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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL 5 NEWS & VIEWS



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FALL 2014

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED BY ACCLIMATION



Left to Right: Treasurer Richard R. Dunkel, Executive Board Member Walter J. Bentley, II, Vice-President Michael W. Varholla, Executive Board Member Robert E. Cole, II, Examining Member James P. Voye, Executive Board Member Leo P. Truby, Examining Board Member Leticia M. Fedora, Executive Board Member James R. Gillespie, Examining Board Member Edward F. Hursen, Recording Secretary Thomas R. McIntyre, Jr., President Thomas H. Higgins, Business Manager-Financial Secretary Michael R. Dunleavy & Third District International Vice-President Donald C. Siegel.

Over 500 Local 5 Members Joined Over 5,000 Union Members to Protest EPA Regulations for the Energy Industry.



Democratic State Senate Candidate Deberah Kula joins Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy at the EPA Rally at the Convention Center



Part of the over 500 members that attended the EPA Rally at the Convention Center



Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy and President Thomas H. Higgins welcome International President Edwin (Ed) D. Hill to the Pittsburgh Rally

Corner by **Michael Dunleavy**

As is our custom, this issue of the Local Union newsletter contains a list of endorsed candidates. These candidates have been researched and recommended by your officers and the IBEW Local Union No. 5 Political Action Committee. I don't have to remind you of how we have suffered under Governor Tom Corbett and his policies. In addition to his anti-worker agenda, we also have to fight Right-to-Work (for less) and Paycheck Protection (deception) groups active in our State. If we are successful in electing Tom Wolf, we will be protected from those groups due to his commitment to never sign legislation enacting Right-to-Work or Paycheck Protection. Tom Wolf has committed to properly fund education and to defend prevailing wages. We have met multiple times and he is fully briefed on our issues. He will be an ally in our efforts to restore the cuts in unemployment and the changes in the qualifying rules. It is imperative that we work hard on Tom Wolf's behalf and that every member go to the polls and take at least one other voter with you. In addition to supporting To Wolf, I ask you to take a copy of the other endorsed candidates in this newsletter with you as well.

As has been announced at the September and October Local Union meetings, we have concluded negotiations with the Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Electrical

Contractors Association for both journeymen-wiremen and residential-wiremen through 2017. We will be mailing out the details of the allocations. You can view them now on the Local Union website by looking up the September Business Manager's report. In this new agreement, we have negotiated a contribution into the Labor Management Cooperation Committee (LMCC) Fund that can be voluntarily transferred into the Political Action Committee (PAC) Fund. This new contribution will be paid by the employer and will eliminate the Vacation Fund deductions as of June 2015. This system eliminates the disincentive to participate because if a member chooses not to sign a card and transfer the money into the PAC Fund the contribution stays in the LMCC. A BA member can do their part by writing a check to the IBEW Local Union No. 5 PAC. Again, please see the September Business Manager's report for details.

I will conclude by reminding you that electing the right people to office increases your work opportunities and protects your benefits, which in turn, increases your ability to secure reasonable increases in your compensation; therefore, raising your standard of living. So, I urge you to go to the polls and support the candidates that support you. Please work safely and remember your re-sign date.

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



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October, 2014

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 2015

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 2015, (the \$1.00 is an increase in the Pension Benefit Fund Contribution 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:

\$544.40 2015 ANNUAL Dues (Payments due in DEC. or JAN.)

When preparing your 2015 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.

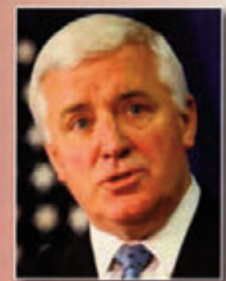
Fraternally yours,

Michael R. Dunleavy
Michael R. Dunleavy
Business Manager/Financial Secretary

WHERE DO THE CANDIDATES STAND?



