



Three Supreme Court Seats UP for Grabs



Judge Kevin Dougherty



Judge David Wecht



Judge Christine Donohue

Something huge is happening on November 3rd, 2015. Many of your neighbors who have never voted in a judicial election before will be showing up at the polls this year because of the historic opportunity to elect **THREE** Supreme Court Justices. This election could determine control of the highest court in Pennsylvania for a generation.

The Supreme Court is our last line of defense against anti-union politicians. In just the past few years we have seen the Court strike down an unconstitutional Voter Suppression Law that was designed to disenfranchise our seniors, the poor, and working class voters. We have also seen attempts to gut public pensions, destroy collective bargaining, eliminate prevailing wage, and abolish the freedom to organize unions. In the coming years, a Supreme Court that values the rights of workers may very well be the only thing that stands between your job and those who would deny you the fruits of your labor.

Luckily, we have an outstanding endorsed slate of qualified, fair, and honest candidates running this year. Judge **Kevin Dougherty**, Judge **David Wecht**, and Judge **Christine Donohue** have been recommended by the Pennsylvania Bar Association. Moreover, they are products of working class families who value the rights of workers, and who understand the central role that labor unions have played in establishing the middle class in this Country. All three of these Judges will be outstanding Supreme Court Justices who will defend workers' rights, voting rights, and civil rights in Pennsylvania.

But they will not be elected if union members and our families stay home on Election Day.

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Michael R. Dunleavy,
Business Manager - Financial Secretary



Corner by Michael Dunleavy



Once again, we are approaching another election so to reinforce the importance of voting and casting your ballot for the Local Union endorsed candidate let me recount some recent history. In this newsletter, at the union meeting, in correspondence to all our members and via phone bank we informed the membership what would happen if Tom Corbett was elected Governor. Well, Corbett was elected and one of his first acts was to cancel a prison project already bid that was going to be union in our area and moved it out of our jurisdiction to the eastern part of the State where it was built non-union. The project was large enough that had it been built here, we would have had no unemployment for over two years. Next, he instituted a moratorium on school construction causing the delay or cancellation of multiple projects in our area, again, robbing us of employment. One of his last acts was to change unemployment eligibility rules so that when you were in need of unemployment, due to his policies, you would not be able to get it.

So all elections are of great importance to our members but each cycle there is a race that is of particular significance. This election, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Race is that race. We have the opportunity to put three supporters on that court. Christine Donahue, Kevin Dougherty and David Wecht all are good friends of Local Union No. 5 and great supporters of working men and women. The Supreme Court will play a role in the next redistricting process in Pennsylvania. The last redistricting resulted in a situation where the majority of votes cast in Pennsylvania were for Democrats but the majority of successful State Senate, State House and Congressional seats were won by Republicans. We are not anti-Republican but we need fairness in the system and the way to ensure that is to elect Local Union supported candidates and, in particular, our friends seeking the Supreme Court.

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR
RE-SIGN DATE!**



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers LOCAL UNION NO. 5

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October, 2015

TO: I.B.E.W. LOCAL UNION NO. 5 "A" MEMBERS
FROM: Michael R. Dunleavy, Business Manager/Financial Secretary
RE: "A" MEMBERS' DUES INCREASE FOR 2016

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

In accordance with a dues increase resolution that was passed at the 38th IBEW International Convention during the week of September 19 - 23, 2011, the **International portion of your dues will increase by \$1.00 per month for 2016**, (the \$1.00 is an increase in the Per Capita portion). Please note that your Local Union portion of dues has once again not increased. For your convenience, the following is a listing of the total dues payments, including both International and Local Union portions:

\$556.40 2016 ANNUAL Dues* (Payments due in DEC. or JAN.)

When preparing your 2016 dues payment, please include the following:

- 1) Your Card Number or your Social Security Number
- 2) Please be sure that your name is visible and legible on your check (especially on a money order)
- 3) Please be sure to use the new dues amount (checks with incorrect amounts will have to be returned)
- 4) Include a note if you have a change-of-address and be sure to include your new telephone number(s).

If you should have any questions regarding your dues payments, please contact PATTY LUSNAK, at (412)432-1400.

