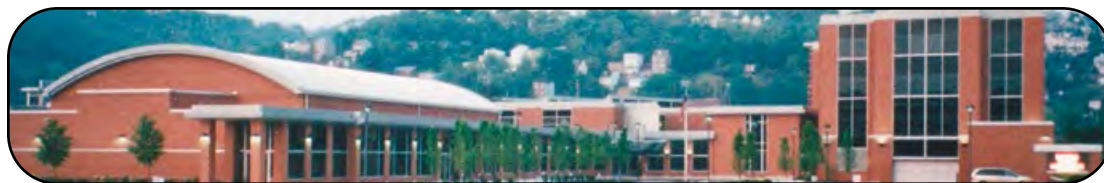




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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

# LOCAL 5 NEWS & VIEWS



IBEW Local 5 Meeting Hall, Training Center, And Headquarters Building 5 Hot Metal Street Pittsburgh, PA 15203-2355



FALL 2013

## LABOR DAY 2013



Business Manager Michael Dunleavy, President Tom Higgins, Vice President Mike Varholla, Recording Secretary Tom McIntyre, Treasurer Rich Dunkel and International Vice President Don Siegel lead the members and their families in the Labor Day Parade.

With eleven members receiving their 50-year pin this year, our 50-year membership remained at 155. Nothing ever changes, the young need to step up to take the place of the older members regardless of what organization you belong to.

The response to the Local's invitation to 50-year members to attend the Labor Day Parade, as always, was positive. The walk from the shuttle buses to the motor coaches can get long. A number of the members who could not handle it met at the hall after the parade to enjoy the afternoon with their Union buddies.

In the history of the Pittsburgh Labor Day Parade, no other local union has shown the interest and support for their retirees, let alone their 50-year retirees. It just goes to show that I.B.E.W. Local Union #5 stands head and shoulders above all the other unions in Pittsburgh, and is number one in all of the I.B.E.W. We retirees want to thank Mike and all of the members of Local Union #5 for your love and support. Thanks guys and gals.

*Don Koontz, Jr., Retiree Captain*

### Thank You to our Parade Committee!

Josh Baird	John Kutz	Tom Pappas
Michael Cook	Tylere Lehman	Tom Platt
Pat Driscoll	Jason	Casey Roche
Chris Gualazzi	Lunardini	Tom Schunk
Bob Guenther	Dave Mazza	John Tarbay
Adam Husted	Rick Moon	Howie Wright
Natalie Jackson	Adam Nileski	James Yeckley

## IBEW LOCAL 5 RETIREES





Corner by **Michael Dunleavy**

Once again, IBEW Local Union No. 5 had the largest marching contingent in the Pittsburgh Labor Day Parade. Looking back from the front of our marching unit, you could see Local Union No. 5 members and their families consume the entire length of the Boulevard of the Allies. The extent of our membership's participation was even more evident back at our complex where it was heartwarming to see the room full of families enjoying the day. I want to thank everyone that helped to make it such a successful event.

We have had multiple months of 98% employment and many of those that are on the list have been offered work. We have a significant number of members on one project so when that job begins to slow down our list will begin to grow. So, please take all work offered.

The issue of healthcare is still in the forefront with the ongoing battle between Highmark and UPMC and the national opening of exchanges for the Affordable Care Act – Obamacare. First, there is nothing new to report at this time regarding UPMC and Highmark. There are possible legislative solutions being discussed. We are still in contact with both providers and we will continue to monitor this unfortunate circumstance. The Trustees feel strongly that our members should be able to go to whatever doctor and hospital that they choose and are maintaining that goal as they seek solutions. Next, unfortunately under the Affordable Care Act, you as a worker that is covered by healthcare as part of your collective bargaining agreement are not eligible for any of the incentives associated with Obamacare and the exchanges. At the same time, we have encountered increased cost to our plan because of Obamacare mandates. Because the Trustees have been prudent in their planning, we are able to absorb the increases at this time without passing the costs on to the participants. In the long term, the fact that we will no longer have to pay for the burden

of the uninsured and that certain fees associated with the Affordable Care Act sunset in a few years, we should see costs level off instead of climbing by double digits as they have in the past. We are cautiously optimistic. The Insurance Trust Fund Trustees have also made the decision to change discounters from Devon to InterGroup Green Network. InterGroup covers more physicians and, in most instances, with a higher discount saving you and the Plan money. Your benefits have not changed and you can still go to whatever doctor that you choose. Also, the Trustees have again decided to cover flu shots and shingle vaccine shots this year. If you have any healthcare questions or concerns, contact the Western Pennsylvania Electrical Employees Insurance Trust Fund Office at 412-432-1130.

On the political front, we are still under attack. We are currently battling anti-prevailing wage bills and amendments to other legislation. Please monitor the Local Union web site for legislative alerts and respond as your union asks and needs you to. Also, this edition of the newsletter contains a list of endorsed candidates for the upcoming election on November 5th. Make sure that you go to the polls and support the candidates that support you. The most important tool that your union has in protecting you and generating work opportunities is the PAC Fund. If you do not currently contribute, please contact the Local Union office. Don't let other members shoulder the burden for you.

