

# IBEW LOCAL 43

on the move

November 2020 Newsletter

See the digital newsletter at: [www.ibew43.org/currentnewsletter.html](http://www.ibew43.org/currentnewsletter.html)

**We're Open!**

*All COVID -19 protocol will be followed*

The Union & Fund Offices are now Open! The Referral Office will remain closed until further notice

### Union Meeting Schedule

6:00 pm—4566 Waterhouse Rd., Clay, NY

**Tuesday, December 8, 2020**

Note: This is the 2nd Tuesday of the month  
General Agenda -

**Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

- General Agenda -

## IBEW Local 43 General Membership Meeting Criteria **ALL MEETINGS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Brothers & Sisters:

Due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic and to keep our membership safe, we will be following these safety precautions listed for all future General Membership Meetings held in person.

Thank you for cooperation and understanding during these uncertain times, and please remember the safety and well-being of our members and their families will ALWAYS come first.

All future General Membership Meetings will be held **in person**, with the following safety precautions in place:

- Limited occupancy to 50 members maximum (Please call the union office to sign up for attendance).
- Temperature Screening before entering.
- Facial Coverings will be required throughout the meeting.
- Members must maintain 6' Social Distance before, during and after the meeting.
- There shall be no loitering before or after the meeting.
- You will be asked the following set of questions upon entry to which a "No" reply will be required to attend.
  1. Have you traveled outside of New York State? If so, to one of the present Quarantine States?
  2. Have you had contact with anyone that you know has been diagnosed with COVID-19?
  3. Have you had a positive COVID-19 test for active virus in the past 10 days?
  4. Have you had or currently have any of the following symptoms within the last 10 days?
    - Fever (above 100.4)
    - Cough
    - Difficulty Breathing/Shortness of Breath
    - Nausea/Vomiting
    - Muscle or body aches
    - New loss of taste or smell
    - Sore throat, congestion, or headache
    - Diarrhea

**In order to facilitate the meeting starting on time, those members with your last name beginning with A-H, please arrive by 5:40 pm, those members with your last name beginning with I-Z, please arrive by 5:50 pm.**

We look forward to safely seeing you!

IBEW Local 43 has Lights on the Lake tickets available for members.

Tickets can be picked up, mailed or emailed.

Must call to reserve

315-422-0435

~One ticket per member~

Due to COVID-19, we will not be holding a Local 43 Night at Lights on the Lake this year.



Please Notice This



The Retirees' Club Virtual Zoom Meeting

**Next Meeting: November 18, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m.**

If you would like to participate in this virtual meeting, please contact Ray Vivlemore via email at [rayviv@twcny.rr.com](mailto:rayviv@twcny.rr.com). He will send you a link to log into the meeting.

*Our Retirees' Meetings are a great way to stay in touch!*

Obituaries

IBEW 43 notes the passing of these members, with gratitude for their service to the union.

**Charles McKusick, III** passed away on September 4, 2020, at age 85. Brother McKusick was initiated into Local 181 in 1958. He was an IBEW member for 62 years.

**Bruce Churchill**, passed away on September 22, 2020, at age 85. Brother Churchill was initiated into Local 43 in 1966. He was an IBEW member for 54 years.

**Gary Fields**, passed away on October 26, 2020, at age 79. Brother Fields was initiated into Local 586 in 1968. He was an IBEW member for 52 years.

**Robert Schenkenberger**, passed away on October 26, 2020 at age 87. Brother Schenkenberger was initiated into Local 43 in 1956. He was an IBEW member for 64 years.

# News from the Electrical Training Alliance Center: 315-546-0221

Need OSHA 10?? Get it safely online by going to [careersafeonline.com](http://careersafeonline.com)—be sure to choose the course labeled “Construction Industry”

Please continue to watch the website for important details and updates!

[www.cnyeta.org](http://www.cnyeta.org)

**Reminder to all Journeymen** In our current contract - Section 2.19 Tool List - it states “In addition, Journeymen shall be responsible to have verifiable ‘OSHA-10’ training and CPR certified training.” Please call the Training Center (315-546-0221) to see when the next scheduled classes are if you need either of these training sessions.

OSHA-10 and CPR training are needed to work in Local 43’s jurisdiction as a Journeyman.

**NEW** Effective April 2nd you can now pay dues on-line...

**PAY ONLINE**

Pay your dues 24/7/365

Check it out click here

Note: PayPal is our payment processor but you do NOT need a PayPal account to pay on-line

**NEW** Effective March 5th you can now bid jobs on-line...

**BID ONLINE**

You can bid on jobs daily from 5p-9a & all day Sat & Sun

bid now click here

Note: The phone bidding system is still available at: 315-671-0095 5p-9a

**Local 43, On The Move...**

## “TO HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE LEFT US TOO EARLY”

### The Bill Towsley Memorial Park

The Bill Towsley Memorial Park was built as a result of Local 43 wanting to honor our Brother Bill Towsley. As we talked of many ways in which we could honor Bill’s lifetime of work on our behalf, this memorial park seemed like the best way to show our respect.



**Local 43**

Honor a member with a memorial brick

Listed below are some jobs our members have recently worked on:

**Due to our organizing efforts, some of Local 43’s Successes in the construction field -**

Amazon Distribution Center-Dewitt	\$60,000	O’Reilly Auto Parts-Illion	\$1.5 million
Dollar General—New Haven	\$1.2 million	Bellasario Solar Array	\$ 5 million
Dollar General—Palermo	\$1.2 million	Big Lots—Pulaski	\$ 250,000

**Please patronize these businesses in support of Local 43 and Union labor -**

Good Guys Barber Shop— Oswego	Red Sun Fire Roasting Co.-Oswego	GPO Credit Union—New Hartford
Port City Café and Bakery-Oswego	Strong Heart Café— Syracuse	Price Chopper—New Hartford
The Preserve— Syracuse	Spectrum Store—Rome	4 Seasons Car Wash— Syracuse



**2020 Open Enrollment: November 1, 2020 – November 30, 2020**

Open Enrollment is your annual opportunity to review your benefit coverage and make choices for the upcoming calendar year.

During Open Enrollment, you may elect coverage, change coverage, opt-out of coverage or add an eligible dependent.

**The following members must enroll annually:**

- Single Coverage WITH Dependents
- Opt-Out-Of Coverage

**An Open Enrollment Packet was mailed to you the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Open Enrollment forms are posted to the [www.IBEW43.org](http://www.IBEW43.org) website

**2021 Active Member Health Benefit Premium Rates:** *Benefit premium cost are not deducted from your weekly paycheck.*

- Single: \$560.00
- Family: 1,195.00
- Opt-Out: \$100.00

**All coverage options include:**

- Short-term Disability for Occupational and Non-Occupational Sickness or Injury
- Life Insurance (\$50,00 Death Benefit),
- Accidental Death & Dismemberment (up to \$50,00)
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
- Health Reimbursement Account (HRA).

**Retiree Medicare Advantage Plan Coverage**

The IBEW Local No. 43 & Electrical Contractors Welfare Fund is excited to let you know that we have selected a new insurance carrier--Humana to offer you and your Medicare-eligible family members a Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan. The Humana Medicare Employer preferred provider organization (PPO) plan covers medical and prescription drugs costs. The change in carriers from Aetna to Humana will result in premium savings for you and your family in 2021.

**What to expect next**

You will receive your Humana Information packet in the mail the week of November 9, 2020.

You will receive your Humana ID Card the first week of December 2020.

**Virtual Informational Meeting Dates and Times**

*(Instructions on how to join the meetings have been mailed to you)*

Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 10: 00 AM

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 1:00 PM