



INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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NJATC SOLAR TRAINING AT LOCAL 5

Solar is the Latin word for sun—a powerful source of energy that can be used to heat, cool, and light our homes and businesses. That's because more energy from the sun falls on the earth in one hour than is used by everyone in the world in one year. A variety of technologies convert sunlight to usable energy for buildings. The most commonly used solar technologies for homes and businesses are solar water heating, passive solar design for space heating and cooling, and solar photovoltaics for electricity.

Businesses and industry also use these technologies to diversify their energy sources, improve efficiency, and save money. Solar photovoltaic and concentrating solar power technologies are also being used by developers and utilities to produce electricity on a massive scale to power cities and small towns.

Recently our local JATC hosted a regional Photovoltaic Systems class, which several of our instructors attended. The class was extremely informative and covered everything from basic installation to 2008 NEC requirements. Since the end of the class, the JATC instructors have been working diligently on an acceptable curriculum to present to our membership. The contents of our class will hopefully include the principles of PV electricity and how to effectively incorporate it into stand-alone or utility-connected electrical systems. Other topics to be looked at might include: industry growth, solar radiation, array orientation, components and system configurations, system sizing and design, mechanical and electrical installation, utility interconnection, codes and regulations, safe work practices, maintenance, and economic impact.

In just the past few weeks, the JATC has purchased a small classroom array for demonstration purposes during the class. In the very near future we hope to have installed a working array on our rooftop as well. With this array, not only will you see an example of a working system, but we also hope to show you the immediate economic impact the system has through metering. A few of our instructors have been visiting jobsites that have allowed us to photograph their installations for class room use as well, adding to the experience. Look for details about the class in future editions of this paper, or at your monthly union meetings.

Energy production and maintenance is nothing new for the members of IBEW Local No. 5. Some call it the new Green economy. Whether coal, natural gas, wind, sun, or hydro our members have worked on it all.

The future with our vast resources in coal and natural gas provide tremendous opportunities for our members. Clean Coal technologies, carbon capture and sequestration, smart grid—all pose opportunities that will pay off for the IBEW member that is trained and productive in putting together these exciting technologies of the future.



Journeyman Jason Stewart finishes up the Photovoltaic System on top of the Regional Enterprise Tower (former Alcoa Bldg.) This consisted of a 10KW Three Phase System.



Corner by Michael Dunleavy



I will begin this column with our highest priority issue "Employment". We are in the midst of our traditional winter slowdown exacerbated by the weather and further complicated by the general economic downturn. At this time, we have 88 percent of the Local Union employed. We are working aggressively to improve on that figure. Some short term fixes include the use of Industry Advancement Program funds, securing financing for local developers and using our established relationships to expedite projects. Additional efforts, such as, increased political involvement, continuing education and training especially in new technologies (Green), the expanded use of Project Labor Agreements specifically with school districts, counties, cities and authorities, produce longer term benefits. The bottom line is that we must constantly strive to increase our market share. The Local's market share in the industrial market is in excess of 70 percent. The Local's market share in the large institutional market is in excess of 70 percent. The Local's market share in the large commercial market is in excess of 70 percent. Based on dollars and on man hours, we enjoy a better share of these markets than Coca-Cola enjoys in the soft drink market. The Local's market share in the mid-sized commercial is approximately 55 percent. The area where we need to be much more competitive is the small commercial/small retail markets where we have a market share of approximately 40 percent. We are going to work aggressively within the perimeters mandated by the International Office to continue to increase our market

share, particularly, in the small commercial and retail markets.

You hear a great deal in the media about "Green Jobs". As you know, we have been installing solar arrays, constructing wind turbines, wiring energy management systems and retrofitting lighting for over twenty years. These technologies may be called new but the electrical theory behind installing them has been taught by our Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee for years. Please remember that this is your work. If you see anyone other than a Local Union No. 5 electrician installing any "Green Technology", you should contact the business agent in that area.

I will remind everyone, again, that the Local Unions position on healthcare is as follows: We are in favor of reform as long as it provides healthcare for all so that we no longer have to pay for the uninsured. We do not want the non-union contractors to be able to opt out by paying a small token penalty. Last, we do not want our benefits to be taxed in any way. Please contact our senators and let them know your position on this vital issue.

I will conclude by congratulating Brother Chris Bradley. Brother Bradley has been given the highest honor that the I.B.E.W. can bestow, the Life Saving Award. The specifics of Brother Bradley's heroic act are told in detail in an article on this page. Please take the time to read it.

