FROM THE PODIUM
FIRST THINGS FIRST

Thank you, Mario Coletta, for your hard work and dedication as President these past two years. To the former and newly elected officers and board members, I also thank you for your past and future commitment to our club.
Paraphrasing a line from an old Simon and Garfunkel song, ‘You need a little information for your files,’ I am a 55-year-member of Local 134 and in August of this year; I’ll be retired 12 years. Shortly after I retired, I joined the retirees club and about five years ago, I became active serving as an Executive Board member and as Vice President.
One of my responsibilities as President is to write this column for the newsletter. While writing is not my strong suit, I will give it my best shot. My column won’t always be profound or informative and may sometimes contain misspellings but with the help of ‘spell-check’ I may do better with spelling than grammar.
Regarding subject matter, I will write about topics of interest to me and hopefully many of you, such as politics, books, sports, and travel. I’ll ask in advance for your understanding because if I’m ever stymied for ideas or just get lazy, I might just plagiarize something from the Internet. Or not.
I look forward to serving as your newly elected president and continuing the good things that Mario has done for our club. Hope to see you at our next meeting.

Jim Fliris

CALENDAR

Mar 28- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.
Apr 13- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm at
the Apprentice School 115th and
Ridgeland. Meet and Greet 12 noon.
Apr 21- Drury Lane Play HAZEL
Luncheon served 11:30 am.
Apr 25- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am
May 11- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm at
the Apprentice School 115th and
Ridgeland. Meet and Greet 12 noon.
May 23- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.
June 8-50,55,60,65 & 70 year
Celebration Luncheon noon, Boyle
Auditorium 600 W Washington
Blvd. Honor our Brothers.
March 9th 2016 Speaker

We were happy to have Jean Ryan with us at our March luncheon. Jean has been with EIT for 31 years now and handles our health questions when we have our meetings at the hall.

First of all I will preface my article by acknowledging the fact that not all of our retirees have healthcare coverage through EIT, only the qualifying “A” electrician.

Jean’s main focus was to explain how our bills were coordinated with Medicare, she had handouts with examples. I am not going to attempt to try it here. I will however tell you that in all of my experience with Jean and others at EIT, they will go out of their way to assist all members with questions. Sometimes some of us need to take a deep breath and calm down before we make some phone calls, I know I do.

She also discussed Mail order drugs and generics, both of which can save you a lot of money. Chiropractic treatment covered for 30 visits and hearing aids with the preferred provider being True Hearing. You can check with EIT or your health care manual for information. There were several members present that were very happy with True Hearing’s service as well as pricing.

IN MEMORIAM

Casey R Buechele John F Campbell
Mary Ceaser Robert S Chovanec
James Courtney Charles T Crowley
Jack V Dappert Diana L Day
Robert K Dean William A Gill
Paul B Gordon John C Hipchen
Theodore Hodor James P Kelly
John A Koziol *Harry A Kratzer
Daniel L Kudrna Albert S Lorenc
Harvey McLain Dejan Milic
Charles H Neil Robert O Sauer
Wayne A Sidberry Antoine J Sterling
Bruno Vecellio Phillip R Velasquez

Our condolences to the family of Retiree’s Club Member,
Harry A Kratzer.

March 15, 2016

ELECTION RESULTS

President Jim Fliris
Vice President Kevin Gibbons
Recording Secretary Donald Mahoney
Treasurer Bernard Martin

Executive Board Members

Thomas Bohn Mario Coletta
Walter Felde James Jennings
Cinnamon Doughnut Muffins
1-3/4 cups flour
1-1/2 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp ground nutmeg
1/4 ground cinnamon
1/4 cup sugar
1/3 cup oil
1 large egg, lightly beaten
1/4 cup milk
10 teaspoons strawberry or your favorite jam

TOPPING:
1/4 cup butter, melted
1/3 cup sugar
1 tsp ground cinnamon

In a large bowl, combine flour, baking powder, salt, nutmeg and cinnamon. In a small bowl, combine sugar, oil, egg and milk; stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Fill greased or paper lined muffin cups half full; place 1 teaspoon jam on top. Cover jam with enough batter to fill muffin cups 3/4 full. Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 until a toothpick comes out clean. Place melted butter in a small bowl; combine sugar and cinnamon in another bowl. Immediately after removing muffins from the oven, dip tops in butter then in cinnamon-sugar. Serve warm.

Yield: 10 standard size muffins.

APRIL 21st
We are going to Drury Lane Playhouse for lunch and to see the play HAZEL.

MAY 11th
James Carr is coming to our meeting to give us a talk and video on the I&M Canal. He has a lot of enthusiasm on this topic, so I thought we could learn something from him.

JUNE 8th
We will be back at the UNION HALL for this meeting and luncheon. Lunch is at 12:00 noon. We will be honoring the 50, 55, 60 etc. members of our Retirees’ Club. Be sure to send in your reservation sheet to Bernie Martin.

