FROM THE PODIUM

Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it.
There’s talk of eliminating the prevailing wage in Illinois. Some call it a union make work law. Conservatives are dead set against it. This is where the history comes in. In 1931 Hoover was president. A member from both the House and the Senate were able to get legislation passed to create the prevailing wage law. Davis and Bacon were upset that unscrupulous out of town contractors would bid and win jobs then hire not based on talent or knowledge but how little pay there employees would accept. The unethical contractor would get a partial pay then abandon the job, local contractors and workmen would finish the job at the rate of pay that collective bargaining brought. This was an increase in the cost of the project and angered those who thought they were getting there money’s worth. The irony is that Hoover Bacon and Davis were all members of the GOP, the same group who no longer want this grand law and the only law that they’ve ever passed to help the working man. If the prevailing wage disappears we can expect the doom to be repeated.

Mario Coletta

CALENDAR

Jul 23- Drury Lane Play Beaches
Luncheon served at 11:30 am

Jul 27- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am

Aug 12- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm
Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. Come at noon for the greet and meet.

Aug 31- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am

Sept 9- Luncheon and Regular Meeting noon at Boyle Auditorium
600 W Washington Blvd

Sept 16- Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing 8:00 am

Sept 28- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am

Oct 14- Regular meeting 1:00 pm
Apprentice School 115th and Ridgeland Alsip IL. Come at noon for the greet and meet.

IN MEMORIAM

John D Braschler    Walter Brozek Sr
Carlo A Cribaro    James T Finn
Herman J Grisheaber
Masato D Hirata James M Killackey
Ronald K Kopecky Milan Lekich
James D Luzzo Bernard Malas
Clifford A McBride John R Mirabal
Thomas B Naumann *Isaac Reese
Thomas J Oconnell Jr
Nick M Skertich Vernon Thompson
*Harry G Tongren Mark A Wrobell
Robert B Zerfass

Our condolences to the families of Isaac Reese and Harry G Tongren
RETIRED MEMBERS OF LOCAL # 134 LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 9TH 2015 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
We are going to the races on Thursday August 20th. If you are interested and want to join us, please complete the bottom portion of this flyer and return to me by August 10th.

Your fee of $27.00 includes a BOX SEAT, A RACING GUIDE AND A GRAB 'N GO LUNCH. The GRAB "N GO lunch is a choice of:

- SMOKED PULLED CHICKEN SANDWICH on an egg washed bun
- BEER BRAISED BRATWURST SANDWICH with caramelized onions and mustard on a sausage roll
- BLACK BEAN BURGER SANDWICH on a whole grain bun and assorted toppings

The sides include KETTLE CHIPS, POTATO SALAD, SWEET AND SOUR COLE SLAW AND CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE.

THE PARK OPENS AT 12 NOON
ARLINGTON SERVES THE GRAB 'N GO LUNCH FROM 12:30 UNTIL 2:30 PM
POST TIME 1:00 PM
I WILL TRY TO MAIL YOUR TICKETS TO YOU BY AUGUST 14TH

The parking is free or if you want you can take the metro to the park because there is a train station at the park. There is a fee if you want to use the valet parking. You can bring friends or relatives to this and any other event that we have outside of the meetings.

NAME__________________________

ADDRESS_________________________

CITY AND ZIP_____________________

NUMBER OF TICKETS_________________ @ $27.00 EACH

Send your check for $27.00 per person made payable to the Retirees Club of Local 134, IBEW, to: Gerry White, 237 W. Millers Rd., DesPlaines, IL 60016. For questions call me at 847-635-5559.
50/55/60/65/70 Year Honorees

On June 10th the Club held its annual lunch to honor those who have reached these milestones. It is a privilege to be a member of the IBEW and to have worked with many of these gentlemen.


Recording Secretary Frank Cunningham taking time from his busy schedule to join the celebration and speaking for the Local and the IBEW congratulated the Honorees, thanked them for their years of service, and stood with them for their portrait.