Member Chris Bradley Saves Life

On a crisp fall day along Pittsburgh's Allegheny riverfront, Chris Bradley, 35, took a lifesaving leap.

"It's a day I'll never forget," said Bradley, a journeyman wireman from Local 5.

It was close to lunchtime on November 17th. Bradley was doing wiring work in a newly-built park dedicated to famed children's TV icon "Mr. Rogers." He was working right next to the river when he heard a woman scream. He looked at the water just in time to see a man and a bike sinking beneath the surface.

"He was on the bottom and I could see bubbles coming out of his mouth," Bradley said. "I could also see a bike helmet, so I went for it."

With temperatures in the 40's, Bradley whipped off his coat and boots and dove into the chilly river. He swam to the bottom, grabbed the man, and pulled him to the surface. The dazed bicyclist was conscious, but silent.

With the man balanced on his shoulder, Bradley treaded water for several minutes until his co-workers threw a rope. They pulled the victim to safety, and then lifted his rescuer out of the water. Bradley would later find out that the man he saved didn't know how to swim.

"He said 'I owe you my life,'" Bradley said. The pair shared a meal together several weeks after the incident.

"Chris did a brave thing for this man. We're proud of him," said Local 5 Business Manager Mike Dunleavy.

The rescue happened just a few feet from the Pittsburgh park dedicated to the late Fred Rogers, the TV host and minister who grew up in a small town nearby. Rogers became one of the city's favorite sons with the success of his PBS show that offered educational and inspirational messages to pre-schoolers.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility," Rogers once said. "It's easy to say 'it's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes."

Chris Bradley doesn't call himself a hero, but is glad he was there to help.

"I didn't think about it, I just did it," Bradley said. "It's was just really nice to be there for someone in need."



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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Date: December, 2009

To: All Active Members

From: Michael R. Dunleavy, Business Manager

Re: New Kensington Referral Book Location Change

As of Tuesday, January 12th, 2010, the sign-up location for the New Kensington referral book will be changed to:

COUNTRY MANOR MOTEL
4168 STATE ROUTE 66
APOLLO, PA

724-334-4295

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Every Tuesday of the Week

The Country Manor Motel is located at the intersection of Route 66 and 380.

PITTSBURGH RETIREES CLUB

by Ron Reibie



Those reading this article are well aware of the blessings of being members of IBEW Local Union #5, and as retirees, we know that blessing continues on. As a retired member of IBEW Local Union #5, I am now privileged to be a part of IBEW Local 5 Pittsburgh Retirees Club, and even more than that, I have the privilege of writing a brief article outlining the past year's Club events

For me, if we did nothing other than gather for our monthly meeting, enjoy coffee, doughnuts, and each other, the year would be most satisfying, but there is so much more that is made available to us! We invite outside guests from time to time, including our Local Union officers, to share their expertise with us at our meetings. We keep no attendance records, as we are well aware we are retired and things do come up from time to time. We dress casually and never do our meetings become boring due to heavy content or length! We do have elected officers that do a super job of keeping things on track and orderly.

We enjoy 2 picnics with our wives, one at North Park in June and the other, in South Park in September. We are always invited to participate in the Annual Denny Miller Family Picnic at Idlewild Park in June – again, basically, as guests of the Local Union! We are the guests of the Local Union at the annual Labor Day Parade as we 50-year members ride air-conditioned buses the entire route of the Parade. Following the parade, we enjoy the marvelous picnic refreshments with active brothers and sisters!

In 2009, members shared an enjoyable day travelling by chartered bus from the Local's parking lots to Station Square for dinner, followed by a bus trip to Heinz Hall for a wonderful Christmas show and back to our cars again. Many would consider our Christmas luncheon, again along with our wives, the highlight of our year, and the writer feels very strongly that it is a great way to close out the year! The food is marvelous, and only eclipsed by the fellowship we enjoy with each other.

It is our earnest desire that many more of our retired members will join us and enjoy what we all enjoy- allow the blessing to continue. There is no doubt, the \$65 dues we pay, continues as the best bargain in our budget! All you need to do is join us at the Local Union's Apprenticeship building on the first Monday of each month at 9:30 AM, or better yet, give our President, Glenn Almsy a call at 412-798-1618.