I want to take this opportunity to thank and compliment Local Union members for their support. The fact that we are unified in our efforts to increase work opportunities and protect hard earned benefits, helps to insure our continued success.

I want to conclude as I end every Local Union meeting by urging you to work safely. Thank you.

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

**WPEE Insurance Trust Fund****FLU SHOT AND SHINGLE SHOT NOTICE**

Please be advised that the WPEE Insurance Trust Fund will continue to provide coverage for flu shots as well as shingle shots. In order for you or an eligible dependent to receive coverage for either of the shots, you must be eligible for the Insurance Trust Fund benefits on the date the shot is administered. Claims should be submitted to the address listed on your WPEE identification card, which is InterGroup Services, Valleybrooke III, Suite 150, 101 Lindenwood Drive, Malvern, PA 19355. If you have any questions regarding the coverage, please contact the Fund office at (412)432-1130 or 1-800-382-1428.

**PPO NETWORK CHANGE FROM DEVON HEALTH TO INTERGROUP SERVICES EFFECTIVE 10/1/2013**

The Insurance Trust Fund is continuously looking for ways to improve our services and maximize savings to our members and families. As part of this effort, we made a decision to switch from Devon Health to InterGroup Services for your physician and outpatient PPO network effective October 1, 2013. Please note that no changes have been made to your benefits, and you may still see any provider of your choice. If you see a provider who participates in the InterGroup Green Network, then there will be a discount on the services.

**Below are answers to some frequently asked questions.**

**Q. When should I start using my new ID card and can I get extra cards for my kid(s) in college?**

**A. Begin using your new ID card on October 1, 2013. We are mailing additional cards to members at their request on a weekly basis. If you are in need of additional cards, please call the Fund Office at 412-432-1130 or 1-800-382-1428, and we can have additional cards mailed to you.**

**Q. Is my provider in the new network?**

**A. InterGroup has a website, [www.igs-ppo.com](http://www.igs-ppo.com) where participants can search for a participating provider on-line or you can call InterGroup directly at 1-800-537-9389 to verify if a particular provider is in InterGroup's network. If you have a provider that is not participating with InterGroup, please notify the Fund Office, and we will work with InterGroup to recruit that provider to the network. Participants are always free to see any provider of their choice regardless of whether or not the provider is participating in the InterGroup network.**

**Q. Where do my providers send claims?**

**A. Your providers should submit claims electronically to InterGroup as noted on the front of your card. If they prefer, they can mail paper claims directly to InterGroup as noted on the front of the card. InterGroup will simply apply its discount to the services and then forward to the Fund Office for processing and payment.**

**Q. Where do I (the participant) submit my claims?**

**A. Participants that are submitting Dental/Optical/Rx and work-boot claims should continue to submit those claims to the WPEE Insurance Trust Fund, 5 Hot Metal Street, Ste. 200 Pittsburgh, PA 15203.**

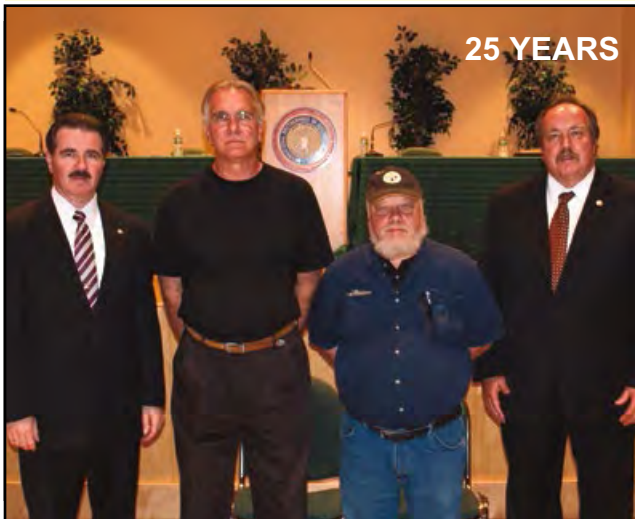
**Q. Are my benefits changing in any way?**

**A. No. There has been no change to your WPEE benefits, you will continue to have the same benefits that you have had in the past.**

If you should have any further questions that have not been addressed, please contact the Fund office at 412-432-1130 or 800-382-1428.



# Member Service Pin Ceremonies



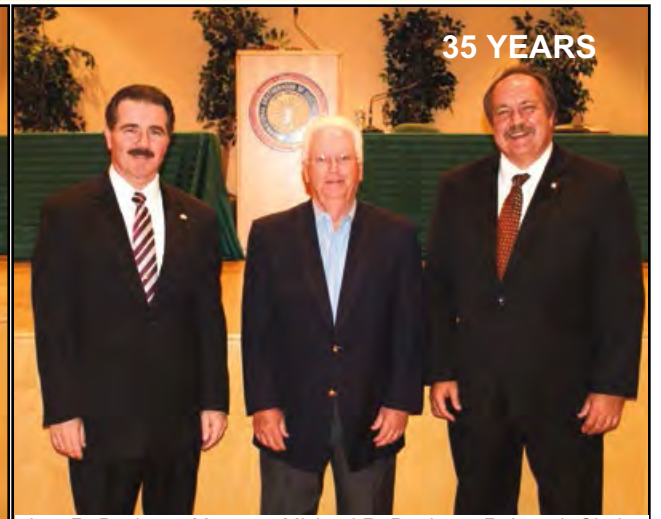
25 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, John M. Dobda, William J. Fogle & President Thomas H. Higgins.



