



Local 1342 Newsletter

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Upcoming Charter Union Meetings

February 13, 2019

March 13, 2019

April 10, 2019

May 8, 2019

June 12, 2019

July 10, 2019

August 14, 2019



All Charter Union
Meetings are held at
the Union Hall

**196 Orchard Park Rd.
West Seneca NY**

**10:00 AM
and
7:30 PM**

From the President's Desk By: Jeff Richardson

During the month of February, The International Office in Silver Springs MD paid for the maintenance executive board and myself to attend mechanical training. During the general session, I was very proud of Lenny Oleksy and Frank Boice speaking to the group about the inner-workings of our mechanical department in Buffalo NY. The presidents then had a chance to speak at the general session about the medical insurance. We were well received at how low our cost is compared to all other unions across the country, including having a cap.

Pension: Our pension has improved since we implemented some changes in 2018. Our pension is paid out at 1.5% of your best 3 years of service. A question was asked "does your spouse receive your pension". The answer is yes if upon retirement you take the "Joint and Survivor" option, your spouse receives half of your pension for the rest of their life. If you do not take the survivor option, your benefit has a 5-year minimum payout. If you pass away before you receive 60 payments, your beneficiary will receive what is remaining of the 60 payments. We will be looking in the next

few weeks into other changes to keep our pension moving forward.

Health Insurance: The 10% we pay is pre-taxed and we have a cap on the monthly premium. When you retire, your health insurance will be at no cost for you and your family.

Every day this month I have been on property speaking with our members about concerns they have. I am going to continue to fight with the company until our Paratransit workers receive the same treatment as every other employee. Paratransit operators do not have a starting or finishing

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time. They cannot plan their life.

Every Thursday, I am on Facebook Live at 7:00 PM giving union updates. Please watch, ask questions, and share.

March 3, 2019 is the Variety Kids Telethon. Labor hour is from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM. I need all

ATU members to contact me to donate. I have the raffle tickets here at the office.

February is black history month. Here are just a few inventors; Benjamin Banneker – Almanac, Patricia Bath – Laser Surgical Device, Charles Drew – Blood Bank, Phillip Emeagwali – Worlds Fastest Computer, Lewis Latimer – Light Bulb.

I encourage all union

members to come to union meetings to receive all union information. 99% of what you hear on the properties is false. I am here at the union office to answer questions you may have.

Make sure you fill out your Way Bills correctly. Please remain off cell phones or bus radio phones while operating a company vehicle.



A Message From Charlie Sikora Financial Secretary/Treasurer



As a member of the Board of Directors of the Riverside Credit Union, it has come to my attention that a rumor has been circulating that the CU is closing. Let me assure any members reading this that your CU is not closing. Since we sold the Vulcan St. location last year, we leased a temporary location at 3199 Delaware Ave. in Kenmore directly across from Paddock Chevrolet. We recently purchased the former Key Bank at 2853 Delaware Ave., corner of Warren Ave., also in Kenmore, as our new permanent location. The architect recently submitted his final draft and construction on adding a second floor will begin in the spring. Upon completion of that and the remodeling of the first floor, we will move from the leased

space at 3199 Delaware Ave.

Two developments with AVI Vending. The first is an increase in some products which hasn't seen an increase in three years. It will be on Bottled Beverages and Coffee of +.05%, Candy-Chips of +.10%, and Pastry of +.10. On a positive note, this will increase our commission check which benefits us all.

After this I took a shot in the dark and asked for commissions on all ice cream purchases going back to 01/01/19, and to my surprise the AVI corporate office said yes. Our long-term commitment to this company was most likely the reason and this will also increase our monthly commission check that funds the Special Purpose Fund. No vending companies offer commissions on

non-frozen fresh perishable foods and ice cream products are not considered perishable.

There will be an assessment in the amount of one hundred eight dollars (\$108.00) per member to cover expenses incurred in connection with various arbitrations, PERB and court cases approved by the membership of Local1342. The assessments will be taken out in six (6) payments of eighteen dollars (\$18.00) per member and will be deducted from the second and fourth pay periods of March, April, and May 2019. The amount spent was 112,000.00 and the usual breakdown of all costs per court case will be posted at all locations before the end of this month.