GOLF CLUB NEWS

by Bob Guenther



Here we are, getting ready to start our 34th year as a Golf Club. We will have a full schedule again this year. Not all of our outings are booked at this time, but rest assured it will be another great year. We start out this year on May 15th, as we have for the past 33 years, at Oak Lake Golf Course. On June the 26th we go to Lake Arthur Golf Course in Butler County. After playing this course we will enjoy our usual buffet dinner. July is up in the air at this time, but we are looking at Donegal Highlands as a possibility. We have played this course in the past. We move into August with the anticipation of playing a weekend outing again this year at Nemaocolin Woodlands Links Course on Saturday, August 21st, and the famous Mystic Rock on Sunday August 22nd. We are still looking for a course to play in September, but it should be a good one. Keep in mind that all of our Saturday outings include golf, a cart, dinner, and refreshments. There is always a good time to be had. Come out with us and renew some old friendships and start a few new ones. These outings are open to all members of Local 5, with no dues to pay. There are five monthly outings. Play in one or play in all of them. Keep in mind that there are a limited number of tee times for every outing. Don't be shut out. Sign up early. If you are not on the mailing list, just call **Bob Guenther** at 412-849-1988 (cell) or at 412-461-5702 at home, or see any of our club's golfers for more information. Don't wait; May 15th will be here soon.

2009 Tropy Winners

Oak Lake:	Donegal Highlands
Flight 1 - Chris Gualazzi	Flight 1 - Doug Clingan
Flight 2 - John Rankin	Flight 2 - Matt Richardson
Retiree/Senior Flight — Fred Guenther	Retiree/Senior Flight — Bill Reinert
Lake Arthur:	Hillcrest Country Club:
Flight 1 - Grant Merryman	Flight 1 - Jim Earley, Sr.
Flight 2 - Chuck Gerdes	Flight 2 - John Rankin
Retiree/Senior Flight — Tom O'Donnell	Retiree/Senior Flight — Tom O'Donnell

Skill Prize Winners (all events): Mark Staudt, Bob Guenther, Bob Kostilnik, Jim Earley, Tony Simoni, Roy Beitle, Ken Wuerthele, Grant Merryman, Norm Brice, Mark Wuerthele, Ed Kearns, Bill Trudeau, John L. Montgomery, Rick Brooks, Jeff Wuerthele, Lou Schurr, and Bob Pastorius.

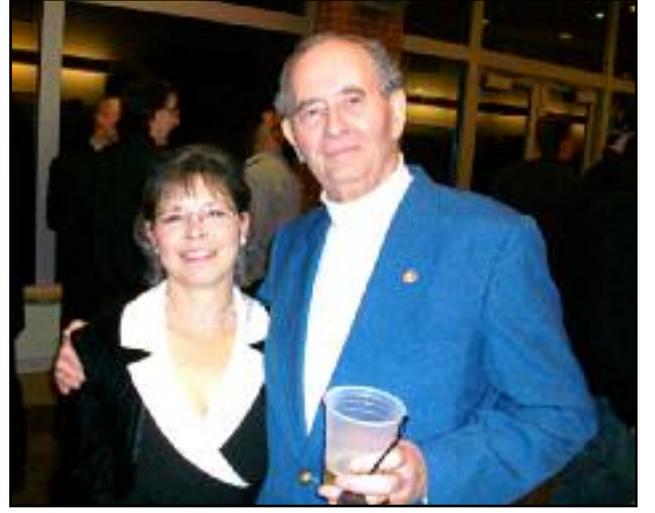
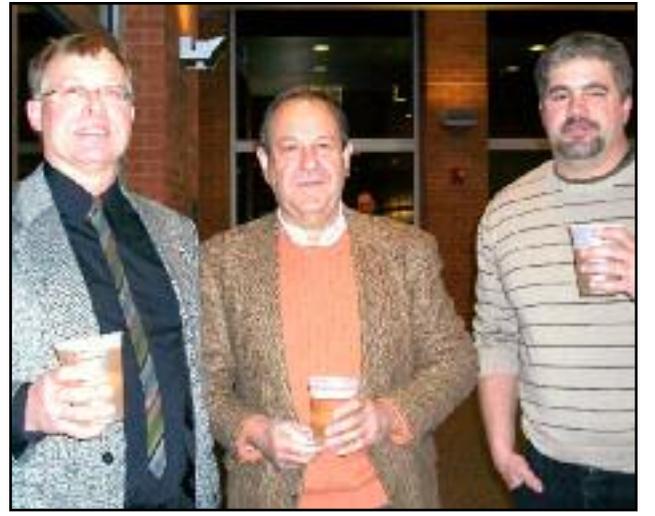
Thanks to Chuck Gerdes and all of the other scorekeepers and helpers for their work throughout the year. A special thanks to Mike Conroy and Rick Moon. Without everyone's help, these outings would not be possible.