30 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Joseph A. Nehilla, & President Thomas H. Higgins.



35 YEARS

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



40 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Herbert H. Harman, III, Eugene S. Giannelli, Patrick A. Driscoll, Charles M. Brosgol, John Defrancesco & President Thomas H. Higgins.



45 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Richard E. Koontz, Richard E. Dumbaugh, Jr., Robert C. Johnson, Jr., William D. McCloy, Sr., Simon G. Reichbaum, Ronald J. Radcliffe, Charles R. Yaksetic, Jr. I & President Thomas H. Higgins.



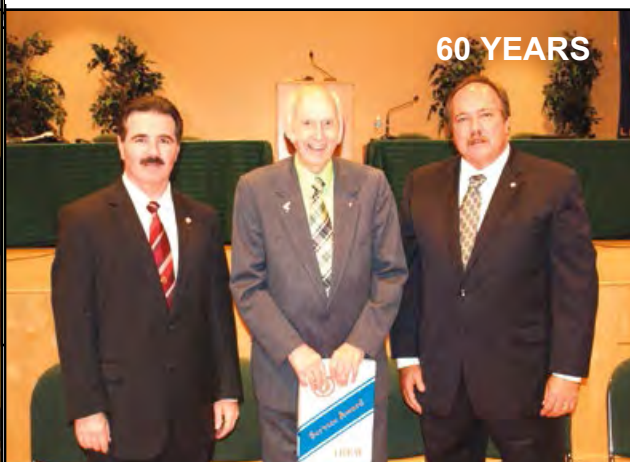
50 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Thomas McIntyre, Leonard M. Boras, John Chalovich, David J. Cornelius & President Thomas H. Higgins.



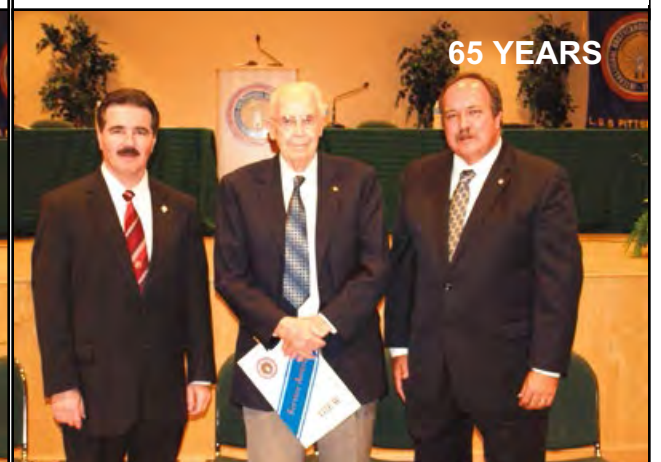
55 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Dan C. Sadler (son), Milan Drobac, Kenneth A. Wuerthele, William R. Gemmell, Ronald P. Dunkel, Nathan K. Stonecipher & President Thomas H. Higgins.



60 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, Ulrik D. Petersen & President Thomas H. Higgins.



65 YEARS

L to R: Business Manager Michael R. Dunleavy, George T. Leary & President Thomas H. Higgins.

## Twenty Year Pins

Richard G. Kowalski  
Walter H. Schulte  
Kenneth R. Staley  
**Twenty-Five Year Pins**  
John P. Barefoot  
Jordan F. Barefoot  
David H. Canovali  
James P. Chirieleison  
James H. Depew  
John M. Dobda  
Arthur C. Earl  
William J. Fogle  
Austin A. Frank  
David E. Fuchs  
Colman R. Gaal  
Ronald Gindlesperger  
John P. Gruber, Sr.  
Robert C. Hudock  
George M. Hummel  
John G. Kuhn  
Michael R. Lis  
Carl L. Mountan  
William E. Rapp, III  
Michael J. Rectenwald  
William G. Rusiewicz  
Frederick L. Schiefer  
James Szramowski

## Anthony M. Vinglas

Dennis W. Young

## Thirty Year Pins

Gerald J. Bloxsom  
Alfred J. Cooper, III  
Patrick J. Griffin  
David W. Jones  
Neil J. Kush  
Thomas M. Medofer  
Paul M. Myers  
Joseph A. Nehilla  
Robert J. Ramoski  
Joseph F. Roche  
Roy S. Wesley  
**Thirty-Five Year Pins**  
Robert J. Benton  
Ben F. Carter  
Robert J. Geider  
Chris N. Goodwin  
Fletcher Hardy  
Gerald R. Henke  
Herman C. Henninger, Jr.  
Kenneth W. Lee, Jr.  
Wilbur Matthews  
John J. O'Kain  
Kermit H. Sandberg  
Oliver J. Shannon, III  
John N. Steck

