WHITE FENCE FARM

Wednesday July 26th

Proudly presents

DEAN MARTINS’S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Dean Martin’s birth in style with this exciting and memorable fun-filled tribute that features a plethora of sing-along hits as well as Dean’s trademark tipsy brand of side-splitting humor that will keep you laughing well after the show is over! This maybe one party you won’t want to miss.

The lunch show package is $35.00 per person.

This includes meal, show, tax and gratuity. All meals feature White Fence Farm’s famous 4-piece fried chicken meal with: Cole Slaw-Homemade Corn Fritters-Cottage Cheese-Kidney Bean Salad-Homemade Chicken Gravy-Pickled Beets-Baked Potato-Vanilla Ice Cream and a choice of one non-alcoholic beverage.

White Fence Farm – 1376 Joliet Road – Romeoville, IL 60446

Lobby Opens at 11:30AM

Lunch starts at 12:00 Noon and Show Starts at 1:00PM

NAME__________________________________________

RESERVATIONS AT $35.00 each__________________________________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED_________________________________________

Please return to me by July 1. Gerry White, 237 W. Millers Rd., DesPlaines, IL 60016.

If you have questions, call me at 847-635-5659.
FROM THE PODIUM

The Raise the Wage Act of 2017

In April, Sens. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Patty Murray (D-Wash.) and Reps. Bobby Scott (D-Va.) and Keith Ellison (D-Minn.) announced that they would introduce the Raise the Wage Act of 2017, a bill that would raise the federal minimum wage in eight steps to $15 per hour by 2024.

Since 2009, the current federal minimum wage for hourly workers is $7.25 per hour. There is no set time table or formula to increase this amount to compensate for rising prices and services. Because of the lack of regular increases the wage has slowly eroded each year decreasing its buying power. With the introduction of this bill, these progressive-minded senators hope to correct this archaic practice. For example, in 2017 the federal minimum wage of $7.25, after adjusting for inflation, was worth 12% less than when it was last raised in 2009.

If you think the hourly minimum wage calculations should be changed and raised, then consider the plight of the tipped worker. The tipped workers minimum wage has been stagnant at $2.13 per hour since 1991. The Raise the Wage Act of 2017, if enacted, would raise the federal minimum wage in eight steps to $15 per hour by 2024. Beginning in 2025, the minimum wage would then be calculated to the median wage so that each year, the minimum wage would automatically be adjusted based on growth in the median wage. The bill would also gradually increase the tipped workers wage until it reached parity with the regular minimum wage.

I know you will hear the talking points of those who will say that this kind of increase would cost jobs, stop growth, and cause skyrocketing price increases. I and many of you reading this article, can remember hearing, “Five dollars per hour for a journeyman wireman, are you nuts? We’ll price ourselves right out of business.” That statement did not hold true then and does not hold true today. To quote a phrase often attributed to President Kennedy, “A rising tide lifts all boats.” I believe an enactment of this bill will benefit all working people, and is well past due.

Jim Fliris
Retired Members of Local #134 IBEW

Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Old Oak Country Club "Golf Digest - 4 Stars"

14200 S. Parker Rd.
Homer Glen, IL 60491

18 Holes of Golf with a cart for each golf team
Cost Per Person $65.00

Continental Breakfast at 8:00 AM
(Driving Range available prior to tee time)

Shotgun Start at 9:00 AM
Buffet Lunch and Prizes after Golf

Contact
Kevin Gibbons
630.877.7340
117 Pepperwood Dr, Bolingbrook, IL 60440
kgibbons101@comcast.net

RSVP by August 30, 2017
Note: We must provide Old Oak CC a headcount prior to our outing.

Mail advance payments / or due the morning of the golf outing.
Make checks payable to: The Retirees Club of Local 134 IBEW
Retiree’s Club
Honorees June 14th 2017
50, 55, 60, 65, 70 Year Luncheon

50 Years
Joseph M Berent Thomas J Boyle
Gregory R Buss Raymond D Cardia
Richard E Dohm James W Dragon
Art Gorski Anthony R Huska
James J Husa David S Jameson
Ted Malo Frank B Mancinelli
Robert J Marks Clyde A McKay
John P McNulty William T Meyer
Richard H Petersen David M Prokop
John Stenson David A Thomas
Dick J Wells

