Retiree’s Newsletter
Members of Local Union 134. I.B.E.W.

July 2019

Retired Members
Local #134

The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at the new union hall located at:
2722 S Dr. Martin Luther King Drive, Chicago, IL 60616

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

After 40 years of faithful service my garage door opener started to hesitate. Always a faithful servant it did not lock us out but rather let me know it’s life of service was near it’s end. Like a good car that gets you to the service station before it dies. Or a tire that loses just enough air to get your attention without a major flat. As I removed the door opener I could not help but remember the young electrician that installed it in 1979. Our new house had an attached garage. I insisted I would install a door opener ASAP. No more lifting the door and having to get out of the car to close the door. When it was raining….just push the button and your in. That simple appliance was rightfully named “Genie”.

As I assembled the new Genie with a belt drive I couldn’t help but notice the change in the materials used to construct the unit. Much lighter, electronic limits and much more sophisticated
electronics. After almost all afternoon, no need to hurry just enjoy the project, I finished with the safety and remote control wiring. This simple installation was fun. I remembered the sense of accomplishment as an electrician. The thrill of wiring a light and turning it on for the first time. Like magic!

Our lives are slower today with little pressure to cause stress so this fun and easy task gave me great joy. Again every time I leave the house or return home I will appreciate my efforts and mechanical skill for a job well done. It all goes back to our earliest training. Throw the switch and the light goes on. It never gets old.

Have a safe and great July 4th. God bless the USA!

Kevin Gibbons

Living the Dream!

LTD 134
"AND THEN THERE WERE NONE"

Written by Agatha Christie
Directed by William Osetek

Ten strangers meet on a clandestine island. Each holds the murder a secret. Who will pay the ultimate price? Penned with the cruelty by master of the craft Agatha Christie, And Then There Were None brings together tension, fear and the macabre to weave a tale that captivates the audience until the final curtain. Can you unravel the mystery? This classic murder mystery play is based on the world’s best selling mystery and one of the best selling books of all time.

Only 12 tickets available

Date: August 22, 2019

Cost: $61.00 per person*

Time: Lunch will be served at 11:30 am
Play to follow at 1:30 pm

Place: The Drury Lane Playhouse
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
630-530-8300  www.drurylanetheatre.com

Check must be in Walter’s possession by July 26, 2019.
“AND THEN THERE WERE NONE”

First Course: Mixed Green Salad
Mixed greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Radish, Herb Croutons w/ Ranch Dressing

Choose your lunch entrée:

___ Mahi Mahi w/ Mango Relish

___ Grilled Chicken Breast w/ Lemon Caper Sauce

___ Vegetable Linguine Pomodoro
Zucchini, Yellow Squash, Broccoli, Peas, Tomatoes, Basil w/ Pomodoro Sauce.

Desert: Peach Melba

Send your order & check to: Walter Felde
6543 N Oshkosh
Chicago, Illinois 60631

Name: ____________________________________________

Guest: ___________________________________________

*Make check payable to: Local 134 Retiree Club.
Note: Your ticket order and check must be in Walter’s possession by July 26, 2019.

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Annual John Cummins Memorial Golf Outing

Old Oak Country Club
14200 S. Parker Rd.
Homer Glen, IL 60491

September 18, 2019

18 Holes of Golf with a cart for each golf team
Buffet Lunch and Prizes after Golf

Cost Per Person $65.00
Continental Breakfast at 8:00 AM
Shotgun Start at 9:00 AM
Buffet only $25.00  2:00 – 3:00 PM

Contact
Kevin Gibbons
630.877.7340
kgibbons101@comcast.net

$65.00 due the morning of the golf outing.
Make checks payable to: Retirees Club of Local 134
RETIRRED MEMBERS OF LOCAL 134 LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 11TH 2019 MEMORIAL HALL

2722 S. Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING Jr. Dr.

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

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2019 Boomer’s Baseball Game

It is time to get your tickets for the Schaumburg Boomer’s baseball Game. This year we have chosen the Friday night fireworks spectacular!

