

Members of Local Union 134 I.B.E.W

## **Retiree's Newsletter**

**February 2023**

The Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 12 p.m. at the IBEW-NECA Technical Institute located at 6201 W. 115<sup>th</sup> St. Alsip, IL

*(enter the multi-purpose room on the west side of the school)*

In March, June, September, and December the Club meets at the Union Hall of 134 located at 2722 S. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Chicago, IL

*The purpose of this organization shall be to carry out the spirit of our brotherhood. To aid and assist each other as necessary, to promote the social, economic, health and welfare of its members and their families.*

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# From the Podium

Hello all,

I hope everyone is doing well.

We have Joe Wells speaking at the February meeting, in March we will have our elections at the luncheon and Jim Conaghan will be speaking in April.

If you have not paid your yearly dues please do so soon, it saves us all a lot of work.

It looks like the Drury Lane tickets are selling nicely. Grease will be our next play so I hope you can attend.

It will be good to see everyone at our regular meeting on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>.

As usual please ask questions at the Union meeting where Officers know the answers. Not at the bar where people make them up.

In Brotherhood, Keith Berls d719472

# January 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 Speaker

Our speaker this month was Dan Allen The Executive Director of CISCO. This stands for the Construction Industry Service Corporation. It's a 501 (c)(6) not-for-profit association representing 8,000 contractors and 140,000 workers in the Northwestern Illinois Union construction industry. Dan thanked us as Local 134 members for being the backbone of the construction industry. Being a combined Labor union and Management group one half of the Board Members represent the Contractors and one half represent Labor, and they must agree. When Rauner was governor he tried to end organized labor in Illinois by wiping out Collective Bargaining agreements. ABC a powerful non union group tried to under bid construction jobs. Cisco offered responsible bidder offers to knock out low bidders for proper bids to save tax payer dollars and job safety. Protecting the prevailing wage had management and labor in full agreement. The Lame Duck session in Springfield tried to raise the no bid contracts from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to lower bonding to help non union contractors. Cisco fought this. Dan ended saying Chicago Public School students should be encouraged to take trade union jobs.

Mario Coletta

Sisters and Brothers,

Dan Allen, the guest speaker at our January meeting told me that we are invited to this meeting. This meeting is also an awards banquet. One of the honorees is LU 134's very own Latisa Kindred who is being honored as Educator of the Year.

If you would like to attend you can email,

Julia Mulvey at

[julia@cisco.org](mailto:julia@cisco.org) with Subject Line: Annual Meeting Registration,

**Annual Meeting  
Friday, Feb. 10, 2023  
Maggiano's Little Italy  
1901 Woodfield Rd  
Schaumburg IL  
Registration/Breakfast at 8 a.m.  
Program at 9 a.m.**

In Solidarity,

Hale Landes

**"Where justice is denied, where poverty is enforced, where ignorance prevails, and where any one class is made to feel that society is an organized conspiracy to oppress, rob and degrade them, neither persons nor property will be safe."**

**Frederick Douglass**

## **Up-coming events:**

**Feb. 8, 2023...** Regular Meeting / Alsip, IL

***Enter west multi-purpose meeting room***

12:00 Meet & Greet / 1:00 Meeting Begins

*Guest Speaker: Joe Wells, Local 134 B.A.*

**Feb. 16, 2023...** Drury Lane..."Chorus Line"

**Feb. 27, 2023...** Executive Board Meeting / 10:30 /  
Alsip

**March 8, 2023...** Regular \$1 Luncheon / Meeting

11:00 Meet & Greet / 12:00 luncheon / 1:00 Meeting

Local 134 Union Hall

2722 s. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

***Save the Date: April 27, 2023... Drury  
Lane..."Grease"***

***April 28,... St. Louis Museum Trip***

**MARCH \$1 LUNCHEON**

Luncheon will be held at Memorial Hall

2722 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

Chicago, IL 60616

MARCH 8, 2023 12 Noon

Send this form and your check or cash for \$1 per person  
to the Treasurer before March 3, 2023

*Make checks payable to Retired Members of Local 134 IBEW*

Please Print

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_

To: Bernard Martin

8706 Olcott Ave.

Niles, IL 60714

Widows of deceased members of the Retired Members Club are the guests of the club and need not send in the dollar, but are asked to send in this form with your name so we know how many people will be attending.