## Thomas W. Walker

**Forty Year Pins**  
Bernard T. Bearer  
Dnald V. Beck  
Joseph A. Biehl, Jr.  
Charles M. Brosgol  
James L. Brubaker  
Ronald J. Daugherty  
John Defrancesco  
Patrick A. Driscoll  
Henry R. Dunlop  
Dennis G. Ferguson  
Harry J. Fisher  
Walter H. Fleck  
Vernon I Fordyce  
Eugene S. Giannelli  
Peter Gojkovich, Jr.  
Harold L. Graham  
Regis B. Grattan  
Richard J. Grecco  
Larry C. Guelich  
Franklin J. Guyer  
Robert E. Hallstrom  
Raymond C. Hannold  
Herbert H. Harman, III  
Thomas M. Hendershot  
Paul J. Ionadi  
George W. Johnson

## Hugh J. Link

Robert J. Pudis  
Archie J. Reid  
Delmar P. Smith  
William E. Swisher  
Edward G. Thomas  
Sylvester E. Voit  
Charles R. Wall  
Thomas H. Weikel, Jr.  
John W. Wolford  
Bruce R. Young, J.  
Franklin J. Zediak  
**Forty-Five Year Pins**  
James L. Bauer  
Kenneth O. Black  
William P. Doyle  
Richard E. Dumbaugh, Jr.  
Marshall J. Eidinger  
John P. Elias  
Fred J. Gates  
James P. Grady  
Robert D. Green  
Jack Hodgetts  
Robert C. Johnson, Jr.  
Raymond L. Kassab  
Richard P. Kelly  
James P. Kirby, Jr.  
Richard E. Koontz

## Donald F. Loushe

Randolph W. Mallick, Jr.  
William D. McCloy, Sr.  
Hugh F. McLaughlin  
Andrew J. Perhach  
Richard A. Perhach  
Ronald J. Radcliffe  
Raymond R. Reep  
Simon G. Reichbaum  
Joseph T. Shea  
Richard C. Smith  
Howard J. Snyder  
Richard A. Strobel  
Ronald W. Terhorst  
Charles R. Yaksetic, Jr.  
**Fifty Year Pins**  
Blaine W. Allan  
Joseph J. Bodick  
Leonard M. Boras  
John Chalovich  
David J. Cornelius  
James R. Deer  
Terry W. Hollis  
Thomas McIntyre  
Paul E. Rost  
William M. Wilson  
James E. Winters

## Fifty Five Year Pins

Harry E. Black  
John A. Cassi  
Milan Drobac  
Ronald P. Dunkel  
William R. Gemmell  
Joseph A. Mandella  
Dan C. Sadler  
David R. Sharp  
Nathan K. Stonecipher  
Kenneth A. Wuerthele  
Barry G. Wylie  
**Sixty Year Pins**  
Alexander R. Berry  
Glenn A. Berry  
Albert Gall  
Walter G. Herr  
Bernard E. Hoffman  
Ralph D. Marchelea  
Ulrik D. Petersen  
Richard H. Powell  
**Sixty-Five Year Pins**  
James R. Carroll  
Harman C. Hinkle  
George T. Leary  
Neil J. MacDonald  
Edward M. Petronie  
Roy C. Pratt  
Thomas V. Rost





# Family Picnic 2013



## PICNIC BINGO COMMITTEE

Chairman	Thomas McIntyre
Co-Chairman	Michael R. Dunleavy
Co-Chairman	Thomas H. Higgins
Co-Chairman	Gary Weinheimer
Co-Chairman	James Ryan
Co-Chairman	Michael Varholla

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

Mike Conroy  
Michael Cook  
Joseph DiMenno  
Rich Dunkel  
Ronald Dunkel  
Mike Dunleavy  
Aaron Eicker  
Denny Eicker  
Ron Ewing  
Leticia Fedora

## BINGO AND GOLF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Buddy Franklin  
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  
James Prendergast  
Paul Reinert  
Edward Reinhardt  
Casey Roche  
James Ruane  
James Rzekzkowski

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





## 2013 PICNIC WINNERS

### ADULT RAFFLE WINNERS

Jesse Kildow  
Amber Stites  
Amy Stangrecki  
Ron Marangoni  
Phillip Watt

Doris Uhlig  
Ashley Yurkovich  
Ron Marangoni  
Christina Eifler

Martha Turner  
William Stefanka  
Laura Dougherty  
Diana Thomas

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Golf Winner :  
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Fred Guenther

### CHILDREN RAFFLE WINNERS

#### Girls 0 - 3

Maci Stovash  
Jordyn Kenbok  
Layla Crouse  
Alexis Ferrie  
Addie Rydbom  
Emberlee Harber

#### Girls 4 - 7

Madison Wilding  
Rebecca Thorpe  
Arianna Seth  
Kacey Leuch  
Danielle Terpack  
Viola Ching  
Gracie Dunkle

#### Boys 0 - 3

Donte Price  
Alex Quan  
Randy Lawson  
Levi Anderson  
Cassandra Beckett  
Ian Leuch

#### Boys 4 - 7

J.Grice  
Josiah Archer  
Gavin Mckenzie  
Sean Muchnok  
Jacob Haas  
Isaac Quevy  
Ryan Conroy