55 Years
Ronald R Carlson Edward M Celler
Richard F Dorgan John S Kern
Bernard F Martin James D Novak
Gary P O’Sullivan Joseph F Pietrzyk
Richard Sipple William C Vandeneven
Kenneth W White Thomas J Withers

60 Years
John A Dunn Thomas Giranio
George Hitzman Norman Klonder
James A Leverenz Robert Lichtenvoort
Victor E Moreno Thaddeus W Wegner
Ronald E Weil

65 Years
Henry J Brandt Anthony Cecola
John A Gapinski William D Hancock
Joseph A Koenig William J Miceli
Raymond F Panek John E Peterson
Edmond S Rhodes Nick Sasuta
Russell J Steinken

70 Years
Gilbert J Arter Burton H VanWetering

IN MEMORIAM
Peter R Armonda Patrick A Battistella
John L Bilic Steven I Braverman
Mario Broccardo Anthony J Bucci
James R Carney George J Claver
Arthur Deschamps Steve K Fee
Donald O Magnuson John E Maly
Emmet McElroy Paul E Mohr Jr
Tomothy D Monohan Mark J Ohara
James E Parrilli Jerry J Slattery
Kenneth J Slattery Clarence A St John Jr
Lori A Tappa Robert L Vitullo
Leslie G Willard Kevin L Willis
Daniel J Zielinski

CALENDAR
July 12-Regular Meeting 1:00 pm at the Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. Meet and Greet 12:00 noon.
July 26-White Fence Farm Visit
July 31-E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.
Aug 9-Regular Meeting 1:00 pm at the Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. Meet and Greet 12:00 noon.
Aug 28- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.
Sept 8-Mainstream Pumping Station Tour. Contact Gerry White.
Sept 13-Luncheon and Regular Meeting noon at Boyle Auditorium.
Sept 20-Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing. Breakfast 8:00 am. Shotgun Start 9:00 am.
Sept 25-E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.
Sept 28-Druzy Lane Play Rock of Ages Luncheon served 11:30 am.
Oct 11- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm at the Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. Meet and Greet 12:00 noon.

Notice
Retiree Club members who chose the early retirement in 2005 will receive their retirement pin and letter from the International Office. The Club won’t know to honor you unless you let us know when you receive notification.
Drury Lane Dinner Theatre Presents: 
ROCK OF AGES

Music and lyrics by: Various, Book by Chris D’Arienzo  Our next play will be held on Thursday September 28th, 2017 and lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Show to follow 1:30 pm at the Drury Lane Playhouse in Oak Brook Terrace. Your ticket order must be in Walter Felde’s hands by August 31st, 2017 with your check for $54.00 per person. Make checks payable to: Retired Members of Local #134, IBEW. Walter Felde will have your tickets at Drury Lane at the Matradee’s podium. Tickets will not be mailed to you.

The Meal:

First Course:  Mixed Green Salad,  Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrots, Radish, Herb croutons, Ranch Dressing.
Entrees:
Sautéed Tilapia  or
Tomato Basil Relish, Served with Roasted Shallot Mashed Potatoes.

Lemon-Thyme Grilled Chicken Paillard
Kale, Sugar Snap Peas, Sweet Corn, Avocado, Tomatoes and Hearts of Palm

Name

Guest

Send your order to:
Walter Felde
6543 N Oshkosh
Chicago IL 60631

We can’t fight this feeling anymore! Rock back to a time of big egos, big guitar solos, and even bigger hair with Rock of Ages this fall. Nominated for five Tony Awards, Rock of Ages features a mix of 28 classic 80’s hits by Bon Jovi, Journey, Styx, and more including “Don’t Stop Believin” “We Built This City,” and “The Final Countdown.” Rock of Ages follows aspiring rock star Drew and his sweetheart, Sherri as they fight to save Hollywood’s Sunset Strip. Don’t miss a musical so awesome, you’ll want to rock out again! *

Rock of Ages is recommended for ages 13+. Please be advised that there are mild adult themes.