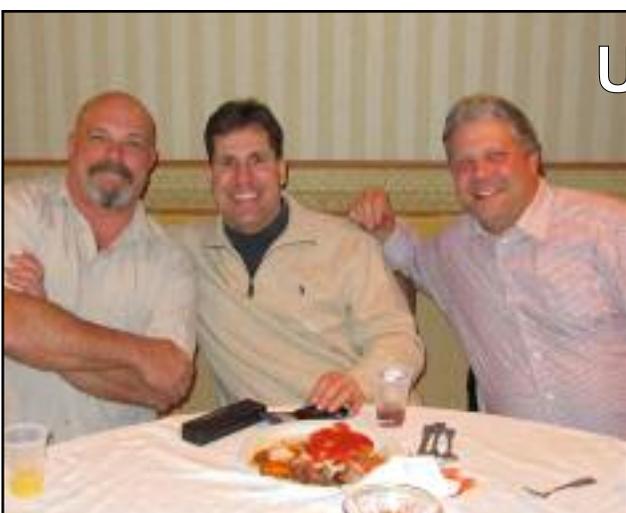
CHRISTMAS PARTY IN PITTSBURGH

Pictures by Leticia Fedora & Michael Varholla





BUTLER MEETING



UNIONTOWN MEETING



ALTOONA MEETING

RIDGWAY MEETING

REPORT OF LEGAL COUNCIL - JOSHUA M. BLOOM

Under the Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Act, workers who suffer work related injuries are entitled to wage-loss benefits equal to two-thirds (2/3) of their average weekly wage. However, there are minimum and maximum compensation rates that are payable, regardless of actual earnings. As of January 1, 2010, the maximum weekly rate that an injured worker may receive has been increased to \$845.00 per week. If you are receiving Workers' Compensation benefits, make sure you are being paid the appropriate rate.

If you have suffered a work related injury, you must make sure that the following deadlines are met in order to preserve your Workers' Compensation rights. First, you must notify your employer immediately - - preferably in writing (retain copy). If you do not notify your employer within 120 days of the date that you became aware of your injury, your rights will be forever lost. Second, you must file your claim with the PA Workers' Compensation Bureau within 3 years of the date that you knew or should have known of your work injury, or your rights will be forever lost. Often times, employers pay wages to their workers while they work light duty and never notify the workers' compensation insurance company. This appears to be a solution, but really is a disaster waiting to happen. If the deadlines pass to file your claim and your employer stops paying you wages and paying for your medical bills, you will have forever lost your rights to receive compensation for lost wages and medical bills. Always make sure your claim has been properly submitted to your employer's insurance company and that your claim has been timely filed.

Many injured workers ask the ques-

tion of whether or not they have to accept a light-duty position that is different from their previous employment. Generally, the answer is yes. And, generally, if you do not accept the light-duty position, you risk losing some or all of your Workers' Compensation benefits.

There are also a lot of questions about whether an injured worker must treat with the employer's panel of physicians. Generally speaking, injured workers must seek treatment for the work injury or illness with one of the designated providers for 90 days from the date of the first visit. However, there are numerous guidelines associated with this general rule. A few key guidelines include:

- The list must contain at least six providers, three of whom must be physicians.
- The employer may not direct the employee to any specific provider on the list.
- The employee may switch from one designated provider to another designated provider.
- If a particular specialty is not on the list and the specialty care is reasonable and necessary for treatment of the work injury, the employee can treat with a specialist of his/her own choosing.

Finally, if the insurer has denied your claim, or if your claim has been accepted but now the employer/insurer has filed a Petition to Terminate, Suspend, or Modify your benefits, you will need a lawyer.

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HARRISBURG REPORT - MATTHEW H. SMITH

I am happy to inform you that a key worker misclassification bill (the Construction Workplace Fraud Act) that I co-sponsored and voted for passed the state house in May 2009. The bill penalizes employers who misclassify their workers so they can avoid paying taxes and workers' compensation premiums. I think this piece of legislation is significant because we must penalize those employers engaged in misclassification of employees and provide this protection to employees so that they received benefits to which they are entitled as employees.