The date is August 16th
Tickets are $9.00 per person

Start time is 6:30pm.... gates open early.
The opponent will be the Lake Erie Crushers.
There will be a “marshmallow fight” after the game.
Last but not least a spectacular fireworks display that will impress all of you.

Parking is free.

Call Rich Sipple: 312-914-4428 for information.
Mail $9 per ticket to Rich: 901 Pheasant Walk Dr.
Schaumburg, IL 60193

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CALENDAR

June 12- Annual 50, 55, 60, 65 & 70 year member Honoree Luncheon 12:00 Noon
Regular Meeting 1:00 pm

June 24- E Board Meeting 10:30 am.

July 4- Independence Day fly your Flag.

July 10- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm
Meet & Greet 12:00 noon.

July 22- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.

Aug 14- Regular Meeting 1:00 pm
Meet & Greet 12:00 noon.

Aug 22- Drury Lane Play
"And Then There Were None"
Luncheon 11:30 am / Play 1:30 pm

Aug 26- E-Board Meeting 10:30 am.

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IN MEMORIAM

Robert F Arndt  
Neil W Boyd  
Patrick Duffy  
Robert D Fishback  
James J Freyer  
Robert M Gallagher  
*William D Hancock  
Bennie Jones  
Tracy A King  
Mark C Sitar  
William Taggart  

John A Ausick  
Thomas J Connors  
Harold R Ericksen  
Edward Fredrick  
Michael A Frontzak  
Anthony C Galvan  
Eric P Johnson  
*Richard M Kapelanski  
*Robert J Mersch  
James V Steele  
George Ulaszek

*Our condolences to the families of Retiree’s Club Members:

William D Hancock
Richard M Kapelanski
*Robert J Mersch
Retiree Club President 2006–2008

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Open Forum... Issues... Thoughts

Mark your calendar:

**Annual Golf Outing:** September 18, 2019
Old Oaks Country Club.

**Drury Lane Events for 2019-2020**

December 5, 2019  “MARY POPPINS”
February 27, 2020  “AMERICAN IN PARIS”

A gift of $25.00 was donated to **PAWS Chicago** in memory of William McDonnell.

A gift of $25.00 was donated to **Standing Tall Charitable Foundation** in memory of Joseph Keenan.

A gift of $25.00 was donated to **St Jude Children’s Research Hospital** in memory of Helen Finn.
Great history website:

www.Chicagology.com

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Thoughts to ponder:

Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?

If 2/2/22 falls on a Tuesday, we'll just call it "2's Day". (It does fall on a Tuesday)

The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims".

If poison expires is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?

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Quote of the month:

God Bless America

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Here is a quiz to determine age. If you remember the following, you were definitely born years before zip codes:

1. Blackjack chewing gum
2. Wax Coke-shaped bottles with colored sugar-water
3. Candy cigarettes
4. Soda-pop machines that dispensed glass bottles
5. Coffee shops with tableside jukeboxes
6. Home milk delivery in glass bottles with cardboard stoppers
7. Party lines
8. Newsreels before the movie
9. P.F. Flyers
10. Butch wax
11. Telephone numbers with a word prefix (e.g., Olive - 6933)
12. Peashooters
13. Howdy Doody
14. 45-RPM records ... and 78-RPM records
15. S&H Green Stamps
16. Hi-fi systems
17. Metal ice trays with levers
18. Mimeograph paper
19. Blue flashbulbs
20. Packards
21. Rollerskate keys
22. Cork popguns
23. Drive-in theaters
24. Studebakers
25. Washtub wringers
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Cut your family's out-of-pocket health care expenses with discount plans for dental care, vision care, prescription drugs, hearing care and more. Visit unionplus.org/healthsavings.

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Find Medicare Supplement, Medicare Advantage and Medicare Prescription Drug Plans sponsored by eHealth. Call 888-684-8357 or visit unionplusmedicare.com

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