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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL 5 NEWS & VIEWS



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FALL 2016

39th International Convention



L to R: Alternate delegates Greg Vogt & Buddy Franklin, Treasurer Richard R. Dunkel, Executive Board member Norman Brice, Vice President Michael W. Varholla, Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, President Thomas H. Higgins, Recording Secretary Thomas R. McIntyre, Jr., Examining Board member Edward F. Hursen, Director of Training Paul L. Reinhert, & Executive Board member Robert E. Coll, II.

The IBEW 39th International convention opened on September 19, 2006 in St. Louis, MO with nearly 2,100 delegates and alternates. It is here at our convention that the official work of plotting our future, electing leaders and voting on laws and resolutions to govern the IBEW for the next 5 years is done.

"The IBEW could not be prouder to be back in St. Louis because it is here, 125 years ago, that the first-ever union of electrical workers was born," said International President Lonnie R. Stephenson. "We've grown from 10 lineman to more than 725,000 members, but in many ways, the Gateway City is still our Spiritual home."

The first orders of business were the unanimous election of the IBEW's 17th International President—Lonnie R. Stephens and Salvatore "Sam" Chilia as the International Secretary-Treasurer. New York City's IBEW Local No. 3 Business Manager Chris Erikson's election to the chair-

man of the International Executive council was also unanimous.

President Stephenson's election came 25 years after he attended his first convention as a delegate for his home local, Rock Island, Ill., Local 145. "If anyone had told me then that I would be back here 25 years later as president of our great international union, I would have told them they're crazy," he said. "It would have been the furthest thing from my mind. But now that I'm here, I couldn't be prouder or more humbled than I am right now standing before you today."

On Monday of the convention, all district caucuses met, nominated and recommended for the office of International Vice President and International Executive Council. Donald C. Siegel was re-elected Third District International Vice President and Joseph P. Calabro was re-elected First District International Executive Council. These selections were unanimously

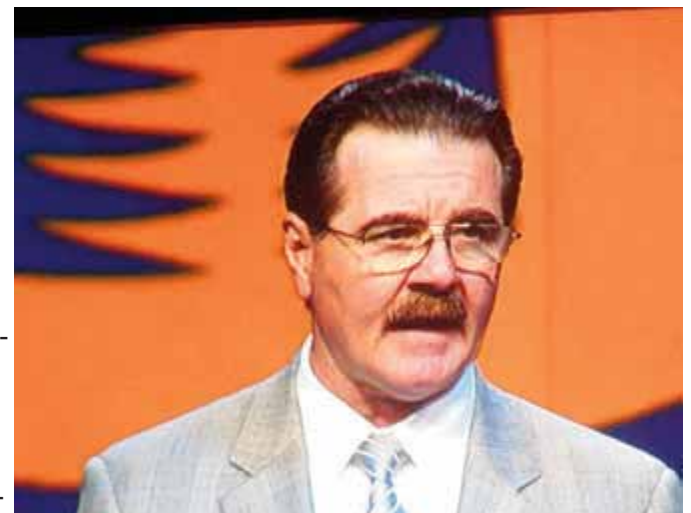
elected by the convention body.

The convention heard from many speakers Including the president of the AFL-CIO, the president of the North America's Building Trades Unions, the Governors of Missouri and Hawaii, former officers of the IBEW, members of the US Congress and Senate, and many representatives from international and national organizations important to the IBEW.

The future of the IBEW was discussed and through 52 Resolutions and several law changes—the future was charted. Slight increases were agreed to the IBEW general fund as well as increased contributions to the Pension Benefit Fund.