**Tom Wolf's
Fresh Start**



**Tom Corbett's
Broken Promises**

FUNDING OUR SCHOOLS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Will restore \$1 billion in school funding ✓ Will invest in public schools ✓ Will support a fair and equitable funding formula | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Cut nearly \$1 billion from public schools ✓ Cost 20,000 educators their jobs ✓ Forced schools to cut programs and raise taxes |
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CREATING JOBS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Will create good middle class jobs ✓ Will tax corporations fairly and level the playing field for the middle class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Dropped Pennsylvania to 49th in job creation ✓ Gave away billions of dollars in corporate tax breaks and loopholes |
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STANDING UP FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Will protect collective bargaining rights ✓ Supports an increase in the minimum wage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Attacked collective bargaining rights ✓ Opposed an increase in the minimum wage |
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PROTECTING OUR PENSIONS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Will defend pensions and retirement security ✓ Will properly fund the pension system ✓ Will protect retirement security for current employees and younger workers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Attacked pensions and retirement security ✓ Proposed underfunding the pension system ✓ Pushed a plan that would cost taxpayers \$40 billion more |
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Retired Member Service Pin Ceremonies



30 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Clyde T. Hefflin, Mary Ann Gaus, Peter F. McGlashan, Int'l Vice President Donald C. Siegel & President Thomas H. Higgins.



35 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Joseph Mitchell, John R. Lehman, John P. McDonough, Int'l Vice President Donald C. Siegel & President Thomas H. Higgins.



40 YEARS

Seated L to R: Vincent E. Wisyanski, James I. Miller, Timothy J. Enright, George P. Friel, David G. McCormick, David R. Morrison
Back: L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Scott R. Workman, Int'l Vice President Donald C. Siegel, President Thomas H. Higgins.



45 YEARS

Seated L to R: William F. Weber, Eric P. Marchbein, William R. Huber, Andrew L. Tomko, Gary P. Weinheimer, Back: L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Int'l Vice President Donald C. Siegel & President Thomas H. Higgins.



50 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Corbett M. Stewart, James W. Sell, Banker C. Beach, Jr., Andrew J. Galioto, Henry J. Muzzio, Jr., Donald E. Murray & President Thomas H. Higgins.



55 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, James T. Briscoe, Paul R. McKelvey, Donald J. Koontz, Jr., Charles D. Nickum & President Thomas H. Higgins.



60 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Homer R. Headlee, Jr., William H. Reinert, Jr. & President Thomas H. Higgins.



60 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Ronald R. Reibe & President Thomas H. Higgins.



65 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Richard W. Fraer, George E. McClean & President Thomas H. Higgins.

Twenty Year Pins

Gary L. Brown
Maynard D. Carr
William H. Collier
Thomas J. Gill
Gary R. Harris
Robert E. Kost
George P. Lutz
Scott L. Milligan
Elden W. Morris
John A. Reilly
Steve A. Sopic
Brent A. Taylor
Thomas E. Zankel

Twenty-Five Year Pins

James E. Burke
Glenn R. Giles
David W. McGee
Mark H. Rumpf
William R. Sullivan
Thirty Year Pins
Paul J. Burlone
Floyd Foster
Clarence W. Furcron
Mary Ann Gaus
Clyde T. Hefflin

Thomas A. Hornberger
Donald L. Kuhn
Vito Legari
Peter F. McGlashan
Janet A. Petrosky
David E. Rager
John L. Sciuillo
Brian K. Smith
Carylotta E. Tucker

Thirty-Five Year Pins

Arthur W. Anderson
Robert J. Beiber
Terry L. Bell
Frederick C. Bryan
Donald L. Bush
Edward M. Carpenter
Donald E. Daley
Pio Dipofi
James R. Earley
Garner G. Faulkner
James F. Gaus
Roger P. Grandel
Jerry K. Herdman
James R. Johns
Donald F. Kopta
John A. Kutz

