

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

# Retiree's Newsletter

NOVEMBER



2014

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 December at Boyle Temple, 600 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, 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 Irv Blaszyński and Bernie Martin

## FROM THE PODIUM

### ANTI UNION PRO POVERTY

The South has never been America's bright spot when it comes to things like poverty and health outcomes, but recent years show that there's always room for things to get worse:

North Carolina and a handful of other Southern U.S. states saw the biggest increases in the number of people living in what are known as "poverty areas" between 2000 and 2010, according to a new Census Bureau report.

Poverty areas are places where more than 20 percent of the people live below the federal poverty line, which varies by family size. For a family of four, the poverty line in most states is an annual income of \$23,850.

Note that Southern states were five of the six biggest gainers. This should not be much of a shock, as Southern states consistently lag the rest of the country in good things like wages, economic mobility and access to health care, while leading it in bad things like poverty, obesity and general unhappiness. Another thing Southern states have in common is conservative political leaders that have spent the past decade shrinking the social safety net. It's terribly sad and kind of a blot on the entire country that such a large region of the country could have such high poverty. But what's worse is that there are those who want to expand the policies that heighten the distress in the South across the entire country.

*Mario Coletta*

## CALENDAR

- Oct 25** Annual Local #134 Benefit Fair 8:00 am to 2:00 pm
- Nov 3**-E-Board Meeting 10:30am
- Nov 12**-Regular Meeting Local #134 Apprentice School 115<sup>th</sup> & Ridgeland Alsip IL 1:00 pm
- Nov 20**-Drury Lane Play "Camelot" Luncheon served at 11:30 am
- Dec 1**-E-Board Meeting 10:30 am
- Dec 10**-Holiday Party at the Irish American Heritage Center noon
- Dec 25**-Merry Christmas

## IN MEMORIAM

\*John E Altman      John W Blank  
Bruce E Barickman Jr      Noel Cates  
Edward P Carroll      Adam J Casey  
Jerry Feinstein      Richard C Felder  
Charles J Gabbert      Mihai Gall  
Clifford Gansky      \*Wayne M Goritz  
Ernst Hofmann      Thomas Keane  
Harold Love      Raymond E Loveless  
John T Magnuson      Andrew Mendoza  
Robert E Nield      Stephen Oster  
Francis P Peterson      Alan Quiroz  
Terry D Ratliff      \*Alfred S Rogers  
\*Robert N Smedberg      Vincent Weber  
Henry Williams Jr

Our condolences to the families of John E Altman, Wayne M Goritz, Alfred S Rogers and Robert N Smedberg. Bob was the Club's previous editor and E-Board member.

## DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Please look at your Retired Members of Local 134 membership card, if it does not say 2015 or 2016 your dues are due. You can pay your 2015 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 is my 2015 dues of \$20.00

PLEASE PRINT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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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 the check with this form filled in to Bernard Martin at 8706 N. Olcott Ave. Niles IL. 60714.

If you have a second address where you spend time for several month please let us know that address and the weeks or months you will be there on another 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.

Drury Lane Dinner Theatre Presents:

## CAMELOT

Our next play will be held on Thursday November 20th 2014 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 October 31st, 2014 with your check for \$45.00 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:** Soup of the Day, Chef's Choice

**Entrees:**

Tilapia \_\_\_\_\_

Tomato Bruchetta

Or

Traditional Roast Turkey \_\_\_\_\_

Sliced Breast, Herb Stuffing, Cranberries, Turkey Gravy

All- Entrees include Chef's Selection of garden vegetables, potato, fresh baked bread, desert and choice of one non-alcoholic beverage.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Send your order to:

Walter Felde  
6543 N Oshkosh  
Chicago IL 60631

The entire community of CAMELOT awaits the arrival of Guinevere, King Arthur of England's future Queen.

Members of the audience are quickly drawn in as the legendary characters King Arthur, Queen Guinevere, Sir Lancelot and Merlyn come alive in this exciting tale of love and chivalry. Some of the enchanting musical numbers include The Simple Joys of Maidenhood, The Lusty Month of May, How to Handle a Women, I Loved You Once in Silence, If Ever I Would Leave You and What Do the Simple Folk Do? In the end it is fourteen -year-old Tom who tells the world of Camelot's quest for right and honor and justice.