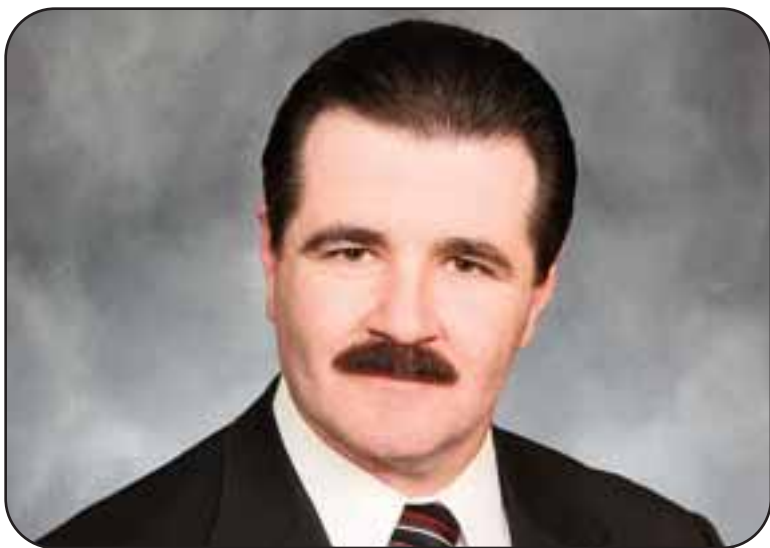
The convention charted paths in outreach, organizing

the electrical industry and facing the future and all its challenges and opportunities to make sure the IBEW and its future is on a solid foundation. The IBEW didn't grow to be the finest labor organization in the world without looking to the future and planning a courageous path for past, present and future IBEW members.



Business Manager Mike Dunleavy addresses the convention to nominate First district International Executive Councilmember Joseph P. Calabro.

Corner by Michael Dunleavy



Once again, we are approaching another election. We are frequently told that an upcoming election is the most important in our lifetime. This year because of the Supreme Court that is not just hyperbole, it is a fact. With one vacancy to be filled now and a possible two more to come during the next President's time in office, this is the most important choice we have faced. We have the benefit of knowing who Donald Trump will nominate to the Court because he has put out a list. He has publicly stated his pride in the names on this list, all of which are terrible choices for all working people. As if the Supreme Court issue was not enough of a reason to vote for Hillary, consider her tax plan. Everyone earning less than \$250,000.00 a year gets a tax break versus his where the uppermost earners get their rates cut from 35 percent down to 15 percent partially funded by cuts in infrastructure spending. Hillary opposes "Right to Work" (for less) legislation that would cripple us. Trump has committed to sign "Right to Work" into law. Hillary opposes privatization. Trump would privatize and turn over important services to his rich friends. The list goes on and on, so please vote to support the only candidate that will

increase your work opportunities and help to maintain your hard earned wages and benefits, Hillary Clinton.

Hillary Clinton will need support in the legislature to accomplish all the things that we need. Katie McGinty, a good friend of Local Union No. 5 and working people, will provide that much needed support. Katie opposes bad trade deals. She supports protecting Social Security and Medicare. She has dedicated her public life to helping working people. So, please go to the polls, take at least one other person with you and support Hillary Clinton for President, Katie McGinty for Senate and all the other Local Union No. 5 endorsed candidates. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Greg Vogt at the Local Union offices.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members that served as delegates to the International Convention. The responsibilities of the delegates are significant and our delegation proudly represented the members of Local Union No. 5.

I will conclude, as always, by urging you to work safely and to remember your re-sign date.

REMINDER:

An applicant that accepts a SHORT CALL of 14 days or less must call and **"SPEAK"** to the Agent that assigned him / her the job and notify all other agents to who, he / she is SIGNED to their area **"AS SOON AS THEY ARE LAID OFF"**

NEW BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED



At our July 2016 Executive Board meeting Natalie Jackson was appointed to the Examining Board to fill the unexpired term of Leticia M. Fedora who has resigned from the Board. Natalie was initiated into Local No. 5 in 2001. We wish Ms. Leticia Fedora the best in her future endeavors and wish Ms. Natalie Jackson good luck in her new duties on the Examining Board.