Fraternally yours,


Michael R. Dunleavy
Business Manager/Financial Secretary

* Important Footnote: According to IRC Sec. 6113, the dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution for income tax purposes. Consult with your professional tax advisor.

2015 Scholarships Awarded

The I.B.E.W. Local #5 – Western Pennsylvania Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) Scholarship Trust Fund has awarded the 2015 scholarships to:

Shane Hackett

Zachary Reynolds

Evan Snyder

Sierra Strnisa

Applications for the 2016 scholarships will be available from September 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. Those who are eligible are high school seniors who are sons, daughters, grandsons and granddaughters of Local #5 "A" members. Complete eligibility rules and applications can be obtained by mail, from:

N.E.C.A.

5 Hot Metal Street, Suite 301

Pittsburgh, PA 15203-2357

Additionally, Union Plus Scholarship information is available at:
<https://www.unionplus.org/college-education-financing/union-plus-scholarship>

Retired Member Service Pin Ceremonies



25 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Terrance R. Bauer & President Thomas H. Higgins.



50 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Joseph E. Stalder, Eugene D. Meckler, James L. Mongelluzzo, Robert N. Manuppelli, Robert E. Cole & President Thomas H. Higgins.



35 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, James M. Veatch, Kenneth D. Krock, Timothy B. Perkosi, Adolph D. Schultz & President Thomas H. Higgins.



55 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, John T. Galito, Noel L. Emanuel & President Thomas H. Higgins.



40 YEARS

Standing L to R: Business Manager Michael R. George D. Yagulli, & President Thomas H. Higgins. Seated L to R: Fred E. Perkins, David J. Bombalski, Anthony J. Mazza, Jr., Frank H. Pugne



60 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, John F. McIntyre, Harry J. Blank, Kenneth V. Fry, Henry A. Thomas, Jr. & President Thomas H. Higgins.



45 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Richard Gaertner, James T. Ebert, Larry R. Huffman, Thomas R. O'Donnell I& President Thomas H. Higgins.



65 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Charles L. Fuellgraf, Jr. & President Thomas H. Higgins.

Twenty Year Pins

Charles P. Baccino
Steven C. Baltich
Louis H. Biter
George M. Fullerton
Daniel B. Harnish
Gregg A. Hathaway
William E. Lindsey
Ronald R. Loesch
Lawrence A. O'Connell
Paul J. Quevy

Twenty-Five Year Pins

Rodney Barnes
Terrance R. Bauer
Phillip R. Douglass
Candace A. Hemmis
Robert R. Hoffman
William J. Leicher
Walter J. Mentzell
Jack W. O'Roark
Michael Petrosky

Thirty Year Pins

Sylvester E. Bosilovich
Giulio A. Gimiliano
William J. Hohman, Jr.
James E. Jiles, Jr.
Edward N. Kinsey
Dennis E. Pigford
Russell A. Timco

Thirty-Five Year Pins

William E. Burkholder
Timothy C. Hutcheson
Kenneth D. Krock
Gary N. Lederer
Gary A. Miller
Gary Napolitan
Timothy B. Perkosi
Adolph D. Schultz
James R. Slater
William V. Sniogocki
James M. Veatch
Dennis J. Watters

Forty Year Pins

Duane R. Adamson
Raymond C. Baker
David J. Bombalski
John P. Borsato
James R. Castman
Bruce A. Craver
Wayne K. Darr
Thomas M. Daumit
Lawrence A. Deemer, Jr.
Regis J. Denne
Felix A. Dialoiso
James H. Dickerson, Jr.
Thomas J. Donatelli
Thomas H. Durkin
David S. Eash
Arley O. Frampton
Robert S. Glister
Benjamin Greenwood
Robert E. Horner
Jack V. Irwin
William L. Jasper, Sr.
Louis W. Joe
Alfred W. Jones
Richard L. Leonard
Charles H. Lesko, Jr.
George J. Marek
Albert J. Martsof
John Marynchak
Anthony J. Mazza, Jr.
Gale E. McClaine
Clarence L. Penvose
Fred E. Perkins
Daniel J. Powell
Frank H. Pugne
Richard F. Pyle
William F. Remele
Calvin J. Schnuth
Paul D. Seitz
Gerald M. Shaner
Albin J. Sircely
Paul K. Snyder
Anthony S. Taranto
Joseph P. Terreri
Richard A. Turk

