

# Retiree's Newsletter

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

November



2021

The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month 12pm:  
March, June, September and December at the 134 union hall located  
at: 2722 S Dr. Martin Luther King Drive, Chicago, IL

All other months the club will meet at the IBEW-NECA Technical Inst  
located at: 6201 West 115<sup>th</sup> Street, Alsip, IL (enter on the east side)

*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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Chicago, IL 60616-2908

## From the Podium

Before I forget, there are still plenty of tickets available for the upcoming play, "Holiday Inn" at the Drury Lane Theatre, more details to follow in this newsletter, and do not forget the annual Christmas luncheon, again, more details to follow in this newsletter.

The Retiree Club wants to welcome aboard to its Executive Board Susan Klecka, the present Commentary & Press Secretary of the Retiree Club and James Duffy. They were appointed to the Board following the recent passings of Board members Donald Mahoney and Richard Connolly. By the way, Sue is the first woman retiree in the Club's history to sit at the table of the Board. Congratulations to both members.

As we move into the Holiday season, let's pray that this Covid situation keeps improving. It is nice to see the Retiree Club getting back on its feet as far as social events: general membership meeting meet and greet, the Wendella Tours river and lake architecture cruise, the annual golf outing, and the Honoree luncheon, with plays and future luncheons and events to come.

I would be remiss if I did not note the passing of brother Don Mahoney and brother Richard Connelly. I will miss Don's regaling us with his long history of labor memories of his service to the Local, and sharing with Rich our tales of the Far North. Don was our last living link as far as I know to our past legendary leader Mike Boyle. Both brothers are

remembered in in photos and words in the latest Local's "News and Views." In requiem.

We had a speaker at our last general membership meeting, the Honorable Circuit Court Judge Michael Hood, a former United States Marine, who presently presides over Veteran's court in Cook County. Mike delivered a very comprehensive and insightful accounting of how this court works and assists veterans. I will try to have him back next year. In the same vein, the September issue of the I.O. "Electrical Worker" has interesting articles pertaining to veterans, one is a program in Wisconsin, the VEEP (Veterans Electrical Entry Program), where returning veterans are assisted into apprentice programs, and another is where a New York local sanctioned the forming a Veteran's club within the local for its veteran members. Do not forget Veteran's Day.

Last but not least, I want to thank fellow officer of the Retiree Club, V.P. Keith Berls and the other Retiree members who filled in for me during the last few months to help fulfill my duties and obligations to the Club.

In Brotherhood,  
Jim Jennings

## **Summary of coming events:**

**Nov 10, 2021...** Regular Membership meeting / Alsip, IL  
12:00 noon meet & greet / 1:00 pm meeting  
*Annual Turkey Raffle*

**Nov 11, 2021...** Veteran's Day Luncheon  
Veterans and Their Family Pre-registrar  
with Local 134.  
[www.local134.com](http://www.local134.com) for more info

**Nov 22, 2021...**Executive Board meeting /Alsip 10:30am

**December 8, 2021 .....** Annual Holiday Party \$35.00  
Local Union 134 Hall, Chicago

**December 16, 2021.....**Drury Lane "Holiday Inn"

# IN MEMORIAM

John Balzano  
Gregory K Beard  
Charles D Callan  
Thomas P Cascio Jr  
**\*Richard J Connolly**  
Patrick J Davern Jr  
**\*John A Dunne Jr**  
David R Farris  
Eamond F Fitzgibbons  
Julie K Ford  
John H Gernady  
Robert W Gesford Jr  
Charles E Gillette  
William Gloodt  
Frank L Glorioso  
George S Hartmann  
Thomas G Harvatt  
Louis H Hausmann  
Robert J Horsch  
Paul S Husko  
James P Kennedy

Thomas P Krob  
Dennis W Mader  
**\*Donald L Mahoney**  
Michael Marino  
George M May Jr  
**\*Major McCoy Sr**  
Leroy P McGrew  
James D McIntyre  
Edward T Mecler  
Randall P Meyers  
Brandon J Mills  
James J Pagano  
**\*Joseph Paleka**  
Edward M Paoletti  
Francisco Prieto  
Kevin J Smetana  
Donald J Smith  
**\*James G Tregay**  
Patrick P Wagner  
Robert M Wall  
James J Whitlock Jr

**Our condolences to the families of Richard J Connolly (Executive Board Member of the Retiree's Club), Donald L Mahoney (Recording Secretary of the Retiree's Club) Retiree's Club Members, John A Dunne Jr, Major McCoy Sr, Joseph Paleka and James G Tregay.**

# Holiday Inn

“Holiday Inn” is the story of Jim and the talented school teacher Linda bringing entertainment to a small Connecticut town.