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October, 2016

TO: I.B.E.W. LOCAL UNION NO. 5 "A" MEMBERS

RE: "A" MEMBERS' DUES INCREASE FOR 2017

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

In accordance with a dues increase resolution that was passed at the 39th IBEW International Convention during the week of September 19 - 23, 2016, the International portion of your dues will increase by \$2.00 per month for 2017, (the \$2.00 is an increase in the Pension Benefit Fund [PBF] contribution portion, which applies to "A" Members only). **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:

\$580.40 2017 ANNUAL Dues* (Payments due in DEC. or JAN.)

When preparing your 2017 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.

* 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.

2016 Scholarships Awarded

The I.B.E.W. Local #5 – Western Pennsylvania Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) Scholarship Trust Fund has awarded the 2016 scholarships to:

Michaela Drobac
Brandon Kelly
Taylor Laffey
Briauna McCourt

Applications for the 2017 scholarships will be available from September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. 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, Thomas W. Isiminger & President Thomas H. Higgins.

55 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, David S. Kelly & President Thomas H. Higgins.

35 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Nicholas S. Bennett, George E. Conley, John F. Radacsi & President Thomas H. Higgins.

60 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Frank J. Tomasick & President Thomas H. Higgins.

40 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Wayne W. Happe, James L. Dittler, Clifford E. Mack & President Thomas H. Higgins.

65 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Ernest W. Schindehette, Harry E. Branthoover (Brother Tim Branthoover Accepted Pin), Thomas W. Bell, Robert P. Pastorius, & President Thomas H. Higgins.

50 YEARS



Standing L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Vincent F. Mandella, William Poeschl, Gerald H. Neubert, Joseph W. Smith, Michael F. Staudt, & President Thomas H. Higgins. Seated L to R: John J. Duffill, Raymond W. Diehl, Carl J. Boley, Robert W. Igoe, Robert T. Hutchinson, Russell G. Lachman, Gilbert R. Orchard, Jr., Donald C. Diehl.

70 YEARS



L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Herbert T. Miller, Jr. & President Thomas H. Higgins.

TWENTY YEARS

Frederick P. Anthony
Karen L. Battaglia

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Robert S. Enos
John Frazier
Gregory A. Huber
Thomas W. Isiminger
Paul M. Mackiewicz
Jeffrey H. Matthews
William E. Menziatti
James E. Morton
Kirk C. Niemeyer
Victor J. Pentland
Constantine J. Perpanos
Thomas D. Stewart
Mark D. Winarski

THIRTY YEARS

Robert Artinger
Robert M. Brown
Jack L. Cornthwaite
John J. Heptig
Ronald W. Jones
Joseph T. Karadus
Jeffrey A. Krieger
Earl C. O'Black
Darnell Palmer
John C. Thompson

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

Gary L. Bence
Nicholas S. Bennett
Anthony I. Bentley
Horace M. Carter
George E. Conley
Charles J. Davis
Mark A. Endress
Albert J. Gooch
Cornelius J. Hartung
Edward C. Krah
John A. Mackowick
Charles R. Mcpartland
James M. Mitchell
David A. Ozenich
John F. Radacsi
James P. Reardon
Dennis W. Rio
Jacob L. Settles
Robert M. Shea
Dennis W. Sterner
Joseph R. Tokar
Gary H. Wynn

FORTY YEARS

Otto C. Almasy
John R. Astore
Michael J. Berta
Theodore L. Bisel
Harry Black
John P. Carson
James L. Dittler
Ronald J. Gardner
Wayne W. Happe
John F. Hirt
William R. Keller
Raymond J. Kikel
Robert P. Kopta
William H. Krupitzer
Robert E. Landowski
Clifford E. Mack
Robert P. Mansfield
Alfred L. Onstead
Thomas W. Strang
Harry Stromock
Dennis R. Weiss
John R. Woods

FORTY-FIVE YEARS

Alan M. Ackley
Harry T. Beers
Raymond C. Beers
Joseph V. Bettwy
Raymond A. Boslett
Fred B. Corbin
Joseph W. Dorfmeister
Lloyd R. Fisher