#### Girls 8 - 11

Megan Betz  
Katelyn Stivers  
Olivia Kmiec  
Kate Muchnok  
Ava Rhoads  
Thomas Zink  
Madison Botteich

#### Girls 12 - 16

Morgan Nagle  
Chelsey Washington  
Hayley Mccrea  
Deanna Rease

#### Boys 8 - 11

Chris Rauch  
Daniel Sherwood  
Ryan Martin  
Grant Hoover  
Mark Shemerdiak  
Seth Zandarski  
Kendall Caryll

#### Boys 12 - 16

Cody Conroy  
Jonathan Newhouse  
James Pennington  
Brandon Telegdy













REPORT OF LEGAL COUNCIL - JOSHUA M. BLOOM

Insurance companies and their lobbyists will never stop trying to limit the rights of injured workers. A perfect example of those efforts is House Bill 1636, which a group of 19 Republican State Representatives introduced on August 6, 2013. House Bill 1636 would allow an insurance company to setup one or more coordinated care organizations, or groups of medical providers, for treatment of injured workers. The injured worker then would have to treat with only medical providers who participate in the coordinated care organizations the insurance company sets up. In other words, House Bill 1636 would allow insurance companies to hold injured workers captive by never allowing them to seek treatment for work injuries from a doctor of their choosing.

House Bill 1636 serves only as another slap in the face to hard-working individuals who are unfortunate enough to suffer disabling injuries while simply trying to earn a living. Insurance companies are already allowed to make employees jump through too many hoops and restrict treatment options in the event of a work injury.

For instance, workers often are forced to treat with the insurance company's choice of physicians for the first 90 days of treatment. The insurance companies are not the ones who need more help when it comes to workers' compensation legislation.

House Bill 1636 is the kind of legislation that needs to die before it comes up for even one vote. For that reason, you should call your State Representative or Senator to make sure he or she does not support House Bill 1636.

Also, if you have any further questions regarding House Bill 1636 or workers' compensation law in general, please do not hesitate to contact our law firm right away at 412-288-6000 for a free consultation.

Joshua Bloom & Associates, P.C. 1230 Grant Building 310 Grant Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219 412-288-6000 bloomlawyers.com



HARRISBURG REPORT - DAN MILLER

This May I was honored to be elected to serve the people of the 42nd State House District in Harrisburg. This was a truly humbling experience for me and I did not get there without help. Besides from the sacrifices of my family and personal friends, I was very blessed to have that support of working people from across the state- most of whom I never met- to be a voice for the middle class. I plan on making the most of this opportunity.

I am the eldest child of immigrant parents and the first in my family to earn a bachelor's degree. Thanks to the determination of my family, the eventual security of union benefits, and the occasional assistance of good, government programs, my sister and I now have opportunities my parents never did. Unfortunately for many such "opportunity ladders" are becoming harder and harder to find. We don't need more jobs that give workers that "right" to work for less, but rather good jobs that push families forward and grow the middle class. Many of the jobs now being created are not the family-sustaining jobs that

we are losing. Today there seems to be just as many families struggling to stay in the middle class as there are trying to reach it.

We need to support initiatives that create family-sustaining jobs. Many of these jobs are all around us just waiting to be funded. Infrastructure needs are great throughout the state. We have deteriorating roads, bridges, and sewers, mass transit needs, and schools waiting to be refurbished and rebuilt. And we have a skilled workforce ready to get to work. All Harrisburg needs to do is say go.

In order to get the green-light on many such projects elected officials need to hear from you. I urge you to contact your individual representatives and let them know what a family-sustaining job is to you. As always, please feel free to contact me at [repmiller@pahouse.net](mailto:repmiller@pahouse.net) or 412-343-3870 on this or any topic.



Emergency Responders of the Clearfield Apprentice Class



On June 25, 2013, Apprentices attending a CCAC class, Instructed by Tammy Miller, were on a break. Some of the students were standing outside, when they noticed smoke coming from one of the neighboring buildings. One of the students exclaimed that the building was a nursing home. With that the entire class sprang into action and ran to the rescue.

When they got there they found the building full of elderly people none of whom were aware that the building was on fire. No alarms or sprinklers had been activated since the fire was on the roof.

These brave apprentices made the decision that they had to get them out. They ran down the hallway knocking on doors making sure everyone was made aware of the situation. Some of the residents were unable to walk so the students had to carry them out, many with

oxygen tanks attached. The students said they could hear the rumbling and crackling of fire above the ceiling as they carried the patients down the hallway out of the building to safety.

Some of the students stayed outside to keep the patients calm until rescue personnel arrived. There were no injuries to the 60 or so patients or to the staff. All were safely evacuated even though the building looks to be a total loss.

There is no question that without the fast thinking and bravery and thinking of these apprentices the outcome would have been different. A big thank you goes out to the following apprentices for their selflessness in the eye of danger.