John R. Lehman
John J. Maloney
David E. Marti
John P. McDonough
Richard A. Mellott
Owen V. Michael
Joseph Mitchell
William J. O'Hanlon
Thomas C. Orchard
Robert M. Pastorius
Chois W. Pearson
Russell E. Prendergast
Michael J. Richards
William E. Sharbaugh
William M. Shindledecker
David H. Snyder
Robert F. Steiner
John P. Stewart
Robert H. Trojan
Samuel E. Vaughan
Gerard L. Vidmar
James F. Wilson
John J. Zielinski
Forty Year Pins
John W. Auberzinsky
Stanley M. Ayers

John R. Bardonner
Gregory J. Canary
Emile Chuprinko
William F. Clark
James M. Costello
Timothy C. Dale
Peter T. Delmer
Timothy J. Enright
George A. Erbrecht
Bernard E. Faust
George G. Faust
Clyde M. Fisher
Emanuel O. Flournoy
George P. Friel
Clarence J. Hazlett
Elmer J. Hunyady
Dennis K. Hurd
Kenneth A. Javorski
Nickolaos Kalogeris
Matthew J. Keller
Robert F. Leininger
Donald G. Lieberum
Arthur E. Luke
James W. Marsula
John M. Massar
David G. McCormick

James I. Miller
Alex S. Molinski
David R. Morrison
Miles A. Nelson
Gerard Ninehouser
Joseph Pockaj
Joseph L. Reasey
Allen L. Schmid
Larry N. Sillaman
Chester Thrower, Jr.
Lee J. Tremel
Henry J. Troy
Raymond A. Watt
Robert W. Wiggins
Robert S. Wilson
Vincent E. Wisyanski
Scott R. Workman
Forty-Five Year Pins
Douglas W. Anderson
Allen G. Ashcroft
Albert E. Badzgon
Donald C. Baxter
Terry L. Becker, Sr.
Richard T. Berdes
Julius Bertoni
Douglas C. Bower

Ronald J. Boyer
James M. Cobb, Jr.
Raymond W. Covert
Michael C. Doerfler
David K. Ebersole
Thomas W. Eger
Mark J. Fortwangler
Robert V. Glass, Jr.
Eugene J. Horcholic
David A. Huber
William R. Huber
Donald K. Johnston
Eric P. Marchbein
Robert T. Milligan
Anthony F. Mitchell
Daniel E. Pegher
Walter H. Robb, III
Arthur W. Sloan
Andrew L. Tomko
Donald A. Watt
William R. Waugaman
William F. Weber
Gary P. Weinheimer
Carlton D. Yoder
Merlin S. Yoder

Robert R. Yoder
Dennis F. Zeszutek
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Banker C. Beach, Jr.
Waldo A. Berry, Jr.
Harry E. Fry
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Joseph A. Norbutt
James W. Sell
Corbett M. Stewart
Frank W. Stocker
Fifty Five Year Pins
Roy P. Beitle
James T. Briscoe
Donald J. Koontz, Jr.
Paul R. McKelvey
Charles D. Nickum
Robert E. Quairiere
Walter E. Tillman, Jr.
Richard M. Zelenak
Sixty Year Pins
Robert L. Cook
Jay D. Dobson

Thomas B. Guthrie
Homer R. Headlee, Jr.
Donald E. Mortimer
Edward W. Regula
Ronald R. Reibe
William H. Reinert, Jr.
Francis P. Rovito
Alexander Sciuillo
Albert R. Shields
Amil M. Yagodich
Sixty-Five Year Pins
James L. Beard
Roy J. Buettner
Richard W. Fraer
George E. McClean
John T. Simon
Seventy Years
Francis G. Rafail
Daniel E. Yates



Family Picnic 2014



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
Norm Brice
Charles Brosgol
Chuck Bucek
Greg Burchell
John Chalovich

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
Jim Gillespie
Joe Gorton
George Guenther
Bob Guenther
John Harris
Bob Kutz
Hugh Link
William McCloy
Jeff Miller
Joseph Mitchell

