

# UNION MEETING

## HAPPENINGS

August 2023

210 CLUB RAFFLE \$500 WAS WON BY

Alex Ientilucci

Alex is a carrier in Fairport, NY

Congrats Alex!

This month's meeting was held in person on July 5, 2023, at 7:00pm at the IBEW union hall on East River Road in Rochester.

A motion to dispense with the reading of the previous meetings minutes was made and passed without dissent.

The bills were read and shared with the membership, a motion to pay all the bills was made and passed without dissent.

### **Health Benefit Report: Mike Masters**

Mike was excused this evening.

President Montgomery reported that NARFE will be holding the Health benefits Seminar on Sunday November 12 at the RIT INN and conference Center 5257 W Henrietta Rd, Henrietta, NY 14467. More details to follow.

### **Communications**

The branch received the following requests for donations.

The teamsters local 118 requested sponsorship to their annual scholarship fund golf tournament @ \$150, the membership approved the sponsorship.

United Way is conducting their annual campaign. The membership donated \$500 to United Way.

### **Benefit Trust Report; Sam Hogan**

The benefit trust financial report was shared with the members with no questions. Current balance of \$196,296.42

### **AFL-CIO Report:**

This year's labor film series tickets are available for the films beginning this fall. Contact the union office for free tickets.

Labor Day Parade will be Monday September 4 and we will line up on Union Street near Main St at 10:30

Nurses at RGH are on strike and will hold a rally Thursday at 11:00am at 1425 Portland Avenue

## **Building report:**

Basement work is currently being scheduled.

## **Political Education:**

HR 82 the Social Security fairness act has been resubmitted before the 188<sup>th</sup> Congress. As of this submission it has 288 co-sponsors.

H.R. 856 / S.274 **paid** family leave bill has been introduced in the House and Senate. This would provide paid FMLA instead of having to use your own leave. This is only being proposed and has not passed yet. 36 Co-Sponsors in the house and 10 in the Senate.

H.R. 618 / S.131 Improving Access to Workers Compensation. This bill allows OWCP to accept Physician Assistants as well as doctors, this makes getting approved easier.

Derek discussed the Pregnant workers fairness act. Pregnancy workers fairness act was recently passed and enacted providing reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers [Click here](#) for more information

## **Vehicle & Safety:**

No Report

## **Unfinished Business: President Kenny Montgomery:**

Those that attended the NYS convention in Brooklyn each reported on the proceedings. Especially notable was Hakeem Jefferies speech. Kenny discussed several resolutions passed at the convention including being able to sell back 80 hours of annual leave at the end of the year, improved access to vehicle training, improvement to Article 28 employer claims and improvement to article 14 concerning heat and cold. These resolutions need to go to headquarters to be included in next year's National Convention in August and if passed there they will be negotiated for our next contract.

Contract expired May 20.... We are currently preparing for arbitration. The parties are continuing to negotiate in hopes that Arbitration is not needed, however preparations are being made just in case.

TIARERAP inspection schedule for the Fall includes Lyons and Webster in our area.

The Seabreeze picnic was a success, we had 478 members and family members attend and everyone had a great time.

The PTF backpay has been delayed again. Currently the backpay is scheduled to be paid September 1 paycheck.

If you're hurt on duty and have an accident, Branch 210 recommends filing your claim online. **ECOMP ONLINE submission.... Please do it online with less problems.** [Click Here](#) to register and file your claim.

## **New Business: President Montgomery**

UPS has settled their contract so a strike won't happen.

The Postal Service will be opening a new S&DC Sorting and Delivery center in February 2024 in the Binghamton NY area. There are no current plans that will affect our area.

If you receive a flyer at work about retirement counseling, it is NOT postal or Union approved. Please contact the union office before talking to anyone about your retirement.

## **Death of Members**

None

## **Good of the Association**

Branch 210 will be holding annual Columbus Day Golf Tournament at Victor Hills Monday October 9<sup>th</sup>. \$80 per person includes golf, cart food and prizes. 4 person scramble.

Branch 210 will hold its annual retirees breakfast Friday October 6, 2023 at the RIT Inn and Conference Center on West Henrietta Road starting at 9am. The breakfast is free to all retirees, members and spouse.

**The next union meeting is open to all members and is Wednesday September 6, 2023 at 7:00pm in person at the IBEW union hall at 2300 East River Road 14623**