Employers who are intentionally and habitually misclassifying their workers as independent contractors are doing so to avoid paying their fair share of taxes. But in the process, they also deprive their employees of workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, overtime and other benefits they are due.

This tax evasion strategy cheats workers and above-board employers that pay taxes as the law requires them to, and it puts these unscrupulous employers at an advantage over other businesses.

House Bill 400 establishes a presumption that individuals who work in the construction industry are employees of the party that pays their wages, unless the company can prove they are legitimate independent contractors. In other words, the service or services that they perform are and must be outside of the normal course of business that this particular employer encompasses. They must be engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business.

The intentional misclassification of construction workers, such as electricians, carpenters, plumbers and laborers, has been on the rise in recent years, and the practice is driving down wages and living standards for hard working Pennsylvania workers. It is also concerning that some workers are not told about their classification as independent contractors by their employers. As a result, they do not file the appropriate tax forms required by the IRS for independent contractors, putting them in violation of federal law.

This measure would bring Pennsylvania in line with other states that have passed similar legislation and are able to capture the millions of dollars in tax revenue that is currently lost when employers don't pay into the workers' compensation fund or pay payroll and unemployment taxes.

The bill would make the intentional misclassification of an employee a third-degree felony and impose fines. Misclassification due to negligence would be a summary offense with fines. The bill is currently in the state Senate's Labor and Industry Committee. I urge my Senate colleagues to pass this important legislation without delay so that Pennsylvania employees receive the protection to which they are entitled and employers abusing the system are punished.

State Rep. Matthew H. Smith represents the 42nd. Legislative District, Allegheny County.



Caught in the Middle. . .Again!

Deja vu, all over again. A new development is ready to take shape in the City of Pittsburgh, bringing hundreds upon hundreds of good paying jobs to local residents. Electricians, carpenters, plumbers, steamfitters and other construction workers who depend on new development and building renovation for their livelihood anxiously await the opportunity to ply their trades.

Financing is in place. Bids are ready to be opened. Dirt is about to fly. Wait a minute. Not so fast. Somebody isn't happy. Somewhere there is an opportunity to delay construction to satisfy a different agenda. Somehow we'll find a way to discourage development, forgetting about the people who depend on that development to feed their families, pay their taxes and call Pittsburgh their home.

Local building trade workers and contractors often get caught in the middle. Sometimes it's the result of zoning. A building is too high, a garage is too big. Sometimes, it's a lack of community consensus or support for a particular project. Sometimes, it's an unreasonable demand placed on a developer or owner. Oftentimes, it's political.

A recent example is legislation introduced late last year by Pittsburgh

City Council to reportedly give itself veto power over almost all new construction by tax exempt institutions, such as hospitals and universities. Under this legislation, construction review and approval would no longer rest in the domain of the City Planning Commission, but would require the approval of City Council as well. Talk about overkill and added bureaucracy. Appointment to a Planning Commission should be based on each member's expertise and demonstrated good judgment. They should be entrusted with the responsibility to act based on sound policy decisions and their understanding and experience of the benefits and impacts of development. Unfortunately, their expertise may no longer be enough.

With each new layer of approval comes another opportunity to delay and discourage construction. Developers and owners wishing to build in the City of Pittsburgh already face substantial obstacles as a result of community benefits agreements and other neighborhood demands. Now could come another review and approval process, and with it another opportunity for politics to come into play.

Finding ways for non-profit organizations to help offset the cost of public services provided to them is a

legitimate topic of discussion for our elected officials. It's also currently a major point of contention between the Mayor, City Council and non-profit agencies, such as UPMC, West Penn/Allegheny and the area's many distinguished colleges and universities. While no one will admit that this issue and granting approval for construction projects for these same entities are related, how can they not be?

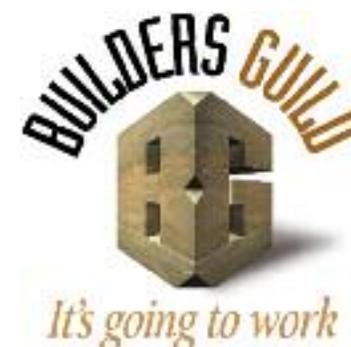
Any non-profit institution seeking to expand its facilities will have to consider the likelihood of approval given the financial condition of the city and the debate over city contributions from non-profits. Will it be worth the time, energy and cost for a non-profit agency to seek expansion before a governmental body (or electorate, should a public hearing be required) that is at odds with that institution? The cost in dollars and in public relations may be too high to risk.