Roland A. Heint
Richard G. Kallis
James V. Keirn
Wayne J. Klawuhn
James W. Long
Marlin D. Luzier
Terrence M. Mcandrew
Robert W. Priestler
Charles H. Robison
Frederic L. Schaut
Jerry A. Shelander
Donald L. Snyder
Carl J. Spehar
Clyde E. Stewart
Robert J. Stewart
Harry O. Vipond
FIFTY YEARS
Michael D. Bianco
Ronald M. Bickel
Carl J. Boley
Paul S. Cypher
Donald C. Diehl
Raymond W. Diehl
Henry J. Dudek
John J. Duffill
Jerry A. Emerick
Dennis L. Fullerton
Edward P. Hart
Joseph M. Hedderman
Bernard T. Hollis
Robert T. Hutchinson
Robert W. Igoe
Donald G. Kennedy
Russell G. Lachman
Vincent F. Mandella
Wayne R. Miller
Gerald H. Neubert
Gilbert R. Orchard, Jr.
James H. Orchard
William Poeschl
Joseph W. Smith
William V. Sniegocki
Michael F. Staudt
Howard L. Wagner
Edward J. Wheeling
Albert J. Wiegand
Arthur W. Wilt
David M. Wolfhope
FIFTY-FIVE YEARS
Philip E. Baum
James R. Ferry
Marlin F. Haag
David S. Kelly
James L. Klaphake
Warren B. Osborne
James F. Prendergast
Richard S. Rectenwald
Ronald E. Rittberg
Donald D. Wiefeling
SIXTY YEARS
Stanley T. Drake
Donald D. Farmer
Frank J. Tomasick
Paul L. Williams
SIXTY-FIVE YEARS
Clifford H. Ackley
William N. Barthelemy
Thomas W. Bell
Harry E. Branthoover
Robert D. Drummond
Roy E. Eiceman
George H. Feldman
Thomas R. Hale
Donald Holland
Robert P. Pastorius
William R. Rowland
Ernest W. Schindehette
Robert J. Warnock
Glenn Yoder, Jr.
SEVENTY YEARS
Edward R. Hockenberry
Herbert T. Miller, Jr.



Family Picnic 2016



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
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 Voye
Gary Weinheimer
Tim Wisyanski



2016 PICNIC WINNERS

ADULT RAFFLE WINNERS

Dave Almasy	Jeanann Haas	Jenifer Stynchula
Jeff Anderson	Bernie Hoffman	Maureen Weinheimer
Doug Conroy	Kathy Logan	Dale Wick
Karen Gaertner	Carly Nagg	Kriston Yagulli

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Golf Winner :
● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Linda Barr

CHILDREN RAFFLE WINNERS

Girls 0 - 3

Brynn Burello
Gia Huerbin
Ellie McCloskey
Harper Visinesky

Girls 4 - 7

Isabella Barker
Faith Boehm
Avorina Cowgill
Olivia Kulasa
Violet Ward

Boys 0 - 3

Rylie Ciaramella
Konner Clapper
Charlie Krug
Sage Pile

Boys 4 - 7

Scott Cameron
Billy Conroy
Tristan Huber
Trentan Slavick
Jimmy Stivers

Girls 8 - 11

Krista Thorpe
Madison Rothage
Paris Rush
Hannah Schultz
Nathalie Shumaker

Girls 12 - 16

Tina Jones
Lana Stites
Kelsey Sufak
Sierra Wilkie

Boys 8 - 11

Lamar Flowers
Paul Jackson
Aidan Malloy
Sayge O'Donnell
Ryan Thom

Boys 12 - 16

Andy Arsen
Kendall Caryll
Will Closser
Jim Passanante







REPORT OF LEGAL COUNCIL - JOSHUA M. BLOOM

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT IS ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

We all know that the Presidential election held in November will decide who will lead our nation for the next four (4) years. However, we must not forget that whoever wins this election will appoint the next Justice to the U.S. Supreme Court, and possibly 2-3 more, that will tip the balance in favor of working people or against working people for decades. Currently, the Court is comprised of four (4) pro-worker Justices: Ruth Bader Ginsburg (age 83); Stephen Breyer (age 78); Sonia Sotomayor (age 62); and Elena Kagan (age 56). It is also comprised of four (4) anti-worker Justices: Anthony Kennedy (age 80); Clarence Thomas (age 68); Samuel Alito (age 66); and John Roberts (age 61).

