Sheet Metal Workers' Local #83 NEWS

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This year, it is important that the membership and their families go to the polls to support labor-friendly candidates. The anti-union legislation that has been introduced in the past such as elimination of prevailing rates, Davis-Bacon and anti-organizing will certainly be proposed again. If the wrong people are elected, this legislation will have a great chance of passage. Your participation in this election will be appreciated.

Upcoming elections will take place on November 2, 2010. The Area Labor Councils are officially endorsing the following candidates for the upcoming election:

Governor
Andrew Cuomo

NYS Controller
Tom DiNapoli

US Congress
Paul Tonko
(All of Albany, Montgomery, Schenectady & Schoharie Counties and parts of Fulton, Rensselaer & Saratoga Counties)

Kirsten Gillibrand
(All of Columbia, Greene, Warren & Washington Counties)

Scott Murphy
(Clinton, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oswego, St. Lawrence Counties & Parts of Essex, Fulton & Oneida Counties)

NYS Assembly
John J. McEneny
(Albany County)

Ron Canestrari
(Albany, Rensselaer & Saratoga Counties)

Tim Gordon
(Albany, Columbia, Greene & Rensselaer Counties)

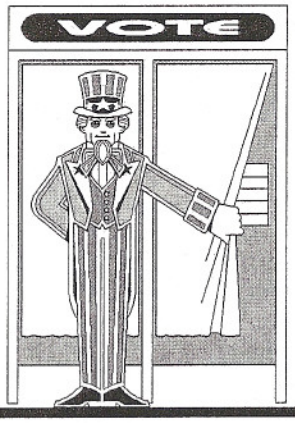
Robert Reilly
(Albany & Saratoga Counties)

James N. Tedisco
(Parts of Saratoga & Schenectady Counties)

NYS Senate
Neil D. Breslin
(Albany County)

Susan Savage
(Fulton, Montgomery, Saratoga & Schenectady Counties)

Roy McDonald
(Rensselaer & Saratoga Counties)



PLEASE VOTE

UPCOMING UNION MEETING

The next union meeting will take place on Nov. 18th at 5:30pm and will be held in Glens Falls at the American Legion Post #442 located at 29 1st Street. Tom Woods (our Annuity Advisor) will be making a presentation. Please remember that we will continue to give out five $15 checks for the door prize in an attempt to boost attendance. We will be serving pizza and soda at the end of the meeting.

DIRECTIONS FROM ALBANY: Take Northway north to exit 17N. Stay on Route 9 North for approximately 7 miles, past Blue Bird Road. Watch for the old, vacant McDonald's on the corner and take a left onto 1st Street.

DIRECTIONS FROM GLENS FALLS & POINTS NORTH: Take Northway south to exit 18. Take Corinth Road to Route 9 south. Go over river. Watch for the old, vacant McDonald's on the corner and take a right onto 1st Street.

FLIP OVER

Mark Landau's Report:

We continue to strive to get a Project Labor Agreement for the tool portion of the Global Foundries (AMD) project. At the present time, we have around 125 members working on that site. This is being manned by both Local 83 members and travelers.

Some of you may have heard that there have already been some layoffs at that site of both travelers and Local # 83 members. We have taken exception to the Local 83 members being let go prior to travelers. Let me assure you: We are taking the appropriate actions to get those in charge to reverse those decisions. To all active building trades,light commercial, service workers and retired members that are covered through the Local 83 Insurance Plan: Please note of the special order of business notice that is included with this newsletter mailing.

Larry Hebbard's Report:

I will be reaching out to secure training in the upcoming months and work jointly with our JATC to ensure that we remain competitive in this market. Rigging Class and Material Handling Class will be available shortly. Also, for any of you in the Plattsburgh and Albany areas that have yet to complete the OSHA 10 hour class, please contact me at the office. I will get you registered for a class and contact you with the dates as that info becomes available. Also as a reminder, please call the office if you are laid off or obtain work so that we can keep our records up to date. Also, please keep the office informed of any address or contact information changes.

Larry Warzek's Report:

As promised we will be offering the OSHA 30 class. It will be held at our training center from 5pm until 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays plus one Saturday so it can be completed before winter weather comes. Those that had previously signed up will have first refusal on class spots. We believe that we will have 10 additional spots to fill for new sign ups. Those spots will be filled on a first come first serve basis, and the $100 deposit must be mailed in by November 5th. The classes will be held starting November 9th. The preliminary schedule is November 11, 16, 23 and December 2, 7, 9, 14 from 5:00-8:00 and on Saturday, December 4th from 8:00am until 2:00pm.

Thank You!

As you are aware our Retiree's Club took on a project to help a retired, ill member. Joe Shagalski was diagnosed as having an inoperable brain tumor and needed a ramp at his home before the hospital would release him. The Club took up a collection and requested sister locals to help out.

The response was great, and they purchased a pre-made ramp that can be re-used for other members in the future. The picture is the final installed product. In particular, we want to thank those retirees that completed the installation: Bob Conahan, Jim Ruchel, Jim Landau and Hank Landau. A special thanks to JE Monahan for helping us deliver the ramp to Joe's house. This project was an example of true brotherhood and the caring nature of our membership.

Frank Maguire's Report:

GET INVOLVED. BE PART OF YOUR OWN FUTURE.

Join the New Voluntary Organizing Committee.

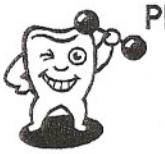
I am looking for individuals with various skills such as typing, graphic design, photography, public speaking, political involvement, etc. We will be looking to promote Sheet Metal Workers' Local 83 through various means such as YouTube and other web sites.

I will be holding a meeting on Tuesday November 16th, 2010 at 4:30 pm at the Albany Union Hall. Food & beverages will be served. Please call or email and let me know if you will be attending. Call: (518) 489-1377, Ext # 7 or email me at: fmsmlu83@nycap.rr.com.

AVAILABLE TOOLS

Offset Snips, Right or Left - $12.00 each
16" Bulldog Pattern Tinner Snips - $23.50 each
Aviation Snips, Right or Left Cut - $ 9.00 each
Offset Seamer Tongs - $22.25 each
Duct Tightener - $ 8.00 each
Pipe Duct Cutter - $21.00 each
Scratch Awl - $ 2.50 each

Duct Stretcher - $15.25 each
Tension Tool - $23.50 each
Right/left hand
replaceable blade shears - $ 19.50
Midwest Architectural tongs
with replaceable blades - $34.00
Cain scribes - $ 5.75



Please remember to have your dental provider send your claims to Delta Dental!

Do not forget to attend the Special Order of Business meeting regarding your health care benefits on Saturday, November 13 at 9am.