



IBEW LOCAL 325



FEBRUARY 2025



Greetings IBEW Local 325 Members!

"A Million Strong" International President Kenneth Cooper has set a goal, and he has every intention to reach that goal. Coop has implemented a strong organizing plan that includes developing an Organizing Audit that will be conducted annually by International Representatives every year. They want to make sure that everything possible is being done to bring unrepresented workers into the union.

It's also very important to retain members who are already IBEW members. Some leave the trade altogether, some go non-union, and some lose track and fall behind on their dues. All of these situations show as dropped members, which prompts an International Representative to contact the Local Business Manager for an explanation of why the member has been dropped. The number of dropped members is deducted from the total number of any new members that came in during that period. Let's all do our part and help organize the industry and keep on top of our dues by paying in person, online if you are current, or by mailing a check to the hall.

The current work report is not as good as it has been, at the time of writing this, we have CW's, CE's, Apprentices as well as JW's out of work. However, there are many projects on the horizon, such as the new Lecture Hall, and renovation of Science II and Science III at Binghamton University, Binghamton Psych center, Norwich Psych center, various housing projects, and not to mention other private work, but I do not know the start dates for them yet.

Look after each other!

Fraternally,

Kelvin **BUSINESS MANAGER, KELVIN HERRALA'S NEW PHONE NUMBER: (607) 222-4908**

**** NEW DUES RATES****

CURRENT DUES RATES AS OF JAN. 1, 2025

QUARTERLY: \$144.45

EARLY RETIREES: \$138.00

Binghamton's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade!

Saturday, March 1st, 2025

If you and/or your family would like to march in the parade we will be forming up at NYSEG Stadium parking lot at 12:30 pm.

We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs before the parade so come early!!!



HAPPY
St. Patrick's
DAY

SAVE MONEY ON YOUR VISION SERVICES WITH EYE ESSENTIAL

All members on UMR insurance are eligible for the Eye Essential Discount through National Vision Administrators (NVA).

Discount available for exam, lenses and frames at the following locations:

- Target Optical
- America's Best #5143
- Sam's Optical
- Roberts Eyecare Associates.

For more information, call Amber at the Funds office 607-797-1919





FEBRUARY CALENDAR

2/3/25 – E– Board Meeting

2/3/25 – Retirees Breakfast @8am at Denny's on Front St.

2/17/25 – Regular Union Meeting @5pm

Attention Health and Welfare Fund Participants: Your IRS Form 1095-B is Available Upon Request

If you wish to obtain your IRS Form 1095-B, you may do so by writing to the Funds Office at 142 Corporate Drive, Binghamton, NY 13904. Attention: Amber LoPiccolo, OR by emailing amberl@ibew325.net.

If you have any questions, please call the Funds Office at 607-797-1919.

Taxpayers are no longer required to submit an IRS Form 1095-B (which documents health insurance coverage) when filing their federal tax returns. As a result, the Funds Office no longer mails the Form 1095-B to members unless requested.

Binghamton Black Bears Hockey Tickets!

Regular season tickets are available at the Hall!
2 tickets per member, per season.

Game schedule is available online at
www.binghamtonblackbears.com/schedule



City of Binghamton License renewal

City of Binghamton license renewals are due on April 30th. Please keep your license up to date, if it lapses for 5 years they can require you to take the City test again.



Daylight Savings Time Reminder:

Sunday, March 9th, 2025

Set your clocks ahead an hour.

Don't Let Sickness Get You Down, Get Care 24/7!

For members enrolled in Local 325 Coverage, Teladoc Health is included as one of your health benefits. Wherever you are, you and your family have access to licensed healthcare providers all year long. Whether you're at home, work, or traveling, Teladoc Health can help— day or night at NO COST to you!

Download the **Teladoc Health app**, visit
www.teladochealth.com, or call
1-800-TELADOC (1-800-835-2362)

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megans@ibew325.net for a chance to be featured!



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