As you know, the Republican controlled U.S. Senate is stepping on the Constitution by refusing to allow a vote on President Obama's nominee, Judge Merrick Garland. Judge Merrick Garland has a record of being a fair and moderate judge who has been universally respected by both Republicans and Democrats. The pivotal ninth (9th) seat on the Supreme Court has been vacant since March of 2016 when Justice Scalia died. The reason for the delay is obvious. The ultra-conservative right wing of the party is hoping that they can nominate another like-minded individual to tilt the Supreme Court in favor of the extraordinarily wealthy and against the working class.

The next Justice nominated to our Supreme Court is critical for so many reasons. First, the Supreme Court recently decided Citizens United which ruled that reasonable limits on the amount of spending by any one entity or individual on elections are unconstitutional. In other words, elections are now tilted dramatically in favor of the very wealthy. This case was decided by a 4-3 margin and will likely be overturned by the Supreme Court if a moderate or liberal Justice

is appointed.

Second, there are a multitude of routine issues that will make their way the Supreme Court that will directly affect your rights as working people: (1) your right to be a union member and to collectively bargain your wages, benefits, and working conditions with your employers as protected by the National Labor Relations Act; (2) your right to ensure that all employees who benefit from your collective bargaining agreement pay their fair share (no free-riders); (3) your right to engage in free speech as a worker and a union member; (4) your right to have project labor agreements (agreements providing that workers are hired from union hiring halls for large publicly funded projects); (5) your rights to overtime compensation and federal prevailing wages (Davis Bacon); (6) your rights to a safe workplace as protected by OSHA; and (7) your rights to receive Social Security and Medicare benefits, among many others.

Most respectfully, we must vote for Hillary Clinton for many reasons, including but not limited to, her vast experience vs. Trump's lack of any experience whatsoever, her temperament to remain calm vs. Trump's lack of impulse control and tendency to attack and start wars (including nuclear) in response to a personal insult or even a tweet, her record of supporting working people vs. Trump's record of exploiting and abusing them, her record of respecting all Americans vs. his record of misogyny, hatred, and intolerance, and lastly the legacy of our U.S. Supreme Court. This is not a close call.

Please vote for Hillary Clinton!

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HARRISBURG REPORT - PAM SNYDER

Once the 2016 general election is over and the political rhetoric dissipates, the real work will remain of ensuring that all Americans have a fair shot at a better life and a piece of the American dream through hard work, fair benefits and safe workplaces.

We have our work cut out for us.

I'm union proud – my husband was a union lineman for an electric utility for 34 years – but worried about energy and economic policies that have stunted household incomes.

From my vantage point on two key House committees – Labor and Industry, and Environmental Resources and Energy – I confront threats to the American dream continually.

It's really quite simple: All of us – workers, families, communities, business and industry – thrive when working families have some jingle left in their pockets after paying the bills.

Instead, we see almost daily assaults on safe work places, the right to form unions and the right to decent wages and benefits.

We see proposals that give workers the “right” to work for less, diminish benefits and dismantle hard-won workers' compensation and safety rules.

The “trickle down” economic and energy policies aimed at us in southwestern Pennsylvania seem especially menacing. The worker-unfriendly punches range from unfair trade pacts to tax policies benefitting only the wealthiest.

America must remember that it was homegrown electricity, coal and steel that powered America through the Industrial Revolution and two world wars.

We've earned – through sacrifices, muscle and hard work – a fairer shot at the American dream.

But it will take more than lip service to expand the dream.

Expanding opportunities means paying attention to details when it comes to employee safety. My House Bill 2084 would bolster job safety by equipping all state corrections officers with pepper spray, a protection already realized by federal corrections officers.