Ken Morris
Steve Morrocco
Adam Nileski
James Prendergast
Paul Reinert
Edward Reinhardt
Casey Roche
James Ruane
James Ryan
James Rzekzkowski

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



2014 PICNIC WINNERS

ADULT RAFFLE WINNERS

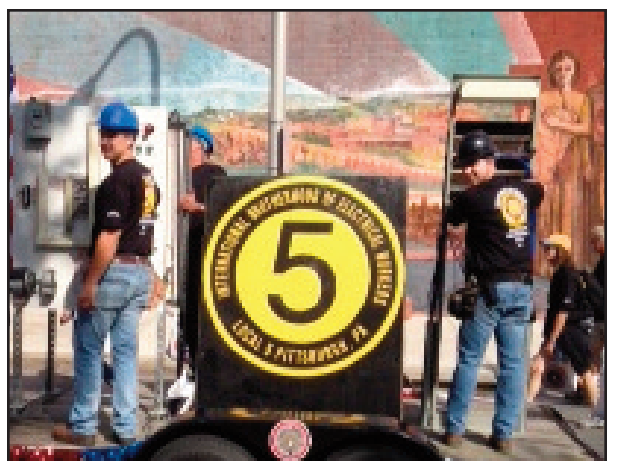
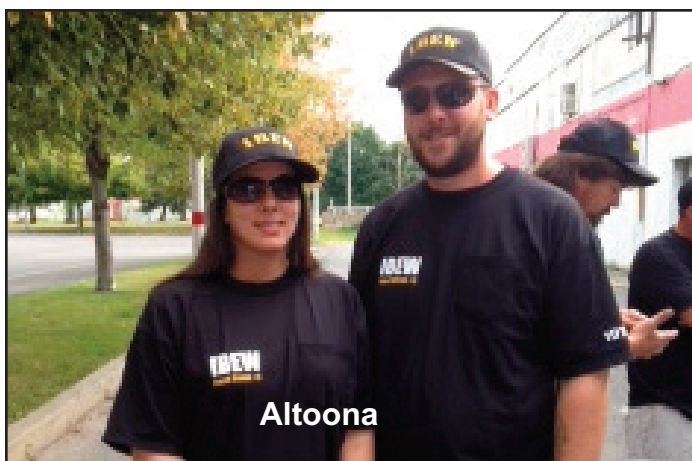
Jason Schall	Lori Kraus	Brooke Fetterman	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Karen Weinheimer	Nicole Cooper	Tina Elardo	● Golf Winner : ●
Angie Luckey	Harry Caylor	Cassandra Seth	● Matt Fazekas ●
Therese Naimark	Leigh Ann Miller		● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

CHILDREN RAFFLE WINNERS

Girls 0 - 3	Girls 4 - 7	Boys 0 - 3	Boys 4 - 7
Emily Ninehouser	Natalia Asturi	Bryce Apel	Mason Haynard
Piper Tomlinson	Autumn Zimmerman	Ethan Ewing	Aiden Varhola
Kylie Sobien	Alaina Dipofi	Dawson Durci	Kian A. Richards
Layla Crouse	Mackenzie Nileski	Rex Eicker	Mossen Westover
	Lindsey Wise		Gavin Hall
Girls 8 - 11	Girls 12 - 16	Boys 8 - 11	Boys 12 - 16
Elle Schoedel	Megan Liberoni	Danny Pennington	Travis Reibold
Zoe Renz	Madilyn Scavone	Pat Larkin	Jeff Speck
Olivia Weber	Caroline Curry	Jesse Freund	Joseph Gorton
Autumn Ashbaugh		Wyatt Eppolito	
Jen Brighten	Karlie Ebert	Ayden Allen	Billy Balaban







REPORT OF LEGAL COUNCIL - JOSHUA M. BLOOM

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TOM CORBETT'S RECORD ON NOVEMBER 4TH

Republican Governor Tom Corbett severely cut your rights to receive unemployment compensation when you need it the most:

First, in case you think it's tough to get by on unemployment benefits during a layoff, Tom Corbett froze your maximum weekly benefit at \$573 until 2020! This is his gift to you and your family for the rest of the decade. The pain this gift inflicts will compound each year as the cost of living continues to increase.

