

LOCAL 197 NEWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES

PRIMARY ELECTION **Tuesday, February 5th.**

The AFL-CIO has endorsed the following candidates:

Presidential – no endorsement

U.S. Senate – Dick Durbin
U.S. House – 11th District Debbie Halvorson

IL Senate – no endorsement
IL House – no endorsement

Call Rich at the hall if you have any questions.
PLEASE GET OUT AND VOTE!

Sat., February 9th – 10 Hour OSHA

Class starts at 7 a.m. Many projects are beginning to require this class. Check with the BNJATC office.

Tues, Feb. 19th – Steward's Class

Class held at the hall. Starts at 5:30. Please call the hall to sign up and get additional info.

Tues, Feb. 19th – Retirees' Meeting

Hope to meet at CJ's new place. Postcards will be sent out with details.

Sat. February 23rd. - 2008 Code Changes

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BNJATC Training Facility
Class taught by Don Shields and will cover changes and most violated sections of code.

Class is free and lunch will be provided.

Contact BNJATC at 829-9819 to sign up.

WORK OUTLOOK

30 Journeymen Wiremen off, 7 Residential Wireman off, 1 Signman off and 0 Teledata off.

Probably 6 – 8 week lag depending on the weather. Local 34 (Peoria) has work coming. It should be worth your trip to sign their book. These calls could help you through our lag time.

Thanks to all of you who have picketed and handbilled Masters Bros./Hoffman Ochs.

Please remember to take the time to teach your apprentices! Teach them safety as well as our craft. We want to see everyone go home at night with everything they came to work with.

At the January union meeting, Clint Shewmaker (inside apprentice) was sworn in.

The leases are coming up on the local's vehicles. If you might be interested in buying either the Tahoe or the truck, call the office.

Next Union Meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 27th at 6 p.m.

As always, don't hesitate to call if you need anything.

Fraternally,
Lance

ERTS REMINDER – If you are working out of our jurisdiction, make sure that you are on ERTS so that your benefits will go back to our home funds.

Reminder – Check your dues receipts. Many of you are still owing for the first quarter dues.

Jan – Mar. = \$ 83.10
Jan – June = \$166.20
Jan. – Sept. = \$249.30
Jan. – Dec. = \$332.40

BNJATC NEWS

Congratulations to Trace Brim, Tony Williams, and Ben Walker who are John Moss Scholarship Winners.

Classes are currently working on competition boards. Judging will be done by the end of this semester.

If you are interested in teaching apprentice classes next year, please send a letter to the BNJATC office.

Recent IO Retirees

Dan Uhlir – effective Jan. 2008
Marvin Hays – effective Jan 2008
Larry Elliott – effective Feb. 2008

The Trades & Labor Blood Drive was held January 26th at the Laborers' Hall. A total of 44 pints was collected. Next construction drive will be in August .

Congratulations to John Naas who is turning 90!!



Celebration Birthday Party held on February 2nd from 2 – 4 p.m. at the County Squire in Hudson. Party hosted by John's family.

TEXAS HOLD'EM

Friday, February 8th at the hall.
Starts at 6:45 p.m.
This is a members only activity.

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