2013 Scholarships Are Awarded

The I.B.E.W. Local #5 – Western Pennsylvania Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) Scholarship Trust Fund has awarded the 2013 scholarships to:

John T. Chalovich  
Kathryn Muzzio  
Samantha Ritter

Applications for the 2014 scholarships will be available from September 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. 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:  
<http://www.unionplus.org/college-education-financing/union-plus-scholarship>

BLOOD BANK HONOR ROLL

Campbell, Dennis	Hay, Wayne	Patton, Darrell
Clapper, David	Kopta, Donald	Pillion, Thomas
Conroy, Michael	Kovach, Jennifer	Plance, Cindy
Elder, Andrew	Kuehn, Edward	Sipes, James
Evanhec, Kenneth	Lachman, Russell	Staudt, Michael
Giarnelli, Eugene	Lemons, Robert	Thearle, Margaret
Grady, Susanne	Lydon, Robert	Waigand, Thomas
Hamlin, Kenneth	Mccormick, David	Williams, Michael
Harman, Herbert	Notto, Joseph	Winarski, Mark



# Local No. 5 Endorsements

## VOTE

November 5, 2013

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



**Superior Court Judge**  
Jack McVay, Jr.

**RETENTION ELECTION  
SUPREME COURT OF PA**  
Max Baer  
Ronald D. Castile

**RETENTION ELECTION  
SUPERIOR COURT OF PA**  
Jack A. Panella  
Susan Peikes Gantman

**RETENTION ELECTION  
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**  
Ronald W. Folino  
Kathleen R. Mulligan  
Lawrence J. O'Toole  
Jill E. Rangos  
Christine A. Ward  
John A. Zottola

**Fayette County  
Common Pleas Judges**  
Linda Cordaro  
Joseph George

**MAYOR OF ALTOONA**  
John Pentland

**ALTOONA SCHOOL BOARD**  
Elizabeth Chapman  
John Klingeman  
John Donley

**Allegheny County  
Common Pleas Judges**  
Mark Tranquilli  
Paul Cozza  
Jennifer Satler  
P.J. Murray

**SHERIFF**  
Bill Mullen

<b>COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
DISTRICT 1	Daniel McClain, Jr.
DISTRICT 3	Ed Kress
DISTRICT 4	Michael J. Finnerty
DISTRICT 8	Charles Martoni
DISTRICT 9	Robert Macey
DISTRICT 12	Jim Ellenbogen

**MAYOR OF PITTSBURGH**  
William Puduto

<b>CITY COUNCIL</b>	
DISTRICT 2	Theresa Smith
DISTRICT 4	Natalia Rudiak
DISTRICT 6	Robert Daniel Lavelle
DISTRICT 7	Deborah L. Gross
DISTRICT 8	Dan Gilman

### PITTSBURGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

DISTRICT 1	Sylvia Wilson
DISTRICT 5	Terry Kennedy
DISTRICT 7	Cindy Falls
DISTRICT 9	Carolyn Klug



# RETIREE CLUB



One of the nice surprises about retirement is the Local #5 Retirees Club. It is a great way to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and learn about the history and long standing contribution Local #5 has made to our region.

With the continued and much appreciated support of Mike Dunleavy and Local #5, the officers and volunteers of the Retirees Club are able to offer special events to their members that include the Christmas luncheon and two picnics each year.

Our latest picnic was a great success at the Monroeville Community Park. With the park setting, large pavilion, and the handicapped accessibility to the pavilion and facilities, everyone enjoyed the buffet luncheon, the dessert table, music, bingo and great prizes.

Our next event is our Christmas luncheon at the I.B.E.W. Local #5 Circuit Center on Monday, December 2nd. You will enjoy a sit down luncheon prepared by the Fluted Mushroom, songs and music provided by one of our favorite DJ's, prizes and great conversation. The picnics are held in June and September.

We welcome all new members. If you would like to join us, please call Dick Koontz at 412-371-6339.



## 13th Annual Explorers Post 105 "First Night" Meeting



**International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers**  
LOCAL UNION NO. 5

5 HOT METAL STREET, SUITE 400, PITTSBURGH, PA 15203-2355  
PHONE: (412) 432-1400 FAX: (412) 432-1499

**IBEW LOCAL UNION NO. 5 EXPLORER TROOP 105**

5 Hot Metal Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15203-2355  
Phone: 412-432-1400 Fax: 412-432-1499

**2010 - 2011 Meeting and \*Field Trip Schedule**

**\*\* Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
\*Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010- Green Building Tour at 8:45AM  
Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010  
Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
\*Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010- CCI Bldg. Energy Audit and IBEW Solar Panels  
No Meeting in December- Happy Holidays!  
Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
\*Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011- Solar Power Industries and Sota Construction  
Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
\*Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011- Urban Gardener and Mattress Factory  
Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011

**\*\* All Meetings will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. except for the September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting, which will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

\*We may schedule field trips on some of these dates. You will receive advance notice and more updates about these trips in the near future.

We look forward and thank you for your participation in the upcoming year!!

**International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers**  
Local Union No. 5  
Explorer Post Committee Members

Walter J. Bentley  
Norman C. Brice  
Mike Carter  
Mike Williams

Our Explorer Post 105 held its 13th Annual "First Night Meeting" on Thursday September 26th, 2013. Our program is set-up to expose 9th to 12th grade high school students from 14 to 20 years old who expressed interest in the construction trades, particularly the electrical trades, through surveys they complete for the Boy Scouts of America, Learning for Life Division. Our Explorer program has mentored and prepared youth with what they need to know and expect in the field, and what will be expected of them if they are chosen. Explorer Post 105 has helped to produce qualified apprenticeship applicants and successful Journeymen Wiremen.