Second, Tom Corbett eliminated your right to unemployment benefits if more than 50.5% of your earnings occur within one quarter of your base year. In other words, if you make more than 50.5% of your base year's earnings during your highest earning quarter, you will not be eligible for unemployment benefits. Tom Corbett directed this dagger precisely towards construction workers.

Third, Tom Corbett, in addition to many other bad changes, slashed your unemployment partial benefit credit by 25% - - from 40% to 30%.



Fourth, Tom Corbett cut education spending, i.e., school construction spending, more than any other Governor in the Commonwealth in modern history - - he introduced many of you, and/or your union brothers and sisters, to the unemployment line.

Fifth, to soften the blow, he boosted your gasoline tax \$.28 per gallon.

Please remember Tom Corbett's record when you vote on November 4th, because you won't forget the attacks that he successfully administered against you and your family for years to come.

Joshua M. Bloom, Esquire
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HARRISBURG REPORT - TIM SOLOBAY

When most people discuss the economy, what they are really talking about is jobs. Are there enough jobs? Do the jobs pay well? Will the jobs last? The energy industry, especially here in the southwestern part of the Commonwealth, addresses this issue head-on.

Southwestern Pennsylvania has a rich and proud history associated with energy; the resources to drive the state's economy starts here. I believe that we are not only seeing history repeat itself, but I believe we have the potential to grow the energy industry in the Commonwealth to levels nobody could have ever imagined.

If we do nothing else, we can be rest assured that this region is far better off economically than it would be without all the benefits we've received from the advent of the Marcellus play. But I think much more lies ahead. We have an opportunity before us to enhance and cultivate our workforce into an unstoppable productivity-success machine.

The industry has provided us a huge increase in jobs, good jobs, with family-sustaining wages and benefits. Several reports have published eye-opening statistics that display huge leaps in income and employment over the past several years. But we don't need to look at statistics and data to know that things are happening here, people are working, people are investing, and people are spending money; the economic ripple-effect is clear. Energy has been good for us, but we cannot and will not let it rest at that. We can make things even better.

We still need to rid ourselves of some old habits and old practices and launch a new forward-thinking strategy. I'm talking about re-aligning educational resources with job opportunities. We can better engage our young people so they not only end up having family-sustaining jobs awaiting them, but actual careers that can provide real job security. We need to bring in more of our veterans who already proved they can be trained to take on any challenge. I have helped our career and technology centers launch industry-specific programs, but we can certainly do more.

It's important to continue to optimize our collaboration of industry leaders with labor and trades so we can further improve and grow employment opportunities for local workers. Our work ethic in this region is indisputable. We have what it takes to be the best in the nation. We know where the opportunities of the future are; they are here. We have to enhance and equip our workforce with the tools and skill-sets needed to build on the great foundation that already exists. Investing in our workforce will yield dividends and benefits that will impact the state and the nation. We are currently on the right track, but I know we can do more. And, I know we will.

Senator Tim Solobay represents the 46th Senatorial District that consists of parts of Allegheny, Greene, Washington & Westmoreland Counties.



Winning the War on Coal

Too often, the practice in Washington, DC has been for policymakers to hear "Beltway" experts and officials from the Environmental Protection Agency explain their regulations. But this practice doesn't capture the daily impact of Washington's actions on the communities where good jobs, with good wages, support a proud way of life. That's why I was encouraged to see thousands of Southwestern Pennsylvania electricians, boilermakers, and miners who depend on coal take to the streets of downtown Pittsburgh this past August and make their voice heard over new EPA regulations that would eliminate coal as a fuel source.

As Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, I've been leading an examination of how the EPA's latest regulations would impact jobs, economic growth, and electric reliability. My Committee is specifically focused on whether the EPA ignored or violated federal law in developing its back-door Cap-and-Trade regulations for coal-fired power plants.