Jerry D. Watson
Robert D. Wingard
Leslie A. Woelfel
Harold E. Wyant
George D. Yagulli
Robert H. Young

Forty-Five Year Pins

Philip H. Beattie
Robert L. Bingman
Donald A. Colebert
Frank E. Cornelius
Dennis E. Cornibe
Harold E. Dillon
James T. Ebert
Richard Gaertner
Albert B. Heider
Larry R. Huffman
Arthur E. Iman
William J. Keefer
George R. Liptak
Dennis J. Magulick
John W. Mathews, Jr.
Joseph H. Matson
Thomas R. O'Donnell
Robert H. Pennington
Thomas J. Pfeufer
Ronald E. Plaisted
Laurence E. Rose
Richard R. Rossetti
Gary N. Rumburg
Ronald R. Sell
David A. Sherman
Stark A. Shrubbs
Roy K. Stuart
Richard A. Wagner
Terry L. Welteroth
Carl T. Witzberger

Fifty Year Pins

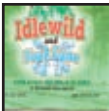
Robert C. Atkinson
Robert W. Bachorski
William C. Birkbichler
John Cardone
Robert E. Cole
John I. Corbin
Hugh Hardy, III
Lavern H. Henning
James H. Keefer
Robert N. Manuppelli
Eugene D. Meckler
Dana R. Miller
James L. Mongelluzzo
Andrew F. Pastorius, Jr.
Sanford F. Paul
John R. Rose
Joseph E. Stalder
Robert A. Tarase
William C. Corbin
Noel L. Emanuel
Clark R. Fairman
John T. Galito
Dale W. Kitzky
Alexander J. Rick, Jr.

Fifty Five Year Pins

Theodore J. Beiter
Anthony A. Bianco
Harry J. Blank
Donald E. Catlin
Jack D. Covert
Austin O. Craver
Kenneth V. Fry
William A. Henze, Jr.
William J. Hohman
David A. Hursen
Paul M. Karpan
Joseph S. Kish
Charles P. Lawrence, Jr.
Donald E. Matz
John F. McIntyre
Donald A. Meckler
Michael R. Nau
Roy L. Nist
Charles H. Telban, Jr.
Henry A. Thomas, Jr.
Myrle F. Webb, Jr.

Sixty Year Pins

Charles L. Fuellgraf, Jr.



Family Picnic 2015



PICNIC BINGO COMMITTEE

Chairman	Thomas McIntyre
Co-Chairman	Michael R. Dunleavy
Co-Chairman	Thomas H. Higgins
Co-Chairman	Michael Varholla

Jeff Anderson
Gerald Bacco
Ken Baldauf
Pat Barnes
Walter Bentley
Michael Berta
Norm Brice
Charles Brosgol
Chuck Bucek
Greg Burchell

Bob Cole
Mike Conroy
Michael Cook
Joseph DiMenno
Rich Dunkel
Ronald Dunkel
Aaron Eicker
Denny Eicker
Ron Ewing
Leticia Fedora
Buddy Franklin

BINGO AND GOLF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Bill Garner
Joe Gorton
George Guenther
Bob Guenther
Edward Hursen
Bob Kutz
Hugh Link
Stephen Marshall
Dave Mazza
Jeff Miller
Joseph Mitchell

Ken Morris
Steve Morrocco
James Prendergast
Debbie Pozyski
John Pozyski
Paul Reinert
William Reinert
Casey Roche
James Ruane
James Ryan

Jim Saeler
Bob Thomas
Leo Truby
Carl Turner
Greg Vogt
James Voyer
Gary Weinheimer
Tim Wisyanski



2015 PICNIC WINNERS

ADULT RAFFLE WINNERS

John Ireland

Vivian Rzeckowski

Jason Ewing

Chris Rhodes

Jim Sullivan

Ken Nagel

Ashley Lenkiewicz

Chris Ricciardi

Diane Weaver

Tracey Morris

Larry Dinger

Bruce Nicholls

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Golf Winner :
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Ty Hartman