Details are especially important for electrical workers, where any number of shortcuts – from staffing and gear to training and technology – can put them at risk.

All too often, economic opportunity and a fair shot at the American dream depends on standing firm against the canard that a thousand cuts – to wages, benefits, commonsense work rules and proven energy policies – is a viable elixir.

Unions must be at the vanguard of efforts to put America and Americans first in our hearts, policies and prayers.

I can't think of any recent period that union membership – and the fairer benefits and safer working conditions that come with it – has been more critical to moving America forward.

Rep. Snyder represents the 50th Legislative District encompassing all of Greene County and parts of Fayette and Washington counties. Her district office is located in Carmichaels, Greene County.



Builders Guild Launches New Website

A new website with information on the value of the local union building and construction trades industry, including key contact information and how to gain entry for employment has been launched by the Builders Guild of Western Pennsylvania.

The website, www.buildersguild.org, can be used by developers and owners who want to do business in western Pennsylvania but may not be familiar with the wide breadth of residential, commercial and industrial projects built by local union affiliated contractors and who best to contact for construction-related services. There is also valuable information on the availability of special financing available for construction through the ERECT Funds, a growing provider of professional investment and trust administrative services in the tristate area.

Incorporated in 1999, the Builders Guild of Western Pennsylvania is a truly unique initiative of building trade unions, contractor associations and industry professional who work together to improve the industry and provide outstanding value in construction services. It is an organization unlike virtually any other in the country.

Among other objectives, the Builders Guild works with each of the building trades' Joint Apprenticeship Training Centers (JATCs) to help recruit men and women who are looking and interested in long term, rewarding and challenging careers in construction. Information on each of JATCs, such as the qualifications and procedures for applying, as well as descriptions of the wide range of work done by each of the building trades can be found on the “Careers” section of the website.

“Most people don't fully understand the intricacies and variety of work done by many building trade workers, such as boilermakers, millwrights, insulators, plumbers and others,” said Jason Fincke, executive director of the Builders Guild. “There is so much more to construction than what most people think of when they consider a career in our industry, particularly for our union workers who are primarily employed on projects in the commercial and industrial markets.

“I would encourage anyone who enjoys working with their hands and takes pride in their skills and in their work to visit our website and read about all that is involved when working in the union building trades. We are always looking for men and women who want to be the best in their profession. Our training is all tuition free and second to none.

In addition to information on careers, the new website also includes links to every edition of The Construction Leader, which is published twice a year and contains a variety of news about the union building trades and their contractors. Readers are encouraged to leisurely peruse each edition and gain a new perspective on local and regional union building trades construction.

CREDIT UNION NEWS

IBEW Local 5 Credit Union is a not for profit financial cooperative, owned and operated by the members, for the benefit of all who belong. We are Board governed and member owned. All earnings from loans, savings, and investments are returned to the members as dividends or as other benefits, after expenses and legal reserve are set aside. The minute you become a credit union member, you become an owner. Our field of membership includes **IBEW Local 5 members and their immediate family. Our office is conveniently located at the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union No. 5 Suite 201, 5 Hot Metal Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203. Phone (412)432-1152 Fax: (412)431-4659**

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If you are in need of a vehicle, vehicle purchases made easy! Whether new or used, be sure to contact us first! We offer low-rate financing! Our NADA service will help you arrive at a true value of your future purchase. **New and Used Auto Rates as low as 1.99% APR* We are your Auto Loan Resource and Finance Center!**

If you're a homeowner, another source of funds-particularly for home improvement projects-may be the equity in your home. Using home equity is convenient and may offer tax advantages. **Home Equity Rates as low as 3.49% APR***

There is a **special Holiday Loan Offering of up to \$2,000.00 with rates as low as 4.99% APR*** 12 month term.

As a credit union member, no matter what type of loan, you can take advantage of the low interest rates that your credit union offers.

For more information to join or apply, stop by or call **(412)432-1152** today!

