



IBEW LOCAL 325

FEBRUARY 2024



Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to 2024! The start of a brand new year. There has been a slow down in work and we have 9 members on book 1 as I write this. We do however have the first ever executed and under construction PLA at the Broome County Airport. Thank you County Executive Jason Garner and the County Legislature. I am out actively trying to get the IDA to claw back on the 200 Court Street Apartment project, the old Sheltered workshop building. I know I worked in that building many times over the years for Gleason electric. Christa Construction, out of Rochester, has the Court Street project and went through the bidding process with John Mills Electric; I was in contact with Mills throughout the bidding process. Christa Const. had John Mills pull the electrical Permit and then turned around and sent them an email saying quote “Thank you for the quote and discussions regarding this project. Unfortunately, this scope has been awarded to another contractor. Hopefully, we can get together on the next one.” I went to the IDA and spoke during the public comments and expressed that we have local labor policy in place and Christa is going to use RADEC out of Rochester for the electrical. It turns out the Executive Director and the Director of Operations granted a waiver on the project to Christa from the local labor language. This is our work, our City, our County and the IDA needs to represent the people who work here, live here and pay taxes here. It does no good for us to have Rochester Contractors doing our work with their people! The Rochester IDA has 100% local labor and all the workers need to have ID on the job proving that they live in the 3 counties of the area. Every week someone shows up onsite and checks ID. Calling, writing, or emailing the County Executive on this may help, remember to thank him for the airport but question why the IDA writes waivers for local labor language. It is an election year so lets make our voice heard and stand up for Labor!

Fraternally,
Kelvin

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ST. PATRICK'S PARADE

The parade will be held on Saturday,

March 2, 2024

Parade starts at 12:40pm, we will meet at
the Mirabito Stadium parking lot.



TELEDOC: FREE TO YOU!

If you are an active member using the UMR insurance, now is a good time to download the TELEDOC APP and take advantage of a service that is FREE for you to use! No matter how many times you use it!

You may also go to www.TELADOC.com to register. When you register you are under IBEW Local 325.

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.

Attention: The dues rate will increase on July 1, 2024. The new rate as of July 1, 2024 will be \$138.45 and the new rate as of January 1, 2025 will be \$144.45. **Please make sure you use the correct rates if you are paying ahead.** Thank you!

If you have any question on how much you owe, feel free to call or email Jessica for the amount.
607-729-6171 or jessicad@ibew325.net

BINGHAMTON BLACK BEARS HOCKEY

TICKETS ARE IN:

2 TICKETS PER MEMBER, PER SEASON

2023 Code Books are still available at the Hall if you have not picked yours up.

If you have a 2017 code book that you could trade in for the new 2023 version, it would be greatly appreciated. The apprentices are still testing with the 2017 version and more code books are needed for them to study for the C.O.B. JWM test. Thank you in advance.



Frosty and his table top friend stopped by the Hall!

Courtesy of the 3rd year class.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

- 2/5/24 E-Board meeting
- 2/5/24 Retirees breakfast, Front St. Denny's @ 8am
- 2/19/24 Regular meeting @ 5pm

National Income Life Insurance Co.

Many of you by now have received a mailing from National Income Life Insurance. They are providing a \$4000 accidental death and dismemberment insurance to our members at no cost to the union. You are automatically enrolled and no further action is required on your end. If you are interested in talking to an agent about additional insurance coverages they offer you can return the post card that is included in the mailing. If you return the post card, they will be contacting you to set up a time to go over additional coverage available.



Robert Kucharek receiving his 50th year service pin at the 2023 Dinner Dance.

UNION-MADE STAY-WARM SHOPPING LIST

<u>Coffee</u>	<u>Soups</u>	<u>Alcohol</u>
Eight O'Clock	Campbell	Bacardi
Folgers	College Inn	Buffalo Trace
Kauai	MC Soups	Jack Daniel's
Maxwell House	Snider	Jim Beam
Millstone	S.F. Soup Co.	Knob Creek



NEW DUES RATES FOR 2024—there will be an increase July 1, 2024

January 1, 2024—June 30, 2024 (1st and 2nd quarters)

2024 yearly rate: \$547.80

QUARTERLY: \$135.45

EARLY RETIREES: \$129.00

July 1, 2024—December 31, 2024 (3rd and 4th quarters)

QUARTERLY: \$138.45

EARLY RETIREES: \$132.00

Dues can be paid online, if you are current, at www.ibew325.net

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