That investigation is ongoing, but so far here's what we've learned:

- The EPA would mandate utilities adopt new technologies that haven't been field-tested and are decades away from commercial viability;

- The proposal would increase wholesale electric rates upwards of 70% according to the Department of Energy;

- Even by EPA's own estimates, these new rules will cost consumers billions of dollars every year and destroy thousands of jobs.

- The EPA is not taking into account the impact of proposed regulations on electricity rates, grid reliability, and jobs.

For example, the agency didn't consider the nearly 400 people who were put out of work with the shuttering of the Hatfield and Mitchell coal-fired power plants in Greene and Washington Counties. The EPA didn't consider the people who lost their jobs at Joy Mining in Houston, Pennsylvania last October, or the hundreds working at local coal mines that have since closed down. In fact, the EPA does not consider the thousands of miners, boilermakers, and electricians who are out of work at all.

A century ago when my grandfather came to America, he worked in a coal mine. Things were different then. Mines were extremely dangerous. Roofs would

collapse. Mine injuries and deaths were all too common. Back then, factories, homes, and power plants burnt coal without concern for the environment so the skies were dark with soot. Street lights turned on at noon, and businessmen would take a second white dress shirt to work to change into at mid-day.

Major changes in environmental practices have cleared the skies and reduced emissions by more than fifty percent even as coal usage tripled. Of course, we can always do better. That's why I support a real commitment to investing in clean coal. Unfortunately, this is made exceedingly difficult under the Administration's budget, which has cut hundreds of mil-

lions of dollars from clean-coal research at the National Energy Technology Laboratory in South Park. The Administration giving up on clean coal reminds me of the editors of New York Times, who opined in 1903 after a failed attempt at flight by the Wright Brothers, that it would be one million to ten million years

before man could fly. We need to invest in coal - not advance policies to shut it down.

Because of the 'War on Coal', poverty is

By Congressman Tim Murphy

making a comeback. The U.S. began the War on Poverty in the 1960s - focused on Appalachian coal country. For a while employment improved as coal was used more. Now, mines are closed and power plants shut down.

The men and women who marched in the streets in August looking to save their jobs weren't asking for anything from their government other than the opportunity to provide for their families.

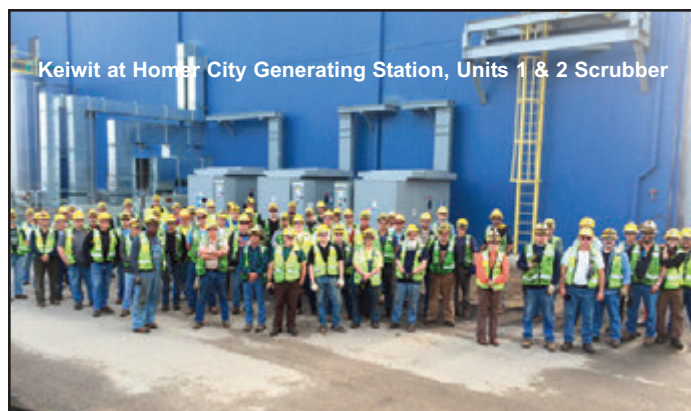
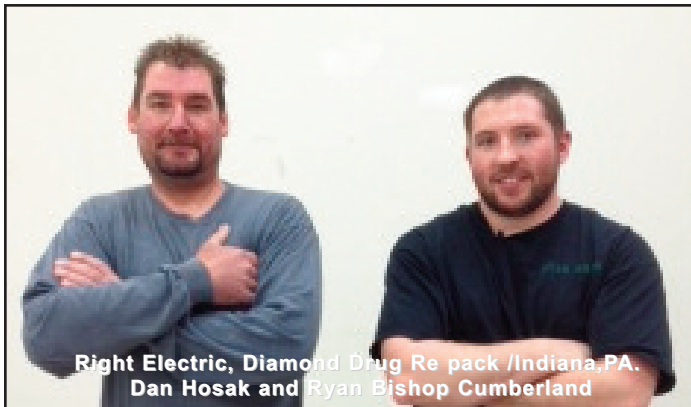
When they lose their jobs, the government will offer unemployment. If they are hungry, the government will offer food stamps. If they lose their homes, they'll be given public housing. But if they lose hope? The government will turn away. If we want to win the War on Poverty, we must stop the War on Coal.