CHILDREN RAFFLE WINNERS

Girls 0 - 3

Addie Duran

Juliet Wright

Harmonie Cornelius

Mila DelGrosso

Girls 8 - 11

Becky Pennington

Eva DeMeno

Maci Orbin

Madelyn Luckey

Magnolia Rairigh

Girls 4 - 7

Kynleigh Cockrell

Lily Rittko

Addie Murray

Marley Crawford

Alivia Glessner

Girls 12 - 16

Kacie Flickinger

Kate Fair

Emily Ewart

Marinda Dobransky

Boys 0 - 3

Cole Bognato

Cahlan Scherer

Aden Harre

Bailey Dilley

Boys 8 - 11

Wynn Cunningham

Aiden Cameron

Colton Nagg

Ashton Lusty

Boys 4 - 7

Ian Leuch

Trace Kinzey

Caleb Shannon

Cody Dubovsky

Mason Zerbe

Boys 12 - 16

Ryan Rodgers

Hayden Crawford

Joe Knapp

Aidan Duffill







REPORT OF LEGAL COUNCIL - JOSHUA M. BLOOM

PLEASE VOTE ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015

HUGE ELECTION!

Our PA Supreme Court has three (3) vacancies out of the seven (7) seats up for election on November 3rd, 2015. The stakes are enormous as this election will define the Supreme Court for well over a decade. The Court will veer far to the right or will head in a moderate direction that will be fair to working people.

The consequences of this election will likely impact all of the issues important to you and your family. The Court will likely decide several disputes regarding whether your work is covered by the PA Prevailing Wage Law. In other words, the Court will rule that contractors must pay the equivalent of your union wages and benefits or that the contractors can pay whatever they want on publicly funded construction projects. In addition, the Court will likely decide whether project labor agreements (agreements mandating that workers are hired from union hiring halls) are lawful in Pennsylvania.

The Court will definitely rule on issues that impact whether or not you and your family will receive workers' compensation benefits or will be able to recover damages from third parties if you are injured on the job or elsewhere. Currently, Pennsylvania courts have ruled that individuals who have been injured are entitled to moderate common law rules (2nd Restatement of Torts). If an extreme conservative court takes over, you and your family will have many of your rights to recover from an accident limited or completely eliminated (3rd Restatement of Torts).

Additionally, the Court will decide cases concerning unemployment compensation. The Court will likely decide cases determining whether you receive unemployment compensation benefits or how much you receive. As many of you are aware, the PA Legislature and former Governor Corbett passed many new laws restricting your right to recover benefits and limiting your benefits. There will be many legal battles decided within this area of the law.

The Court will also decide the crucial issues about legislative redistricting when the 2020 Census is published. As you may know, the 2010 redistricting slanted Pennsylvania far to the conservative right even though a majority of Pennsylvanians have voted Democratic during the previous legislative elections. During 2012, 55% of Pennsylvanians voted for Democratic legislators, yet the Republicans won the PA House and PA Senate by wide margins. This assault upon voters' rights must stop!

I respectfully implore you to follow the endorsements made by I.B.E.W., Local No. 5 for all of the upcoming 2015 judicial elections for the PA Supreme Court, PA Commonwealth Court, PA Superior Court, and the County Common Pleas Court races. Please vote in this HUGE general election as it will be very close!

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HARRISBURG REPORT - PAUL COSTA

I am proud to represent the 34th Legislative District, home to my family, friends and of course many hardworking people who are also members of this fine union. I stand with this organization and march with members in the Labor Day parade every year in Pittsburgh.

For more than a decade, I have been the voice in Harrisburg for my constituents on many issues. One main issue that I always have been a strong advocate for is labor. It's essential to promote the strong and dedicated workforce while creating and promoting new opportunities for jobs. It's great to see people opening small businesses, generating jobs while stimulating their local economy. I remain focused in fighting for these possibilities and maintaining good-paying, quality jobs that will sustain families not only in the region, but across the commonwealth.

Among those jobs are those with the state Fine Wine and Good Spirits shops. There are more than 4,500 employees who work in these stores to provide for their families. Those jobs help push money into local economies, not to mention the millions of dollars the stores generate for the state's general fund.

