

From Joe Savia, Business Manager

Personal Note: Please remember in your thoughts and prayers the family of Art Doyle. Art recently passes away and was the owner of our printing company, Doyle Printing. This Local has had a long relationship with Doyle Printing and the Doyle family.

Congratulations: To those members receiving their pins at the Awards Dinner Dance held on May 19, 2007, they are:

60 Year Awards

George V. Brown
George Dragoo

Ralph I. Merrill
Frank E. Moody

John E. Robinson

55 Year Awards

Jack H. Buckles
Laurence H Hinds

Kenneth D. Hubbard
Bernard M Mason

Melvin F Tayman

50 Year Awards

George W. Austin
Paul D. Bennett
Elmer A. Cisna
Don A. Crist
Thomas L. Cunningham
Darrel S Damer
Anthony G Dedominces
Charles R. Faunce

Gerald Fogleman
James E. Hagberg
James A. Harris
David C. Heiss
John J Lazarz
Francis M. Martin
Maurice W. Miller
Alfred F. Mori

Eugene J. Mori
James O. Parker Jr.
Richard E. Reb
Ralph P Sita
Darnel W. Talbert
Stephen L. Vierkorn Jr.
Thomas M. Williams
John R. Wood

45 Year Awards

Joseph L. Baran
Arnold M. Brandenburg
William J. Buckley Jr.
Charles E. Bucklin
Wesley D. Coffey
Golden Hubbell
Robert E. Jones

Harold Kinder
Russell E. Leigh
Richard G. Leineweber
Bennie L. Leonard
John H. Mailander, Jr.
Edward M. McNamara
Ronald E. Merkle

Maury M. Parker, Jr.
Franklin D. Parker
Jackie L. Peyton
Edwin J. Reifenauer
William A. Simpson
William S. Tayman
James T. Walker

40 Year Awards

James K. Ashen
Paul K Beckett
Joseph P. Blinkhorn
Francis M. Boccabello
Gordon Burkholder
Daniel L. Carroll
Robert L. Eaton
Vincent A. Edwards
Ernest G. Enslow
Ralph T. Falconer

Gary A. Fleshman
Maurice K. Graham
Oliver G. Holmes
Randolph W. Kines
John G. Kripas
Joseph M. Lare III
Donald E. Manning
Robert J. Morgan
George R. Owen
Bernard L. Perry

Raymond E. Roberts
Gregory H. Rogers
Joseph T. Shahady
James T. Shegogue
Russel L Shifflett
E. Wayne Updike
Basil A. Varner
Ronald R. Watkins
Francis X. Wheatley
John H. Woods, III

35 Year Awards

William A. Bragg
Kenneth R. Carter
Roy E. Hinkle
Benjamin E. Hunsucker
Christopher Hunt
Richard Keels
Jimmy W. Lancaster
Charles L. Lowery

Raymond D. Lyons
Stewart McDaniel, Jr.
Thomas J. Moore, Jr.
George T. Morley
George D. Naleppa Jr.
Michael L. Palese
Robert L. Pepper
Lechter L. Perkins

Joseph P. Rebechi
Monte M. Richardson
George Rizzuto
Michael B. Simpson
Milton J. Switzer, Jr.
David E. Walker

30 YEAR AWARDS

James H. Apel
Harold R. Bass
Robert L. Bowen
Richard R. Bowling
Kenneth C. Cole
Glenn E. Courtney
Carl C. Cruikshank
Thomas Delagarza
Joseph Dent
Thomas H. Doll
William R. Eldridge III
Charles W. Flinn
Joseph R. Hales, Jr.
Thomas A. Haller
Charles K. Harris
Robert L. Hilton

John P. Houghton
Robert L. Houghton
Kevin R. Hughes
Jerome A. Johnson
Steven E. Kennedy
David J. Kerr
James M. Klock
Theodore J. Kuczarski
Larry E. Lariscy
Stephen D. Leedy
Wayne Loveless
Russell Mack II
Marion Martin
Carlos Martinez
Michael D. Masters
John E. Mavilia

Sherwin N. Mitchell
Robert F. Parks Sr.
James Quine
Juan R. Reyes
Robert E. Robinson
Stephen G. Seebode
John J. Sprinkle Jr.
Vincent Stevenson
Winston R. Thorne Jr.
John I. Vucci
Gary White
Edward L. Williams
Joseph I. Wilson
William W. Woycik Jr.