At the very least, non-profit agencies may be reluctant to advance such a project until such time that it is absolutely assured of Council's passage. That could substantially postpone construction, if not deter it altogether. In the meantime, many building trade workers will sit idle waiting for the dust to settle and the next con-

struction project to be bid. It could be weeks, months or even years.

The construction industry has been hit hard by the current economy and forecasts for future work are poor or uncertain at best. Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania need to sustain the development that has begun to put this region back on the map of the country's most livable cities. Development needs to be welcomed and encouraged. To do otherwise threatens the livelihood of many Pittsburgh area residents. Construction should not be a political football. For when it is, all too often it's the construction worker and their contractors who are caught in the middle.

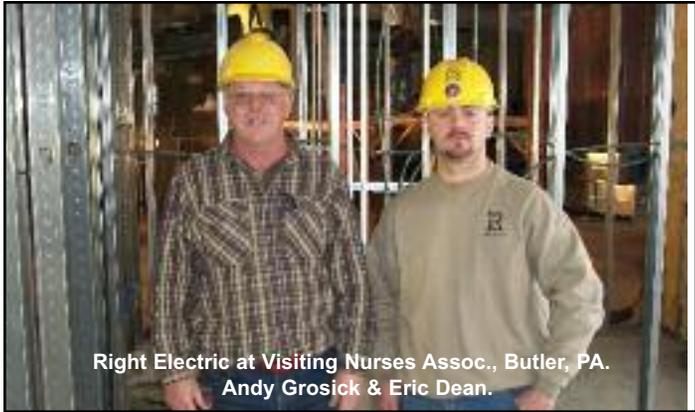
By Jason Fincke, Executive Director Builders Guild of Western Pennsylvania



From the North by Jim Saeler



Fuellgraf Electric at Butler Hospital
L to R: Brian Smith, Greg Crawford, George Wardle, Curt McFeely, Rich Hite, Dave Antil, Dennis Cornibe, Robert Edgar, Dan Cuffin, Ed Wright, Steve Olean, Mark Fry, Larry Shirey, Mike Dobies & Raviv Shannon.



Right Electric at Visiting Nurses Assoc., Butler, PA.
Andy Grosick & Eric Dean.

From the Near - North by Rich Dunkel



Hey Electric Crew. Allegheny Ludlum, Bagdad, Armstrong County, PA



Marsula Electric at Indiana University of Pennsylvania Dormitories

From the North by Bob Kutz



Biter Electric. Duncansville Sewage Treatment Plant. L to R: Gary Wills, Ed Kertes, Tom Mardula & Mel Lee.



Bettwy Electric. Hollidaysburg Stryker Brigade. L to R: Jeff Bender, Mark Brown & Bob Burley.

From the Far North - East by Jeff Miller



Kirby Electric at Shawville Generating Station. L to R: Justin Bair, Pete Fye, Mike Deterline, Todd Dale, Harvey Port, Tim Hutchins, Denny Hurd, Rick Pfaff, Parker Brinkley, John Cecchetti, Al Wolfhope, Joe Cornelius, Ron Paulson & Dave Porrin.



Mike Wilber, Hallstrom Clark Electric at Pitt University, Bradford Campus.

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THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRICAL EMPLOYEES INSURANCE TRUST FUND

Full-Time Student Status (Refer to Section 3-10 in SPD)
For dependents 20 to 25 years old and enrolled on a "full-time" basis, verification must be submitted in December for the Spring semester and August for the Fall semester. Must furnish member's full name and ID# found on the DEVON medical ID card.

Family Status Change: (Refer to Sections 3-9 through 3-13 in SPD)

Marriage: Mail in a copy of your Marriage certificate noting Social Security number and birth date of spouse.

Divorce: Submit a copy of the divorce decree.

Adding a Child(ren): Submit a copy of the birth certificate and social security number, whether the child is a blood descendant of the first degree or, a stepchild who will be residing in the member's household and whom the member is able to claim as a dependent on his/her federal income tax return.

Dependents approaching ineligible status: Call the Fund office.