Jim turns his farmhouse into an inn. He puts on spectacular shows including the Irving Berlin hit “White Christmas.”

**Date:** December 16, 2021

**Cost:** \$65 dollars per person

**Time:** Lunch served at 11:30 AM  
Play follows at 1:30 PM

**Place:** Drury Lane Playhouse  
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181  
630-530-8300 / [drurylanetheatre.com](http://drurylanetheatre.com)

November 24, 2021 is the last day for checks and reservation forms to be received.

*FYI: All club paid events are open to friends and family*

# **“Holiday Inn”**

## **Menu:**

First Course: Mixed Green Salad w/Ranch Dressing

Entrees (choice of one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Pot Roast

\_\_\_\_\_ Roast Turkey and Stuffing

\_\_\_\_\_ Vegetable Lasagna with marinara sauce

Dessert: Bread Pudding

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

The check should be made payable to:  
“Retired Members of Local Union #134 IBEW”

Mail this form and your check for \$65.00 to:

Jim Martin  
633 N. Harvey Ave  
Oak Park, IL 60302

## **Dues Notice**

2022 Dues are due Jan 1, 2022.

We are starting to collect them now.

Please fill in the dues renewal form found in this newsletter and send it with a check for \$20.00 made payable to the Retired Members of Local 134 IBEW and mail to the treasurer.

Bernard Martin  
8706 Olcott Ave  
Niles, IL 60714

There are still 46 members that have not paid their 2021 dues. In order to remain a member in good standing of the Retired Members Club, members have to pay their dues for each year.

Those that have not paid their 2021 dues should send a check for \$40.00 to pay for both years with a filled in dues renewal form to the treasurer.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Bernard Martin  
Club Treasurer



# 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.*



**ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**

**AT THE LOCAL #134 MEMORIAL HALL  
2722 MARTIN LUTHER KING DRIVE, CHICAGO, IL**

**DECEMBER 8, 2021 at 12:00 NOON**

**CORNED BEEF DINNER \_\_\_\_\_**

**OR**

**ROAST CHICKEN DINNER \_\_\_\_\_**

**Both meals come with boiled potatoes and cabbage,  
Apple pie for desert, with coffee or tea  
Beer is included with dinner**

***THERE WILL BE A CASH BAR***

**NAME \_\_\_\_\_**

**GUEST \_\_\_\_\_**

**The cost for members and their wives is \$35.00 per person  
Widows of our deceased members are free.  
Widows are asked to send in their reservation.  
We must know the total number of guests by Dec 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Mail this reservation form to: Richard Sipple  
901 Pheasant Walk  
Schaumburg IL 60193**

**Make checks payable to: Retired Members of Local Union #134**



# **Veteran's Day**

**November 11, 2021**

**Luncheon for all Local 134 Veterans and their Families.**

**Note: Must Pre-Register with Local 134  
Prior to event...312-454-1340**

**Time: 11:00 AM**

**Where: Local 134 Union Hall  
2722 S Martin Luther King Drive  
Chicago, IL**

**For more information: [www.local134.org](http://www.local134.org)**

May your day be filled with blessings of  
love, peace, and joy.



Season's Splendor

# NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

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

2722 S. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive

Chicago, Illinois 60616-2908

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, monthly, at 1:00 pm

PLEASE PRINT

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Retirement Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ I.B.E.W. Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to: **Retired Members of Local 134, I.B.E.W.**

Please mail the completed application and your check to:

**Bernard F. Martin**

**8706 N. Olcott Avenue**

**Niles, Illinois 60714-2024**

**DUES SCHEDULE** (paid dues entitles you to a Roster Book, our By-Laws and the monthly *Retiree's Newsletter*)

Initiation Fee: (one time only) \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00

If you join during the first or second quarter of the year, i.e.: *January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>* \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00 + \$20.00

If you join during the third quarter of the year, i.e.: *July 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>* \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00 + \$10.00

If you join during the fourth quarter of the year, i.e.: *October 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>* \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00 + \$20.00 \*

\* dues will be applied to membership in the fourth quarter and the next year

**NOTE: YOUR SPOUSE WILL BE AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER PER SECTION 3.01 OF OUR BY-LAWS**

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PAY NO DUES**

**WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO WORK ON A COMMITTEE?** YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Recruited by: \_\_\_\_\_