

Retiree's Newsletter

MAY



2015

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 Written & Edited by Mario Coletta Mailed by Irv Blaszyński and Bernie Martin

FROM THE PODIUM State of our Unions

On Monday, March 9th President Obama released a statement saying he was "deeply disappointed that a new anti-worker law in Wisconsin will weaken, rather than strengthen workers in this economy." In his statement on the Wisconsin law, Obama said that "it's inexcusable that, over the past several years, just when middle-class families and workers need that kind of security the most, there's been a sustained, coordinated assault on unions, led by powerful interests and their allies in government and" That this "sustained, coordinated assault" is worthy of notice.

White House principal deputy press secretary Eric Schultz told reporters the next day aboard Air Force One. "Instead of rolling back workers' rights, states, including Wisconsin, should be expanding workers' rights, like raising the minimum wage and paid sick leave, Unions are suing to block Wisconsin's newest anti-union law. Can you remember Tuesday June 2nd 1981, thousands of Local 134 members sacrificed a days pay to protest in Springfield. Governor Thompson said that he wouldn't sign any anti union

legislation that crossed his desk. He kept his word.

Mario Coletta

IN MEMORIAM

James F Cahill *Jerome Danhauer
Gerald E Dempsey Marek W Geber
Robert A Galante Larry E George
Thomas B Clancey Jr Earl C Heller
Bryan E Hughes Walter A Jamieson
Bruce D Kelfstrom Craig S Kennedy
Gerald J Kintz Girvena M LaBlanc
Henry C Meyer Kenneth F Nitka
*John C O'Boyle Edgar R Weiss
Kenneth A Rhenborg
Tommy M Sidwell
Leonard S Wisniewski

Our condolences to the families of
Jerome Danhauer & John C O'Boyle

CALENDAR

Apr 8-Regular meeting 1:00 pm
Apprentice school 115th and
Ridgeland Alsip IL Come at noon
for the Greet and Meet.
Apr 23-Drury Lane Play **Billy Elliot**
the musical Luncheon served at
11:30 am
Apr 27-E-Board Meeting 10:30 am
This meeting will be held at the
Apprentice School.
May 13- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm
Apprentice School 115th and
Ridgeland Alsip IL Come at noon
for the Greet and Meet.
May 18-E-Board Meeting 10:30 am
This meeting will be held at the
Apprentice School.
Jun 10-50,55,60,65 &70 year
Celebration Luncheon noon. Honor
our Brothers

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 10TH, 2015

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.

Life Insurance Choices!

Sometime in April you will receive a ballot from Local 134

to vote on the MetLife life insurance benefit for active and retired members.

The ballot has three options:

1.*AP \$60,**Q \$15; no change to payout - \$7500 active and retirees, at 65 it drops to \$5000, at 70 it drops to \$3750

2.*AP \$132,**Q \$33; active and retirees same payout - \$7500

3.*AP\$133,**Q\$33.25; active payout \$10,000; retirees - \$7500

In my opinion vote for option (2) because option (1) we have already.

Option (2) is the only one that will benefit active and retirees equally.

Option (3) is a two-tier choice that does not offer an equitable payout to all who participate in the insurance plan.

Active and retiree members will both benefit in the end with option (2).

(*Annual premium-A P— **Quarterly-Q)

Louis Rodriguez

Drury Lane Dinner Theatre Presents:

BEACHES A NEW MUSICAL

Our next play will be held on Thursday July 23rd 2015 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 July 1st, 2015 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:

Lemon Sole _____ Or

Baked / Lemon Dill Sauce

Grilled Boneless Pork Chops _____

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

Presenting the first new work on the Drury Lane stage in 21 years, Beaches signifies the theater's renewed dedication to develop new works. Drury Lane's artistic team will work to bring the beloved novel by Iris Rainer Dart to the stage.

Beaches follows two extraordinary friends through 30 years of camaraderie, laughter and sorrow. Vivacious, outlandish Cee Cee and beautiful, privileged Bertie meet as children and become fast friends. From pen-pals to roommates to romantic rivals, Cee Cee and Bertie's oil-and-water friendship perseveres through even the most tragic trials. With a touching vulnerability, Beaches exemplifies the triumph of the human spirit and the bonds of sisterhood.