Rep. Tim Murphy is in his sixth term representing Pennsylvania's 18th congressional district encompassing suburban Pittsburgh including parts of Allegheny, Washington, Westmoreland and Greene Counties. He also serves as chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Oversight & Investigations, which has jurisdiction over the EPA. For more information, visit Murphy.House.Gov.



"The EPA is not taking into account the impact of proposed regulations on electricity rates, grid reliability, and jobs."

Rep. Tim Murphy

From the North by Jim Saeler**From the Near - North** by Rich Dunkel**From the North** by Bob Kutz**From the Far North - East** by Jeff MillerA
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N**ALLEGHENY COUNTY****2014 Scholarships Awarded**

The I.B.E.W. Local #5 – Western Pennsylvania Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) Scholarship Trust Fund has awarded the 2014 scholarships to:

Devin Beck**Julia Ferry****Ashlyn Heberling****Dylan Hoffman****Megan Linger**

Applications for the 2015 scholarships will be available from September 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. 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://1unionplusscholars.communityforce.com/Funds/Search.aspx>

Local No. 5 Endorsements

VOTE

November 4, 2014

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



IBEW Local No. 5 Gubernatorial candidate Tom Wolf and Congressional candidate Erin McClelland enjoy Labor Day with our members and officers.

GOVERNOR
TOM WOLF
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
MIKE STACK

United States Congress

Dist. 9	Bill Shuster	(R)	Dist. 12	Erin McClelland	(D)	Dist. 14	Mike Doyle	(D)
						Dist. 18	Tim Murphy	(R)

Pennsylvania State Senate

Dist. 32	Deberah Kula	(D)	Dist. 42	Wayne Fontana		Dist. 46	Tim Solobay	(D)
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Pennsylvania House of Representatives

Dist. 9	Chris Sainato	(D)	Dist. 32	Anthony DeLuca	(D)	Dist. 49	Peter Daley, II	(D)
Dist. 10	Jaret Gibbons	(D)	Dist. 33	Frank Dermody	(D)	Dist. 50	Pam Snyder	(D)
Dist. 12	Lisa Zucco	(D)	Dist. 34	Paul Costa	(D)	Dist. 51	Tim Mahoney	(D)
Dist. 16	Robert F. Matzie	(D)	Dist. 35	Marc Gergely	(D)	Dist. 52	AJ Boni	(D)
Dist. 19	Jake Wheatley	(D)	Dist. 36	Harry Readshaw	(D)	Dist. 55	Joseph Petrarca	(D)
Dist. 20	Adam Ravenstahl	(D)	Dist. 38	Bill Kortz	(D)	Dist. 58	R. Ted Harhai	(D)
Dist. 21	Dom Costa	(D)	Dist. 39	Lisa-Stout-Bashioum	(D)	Dist. 62	Dave Reed	(R)
Dist. 23	Dan Frankel	(D)	Dist. 42	Daniel Miller	(D)	Dist. 71	Bryan Barbin	(D)
Dist. 24	Ed Gainey	(D)	Dist. 45	Nick Kotik	(D)	Dist. 72	Frank Burns	(D)
Dist. 25	Joseph Markosek	(D)	Dist. 46	Jesse White	(D)	Dist. 76	Mike Hanna	(D)
Dist. 27	Daniel J. Deasy, Jr.	(D)	Dist. 48	Brandon Neuman	(D)	Dist. 77	H. Scott Conklin	(D)

Apprentices donate expertise to the Western PA Police Athletic League Gym in DuBois, PA.



