

WHITE FENCE FARM

Wednesday July 26th

Proudly presents

DEAN MARTIN'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.

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

Retiree's Newsletter

AUGUST



2017

Newsletter, of the Retired Members of Local union number 134, I.B.E.W. - Send all correspondence to Retiree's Club, 600 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL 60661-2490 - The Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month except March, June, September and December at the Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. The purpose of this organization shall be to carry out the spirit of brotherhood, to aid and assist each other, and to further education, economic health and welfare of its members and their families and electrical apprentices. www.Local134chicago.com Written & Edited by Mario Coletta Mailed by Bernie Martin

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

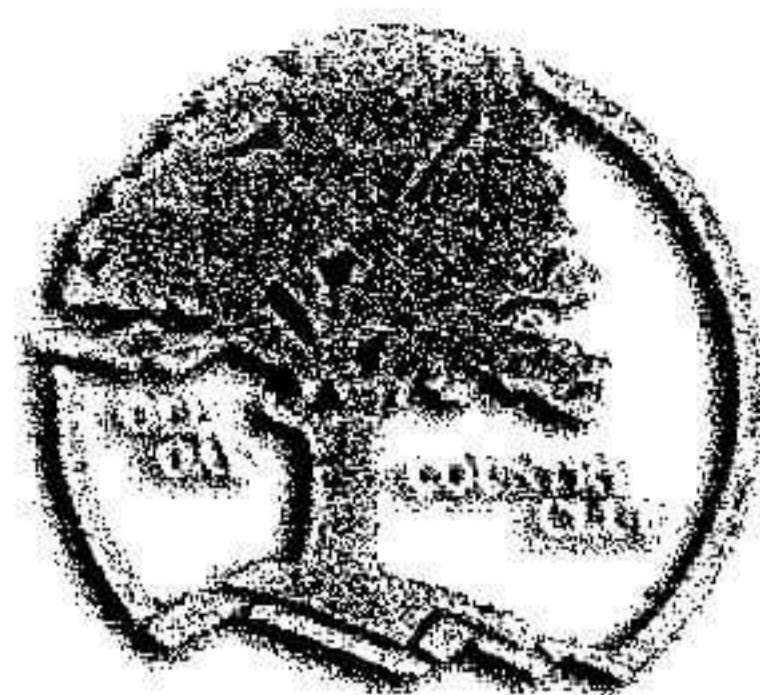
to \$15 per hour by 2024. Beginning in 2025, the minimum wage would then be calculated to the median wage so that each year, the minimum wage would automatically be adjusted based on growth in the median wage. The bill would also gradually increase the tipped workers wage until it reached parity with 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

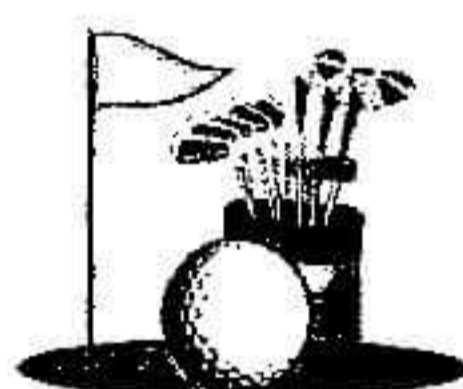
Wednesday, September 20, 2017



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 Vanderveen
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 Arterv	Burton H VanWetering
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IN MEMORIAM

Peter R Armonda	Patrick A Battistella
John L Bilie	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-Drury 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
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup butter, melted
- 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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

RETIRED MEMBERS 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, for the purpose of Education
(visit date)

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 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: _____