As always Bussean Custom Caterers did their best to provide a fine meal and plenty of it. Our thanks to Nick Bussean for all he’s done for so many years.

I hope I haven’t missed or misspelled anybody’s name. Let me know and it will be corrected in a future issue. In the meantime I hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Rich Sipple
Retired Members of Local #134 IBEW
Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing
Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Old Oak Country Club "Golf Digest - 4 Stars"
14200 S. Parker Road
Homer Glen, IL 60491

**** Cost: $65.00 ****

18 Holes of Golf with a cart for each golf team
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 Drive Bolingbrook, IL 60440
kgibbons101@comcast.net

RSVP by August 30, 2015

Mail advance payments / or due the morning of the golf outing.
Make checks payable to: The Retirees Club of Local 134 IBEW
KOREAN-SPICED BEEF WITH RICE

1 Tbsp. sesame oil
1 lb. lean ground beef
3 cloves garlic, minced
½ cup brown sugar
¼ cup soy sauce
¼ tsp. ground ginger
½-1 tsp. crushed red peppers (depending on how spicy you like it)
Salt and Pepper
1 bunch green onions, diced, for garnish
2 cups cooked rice

Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Add the oil and when hot, brown ground beef with garlic. Drain
most of the fat. Stir in brown sugar, soy sauce, ginger,
salt, pepper and red pepper flakes. Simmer for a few
minutes to blend the flavors. Serve over steamed rice,
and top with green onions. Serves four.

If you don’t have sesame oil and
I used ground red pepper instead of flakes and started
with ½ tsp. and mixed it and added to taste. We
don’t care for meals that are too spicy. I had brought
a bunch of green onions for this dish and then I forgot
to add them before serving. But it was still good.

JULY 23rd
Just a reminder! This is the date for the Lunch and
Play at Drury Lane Playhouse.

AUGUST 12th
We will be at the Apprentice School to hear Michael
Beltz, who is a member of the Veterans’ History
Project, talk about his experiences with veterans.
This organization’s members interview veterans, so
they will be able to document the veterans’ lives
while they were serving our country.

AUGUST 20th
We are going to the Arlington Racetrack for a fun
day of horse racing. I have attached a sign up sheet
to this newsletter explaining times and what the
afternoon includes. The cost is $27.00 per person.

SEPTEMBER 2nd
I picked this day because it is an afternoon game and
hopefully all the children will be back in school.
There is a variety of food served at the park, therefore
I did not get a package that included lunch. You can
pick and choose what you want, or maybe eat
somewhere else.

SEPTEMBER 9th
I have asked a speaker to come to this meeting
because it is a luncheon at the Union Hall and they
seem to have a good turnout. The speaker is from
Mayflower Tours. She is going to talk about a value
tour for next April 17th. It is an 8 day trip that
includes Tennessee and Alabama. This trip is not for
just members of the Retirees’ Club, but you can ask
any of your friends to go with you. We gave out
flyers at the June luncheon so you could think about
the trip and see if you are interested. Come and hear
what she has to say. The club has taken trips with
Mayflower before. The Retirees’ Club went to
Niagara Falls, Branson and Springfield, since we
have been members.

SEPTEMBER 16th
The JOHN CUMMINS MEMORIAL golf outing is
on this Wednesday. It will be held at the Old Oak
Country Club. The price of $65.00 includes a
continental breakfast, 18 holes of Golf with cart for
each team, buffet lunch and prizes. Sounds good.

Have a nice day! Gerry White
SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS BASEBALL

SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

EVENT: SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS vs WASHINGTON WILD THINGS

TIME: 1:00 PM

COST: $9.00 PER TICKET

The park opens at 10:00 AM, so you can plan on coming early to look around, have your lunch or get a better parking stop in the free parking lot. I make NO plans for a special lunch but there should be plenty of food at the park. They have the usual baseball park food, and the kids will be back in school I hope.

You can invite someone who is not a member of the Retirees Club to this event and please ask your spouse.

If you could send in your check and the bottom portion of this sheet before August 17th, I will be able to mail your tickets in time for the game date.

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