Local Union Brothers Mike Carter, Mike Williams, Norman Brice, Gary Leavengood, Tom Platt, Jeffrey Eifler and Walt Bentley volunteer as the Post Advisors and Michael R. Dunleavy, Business Manager-Financial Secretary as the Post Chairman of the Explorer Post.

Brother Mike Carter welcomed our guest and explained the hands-on work, exam preparation and interviewing skills we perform throughout the 2013-2014 season. Brother Mike also let the group know about the upcoming meetings scheduled with special presentations from Duquesne Light Company, a City of Pittsburgh School Board sheet metal worker, plumber, steamfitter and carpenter.

Mike Carter introduced Brother Walt Bentley and spoke to the group about the JATC Apprenticeship requirements, benefits, length of the program, CCAC program, and how important it is to study and prepare for the entrance exam and to practice their interviewing skills. Brother Mike then introduced the City Of Pittsburgh Police Department DARE Officer Gary Rupert. Officer Rupert talked to the group about making the right choices in life and not allowing their friends to influence their direction, because if they make a bad choice it could affect their future employment and educational opportunities. Mike Carter introduced Alahna Bell, Unit Service Executive of Exploring Program of the Boy Scouts of America. Alahna explained the Learning for Life Explorer Program. Alahna also told the group about having this great opportunity to experience this trade through exploring before they make a final commitment. We held an open question and answer period, and Norman Brice took the group on a tour around the JATC Training Center.

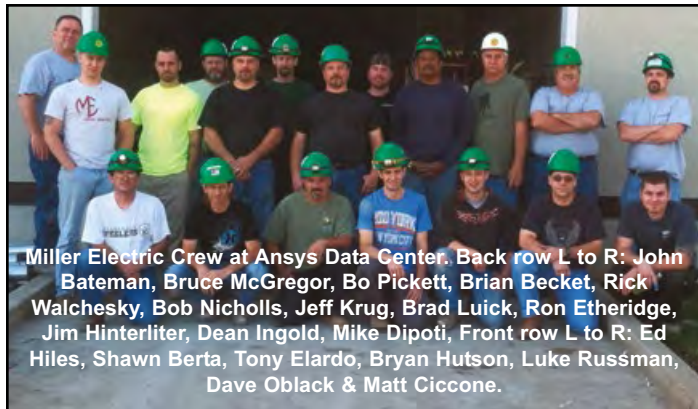
Our Explorer Post 105 meets on the 4th Thursday of each month from September, 2013 through April, 2014, except the November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 26th due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, and we do not meet in December. We meet between the hours of 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Training Center Atrium. If you have any interest in volunteering as an adult advisor, or if you know someone between the ages of 14 to 20 years old, and 9th to 12th grade student that may be interested in becoming a Youth Member of Explorer Post 105, please feel free to contact Carol Sunday, Local Union No.5 receptionist at 412-432-1400.



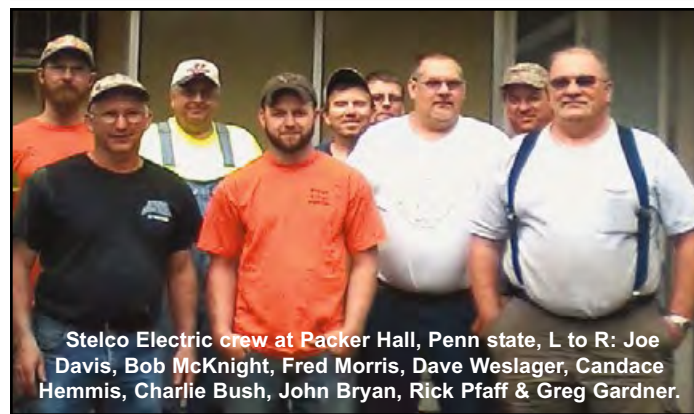
## From the North by Jim Saeler



## From the Near - North by Rich Dunkel



## From the North by Bob Kutz



## From the Far North - East by Jeff Miller



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# TV TALK

BY Jim Ryan

It's hard to believe that it has been over a year already that I have been representing Mike Dunleavy and Local 5 for all of our broadcasting members. It has been a busy year of learning to be a union representative, building relationships with our signatories, and negotiating agreements that will benefit the broadcasting members.

I have made visits to all of your workplaces to see how things are going and to give you an opportunity to voice any concerns or questions you may have. Obviously, since I am not able to be at your workplace on a day to day basis, I need you to contact me whenever there is an issue or concern. I understand that most people do not want to complain, but I would prefer to hear about issues long before they are at a critical stage. This way we are able to plan how to handle the issue, and not have to react to it. So, if you have an issue or know of an issue in your workplace, please contact me. In the past I have been told that everyone assumes that someone else has called me about an issue, when in fact no one has. I would rather hear about an issue from many members than to have everyone assume I have been told.