Altoona members donate time to build Playground at Prospect Park



Bradford-Ridgway retirees Summer Party



Front L to R: James Long, Jerry Shelander, Tom Pfeufer, Bob Hoffman, Ed. Pasi. Rear L to R: Frank Cornelius, Dave Cornelius, Don Colebert, Terry McAndrew, Tom Brown, Kerm Sandberg.

TV TALK

BY Jim Ryan

In this article of TV Talk, I would like to cover two topics. The first topic, creating retirement options, is for the Freelancers members, and the second, future broadcasting methods, is for the TV Station members.

When it comes to starting retirement savings for the freelancers, I feel that we have seriously neglected this as union members. Over the years, the most offered objection by the freelancers has been 'give me all of my money, and let me decide how I should invest it'. Since I was a freelancer for many years, I understand the basis of this argument. However, I also know all too well that the money does not always get invested because there are unexpected expenses; a new tech device comes out; or the money is held onto in case work slows down. When this pattern continues year after year, before you know it a decade or more of investments and the compound interest are lost. Imagine if ten years ago a portion of our negotiated raises each year were put into some type of retirement vehicle. Many of us that are in the middle of our careers would have a decent and growing retirement account.

A great example of this is the "Deferred Compensation" package that the Local implemented for the "A" members in the mid 70s. It started by simply putting a portion of their negotiated raise into an individually invested retirement vehicle managed by a major financial institution. (This portion is similar to when 3% of our negotiated 3 1/2 % raise with FSN was allocated for opening the Flex Plan.) Over the years, that amount was increased to the point that it now averages about 8.25% of their total compensation package. At first, this plan had the same reaction by a lot of the members as the one listed above, especially younger members. Now, as many of those members are nearing retirement they have a decent retirement account to draw from.

Depending on where you are in your career, beginning, middle or end, will directly determine the benefit you would get from starting a self-funded retirement vehicle. For those at the beginning, retirement seems far off and those decisions can be made later, but later will be here before you know it. If you are in the middle of your career and have not been able to fund your retirement, hopefully you can see the benefits of starting late than never. If you are coming to the end of your career, I would like to ask for your input and support in this discussion so that as a union we can do what is best for all of our brothers and sisters. If we are able to allocate a

portion of any increase that we negotiate into a deferred savings account, I see this greatly benefitting the standard of living our members can expect when they retire.

The second topic, concerns how the product of local and network television is going to be distributed within the next 10 to 15 years. With the FCC airwave spectrum auction on the horizon for next year, we may see many companies voluntarily surrender their unused spectrum for the monetary gains. If it is significant and the monetary gains worth it, we may see more auctions because of the need for more bandwidth in the newer technologies (cell phones and wireless data) and less for older technologies (radio and television).

There is even a lot of speculation as to whether this is the beginning of the end of television being delivered over-the-air. Despite the fact that more and more people are "cutting the cable", this does not mean that they are receiving their "television" entertainment over-the-air. There are many options, Netflix, Hulu, Apple TV, and Amazon Prime to name a few, for people to seek out televised programming. Also, with devices like Google Chromecast, Amazon Fire TV, and Roku, you are no longer limited to sitting at a desk or holding your laptop to watch your favorite show or movie. Add to all of this, the beginnings of 4k UHD television, and further out 8k UHD. With four times the number of pixels, compressed 4k will require more bandwidth than HD currently uses. Take this and couple it with the FCC auction, and one has to wonder if over-the-air broadcasting of the next era of television will even happen. As these services, devices and technologies become more prevalent, how much longer will companies want to continue paying the costs of operating and maintaining their transmitter when there are cheaper ways to get their product to the consumer?

What does all of this mean for us as a union? I feel it means we have to anticipate these technological changes so that we will be able to shape the conversation at the negotiating table early instead of playing catch up. So as you learn of new technologies that will affect our industry, please keep me informed.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call me at (412) 432-1400. Don't forget the General Membership Meeting is on the second Friday of the month at 8 PM.



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