25 YEAR AWARDS

James F. Baker
Donald A. Bell
Douglas E. Bell
Joseph Z. Bennett Jr.
John F. Bish
Donald E. Bolden
Allison L. Bond
Donald E. Braun, Jr.
Brian Burnett
Edwin C. Callow, Jr.
James R. Chandler
Thomas E. Cole
Kevin R. Cabbage
Bruce Dantley
David G. Davis
Earl Devere
Anthony Espinosa
James L. Fleshman Jr.
Gregory L. Frey
Kevin P. Gaghan
Robert D. Gamiz
Daniel P. Gawne

Patricia L. Gifford
Frederick Giordani
Thomas Henchcliffe, Jr.
Ronald A. Hester
Arthur C. Hetrick
David R. Hoover
David E. Johnson
Barryl A. Jones
Billy E. Judge
Joel A. Julien
Steven D. Leineweber
Mark D. Middleton
Jesse Morgan
Michael L. Napierkowski
Christopher J. Nash
Robert E. Nation Jr.
Raymond W. O'Neill
Joseph F. Ogden
James D. Ottey
John W. Payne Jr.
James Tracey Phipps
Patricia E. Phipps

Thomas C. Powers
Charles R. Reifenauer
George H. Riedel Jr.
Wessley D. Ringgold
John D. Ritchie
Charles R. Robinson
Bruce C. Sacrey
Michael J. Seal
Rogers Simon
Howard Singleton
Roy A. Skaar, Jr.
James Smith
Ronald W. Smith
Albert D. Speed, Jr.
Bill Stiles Jr.
James W. Tayman, Jr.
Steven M. Tayman
John W. Thompson Jr.
Robert K. Via
Charles L. Wills, Jr.

Beneficiary Information: In this newsletter you will find a Beneficiary form. If it has been some time since you completed one, or you are not sure who you have listed as your Beneficiary, please complete a new one. Upon completion please forward to the Fund

Office so it will be filed.

Remember, if you are legally married and not yet divorced the Pension and Retirement Savings Plan proceeds will go to your legal spouse, not your named Beneficiary.

JDRF Walk: I would like to thank all those who contributed to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund and especially those members who walked with me: Jack Blackwell, Timmy Blackwell, Donnie Braun, Brett Davis, Dale Evans, Tommy Haller, Danny Loveless, Eddie Murdock, Jerry Stack, John Sullivan, Bernie Thornberg, Wayne Updike, Laura Vella-Payne, Chuck Webb. For those of you who have never attended this is a great way to see some of Washington, while participating in a worthy cause.

Contract Negotiations: By the time you receive this article contract negotiations will be underway. We have received some great suggestions for the upcoming contract and would like to thank you for your input. Hopefully, we will have something to report soon.

UA Journal: The April, 2007 UA Journal has two great articles about Local 602 and our Training Facility, make sure to read them.

Phone System: As most of you know, the phone system in the Hall has not worked properly. I am pleased to report we have changed vendors and a new system has been ordered, hopefully, we can get back up to full capacity in the near future.

The phone number will remain the same and the Extensions will remain the same.

License Plates: In checking with the MVA, license plates can be customized with the 602 Logo, in the State of Maryland. In order to do so we would need at least 25 members interested in participating.

If you are interested please forward a check in the amount of \$25.00 made payable to the MVA, include with your payment the name of the Registered Owner and tag number. Please forward the check to this office and mark the envelope, ATTN: LICENSE PLATES. **DO NOT INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH YOUR DUES.**

Once we have received the required number we will forward to the MVA. Once the initial order is placed future orders can be made directly through the MVA.

Please Note: The MVA may change your tag number upon processing the order.

UA Scholarship

Applications for the UA Scholarship will be accepted through June 30, 2007. The application can be downloaded from the UA Website or by calling this office (301) 333-2356.

Substance Abuse Issues

The Substance Abuse program has started and is meeting at the Union Hall on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.. This program is offered to ALL members and dependents. Remember, it is never to late to attend. There is NO cost and anonymous participation.

Windbreakers

Orders are still being accepted for the pull over v-neck windbreakers. The cost is \$35.00. If you wish to order, please mail your name, address, telephone number and size. These can only be ordered in groups of 30. You will be notified when your order is received.

M.EDDIE MOORE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the year 2007 will be accepted through June 30, 2007. The dependent must be eligible for medical coverage, in our Fund, to apply. For applications please call (301) 333-2356 or fax (301) 333-1730.

From Kevin Sullivan, Business Agent

In a tribal society the means of survival (shelter, fishing and hunting) are passed along among the many families that make up the tribe. It doesn't matter if, who you are teaching is a member of your family or if they are a member of your tribe, their success will be yours. As the members get older they will pass their skills onto the younger ones; for they will have to be cared for. I am sure by now you are probably thinking, what the heck this has to do with our Local: well let me tell you.

I have heard statements, one with my own ears and the other from several reliable sources, where journeymen commented on their role of teaching their brothers aspects of the trade. A mechanic commented that his apprentice didn't know "shit from shot" and asked "what am I supposed to do, teach him?" Damn right! You teach them. As a brand new apprentice I didn't know much; although, I did know enough not to go running after the "bucket of steam" or the "left handed pipe wrench" that was asked of me. I was green as a bean starting out and I am sure I was no different from any other apprentice starting in the pipefitting trade. The apprentice school was not as advanced as today's so you relied that much more on the job training. I have said before that I am grateful for the mechanics I was able to work under. The mechanics taught me all the while instilling in me a good work ethic and trying to steer me in the right direction. As mechanics are we doing the same thing? It seems today that companies are more apt to hurry apprentices along where they are out on their own sooner. The window of opportunity to work with and teach an apprentice is narrower so given a chance, please pass your knowledge on.