## The Retired Members of Local 134 invite you to

A motor coach trip to The NBEW - IBEW Museum (The Henry Miller Museum) in St Louis MO.

The man who sparked a movement has a museum to honor his memory. At a time of terrifyingly high mortality rates and paltry pay in the new field of electrical work, Henry Miller knew what needed to be done, and he dedicated his life to making it happen. From the boarding house where he lived almost 125 years ago, the lineman founded the National Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, which would later become the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Now that modest brick house is being turned into a museum, thanks to St. Louis Local 1, the flagship union of the IBEW.

Join us as we take a motor coach to the history of our Union. Once we arrive at the museum in St Louis we will be taken on a guided tour of the Henry Miller Museum. The museum is in the very building where the NBEW was founded in 1891. The museum has displays inside and outside. There is an elevator to access the floors.

The cost \$25 per person and includes the motor coach with restroom, bottled water, coffee and doughnuts, and a box lunch.

We will leave St Louis by 4pm and should arrive back at the Hall by 9pm.

For more info call or text Hale 630-853-9056 or email [retirees@local134.org](mailto:retirees@local134.org)

When: Friday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2023 6:30am

Where: We will meet at IBEW Local 134 Union Hall parking lot

What: We will board a Greyhound bus that will take us to the Henry Miller Museum in St Louis

Make checks payable to: Retired Members of Local Union 134 IBEW and mail with this form to Hale Landes 2803 Breckenridge Lane Naperville IL 60565-5304.

**This trip is limited to 50 people. Due by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 = Total \_\_\_\_\_

# **“Grease”**

(musical)

Good girl Sandy and greaser Danny fell in love over the summer.

Now they unexpectedly discover they’re now in the same high school, will they be able to rekindle their romance?

Date: April 27, 2023

Cost: \$82 dollars per person

Time: Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

Play follows at 1:30 p.m.

Place: Drury Lane Playhouse

100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

630-530-8300

Information: James Martin

Telephone: 708-848-1833

Cell Phone: 312-213-6380

## **“Grease” - Menu**

Entrees (choice of one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian                      Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fish                                      Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Meat



# IN MEMORIAM

Dennis J Bielecki  
Henry Castaneda III  
Ernest J Crawford  
Anthony Dunigan  
Dwight S Fuhrman  
Thomas Griffin  
Michael Guzzo  
Erich Krenn  
Stephen J Krol  
James M Laurino  
Michael J Lonergan  
Daniel J Luciano  
Fred H Marwig  
Michael P McLaughlin  
Zika Z Mundzic  
George E Musil  
Michael A Oto  
Lamonte A Schleden  
Wilfred C Stapley  
Robert Strandberg  
Robert M Ulrich  
Leonard Vannoort  
Jeff G Wasielewski  
**\*Kenneth W White**

**Our condolences to the family of Retiree's Club Member  
Kenneth W White.**

## DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Renew your annual membership. Begin by completing the form below.

Return the completed form, along with your annual dues of \$20.00.

Make your check payable to:

***Retired Members of Local 134, I.B.E.W.***

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Widows of deceased members of our organization are considered Associate Members and DO NOT PAY DUES.*

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill in ALL information so we can update our records**

**Mail the completed form along with your check to:**

Bernard F. Martin

8706 N. Olcott Avenue

Niles, IL 60714-2024

*If you have a second address where you spend time for several months, please notify us of that address and the duration of your stay. We will gladly re-route your newsletter.*