As the House Democratic chairman of the state Liquor Control Committee, I continue to fight for these workers in the state

stores while pushing to modernize them to be more consumer-friendly and more profitable for Pennsylvania.

Privatizing this state asset would prove to be detrimental to these employees, their communities and the state.

Not only am I pushing to maintain jobs in the state, I am also crafting ways to create them. I currently have legislation in Harrisburg that would broaden the availability of the Pennsylvania Film Production Tax Credit program. It would uncap the tax credit, opening opportunities for the state to commit to multi-year productions. The end result would increase the number of film and television productions in the state, increase the number of jobs within the industry, and give tax breaks to those companies currently operating in the state.

I look forward to discover ways to create and maintain good-paying, family-sustaining jobs in the commonwealth. By doing so, we can continue to build stronger futures for everyone.

Rep. Costa represents the 34th District in Allegheny County. His district office is located in Braddock.



NFPA 70E Becoming Bigger Part of Our Industry

Recently, many of our customers have begun requesting that contractor employees have NFPA 70E training before entering the worksite. Please be advised that the Electrical Training Alliance and your local JATC does have a nationally recognized NFPA 70E program in place.

The course has been offered for several years, but recently has been updated to its latest (2015) version. With the update to the NFPA 70E standard comes a new JATC textbook and workbook that covers the following subjects:

- * **Our declining attitude towards electrical safety.**
- * **Electrical hazard awareness.**
- * **Lock-out / Tag-out and achieving the electrically safe work condition.**
- * **Justification or Criteria for working on energized equipment.**
- * **The energized work (hot work) permit.**
- * **Fault calculations.**
- * **Arc-Flash risk assessments.**
- * **Maintenance considerations.**
- * **Overcurrent protection.**

The hazards involved with our trade have changed over the past several years. Changes to our infrastructure, building maintenance, and new demands placed on our electrical systems all play a part in the amount of hazardous energy that we expose ourselves to when working on energized equipment. The NFPA 70E document outlines how to control these hazardous energies and achieve a safer workplace through engineering and administrative controls, as well as through selection of appropriate personal protective equipment.

The most important reasons for taking this course are listed above. Your personal safety should take precedence over everything else, however, you may consider the following new detail in addition to your personal safety: Completion of the 70E 'Electrical Safety Related Work Practices' course will allow you to list this course as a **'Specialty for Referral'** when signing the referral book.

If you are interested in taking this course you should call the local JATC office at 412-432-1145 and speak to Lisa Ann Burns. Classes will be scheduled as seats fill. Your JATC's annual Course Catalogue listing classes available for 2015-16 will also have several offerings in it as well. Remember, your JATC is always ready to make its members more employable, and if you want to ensure your seat in the next class, you should do so by calling the JATC as soon as possible.

Retiree Fall Picnic



ACTS OF DESPERATION

By Jason Fincke, Executive Director, Builders Guild of Western PA, Inc.

An act of desperation—that was the only way to describe Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker's continuing attack on organized labor and what largely remains of the middle class. Failing miserably in public polling as a legitimate presidential candidate, Governor Walker was reportedly about to call for such drastic measures as the elimination of the National Labor Relations Board, prohibiting federal employee unions, instituting right to work laws throughout the country and repealing the Davis-Bacon Act of 1931, which requires the payment of local prevailing wages.

What's next? The elimination of child labor laws? Workers' and unemployment compensation? Why not just get rid of the 40-hour work week, overtime, holiday pay and the minimum wage rate? In fact, let's just eliminate weekends and holidays all together. And who needs labor protection oversight anyway? Why should we be concerned about worker safety? To paraphrase the infamous Charles Dickens' character Ebenezer Scrooge, "If someone dies, let them do it quick and decrease the surplus population."

Maybe in another Dickens' classic the famous English author wasn't just writing about the French Revolution, but maybe he was forecasting 21st Century America when he wrote, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter despair, we had everything

before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way. . . ."

The United States of America hails itself as a beacon of hope for other countries around the world. We like to brag about liberty and justice, about our standard of living and our compassion and care for our fellow man. Well, if Governor Walker has his way, we are going to have to find something else to brag about.

