

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

# Retiree's Newsletter

MAY



2016

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](http://www.Local134chicago.com) Written & Edited by Mario Coletta Mailed by Bernie Martin

## 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 115<sup>th</sup> 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 115<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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

## **RECIPE EXCHANGE**

### **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

3/4 cup sugar

1/3 cup oil

1 large egg, lightly beaten

3/4 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 Retires 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 8<sup>TH</sup>, 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 1<sup>ST</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup>, 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.

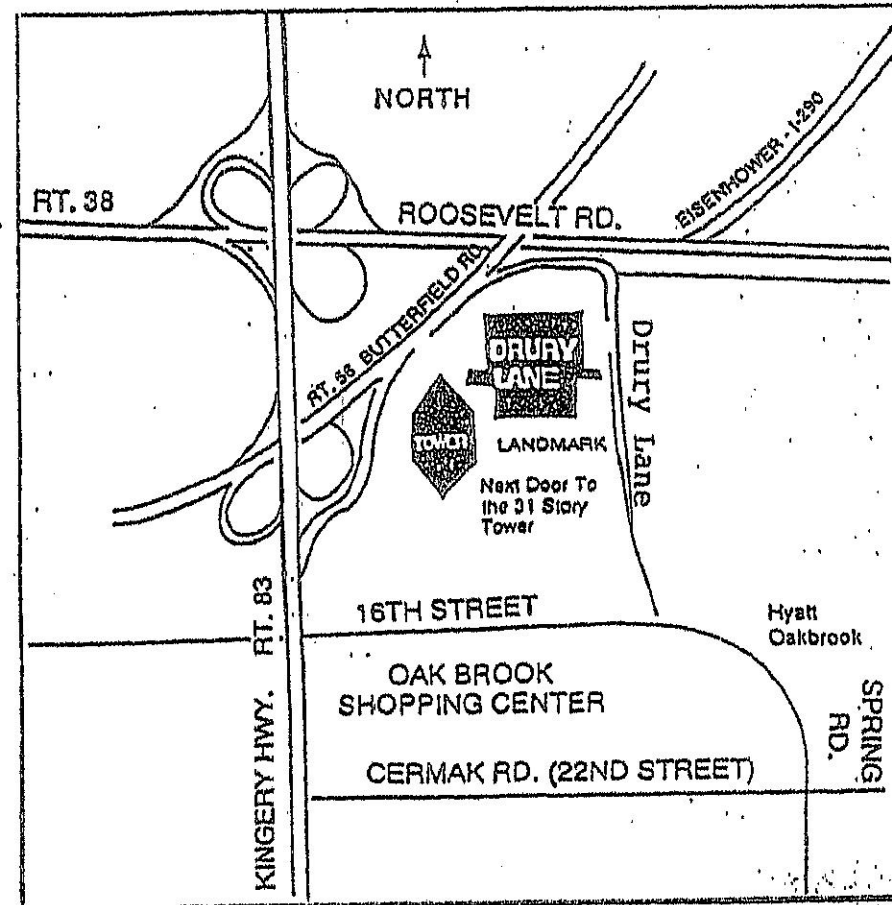
WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE NORTH OR SOUTH ON ROUTE 38: Exit at Roosevelt/Butterfield Road East (Roosevelt Road is Route 38). Follow the GREEN sign to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE EAST OR WEST ON ROOSEVELT ROAD: Exit Route 83 (Kingery Hwy.) South to Roosevelt Road (Route 38) 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 56). Turn right onto Butterfield Road, exit Roosevelt Road (Route 38) East to DRURY LANE.

WHEN APPROACHING FROM I-294 (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.



I-88

Cermak  
Exit

## Retired Members

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600 West Washington Boulevard  
Chicago, IL 60661-2490

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> & June 30<sup>th</sup>----- \$20.00 + \$2.00  
If you join after July 1<sup>st</sup>----- \$10.00 + \$2.00  
If you join after October 1<sup>st</sup>----- \$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: \_\_\_\_\_





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