100 Drury Lane* Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
RECIPE EXCHANGE

Butterfinger Delight
1 cup crushed Ritz cracker (30)
1 cup graham cracker crumbs
4 Butterfinger candy bars (2.1 oz size)
   Crushed
¾ cup butter, melted
1-1/2 cups cold milk
2 packages (3.4 oz size) instant
   Vanilla pudding mix
1 qt reduced-fat chocolate frozen
   Yogurt, softened
1 12 oz carton frozen whipped
   Topping, thawed, divided

In a large bowl, combine the first 4 ingredients, set aside ½ cup for topping. And press remaining crumb mixture into an ungreased 13x9 dish. Chill for 5 minutes. Meanwhile in a large bowl, whisk milk and pudding mixes for 2 minutes. Let stand for 2 minutes or until set (mixture will be thick). Stir in yogurt and 1 cup of the whipped topping until smooth. Spread it over crust. Top with remaining whipped topping, and sprinkle reserved crumb mixture on top. Refrigerate for 8 hrs or overnight. Yields 12-15 servings. Why not divide everything in half and make in an 8x8 dish.

JULY 26th
Don’t forget 11:30 the lobby opens at the White Fence Farm and lunch starts at 10:00 Noon for the Dean Martin Centennial Celebration.

AUGUST 9th
The speaker for this meeting will be from CUB. Have some questions as to why your utility bills keep rising. This meeting will be at the school

SEPTEMBER 8th
Our tour of the DEEP TUNNEL begins at 10:30. So if you could gather in the lobby by 10:15 so we can get started on time it would be nice. I am attaching a waiver form if you want to come on the tour, just be sure that you read and complete the waiver and attach a copy of a pictured ID to the form. Please send it to me by August 1st so I can get the waivers in to the Water Reclamation District in time for our tour. My address
Gerry White
237 W. Millers Rd.
DesPlaines, IL 60016

SEPTEMBER 13th
Joe Ziemba an author, speaker and football historian will be our speaker at this luncheon and meeting that will be at the Union Hall. Please send in your reservation sheet to Bernie Martin for the luncheon.

SEPTEMBER 20th Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing.
Breakfast 8:00 am shotgun start 9:00 am. Sign-up sheet is attached

SEPTEMBER 28th Drury Lane Theatre presents ROCK OF AGES.
The sign-up sheet is attached for you to make your reservation. Please send it in so Walter Felde receives it by 8-31-17.

Gerry White
RETIREMEN OF LOCAL # 134 LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2017 AT BOYLE
AUDITORIUM 600 W WASHINGTON BLVD

OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED DOLLAR LUNCHEON
WILL BE HELD AT NOON ON THAT DAY

Name

Guest

Please print your name and guest’s name

Make checks payable to: Retired Members of Local #134 IBEW
Send in Registration by September 1st

Mail this reservation form and your dollar per person to:

Bernie Martin
8706 N Olcott
Niles, IL 60714
WHAT THE REPEAL OF THE ACA WILL DO

- Over the next decade, more than one million Illinoisans could lose their health insurance—including approximately 62,300 people with an individual market plan; 301,600 people with employer-sponsored insurance; 55,000 elderly Medicaid beneficiaries; 239,900 children on Medicaid; 113,000 nonelderly adults on Medicaid; 30,500 adults with disabilities on Medicaid; and 228,000 adults who have Medicaid expansion coverage.
- Next year, approximately 311,000 Illinoisans would lose their private health insurance plans and at least 170,000 Illinoisans would lose their Medicaid coverage;
- Insurers would be allowed to charge older Illinoisans five times as much as younger enrollees, leading to significant out-of-pocket cost increases for people age 55 to 64 ($8,439 increase in 2020 and $12,066 increase by 2026);
- Tax credits to help people purchase insurance would be slashed for many low- and middle income Illinoisans—especially those in rural communities—leading to average enrollee out-of-pocket cost increases of $3,233 in 2020 and $4,895 in 2026;
- Illinois’ Medicaid program would be decimated, losing at least $40 billion over the next decade in federal funding that provides care for half of all Illinois children, two-thirds of senior nursing care, and one in four Illinoisans with disabilities. Without this funding, the Illinois Health and Hospital Association estimates that the state would sustain $7.6 billion to $8.4 billion in reduced annual economic activity, resulting in 55,250 to 60,750 jobs lost; and
- Nearly $1 trillion would be cut from programs that help children, seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income and middle-income families access health coverage, in order to provide an $883 billion tax break to the wealthiest Americans and big corporations.
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Facility Visit Release and Indemnity

Name of Group: IBEW Local 134 Retirees

Today's Date: _________________

I hereby request permission to enter the facilities of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("MWRD") selected below (check all that apply):