Organized labor isn't perfect, but it is the reason that this country's standard of living is as high as it is for so many. The middle class wouldn't exist if it were not for the negotiating strength of the masses. It was organized labor's fight for better wages, reasonable work hours and safer working conditions that resulted in many of the worker benefits that are all-too-often today taken for granted. It was the efforts of organized labor that put an end to child labor, created a 40-hour work week, led to worker health care benefits and compensation for workers who were injured or retired, among so many other benefits that both union and non-union workers enjoy today.

For private sector building trade unions in particular, eliminating worker provisions such as prevailing wage would be a serious and devastating blow to an industry where worker safety can be easily compromised and where quality construction practices could be easily undermined.

Claiming that by eliminating prevailing wages construction costs will be

diminished makes for a good sound bite, but it has no basis in fact. Studies have shown that prevailing wage statutes have no statistical impact on total construction costs. Paying a construction worker \$10 an hour less may sound like a sure savings, but not if those lower labor costs are not passed onto the owner or if productivity and quality suffer.

The amount of training that is required to be a skilled construction worker is substantial and should not be dismissed. In Western Pennsylvania, local building trade unions and their affiliated contractors spend well over \$20 million annually of their money on their apprentice and journeyman training programs to make sure that their members and employees provide the best value in construction services. This investment in training helps ensure that work is done efficiently and safely, not just for the benefit of the worker, but ultimately for the occupants of the building, be they office workers, school children or others who trust that the building was built to safe, quality standards.

It is critical to remember that the training that is provided by building trade unions to local residents is tuition free. There is virtually no cost or taxpayer money expended for a union building trades worker to be trained. Repealing prevailing wage rates would undoubtedly undermine this effort as the industry would be highly susceptible to unscrupulous out-of-state contractors who would likely hire non-local, lesser trained workers willing to work at a sub-

standard rate of pay with little or no regard to the impacts on the local work force, standard of living and quality of construction.

The Davis-Bacon Act was passed under a Republican administration and it has served this country well for more than 80 years. Construction is a difficult, hazardous profession, particularly in Western Pennsylvania where such workers are exposed to high humidity, 90 degree summers and snow blowing, bone chilling winters. It requires a well-trained, highly skilled and motivated work force along with responsible contractors who understand what it takes to complete a project on time and on budget, with no injuries or loss of life to their employees.

Prevailing wages do not have any significant impact on final construction costs. They simply help create a level playing field where both union and non-union contractors can compete for government-funded projects while maintaining a reasonable standard of living for hard working Americans.

Attacking organized labor by threatening or repealing worker rights, including prevailing wages, is not in the best interests of Western Pennsylvania or this country. Rather, it is an attack on this country's heritage—a heritage that includes a proud labor history that helped build this nation while creating and sustaining its middle class.

Local No. 5 Endorsements



VOTE

November 3, 2015

Polls Open
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



PA Supreme Court



Christine Donohue



Kevin Dougherty



David Wecht

Superior Court



Alice Beck Dubow

Commonwealth Court



Mike Wojcik

Allegheny County

Common Pleas Court	Jennifer Staley McCrady
Common Pleas Court	P.J. Murray
Common Pleas Court	Daniel Regan
County Executive	Rich Fitzgerald
District Attorney	Stephen A. Zappala, Jr.
County Treasurer	John K. Weinstein
County Controller	Chelsa Wagner

County Council

At- Large	John P. DeFazio
District 6	John F. Palmiere
District 7	Nicholas Futules
District 10	Dewitt Walton
District 11	Paul Klein
District 13	Denise Ranalli Russell

Pittsburgh

City Controller	Michael E. Lamb
City Council Dist. 1	Darlene M. Harris
City Council Dist. 3	Bruce A. Kraus
City Council Dist. 5	Corey O'Connor
City Council Dist. 7	Deborah Gross
City Council Dist. 9	Ricky Burgess

Blair County

Commissioner	Bruce Erb
Commissioner	Ted Beam

Retain Judge Daniel Milliron YES

Altoona

Mayor	Jason Imler
City Council	Bill Nuegebauer
City Council	Eric Cagle
School Board	Ron Johnston
School Board	Wayne Hippo
School Board	Mary Jane Hammers

Logan Township

Supervisor	Ed Frontino
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Hollidaysburg