JULY 13th
I have asked for a speaker from the RETIRED & SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM OF NORTHERN COOK & NORTHERN DUPAGE COUNTIES to come and speak to us. If you are bored or find the need to get out of the house and help someone who could use help, please come to this meeting. You will feel better for helping and volunteering your time.
DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Please look at your Retired Members of Local 134 membership card, if it does not say 2016 or 2017 your dues are due. You can pay your 2016 dues by filling in the form below and sending it with a check for $20.00 made payable to the Retired Members of Local 134. To the treasurer Bernard Martin at 8706 N. Olcott Ave. Niles, IL. 60714

Here are my 2016 dues of $20.00
PLEASE PRINT

Name __________________________________________

Spouse _________________________________________

Address ________________________________________

City ______ State ______ Zip ________________

Telephone (____) ______________________________

Cell Phone (____) ______________________________

E-Mail _________________________________________

Please include all information so that we can double-check our records for the next mailing.

Make checks payable to the order of: Retired Members of Local # 134, IBEW and mail to Bernard Martin, 8706 N. Olcott Ave Niles, IL. 60714

If you have a second address where you spend time for several months, please let us know that address and the weeks or months on a separate sheet of paper so that we can send the Newsletter to that place when you are there.

NOTE: Widows of deceased members of the Retired Members of Local 134 IBEW club are associate members of the club and DO NOT PAY DUES.
RETIRED MEMBERS OF LOCAL 134, IBEW

I WANT TO HONOR THE FIFTY, FIFTY-FIVE SIXTY, SIXTY-FIVE AND SEVENTY YEAR MEMBERS AT THEIR NOON LUNCHEON ON JUNE 8TH, 2016

Luncheon will be held at Boyle Auditorium
600 W. Washington Blvd

HERE IS MY DOLLAR FOR EACH PERSON

NAME:__________________________________________

GUEST:________________________________________

SEND THIS FORM BEFORE JUNE 1ST TO:

BERNARD MARTIN
8706 N. OLCOTT
NILES, IL 60714

Make checks payable to: Retired Members of Local 134, IBEW

The widows of our deceased members only, are the Club’s guests and need not send the dollar, but are asked to please send in this form with your name, so we know how many people are attending.
Drury Lane Dinner Theatre Presents:
Tony Award Nominee For Best Play
DEATHTRAP

Our next play will be held on Thursday July 21st, 2016 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 June 30th, 2016 with your
check for $49.00 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: Seasonal Fruit Plate
Seasonal Fruit / Grenadine Yogurt Dip

Entrees:

Pecan Crusted Tilapia Or
Creamy Roasted Garlic Butter Sauce

Grilled Boneless Pork Chop
Apple Sauerkraut / Rosemary Demi Glace

All Entrees served with dinner rolls, choice of one non alcoholic beverage and chef’s
selection of potato, vegetable and desert.

Name

Guest

Send your order to:

Walter Felde
6543 N Oshkosh
Chicago IL 60631

A hugely popular stage and screen mystery, Deathtrap offers skillful
blending of two priceless theatrical ingredients: gasp-inducing thrills and
spontaneous laughter. Unknown dramatist Clifford Anderson has sent his
new thriller to award-winning Broadway author Sidney for comment—or
has he? Without a success to his credit for some years. Sidney plots with his
reluctant wife Myra to plagiarize ‘Deathtrap.’ When Clifford turns up to
discuss the play with the ‘Master.’ Events take a sinister turn.

Please be advised that there is some sensitive subject matter.

100 Drury Lane* Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
If you are arriving by bus:
*Give this map to your driver to aid in directions.
*BUS DRIVERS... You may pull under the canopy to unload and load but
PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR ENGINE WHILE UNDER THE CANOPY.

If you are arriving by car:
*Please copy this map and distribute to your guests.
*Free parking is available surrounding Drury Lane and Hilton Suites.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE NORTH OR SOUTH ON ROUTE 55: Exit at Roosevelt/Butterfield Road East (Roosevelt Road is Route 55). Follow the GREEN sign to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE EAST OR WEST ON ROOSEVELT ROAD: Exit Route 83 (Kingery Hwy.) South to Roosevelt Road (Route 55) East and follow GREEN sign to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM DOWNTOWN CHICAGO: Take the Eisenhower Expressway (I-290) West to the East-West Tollway (I-88) Aurora exit. Immediately after paying the $.40 toll at the Cermak Road/22nd Street tollbooth, exit right and proceed North on Spring Road to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE WEST ON I-88: Exit at Midwest Road, turn right, proceed North to Butterfield Road (Route 55). Turn right onto Butterfield Road, exit Roosevelt Road (Route 55) East to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM I-290 (TRI-STATE): to I-88 (East-West Tollway) West, to Aurora exit. Immediately after paying $.40 toll at Cermak Road/22nd Street tollbooth, exit right and proceed North on Spring Road to DRURY LANE.
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: ________________________________________________