours (16 hours total). If interested contact Tina at the union hall.

*****Planning and Scheduling Course***** For those who are interested Local #13 has set up a planning and scheduling course. Please contact Tina at the union hall if interested.

*****Journeyman Training***** Anyone interested in training classes for welding, rigging, blueprint reading, scaffold erection, hydrowash, steel erection, and steward training contact Tina at the union hall.

*****Project Management Program***** Please be advised that **MOST** has started a Project Management Program for Boilermakers. Members will be selected to participate in the program based on their work history and potential to become leaders in the boilermaker trade. The Project Management program is open to all boilermakers who demonstrate exceptional abilities and are recommended by either a contractor or the union. Participants must have three (3) letters of reference from sources other than the Business Manager of the local and/or your current employer. Applications are available at the union hall upon request. **If you applied in the past and did not get accepted, you must re-apply again!!**

Anyone interested in receiving obituary notices via email please send your email address to Business Manager James W. Banford Jr. at jbanfordjr@comcast.net

Please remember in your prayers our sick member(s)

Richard Crouse	3604 Rossmere Road	Port Charlotte, FL 33953
Troy B. Dixon	5034 Hunters Court South	Bensalem, PA 19020
Phillip Hill	3900 Truro Drive	Anchorage, AK 99507 phil_hill13@yahoo.com
Michael L. Mangiamele	740 Green Street	Lehighton, PA 18235
Joseph M. Matonti III	59 Frederick Road	Coatesville, PA 19320-1645 jmato3@comcast.net
Larry Namiotka	14021 Church Hill Road	Clarks Summit, PA 18411 MUCKK147@aol.com
Fred Penick	1120 Moser Road	Danielsville, PA 18038 weldenhaus@aol.com
Rick Roos	485 Knox Run Road	Morrisdale, PA 16858

*******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.