RECIPE EXCHANGE

ONE SKILLET SPAGHETTI FOR TWO

- ½ pound lean ground beef
- 1 small onion chopped
- 1 can (14-1/2 oz) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1/3 cup chopped green pepper
- 4 to 6 tablespoons water
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon chili powder
- 3 ounces uncooked spaghetti, broken
- 1/3 cup shredded cheddar cheese

In a large skillet, cook beef and onion over medium heat until meat is no longer pink; drain. Stir in the tomatoes, green pepper, water, salt, chili powder and spaghetti. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 30 minutes or until spaghetti is tender, stirring frequently and adding more water if necessary. Sprinkle with cheese; cover and heat until cheese is melted, about 5 minutes.

It looks easy enough and I am sure you could add more spaghetti and more canned tomatoes if you like.

APRIL 8th

Our meeting will be at the Apprentice School located at 115th and Ridgeland in Alsip. We will have Jeff Kingsley who is the liaison between in retirees and the union. If you need anything or want to know what is going

on in the union, Jeff will be the person to contact.

APRIL 23rd

We are going to Drury Lane Oak Brook for lunch and the play **BILLY ELLIOT**. It is a musical that will keep your feet tapping. If you have not signed up as yet, you might want to send in your reservation form to Walter Felde ASAP. You will not want to miss this performance.

MAY 13th

We are waiting until the March meeting to find out what we are going to do at this meeting. I do not want to say until we have the okay to publish.

JUNE 10th

Mary Anne Riehl will be our feature entertainment for this luncheon. We also will be honoring our 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 etc. members at this meeting. The reservation sheet is attached to this newsletter.

JULY 8th

I do not have a speaker for this meeting as of this date, so if you know of any one or any organization that could come please let me know.

I do have a speaker for August and I will let you know about him in next month's newsletter.

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.

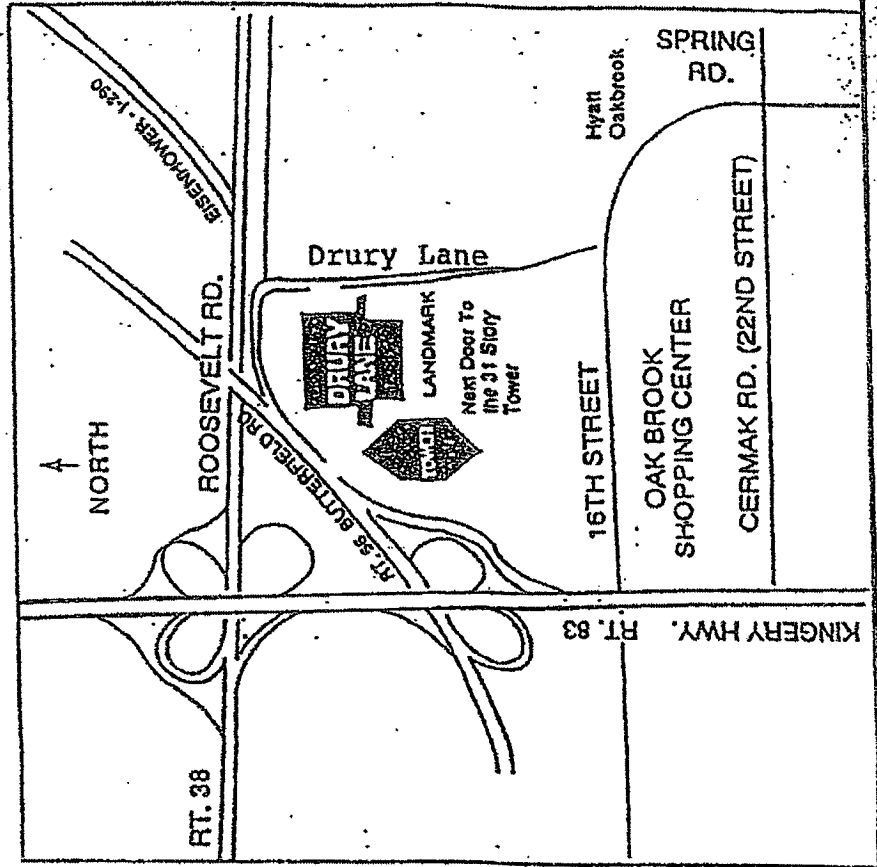
WHEN APPROACHING FROM THE NORTH OR SOUTH ON ROUTE 83: Exit at Roosevelt/Butterfield Road East (Roosevelt Road is Route 38). Follow the GREEN sign to DRURY LANE.

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 (I-55): Exit 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.



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 _____

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 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.