



Retired Members of Local Union 134 I.B.E.W

Retiree's Newsletter

May 2023

The Club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 12 p.m. at the IBEW-NECA Technical Institute located at 6201 W. 115th St. Alsip, IL

(enter the multi-purpose room on the west side of the school)

In March, June, September, and December, on the second Wednesday of the month, the Club meets at the Union Hall of 134 located at 2722 S. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Chicago, IL

The purpose of this organization shall be to carry out the spirit of our brotherhood. To aid and assist each other as necessary, to promote the social, economic, health and welfare of its members and their families.

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From the Podium

Hello everyone,

I hope all is well. I would like to thank our 2 speakers.

Jean from the E.I.T. office.

Tina from the Medical Center office.

Thanks to all that will be at "Grease" the play and we have 36 members and friends going to the I.B.E.W. museum.

Our speaker for May will be Matt, he is with the P-T group, they provide excellent care and have flexible hours. In June, we have Carol Ramsden, she will speak about labor history.

REMEMBER JUNE'S MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY THE 14TH AT THE UNION HALL.

ALL MEETING AT THE SCHOOL ARE NOW ON THE 2ND THURSDAY!

In Brotherhood,

K. Berls

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Retirees,

It's nice to be retired. Having the time to follow our pursuits without being encumbered to provide hourly labor to make ends meet. Newly retired members will come to understand what older members have already found out. *It's very nice.*

I would like to ask everyone that feels like contributing to our club to come to the meetings, talk with our members and officers. If you have any ideas for our organization, please let us know. We have different speakers come to our meetings to inform us about various topics. We also schedule events to attend such as luncheons, plays with meals in the early afternoon, and field trips. Only as contributing members can we make this a better time for all retired members. If you have any ideas for our newsletter, please contact me. We can always put more content in. We are constantly looking for more things that might be of interest to our members.

In closing, we are *the only ones* that can make things better than they already are.

Fraternally,

Bob Pitlock editor

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Coming events:

***May 11, 2023 12:00 Meet & Greet / 1:00 Meeting/
Alsip, IL***

enter west multi-purpose meeting room.

***May 22, 2023.... Executive Board Meeting/ 10:30/
Alsip***

Save the Date:

June 7, 2023..... Last date to sign up for June Lunch

June 14, 2023... June Honoree Luncheon

June 20,2023... Last call for "39 steps"

July 20, 2023... "39 Steps" (Mystery)

“39 Steps”

Mix a Hitchcock masterpiece with a dash of a farce and you have, the 39 Steps, a fast-paced whodunit who loves the magic of theater. Packed with nonstop laughs and over 150 characters played by four actors. The 39 Steps is an unforgettable evening of riotous performances and inventive stagecraft that is sure to delight.

Date: July 20, 2023

Cost: \$82 dollars per person

Time: Lunch served at 11:30 AM
Please Arrive by 11:15 AM
Play follows at 1:30 PM

Place: Drury Lane Playhouse
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
630-530-8300

Information: James Martin
Telephone: 708-848-1833
Cell Phone: 312-213-6380

“39 Steps” - Menu

First Course: Mixed Green Salad

Entrees (choice of one):

_____ Vegetable Kabob, Zucchini, Yellow Squash, Tomato, Onion, Mushroom, Peppers, Wild Rice, Balsamic Glaze

_____ Fresh Filet of Salmon, with Tomato Confit, Roasted Wedge Potatoes, and Green Beans

_____ Bistro Steak Au Poivre with Peppercorn Sauce, Potato Puree and Green Beans

Desert: Vanilla Sundae with Chocolate Sauce

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Total Guest(s), including Contact

The check should be made payable to:

Retired Members of Local Union #134 IBEW

June 20, 2023, is the last day for reservations to be received
by:

Jim Martin

633 N Harvey Ave.

Oak Park, Illinois 60302

JUNE HONOREE LUNCHEON

HONORING 50-55-60-65- and 70- YEAR MEMBERS of the IBEW

WEDNESDAY JUNE 14, 2023

Luncheon will be held at Memorial Hall

2722 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

Chicago, IL 60616

12 p.m.

