To: Membership of Local #43

It is with much gratitude that we announce the retirement of our Business Manager Don Morgan, effective July 1, 2018. Don has served our local for over 45 years in every capacity from Journeyman, Shop Steward, Foreman, General Foreman, President and finally Business Manager. We were fortunate to have such a strong leader in place to carry us through difficult economic and political times. I know you join us in thanking Don and wishing him and his wife Debbie a long and happy retirement.

The Executive Board has unanimously voted to appoint Alan Marzullo as Business Manager of IBEW Local #43 for the remainder of the unexpired term. Alan has been a member in Local #43 for more than 29 years. Currently he holds the position of Membership Development Coordinator. He was appointed to this position by Business Manager Towsley in 2008. Alan was elected to the Executive Board in 2004 and has served as its Chairman since 2007. We are sure that our union will continue to move forward and gain strength under Alan’s strong leadership style.

Fraternally, IBEW Local Union #43 Executive Board

Jeff Cassano, Rich Godden, Kris Greene, Pat Harrington, Tim Lazore, Mike Maher

Brothers and Sisters,

As many of you have already heard, Don Morgan retired from Local 43 at the end of June after 45 years. We will miss him and his dedicated, devoted work for our Local Union and the Labor Movement. We will miss his morning and afternoon greetings to each of us as he passed us in the office hallway. We will miss his humor, and his willingness to listen to us – especially when we were facing some real obstacles. Thank you, Don, for that.

Many of you may not know that Business Manager Morgan has served Local 43 not only as Business Manager, he has held the position of President, Vice President, Executive Board Member, Trustee of the Pension, Annuity & Health Plans and Trustee of the Central New York Joint Apprenticeship & Training Fund.

Thank you, Don, for all you have contributed to this organization.

We wish you well, Don. I know you plan to go hunting more, enjoy time with your family and grandchildren, and take plenty of walks on the beach with the sand between your toes. Retirement can hold the most meaningful years of life. You deserve all the best. We wish you a healthy, long lasting retirement. Enjoy!

Fraternally, Alan Marzullo, Business Manager

There will be a Retirement Party Celebration Dinner on Friday, October 12 at the Turning Stone Resort Casino to honor the careers of Don Morgan and Pat Costello

If you would like to attend this celebration, contact the union office for an invitation card. The cost is $75.00 per person, with cocktail hour from 7-8 pm, and dinner begins at 8 pm.

Local 43 Women’s Collective Picnic

All female members interested in meeting to form a women’s collective are invited to a picnic at Verona Beach State Park on August 11th at 12pm. Please bring a side dish to pass.

We’d like to gather in order to meet other sisters and share. We will discuss the possibilities of a committee, sisterhood activities, and community involvement.

For more information, please contact Jamie Garrard 816-878-7357

Obituaries

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

Gregory L. Bonsel passed away June 11th at age 70. Brother Bonsel was initiated into Local 181 in 1973. He was an IBEW member for 45 years.

See back for more →
Reminder: The Training Center's summer hours are 7:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Upcoming Class:
July 1 transition to UMR (formerly POMCO)

Are you a member who would like to play golf in the WGA Tournament? August 15-17, 2018? Contact Kevin Crawford or Rich Godden for information.
Sign up before June 15th
Kevin - 315-731-7497 (cell), kcrawford@ibew43.org (email)
Rich - 315-422-0435 (office), rgodden@ibew43.org (email)

Family Picnic Day – Saturday, August 4th
On Saturday, August 4th we will once again offer a Local 43 Family Picnic Day. This event will be held at two locations for the convenience of our membership:
Darien Lake or Enchanted Forest Water Safari

The Brotherhood Fund subsidizes this event for members, their spouses and their dependent children only. The cost for your immediate family is $15.00 per person, for extended family members the cost is $40.00 per person, including lunch from 1-3 pm, at either location. Payment can be made by check or cash at the Union Office. 

Tickets: - $15.00 each for Local 43 members, spouses and children age 3 & up. (age 2 & under are free) - $40.00 each for extended family members.

Many thanks to those who make contributions to the Brotherhood Fund.

23rd Annual Frank Kite Memorial Golf Tournament
Saturday, July 21, 2018
8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
Liverpool Golf & Public Country Club, 7209 Morgan Road, Liverpool, NY
Entry Fee - $65. per person - includes golf, cart, prizes, lunch and a steak dinner.

All proceeds from this tournament are used to continue the Frank Kite Memorial Scholarship Fund established in 1996. We are awarding scholarships to four deserving seniors, three from Chittenango High School and one from Hamilton High School, who plan to continue their education.

This fund was established to honor the memory of a great union member by helping young men and women attend the college of their choice.

News from the Insurance and Pension Fund Office: 315-474-5729
July 1 transition to UMR (formerly POMCO)
POMCO was acquired by UMR, a UnitedHealthcare company, in April of 2017. Similar to POMCO, UMR is a third-party administrator for health, dental and vision plans and health reimbursement accounts (HRAs). Your Medical, Dental and Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) information will transitioned to UMR on July 1, 2018. Starting July 1, 2018 please use your new UMR ID Card for medical, dental and prescriptions drugs and your Health Reimbursement Account card for qualified medical expenses.

News from the JATC Training Center: 315-546-0221
Upcoming Class: “OSHA 10” July 11th & 12th, 7:30 - 11:30 am both days. Call the training center (315-546-0221) for info on this class.
Reminder: The Training Center’s summer hours are 7:00 am - 4:00 pm, please call 315-546-0221 if you will need assistance outside these hours.

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 JATC (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.

Free, Confidential Counseling Services provided by Mental Health Professionals are available either in-person or over the phone. We encourage you and your eligible family members to take advantage of this benefit whenever you feel that life is getting too stressful.

Call 1.800.EAP.CALL or log on at www.mybalanceworks.com
Our Member ID is: 93793410 Our Group ID is: 8413