

HEAT and FROST INSULATORS & ASBESTOS WORKERS LOCAL 24

BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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SPECIALLY CALLED UNION MEETING

The May Union Meeting will be a Special Meeting held for the election of a new Business Agent. We encourage all members to make every effort to attend and participate in this important meeting.

In order to be eligible to vote, every Mechanic must be in good standing with the Union and must have his or her dues paid up through the month of February, 2010. Reminder letters, suspension letters, and lapse letters will be mailed out prior to Election Day. Any member wishing to vote may pay his or her delinquent dues at any time prior to receiving a ballot.

Anyone requesting an absentee ballot shall follow Article XX, Section 13 of our Constitution and By-Laws. Written requests for absentee ballots must be received ten (10) days prior to the election. The request must be mailed to the Corresponding

Secretary at the Union Hall. The ballot must be received at the Post Office Box by Election Day to be counted. Once a member requests an absentee ballot, he/she must vote in that election only by that means.

SPECIAL NOMINATIONS

At the April 1, 2010 Union Meeting, the following nominations were made for the Business Agent position vacated by David Nichols:

Business Agent

(balance of 3 yr. term)

- Wayne Brobst
- Renè Lazo

WORK PICTURE

Work is slowing down a little bit right now and we still have members on the bench.

MAIN STREET FESTIVAL

Saturday, May 8, 2010 Local 24 will again participate in the Annual Laurel Main Street Festival. We will hold a raffle for Dollars for Diabetes and host a booth to promote the Apprenticeship.



Please come out and volunteer for this very good cause. Bring the family and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon of food, games, arts & crafts. We need your help. Volunteers are needed, so please contact the hall for more details.

LOCAL #24 PICNIC
The Annual Local #24 Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 24, 2010 at Smokey Glen Park in Gaithersburg, MD. Ticket Information and an order forms will be sent in the next week or so. Please respond ASAP and note –
ORDERS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE HALL NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2010 @ 4:00 P.M.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- 5/6/10 - Union Meeting & Elections
- 5/8/10 – Laurel Main Street Festival
- 6/19/10 – DAD's Day Poker Run
- 6/25/10 – Labor Night with the O's
- 7/9/10 – Labor Night With the Nats
- 7/24/10 – Local 24 Picnic

GOLF TOURNAMENT IN HONOR OF GEORGE SNYDER



We are hosting our 7th Annual George W. Snyder, Jr. Memorial Golf Tournament on August 13, 2010 at the Timbers of Troy Golf Club. Last year, the proceeds from the tournament totaling more than \$30,000 were donated to various cancer research agencies. All members who are interested are welcome to attend, the event is for charity and you will be asked to pay to attend. Please call the Union Office for more information.

KOONZ, MCKENNEY, JOHNSON, DEPAOLIS, & LIGHTFOOT ASBESTOS WORKERS SCHOLARSHIP

The law firm of Koonz, McKenney, Johnson, DePaolis & Lightfoot is pleased to announce the 25th annual Asbestos Workers' Scholarship Fund for children, grand-children, and spouses of Local #24 members. Each year two entrants are awarded a four-year scholarship, totaling \$2,000 for college tuition and related expenses.

The fund is administered by Peter C. DePaolis from the law firm and the Business Manager of the Union. The selection committee is composed of educators and community leaders. They are instructed to make selections based on academic achievement, community service, and an essay on the importance of union commitment.

All children, grandchildren, and spouses of active members of the Union are eligible as long as they are currently in their senior year of high school or are enrolled in a college on either a full or part-time basis. Application forms will request financial information, letters of recommendation, high school transcripts, SAT or equivalent scores, and an essay of less than 300 words. The topic to be addressed in the essay will be "The Importance of Union Commitment in America." Call the Union Office to request an application.

We are looking forward to the 25th presentation of the awards to take place in the summer of 2010 at the annual picnic.

REMEMBER...if your child, grandchild or spouse is eligible for the Koonz, McKenney, Johnson, DePaolis & Lightfoot Scholarship, he or she MUST apply for this scholarship in order to be eligible for the Local #24 "lottery" scholarship awarded in December.

NEW MEDICAL CARDS

By now, all eligible members should have received their new medical/prescription cards. If you haven't, either you are not eligible or we do not have a good address for you. I encourage each member to read all of the information that is enclosed with the cards. That information will answer many of your questions.

PROFESSIONALISM

With work slowing down a bit, now, more than ever, it is important that we consistently show the true professional craftsmen that we have been trained to be. We need to work as a team with fellow members and our Contractors to show that we have good work ethics. This will enable our Contractors to secure more work for the future. It also empowers the Local to meet with new developers and contractors and assure them that we can deliver a project on time, on budget and done right the first time. All with the knowledge that the members will back that up with their professional work and attitudes! Work 8 for 8! Thank you.

DAD'S DAY POKER RUN



Again this year we will participate in Local #5 Iron Workers Dad's Day Poker Run for Dollars Against Diabetes. Motorcycle, sports car whatever you drive, it's a great day of fun. Meet members from other building trades and support a very worthy cause. Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 19th. Call the hall for details.

IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened to report the death of Retired member, William "Bud" Shaney. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Apprenticeship and Training

Refresher and Upgrade Training

Applicant Mechanic School

The applicant mechanic school has begun. School will meet on Tuesday at 5:00 pm until June when they will meet Mondays and Wednesdays until September.

Asbestos Refreshers

The next scheduled asbestos refresher training is scheduled for July. Please do not let your asbestos license expire; it could give you the ability to be employed when those without a license are unable to be.

Journeyman Upgrade Classes

Journeyman upgrade classes have been scheduled for every Monday evening in the summer. Topics will include OSHA 30. Innovative application techniques and other information as it becomes available. Please examine the June newsletter as soon as it arrives.

ESL

English as a Second Language classes will be offered this summer also. The schedule is in the process of being finalized. Please attend the May Union meeting for details.

Asbestos Supervisor Refresher

Monday and Tuesday, July 6 - 7	4:30 – 8:30 pm
Saturday July 10	7am – 3pm

Journeyman Upgrade

Monday evenings starting in June	Times TBD
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English as Second Language

Monday evenings starting in June	Times TBD
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It is your responsibility to attend classes.

Please keep your expiration date in mind.

YOU MUST CALL TO REGISTER FOR CLASS YOU WISH TO ATTEND.

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Apprentice Reminders

The next scheduled union meetings will be Thursday, May 6 and June 3.

Turn in your monthly report form by the 7th of each month

Attend school as scheduled

Go to work every day and be on time

If you must be absent you must inform your employer