Visit our web site at <http://ibew5fcu.com>

Hours of Operation

Monday and Thursday 9am-7pm
Tuesday and Wednesday 9am-3pm
Fridays 9am-NOON
Holiday Closings
November 24th & 25th 2016
December 26th 2016

*Rates may vary based on applicant's credit history. All loan approvals are subject to normal loan underwriting guidelines.

Local No. 5 Endorsements



VOTE

November 8, 2016

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



President

U.S. Senate

Congress 9th

Congress 12th

Congress 14th

Congress 18th

PA Attorney General

PA Auditor General

PA Treasurer

Hillary Clinton (D)

Katie McGinty (D)

William Shuster (R)

Erin McCelland (D)

Mike Doyle (D)

Tim Murphy (R)

Josh Shapiro (D)

Eugene DePasquale (D)

Joe Torsella (D)

PA SENATE

Joseph Scarnati III

Ed Cernic, Jr.

Guy Reschenthaler

Kim Ward

Jay Costa, Jr.

James Brewster

District 25 (R)

District 35 (D)

District 37 (R)

District 39 (R)

District 43 (D)

District 45 (D)

PA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Judith Hines	District 8	(D)
Jaret Gibbons	District 10	(D)
Michael Rossi	District 15	(D)
Robert Matzie	District 16	(D)
Jake Wheatley	District 19	(D)
Adam Ravenstahl	District 20	(D)
Dominic Costa	District 21	(D)
Dan Frankel	District 23	(D)
Ed Gainey	District 24	(D)
Joseph Markosek	District 25	(D)
Daniel Deasy, Jr.	District 27	(D)
John Craig Hammond	District 28	(D)
Harrold English	District 30	(R)
Anthony DeLuca	District 32	(D)
Frank Dermody	District 33	(D)
Paul Costa	District 34	(D)
Marc Gergely	District 35	(D)
Harry Readshaw	District 36	(D)
Bill Kortz	District 38	(D)
Peter Kobylinski	District 39	(D)

Andrew Zahalsky	District 40	(D)
Dan Miller	District 42	(D)
Mark Mustio	District 44	(R)
Anita Kulik	District 45	(D)
Joe Szpara	District 46	(D)
Brandon Neuman	District 48	(D)
Alan Benyak	District 49	(D)
Pam Snyder	District 50	(D)
Tim Mahoney	District 51	(D)
James Mari	District 52	(D)
Joseph Petrarca	District 55	(D)
Linda Iezzi	District 57	(D)
Mary Popovich	District 58	(D)
David Reed	District 62	(R)
Bryan Barbin	District 71	(D)
Frank Burns	District 72	(D)
Jay Notarianni	District 75	(D)
Mike Hanna	District 76	(D)
H. Scott Conklin	District 77	(D)

From the North by Jim Saeler



Ferry Electric Crew at Steamfitters Local No. 449 New Training Facility. L to R. Justin Cassel, Stan Stavish, Rob Falconer, John Hirleman, Jim Painter, Ed Terpack, Rick Kifer, Brandon Eisenbarth, Doug Schiffer, Mike Vereneck, Brian Proch, & Andy McKenzie.



Keystone Electrical Systems at GENCO renovation project Cranberry. Front L. to R. Curt McFeely, Jim Moore, Chris Rahm, Greg Malta Back L. to R: Nate Slivka, Justin Scherer, Mike Egnac, Joe Tortorice, & Greg Parker.

From the Near - North by Rich Dunkel



Pioneer Pipe crew at Greene County Compressor Station L to R: Keith Quairiere, John Morrocco, Steve Stalder & Brian Miller



T.P. Electric at Imperial Compressor Station

From the North by Bob Kutz



Altoona Fairfield Inn Bettwy Electric L to R: Todd Dale, Bryan Detweiler, Bruce Cogan, Scott Bettwy, Scott Gampe, Steve Bettwy, Travis Reading, Brian Pollock, Chris Adams, Charles Miller, Dave Weslager & Ken Louder.