Ando, Frederick
 Baldwin, Johnny
 Bandinelli, Brian
 Bishop, Leonard
 Brown, Clarence
 Brown, William
 Bruno, Leonard
 Brush, Graham
 Burke, Michael
 Cameron, Janice
 Carter, Richard
 Chojnacki, Cheryl
 Cosgrove, Bruce
 Crapo, Bonnie
 Cupples, Glenn
 Dantzler, Bonnie
 Dauer, Wayne
 Delaney, April
 Depczynski, Robert
 Enright, Brian
 Evans, Sheila
 Fiorella, Daniel

Ford, Marcus
 Garcia, Edioriel
 Glover, Wyetta
 Goss, Gary
 Goudelock, Michelle
 Hall, William
 Higgins, Jeannine
 Hill, Damara
 Hundley, Jerome
 Jones, Tamica
 Kearney, Rickey
 Kenward, Laurey
 Krauss, Shawn
 Lainis Jr, John
 Marrero, Joseph
 Mathis, Tommy
 McClamb, Demarcus
 McCollum, Arthur
 McCreary, Raeshawn
 Miller, Keesha
 Morales, Joel
 Mosher, Ricky

Moye, Laquesha
 Myree, Roselyn
 Nervo, Gary
 O'Connell, Jason
 O'Neill, Timothy
 Padilla-Vazquez, Candace
 Parmer, Leslie
 Patterson, Demetrius
 Payne, Thomas
 Peacock, Valencia
 Pease, Kenneth
 Pendrak, Joseph
 Penelton, Lamont
 Phillips, Calvin
 Pittorf, Michael
 Polasky, Melissa
 Pratcher, Dylan
 Reeve, Julie
 Rossmann, Dale
 Rost, Thomas
 Ruble, Austin
 Saia, Frank

Salter, Troy
 Sampman Jr, Samuel
 Santana, Wilfredo
 Santana-Garcia, Yaniz
 Scime, James
 Shahzad, Amir
 Shanley, Raymond
 Skea Jr, Richard
 Smith III, Andrew
 Stanchfield, Dean
 Stevenson, Willie
 Thomson, Scott
 Wagner, Charles
 Wagner, Melissa
 Walker, Gina
 Warnes, Ross
 Wright IV, William
 Wright, Dawn
 Yancey, Jose
 Zimmermann, Kevin

Deceased Members

Gerald Corbett
1/16/19

James Monroe Walker
2/11/19



Metro Anniversaries



Badura, Dale	34	Germanovich, Nick	2	Phillips, Calvin	13
Beal, Keith	8	Griffin Jr, Willie	11	Price, Barbara	22
Beal, Vernon	8	Harper, Carl	6	Quick, Darlene	19
Bennett, Damarr	6	Houston, Rodric	18	Rizzo, Kristine	4
Boykin, Kenneth	4	Jackson, Ariana	6	Ruble, Austin	1
Bratek, Justin	3	Johnson, Arthur	25	Schilling, Cynthia	34
Brauzza, Walter	34	Keller, Brian	1	Shealy, Michael	6
Burke, Patrick	11	Kieffer, Paul	34	Shelton, D Lamont	16
Carter, Brett	2	Kozak, Bernice	19	Shephard, Demetrius	18
Carter, Richard	1	Kubisty, Christian	15	Stein Iii, Franklin	1
Caudle, Raymond	2	Kurtzworth, Michael	9	Szejnar, Shaun	12
Clemons, Jerome	19	Labeledz, Emily	1	Taylor Jr, Raymond	11
Clency, Karmen	1	Lett, Racquel	1	Truesdale, Michael	20
Cole, Reginald	8	Mann, Trichel	2	Tymorek, Darlene	12
Confer, Marygrace	8	Minchen, Christina	1	Vega, Maira	13
Cunningham, Robert	26	Moore, Lydia	20	Walden, Joseph	18
Dantzler, Bonnie	8	Moriarity, Timothy	1	Washington, Clifford	18
Davis, Tahje	19	Myers, Gary	8	Weber, Brian	19
Drayton, Dennis	20	Myree, Roselyn	12	Wengewicz, Mark	9
Esford, Ryan	1	Nelson, Thomas	8	Whitney, Patrick	3
Farr, Anthony	1	Nesbitt, Troy	6	Wilczak, Ronald	12
Fletcher, Quinton	25	Nieves Sr, Bernardo	26	Zee, Lance	9
Foster, David	19	Parrett, Fatima	1		
Garcia, Mark	1	Peay, Antwan	6		

Retired in January 2019

David Chihanick

Retired in February 2019

George Barnes	Robert Kalman	Gerard Piccolo
Mark Biersbach	Michael Larson	Marty Pipolo
Ledonia Boyd	Tom Lewandowski	Larry Priore
Angelo Caruana	Greg LaMartina	Paul Pyzikiewicz
Stevie Curuth	Michael Martin	Sabrina Renfroe
Don Deperto	Rich McMenamin	Ronald Ross
Michael Fafara	Kevin Michalski	Gerald Schichtel
Friar Hixon	Sammy Muhammad	James Wacker
Terry Hughes	Michael Mulhisen	Kathy Young