For our freelance members, your job history has been online at [www.ibew5.org](http://www.ibew5.org) since the beginning of the year. Please contact the union office for instructions on how to access your personal account. On the website, you are able to review the personal information that the union has for you, and see the number of work days that have been reported for you. Your dues are based off of these dates so please review your job history frequently. If you see any discrepancies, please report them to us at the union office. For TV station members, there is no work history on the website for you since your dues are not calculated in the same manner as a freelance member. However, you can review the personal information that the union has for you so that you will receive any mailings.

As a reminder, try to attend the monthly General Membership Meeting. The meetings are on the second Friday of every month at 8 PM at the union hall. Also plan to attend some of the other events that your union holds for you. These are the Family Picnic at Idlewild Park, the Labor Day Parade and Banquet, and the annual Christmas Party. For more information on any of these events, call the union office.

As stated earlier, if you have any issues, feel free to call me at 412-432-1400.

## ALLEGHENY COUNTY







## BEST WISHES TO PENSIONERS

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



### APRIL 2013

David W. McGee

Scott L. Milligan  
John R. Powell

George D. Yagulli

### MAY 2013

James H. Benton  
Donald R. Bitters

Michael G. Jones  
Donald L. Kuhn, Jr.

Gary L. Landefeld  
John J. Zielinski

### JUNE 2013

William L. Kerrigan

John P. McDonough

Sherman Moye

### JULY 2013

Gary L. Bence  
Lawrence E. Logsdon

David E. Marti  
David T. McNeil

Kirk C. Niemeyer

### AUGUST 2013

Thomas B. Benson  
Charles H. Lesko, Jr.

Thomas C. Orchard  
Robert A. Peters

Norman R. Williams

### SEPTEMBER 2013

Douglas C. Bower

Floyd Foster  
Bertram B. Holmes

Dennis K. Hurd

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS CARD

It is very important that you notify the Local union promptly  
of any mailing address or phone number change!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO:

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## BENEFIT INFORMATION

**IBEW LOCAL 5 OFFICE: 412-432-1400 or Toll Free 1-800-225-IBEW**

Judy Elkanich: Pension applications, deceased member notification / information, beneficiary changes ,  
scheduling of appointments with the Business Manager, "Honorary and Participating"  
withdraw information, and "Military Card" requests.

Leona Vozar: Highmark, Security Blue, Freedom Blue, UPMC, Pensioners \$10 Dental and Optical  
Premium and Maintenance assessments.

Patty Lusnak: Dues payments and inquiries, change of address notifications, and BA Member  
information.

**National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA): 412-432-1155**

Chris Cottrill: Scholarship information.  
Cyndee Wilbur: Pension benefit calculation inquires and W.P.E.E. Insurance Trust Fund Death benefit  
beneficiary updates.

**JATC Apprenticeship Office: 412-432-1145**

Lisa McManus: Apprenticeship information.

**Central Data Services: 412-432-1125 or Toll Free 1-877-782-1410**

Susan Lovely: Beneficiary changes and ERTS.  
Kathy Smith: Deferred Compensation, Supplemental unemployment Benefit (SUB) withdrawal, and  
Sick and Disability benefit inquiries. (412) 432-1144

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Medical/Surgical, Major Medical, Dental, and Vision claim Inquires

**Pensioners Dental & Optical Claims**

Patty Senich: (412) 432-1130 or Toll Free 1-800-382-1428

**Secretary of Funds: 412-432-1128 or Toll Free 1-877-782-1817**

Susan Lovely: Contractor contribution information, benefit hour information, vacation check inquiries.

**IBEW Local 5 Federal Credit Union: 412-432-1152**

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**Social Security Information: 1-800-772-1213**

Any other questions or concerns can be directed through  
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## IN FRATERNAL MEMORY

### Deceased Retired Members

William T. Tignor	Aug.	1, 1914	- April	4, 2013
Gary H. Blank	June	7, 1953	- May	28, 2013
Jacob G. Waugaman	March	14, 1928	- June	13, 2013
Floyd E. Rettig	July	1, 1926	- June	22, 2013
Sean W. Sweeney	Nov.	22, 1975	- June	24, 2013
Robert L. Wilson	Nov.	20, 1925	- July	13, 2013
Alexander R. Berry	Feb.	17, 1924	- July	24, 2013
William D. Heckathorn	April	10, 1936	- Aug.	23, 2013
Lewis A. Hays	Jan.	20, 1936	- Sept.	7, 2013

### Deceased Active Members

Terry A. Webber	Nov.	14, 1951	- May	26, 2013
David J. Fidanzato	May	25, 1955	- June	22, 2013
Steven P. Shemerdiak	Aug.	27, 1966	- July	18, 2013
James D. Edwards	Oct.	11, 1960	- Aug.	22, 2013

### Business Agents Home Numbers

Richard Dunkel. . . . .	724-334-4295	Alfred Franklin . . . . .	814-372-2360
Thomas Higgins . . . . .	724-941-6551	William Garner . . . . .	412-793-4649
Robert Kutz . . . . .	814-941-2776	<b>Manpower Coordinator's Office</b>	
Thomas McIntyre . . . . .	412-854-1148	Michael Varholla . . . . .	412-432-1400
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