School Board	Kelly Hinkledine
School Board	Rob Vondada
School Board	Jim Gregory
School Board	Lonna Zook Frye

Clearfield County

Commissioner	Mark McCracken
Commissioner	Trudy Lumadue
District Attorney	Willaim Shaw, Jr.
Treasurer	Carol Fox

Butler County

Commissioner	Leslie Osche
Commissioner	Jerry Johnston
Commissioner	Kevin Boozel
Dist. Magistrate	William O'Donnell

Fayette County

Commissioner	Al Ambrosini
Commissioner	Vince Vicites

Washington County

Commissioner	Harlan Shober
Commissioner	Larry Maggi
Peters Twp. School Board	Ronald Dunleavy

Westmoreland County

Commissioner	Ted Koppas
Commissioner	Gina Cerilli
Common Pleas	David Regolli
Common Pleas	Tim Kreiger
Common Pleas	Scott Mears

Venango County

Commissioner	Albert "Chip" Ambramovic
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From the North by Jim Saeler

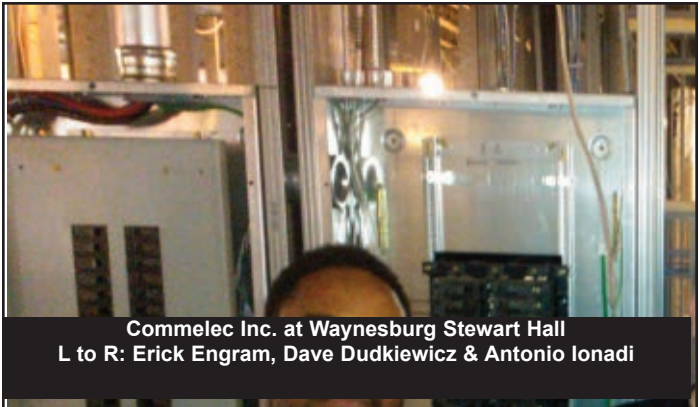


Fuellgraf Electric at Butler County Community College
L to R: Greg Crawford, Mark Blum & James Hastings



Right Electric at Wendy's in Butler
L to R: Luke Schorr & Dan Hosack

From the Near - North by Rich Dunkel



Commelec Inc. at Waynesburg Stewart Hall
L to R: Erick Engram, Dave Dudkiewicz & Antonio Ionadi



EQT I.O. Compressor Station Waynesburg, PA T.P. Electric
Back L to R: Brian Michael Renziehausen, Dan Dobrowolski, John J
Raleigh, Adam Taylor, Bill Dembowski, Jim Armstrong, Front L to R:
William C. Hruby, Patty Larkin, Shaun Wallace, Shaheed H. Baskin &
Frank A Rogachesky.

From the North by Bob Kutz



Lighthouse Electric project at Penn State Data Building
L to R: Rick McCombie, Rick Serafin, Tom Jasper, Tim Weaver,
Mark Brown (steward) Mike Lynn Foreman, Dan Gill, Dave
Petrosky, Greg Shultz, Zach Winkler, Mark Decker, Gerald Urban,
Dan Crispell, Nick Ishman, Nicholas McGearry and Josh Cameron.



Schulte's Electric at Altoona Norfolk Southern
L to R: Dan Rhodes, Pat Walker, Joe Reed, Ryan Gray, Ian
Singer, Bryan Quidetto, Gregg Zimmerman, Rich Leonard, Ben
Falcone, Doug Brown, and Austin Holland

From the Far North - East by Jeff Miller



T.P. Electric crew at Colonial Courtyard (assisted Living
Project) Clearfield, PA L to R: Steve Smolko, Shayne
Straw, Jason Gerg, Tim Hutchins, Chad Litzinger, Mike
Smith, Todd Faust, Charlie Robison & Jeff Reish



Hallstrom-Clark Electric crew at Cobblestone Motel in St. Marys.
L to R: Mark Miller, Jesse Haag, Scott Barbey, James Yeckley,
Tanner Lewis, Scott Burkholder & Jim Johnson

ALLEGHENY COUNTY



Ferry Electric crew at Bakery Living 2.0
L to R: Andy McKenzie, Jim Hastings, Brandon Eisenbarth, Mike
Rossa, Lynn Woofert, C.J. Howell, Tina Elardo,
Paul Gaus & Dave Mazza.