___ Stickney WRP, 6001 W. Pershing Rd., Cicero, IL
___ Calumet WRP, 400 East 130th St., Chicago, IL
___ Terrence J. O'Brien WRP, 3500 Howard St., Skokie, IL
___ John E. Egan WRP, 550 S. Meacham Rd., Schaumburg, IL
___ James C. Kirie WRP, 701 Oakton St., Des Plaines, IL

___ Hanover Park WRP, 1220 Sycamore Ave., Hanover Park, IL
___ Lemont WRP, 13 Stephen St., Lemont, IL
___ TARP Mainstream Pumping Station, 6100 River Rd., Hodgkins, IL
___ Lockport Powerhouse, 2400 S. Powerhouse Rd., Lockport, IL
___ Other: _______________________

On __9/8/17__ (visit date), for the purpose of __Education__

I fully understand the hazards which may be encountered at the plant and understand and agree that the MWRD will derive no benefit from my presence on the premises. I understand and agree that this visit is educational in nature and I must stay with the tour group and stay away from any people or equipment involved in the working of the pumping station and plant. I understand and agree that I must wear long pants and sturdy shoes (dresses, shorts, sandals and high heels are not permitted). I understand and agree that I must submit a copy of my state-issued driver's license, state-issued ID or passport in advance of the visit for a security check. I must also bring the original ID on the day of the visit. I understand that Student IDs and Temporary Visitor Driver's Licenses are not acceptable forms of identification. I understand and agree that I will be subject to search. I understand and agree that no cameras, video equipment, recording devices, or cell phones may be used at any time during the visit. I understand that such devices may be confiscated at the commencement of the tour and returned upon conclusion of the tour. I understand and agree that backpacks, carry bags, large purses, drinks and food will not be permitted during the visit. Please note there may be an exemption for possessing food or drink for those participants who have pre-approval based upon medical need (such as a diabetic condition). Possession of firearms or ammunition on MWRD property is prohibited pursuant to the Firearms Conceal Carry Act, 430 ILCS 66.

In consideration of being allowed to undertake this activity, for myself, my heirs, successors, executors, administrators and assigns, I forever REMISE, RELEASE AND DISCHARGE the MWRD, its Commissioners, officers, agents, and employees from any liability for personal injury to or death of myself or damage to my personal property which may arise due to my presence on the subject MWRD facilities. I agree to be solely responsible for and to defend, indemnify, keep and save harmless the MWRD, its Commissioners, officers, agents, and employees against all injuries, losses, damages, liens, suits, liabilities, judgments, costs, and expenses which may in any way accrue directly or indirectly, against the MWRD, its Commissioners, officers, agents, and employees, in consequence of the granting of this permission.

Name (printed): ________________________________________________

Signature (parent or guardian to sign if participant is a minor): ________________________________________________

Telephone Number: __________________________ Email Address: __________________________

Street Address: __________________________ Apt.: __________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________________________ Zip Code: __________________________

Country: __________________________ Age: __________________________ Date of Birth: __________________________

Place of Employment or School: n/a Telephone: n/a

Address: n/a

If a translator is required, please state the language requiring translation: __________________________
Retired Members
Of Local 134, I.B.E.W.
600 West Washington Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60661-2490
Meets the 2nd Wednesday, Monthly, at 1:00 p.m.

Application for Membership
(Please type or print legibly)

Today's Date:__________________________________________

Name:________________________________________________

Spouse:________________________________________________

Address:______________________________________________

City:___________________________________________________

State:____________________ Zip:___________________________

Phone:________________________________________________

E-mail:________________________________________________

Cell Phone:___________________________________________

Date of Birth:____________________ I.B.E.W. Card #:__________

Please make all checks payable to: RETIRED MEMBERS L.U. 134, I.B.E.W. and mail to:

BERNARD MARTIN
8706 OLCOTT
NILES, IL 60714

Dues Schedule (paid dues entitles you to a lapel pin, Roster book and monthly Newsletter)

Initiation Fee (one time only)-------------------------- $2.00
If you join between January 1st & June 30th---------- $20.00 + $2.00
If you join after July 1st------------------------------- $10.00 + $2.00
If you join after October 1st-------------------------- $20.00 + $2.00*

* All dues monies will be applied to next year

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:___________________________________________