G M McCrossin Electric at UPMC Altoona Front: L to R: Mark Gochnaur, Greg Blakeley, Darryl Noal, Pat Kibler, Jaimee Cantolina, Alan Jarrett, Ken Watt, Greg Scanlan, Mike Allen. Back L to R: Isaak McGarvey, Brian Burke, Fred Morris, Chris Fisanick. Joshua Jackson & Brandon Dell.

From the Far North - East by Jeff Miller



Casteel Corp. at Shawville Power Plant L to R: Tim Pielmeier, Melvin Lee, Rod Nagg, Charlie Robison, Kirk Schroll, Doug Oswald, Lee O'Donnell, Chad Johnson, Jim Johnson, Emily Rosenberg, Dave Bonetti & Ray Valentine



Beckel Controls at United School District. Chad Crawford, Larry Leamer & Chris Grabany

ALLEGHENY COUNTY



Allegheny County Electrical Maintenance L to R: Andy Schmidt, Rich Staab, Jeff Stack, Bill Peddicord, Tom Hall, Troy Stanton, Floyd Argyle, Frank Folino, John Dimoff, Joe Roth, Ron Temple, Gene Robinson, Tom Strang, Ed Ianuale, Dave Gogoel & Mike Hoffman.



Clista Electric crew at U of Pitt Air Dome Project L to R: Sonny Stewart, Larry Quinten, Jake Ewing & Dan Archer

TV TALK

By James M. Ryan II

If you have worked for Root Sports, TR Crewing, CBS or Fox, you should have received from the Flex 401k Plan a letter stating that they are changing the funds that your money is invested in. The reason is to reduce the management costs of the plan. From October 3 to October 28, 2016, you will be able to reallocate your monies from the old Fidelity funds so that they will be transferred to the corresponding new list of funds. If you do not make changes, your previous allocations will remain the same, and all monies will transfer to the corresponding new list of funds. On October 31, 2016, you will not be able to make any changes to your portfolio so that all the amounts can be transferred properly to the new funds.

So you may be thinking, what 401k? I didn't make any fund allocations. If you did not respond to the enrollment/beneficiary card that was mailed to you after the first time you worked for one of the companies listed above, then the Flex 401k has automatically allocated the monies contributed by the company in what is called a Qualified Default Investment Alternative (QDIA). A QDIA is a fund that has a particular investment strategy that automatically moves your monies into safer investment options as you get closer to retirement. Your QDIA is based on your age. For example, if you were born in 1971, you were automatically enrolled into the Fidelity Advisor Freedom 2035 fund. This fund uses the target date of your retirement to be around 2035 and makes safer investments based on that. This type of fund is a great choice if you don't want to worry about remembering to make the changes to safer investments as you get closer to retirement.

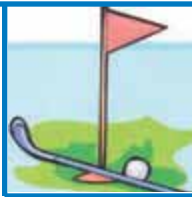
So what should you do if you haven't filled out an enrollment /beneficiary card? Call the Flex 401k Plan at 888.353.9401. They will email you the enrollment/beneficiary card. After filling it out, you can send it back via email, fax or U.S. mail. You will then be able to log-in to your account and make your investment choices.

Please take advantage of these benefits that have been collectively bargained for you. Since this is a 401k, you get more benefits that are not allowed if you have an IRA. The 401k limits for 2017 are \$18k with an addition \$6k added as a catch up for those over 50, whereas the IRA limits for 2017 are \$5.5k with an additional \$1k added as a catch up for those over 50. With these higher 401k limits, you are able to contribute additional pre-tax monies through payroll deductions. Another option is using the Flex Roth 401k. This allows you to contribute after tax monies through payroll deductions that will grow until retirement, and will not be taxable when you make your withdrawals after 59 1/2. Please take advantage of these benefits. If you have additional questions about what has been bargained for you, give me a call at 412-432-1445.



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



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Robert L. Cook	Oct.	5, 1925	- April	9, 2016
Ronald K. Braun	July	16, 1936	- April	13, 2016
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John P. Elias	June	24, 1926	- April	30, 2016
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