Sargent Electric crew at Bakery Square 2.0
L to R: Paul Rusiewicz, Mike Zirngibl, Rick Dobnak, John
Morrocco, Dave Bradwell, Kevin Canovali, Greg Staudt,
James C. Linn, Casey Mours & Kaili Finau

TV TALK

By James M. Ryan II

In this article of TV Talk, I want all of our TV station members to know about the Broadcasting Coordinating Councils (BCC) that the International Office of the IBEW (IO) has set up so that individual locals can be better prepared for negotiations with these multi-billion dollar media companies. There are currently eight (8) BCCs that coordinate for CBS, Cox Media, Fox, Gannett, Hearst, Raycom, Sinclair and Tribune.

We have meetings twice a year to specifically discuss the local TV broadcast and news industry. At these meetings, we learn about new technology and what effect it has on the workplace and jobs. We also have a question and answer session with someone from one of the companies. This session is always very interesting because we get to hear how they see our industry developing. Local #5 participates in the Cox Media and Hearst councils. In our individual councils, we discuss in-depth the issues that are happening in each local's station, and what corporate agenda is coming up in negotiations. While the BCC's are relatively new, the IO has been using coordinating councils for years to help locals. I believe that as the councils continue, we will become better informed to represent not only our members in local TV broadcast, but sports broadcasting and audio-visual as well.

In the last TV Talk article, we announced that IBEW Local #5 had just finished putting together a BA (broadcasting) member health plan that they could buy into to offset the effects of the Affordable Care Act on the Entertainment Industry Flex Plan. There are two different plans that members can purchase. As with most other health plans, enrollment will open near the end of November or the beginning of December. Please take the time to look at the packet that will be mailed to you, and consider if either of the two plans meet your health insurance needs.

The first plan is the Highmark Community Blue plan. This is an ACA compliant gold level plan. After the deductible, many of the different benefits are paid at 100%. This is a great benefit, because if you have a plan that pays 80% of a hospital stay, the other 20% that you owe could be a significant amount of money.

The second plan is the Highmark Community Blue Qualifying High Deductible Health Plan 3000. This is an ACA compliant bronze level plan. This plan is designed for those that are healthy and want a lower monthly premium that is offset by higher deductibles. As with the gold plan, this plan also pays many of the different benefits at 100% after the deductible is met.

If you have any questions about how you may be able to enroll early, call CDS, the plan administrator, at 412-432-1130. Please be sure to ask for the IBEW Local #5 BA Member Benefit Plan, and this will ensure that you get the correct documentation. Also feel free to give me at 412-432-1445.



**BEST WISHES
TO PENSIONERS**

The officers, and members of Local 5
congratulate these newly retired members and
wish them a long and healthy retirement:



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David A. Matthews	May	16, 1940	- May	3, 2015
Gary R. Mazon	Nov.	7, 1953	- May	5, 2015
Theodore Cumberland	Oct.	14, 1927	- May	9, 2015
Harry A. Ritts	March	10, 1936	- May	14, 2015
James P. Taylor	March	29, 1925	- June	1, 2015
Thomas B. Guthrie	March	18, 1935	- June	7, 2015
Clyde M. Fisher	Jan.	24, 1945	- June	12, 2015
John T. Simon	Feb.	19, 1928	- June	14, 2015
Roy C. Pratt	May	21, 1922	- June	19, 2015
Robert R. Plance	Oct.	10, 1933	- June	25, 2015
Gary N. Rumberg	June	21, 1948	- June	29, 2015
Steven M. Muchicka	July	31, 1973	- July	3, 2015
Thomas R. McIntyre, Sr.	April	3, 1939	- Aug.	10, 2015
Eugene J. Horcholic	Dec.	12, 1940	- Sept.	17, 2015
Joseph S. Kish	Jan.	11, 1934	- Sept.	18, 2015

Deceased Active Members

Robert F. Berry	March	26, 1956	- Aug.	7, 2015
Leonard A. Watkins	Oct.	30, 1963	- July	27, 2015

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