Send this form and your check or cash for \$1 per person to the Treasurer before June 7, 2023

Make checks payable to:

Retired Members of Local 134 IBEW

Bernard Martin

8706 Olcott Ave.

Niles, IL 60714

Please Print

Name _____

Guest _____

Widows of deceased members of the Retired Members Club are the guests of the club and need not send in the dollar but are asked to send in this form with your name so we know how many people will be attending.

Chicago Labor History - May

May 2, 1867, Chicago's first Trades Assembly sponsored a general strike by thousands to enforce the States new eight-hour day law.

May 1, 1886, 40,000 in Chicago on strike as part of nationwide general strike for the 8-hour day.

May 3, 1886, striking employees of the McCormick Reaper Works clashed with replacement workers. Police retaliated against the striking employees, killing two.

May 4, 1886, Haymarket massacre

May 11, 1894, 4000 employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company staged a wildcat strike because of a cut in wages.

May 11, 1937, IBEW Local 651 was founded.

May 26, 1937, Memorial Day Massacre: The Chicago police shot and killed 10 unarmed protesting workers during the "Little Steel Strike.

May 30, 1937, The Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee (PWOC) was chartered by the CIO.

May 1, 2012, One hundred workers from Sensata Technologies in Freeport IL band together to fight the company's decision to move 170 jobs to China.

May 8, 2012, The group of workers who occupied their Chicago (Republic Door and Window) factory in 2008 and again in 2012

May 30, 2012, Republic Door and Window workers incorporated a worker run co-op.

May 30, 2012, Chicago Teachers Union strike

May 29, 2013, AFSCME Local 1028 members go on strike after fifteen months of negotiations failed to reach an agreement with their employer The Will County Government. The strike lasted sixteen days ended with a new contract the included retroactive as well as future pay raises.

Compiled by Hale Landes

IN MEMORIAM

We gratefully remember your contribution to the electrical industry.

Dexter Allison
Robert C Boudart
Donald J Castaldo
Philip A Coyne
Robert J Delany
Wayne M Derosier
Michael W Donato
Carl M Falzone
John M Federici
Laurence M Hickey
William D Kelly Jr
Robert A Krahn
***Fred J Krupa**
Vaclav Navratil
Thomas M O'Mara
Duane D Petersen
Robert R Richards
Joseph F Schmitz Jr

Our condolences to the family of Retiree's Club Member **Fred J Krupa.*

RETIRED MEMBERS of LOCAL 134 I.B.E.W.

2722 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

Chicago, IL 60616

Meet Monthly at 12 p.m.

Application for Membership or Dues Renewal

(Please Type or Print Legibly)

Name _____ Spouse Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ check for email newsletter only

Date of Birth _____ IBEW Card # _____ Date of Retirement _____

Dues Schedule

Members Renewing Dues----- \$20.00

New Members:

New Member Dues ----- \$20.00

Initiation Fee (one time only) ----- \$2.00

Total new member fees ----- \$22.00

after July 1st ----- \$12.00

after October 1st ----- \$22.00*

*all dues monies applied to the next year

Please make all checks payable to:

RETIRED MEMBERS of LOCAL 134 IBEW

mail to the treasurer

BERNARD MARTIN

8706 OLCOTT AVE.

NILES, IL 60714

NOTE: Your Spouse will be an associate member per section 3.01 of our by-laws.

IF ASKED, WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO WORK ON A COMMITTEE:

Yes _____ No _____

Recruited by _____

Retired Members,

For all members who have received a mailed copy of the May newsletter, there were a couple of errors that got by me.

The first one, and more important, is that the June meeting at the hall is the 14th not the 7th as printed on the "From the Podium page". They will continue to be on the second Wednesday when we have them at the hall.

The second one is on the opening page. Hale Landes also contributed to the writing of the newsletter in April.

Fraternally,

Bob Pitlock editor