When applicable, such as in a divorce, marriage, or birth of a child, remember to update your WPEE life insurance benefit beneficiary by calling the Fund office to acquire a Beneficiary Information Card.

Pre-Authorization of Surgical Procedures:

Please contact the Fund office prior to any surgical procedures to ensure that the surgery does not need to be authorized. This will ensure that the maximum benefit can be allowed for the procedure. It also ensures that the procedure is covered under the plan.

Durable Medical Equipment supplied by EBI or Biomet:

If your Doctor orders any Medical equipment for you and the supplier is **EBI or Biomet**, please call the Fund office prior to this equipment being placed in your home. This company is **NOT** doing the proper authorization for the supplies. Many participants have been responsible for the full expense. The Fund has another company that is a Devon Participating Provider and who will do all the proper steps to have the item(s) payable under the insurance. If you have any questions about any medical equipment, please call the Fund office.

DEVON Benefit Network
To inquire about participating providers:
1-800-225-8932
or
www.devonhealth.com

Giant Eagle Healthcare Prescription Drug Program
For locating a pharmacy near you or questions about medications:
1-800-440-0482
or
www.medcohealth.com

Submission of Claims
Notices from Collection Agencies are unacceptable.

When submitting claim related papers to the Fund Office, make certain papers are in procedure order, per provider, per patient/family member.

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Right Electric's crew at Bakery Square Spring Hill Suites. L to R: Damean Hilty, Adam Kulbacki, Pete Malloy, Courtney Cocola, Greg Norris, Dave Francia, Dave Miller, Jeff Pomponio & Chris Duranti.



Ferry Electric's crew at Market Square YMCA. L to R: Chad Lucot, Mike DeStefano, Rick Pfeifer, Shawn Sucevich, Patrick O'Toole, Ken Safer & Elbro Yelverton.



BEST WISHES TO PENSIONERS

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



OCTOBER 2009

Robert S. Glister
Gale E. (Harry) McClain

Michael F. Staudt
Robert A. Thomas

NOVEMBER 2009

Emanuel O. Flournoy
Lawrence G. Lott

Earl C. O'Black
Elmer H. Palmer

DECEMBER 2009

Robert S. Enos
James P. Grady

Richard Gaertner
Jeffrey H. Matthews

Dewayne Murray
William M. Shindlecker

BLOOD BANK DONORS FOURTH QUARTER 2009

Local 5 thanks our quarterly blood donors for their "gift of life" to others:

Catone, Robert J.	Konieczka, Jerome.	Overmyer, Dana D.
Chaff, Andrew M.	Kopta, Robert P.	Patton, Darrell W.
Conroy, Michael C.	Kovach, Jennifer R.	Pillion, Thomas J.
Ergler, Robert B.	Lachman, Russell G.	Plance, Cindy L.
Fleeger, Florence C.	Lesko, Charles H.	Rothhaar, Charles M.
Giarnelli, Eugene S.	Mc Cormick, David G.	Shimko, Robert M.
Hackett, Patrick F.	Miskovish, Susan R.	Vogt, Gregory K.
Harman, Herbert H.	Neubert, Gerald H.	

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.
Mia Mogielski: 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

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

W.P.E.E. Insurance Trust Fund: 412-432-1130 or Toll Free 1-800-382-1428

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

Pensioners Dental & Optical Claims

Judy Trimbur: (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

Evening hours: Monday and Thursday 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Social Security Information: 1-800-772-1213

Any other questions or concerns can be directed through the switchboard operator: Carol Sunday 412-432-1400

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IN FRATERNAL MEMORY

Deceased Retired Members

Knute E. Williams	Nov. 30, 1932	- Oct. 24, 2009
George J. Blauzdis	Feb. 15, 1924	- Oct. 25, 2009
Arnold D. Patterson	Aug. 20, 1924	- Oct. 27, 2009
David W. Plance	Aug. 23, 1938	- Nov. 6, 2009
Charles E. Caven	Oct. 18, 1917	- Dec. 6, 2009
Edward F. Carpenter	Nov. 2, 1925	- Dec. 16, 2009
William J. Biggs	Jan. 29, 1946	Dec. 31, 2009
Donald R. McKenzie	Feb. 15, 1927	Jan. 1, 2010

Deceased Active Members

Catelyou Myers	Feb. 8, 1954	- Dec. 28, 2009
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CHANGE OF ADDRESS CARD

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

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE# (INCLUDE AREA CODE): _____

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