The other disturbing statement that I was told a mechanic made was "I am not going to teach that apprentice anything for he might replace me someday". That attitude has no

place in our Union. Someone in this Union has had a part in teaching every one of us what we know today and it would be a disservice and a shame not to pass it on.

What we have in common with a tribe is the need to band together as a whole for the mere essence of survival. When we entered the work force, it was a Union School and unselfish mechanics that taught us as an apprentice. As a mechanic, we teach the apprentice coming behind us. As a mechanic we look to others or school to hone our skills more.

As far as fearing that an apprentice might take our job if we show him what we know; we want them to. We want that apprentice that we taught to become a journeyman where he will show the next generation of apprentices what was taught to him. That apprentice, who our apprentice taught, is now teaching another apprentice who will pass it on to the next generation. You get the idea, right?

Well look at you know, the years have passed and it's time to retire. How will you survive not being able to bring the bacon home? You can, because many years before you did not break the training chain; you passed on to others the necessary skills to being a quality steam fitter. Just like a tribe, it will be the members still able to work taking care of those no longer able to. Teaching one member has the same effect as when you throw a pebble in the pool; the ripples will spread out far in all directions affecting other members. Those members affected by our teaching and work ethics will be the ones that will continue to pay into the medical and pension funds allowing for us to retire comfortably. Don't break the chain of education, for our existence depends on you and those that come behind you.

THIS 'N THAT

James Beane proudly announces the marriage of his son, Donald M. Beane to Mary Ellen Tucker on May 26th in Alabama.

BIG WINNER

Ric Taylor was the winner of the 50/50 raffle held at the May Union Meeting and donated his proceeds to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

LATEST RETIREES

Michael Dawes	March 1, 2007
Gary Garland	April 1, 2007
John Mauck	March 1, 2007
John A Miller	April 1, 2007

SICK BAY

Greg Hurley is home recuperating after undergoing a hernia operation.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to the family of Bernie Leizear, Jr. who lost his wife, Martha, on April 26th.

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of the following members:

Brother Thomas D. Whitley died April 18, 2007. Brother Whitley was 65 years old and had been a member since January 2, 1965. Death #1258.

Brother Roger D. Aheron died April 17, 2007. Brother Aheron was 59 years old and had been a member since February 17, 1971. Death #1259.

Retiree Wilburn "Rick" Armstrong, Jr., died April 19, 2007. Brother Armstrong was 59 years old and had been a member since May 6, 1982. Death #1260.

Brother George H. Riedel, Jr. died April 25, 2007. Brother Riedel was 56 years old and had been a member since January 5, 1982. Death #1261.

Brother Jarvis L. Moore, Jr., died May 1, 2007. Brother Moore was 30 years old and had been a member since April 5, 2001. Death #1262.

**THE CURRENT DEATH IS NO. 1262. ANY MEMBER
NOT PAID THROUGH DEATH NO. 1262 IS IN ARREARS.**

SOLIDARITY

President, John P. Sullivan

Traditionally, May 1st is a day of protest for organized labor. The practice extends back to 1886 when three hundred thousand workers launched a series of rallies and strikes across the nation to secure the right to an eight-hour workday. The standard workweek in the early 1880's consisted of six, ten-hour workdays. In 1886, workers fought to reduce the 60-hour workweek to a 48-hour workweek.

Between 1850 and 1880 the nation's workforce had grown exponentially. This was primarily due to Irish, Scottish, Welsh, Norwegian, Dutch, German, and Chinese immigrants. They were the domestics, farmers, miners, factory and mill workers. They were the common laborers that dug the tunnels and canals, built the bridges, and laid the rails. They were construction workers in every trade. Their common connection was that they were the cheap labor that would take the jobs that others would not.

On May 1, 1886 the Chicago's Irish and German communities responded to the call for a general strike. They walked off the job and shut down the town. It is estimated that 40,000 workers and protesters rallied throughout the city. It was, in an early sense, a "day without immigrant labor".

On May 3rd a large number of protesters marched to the McCormick Harvester Works to stand in solidarity with the factory workers who had been on strike for the eight-hour day. The Chicago police eventually arrived and fought with the protesters. Before the day was over, the police had fired into the rally and killed four. With the loss of life the fuse was lit.

On the following day organizers scheduled a rally in Chicago's Haymarket Square to protest the fatal police brutality. There are reports that a crowd of thirteen hundred had assembled at the start of the rally. Even mayor Carter Harrison was in attendance. The crowd later shrunk to about three hundred when the police arrived. About 180 of Chicago's finest marched in to disperse the protesters. As reported later, "Suddenly a bomb exploded among the policemen, killing one and wounding many more, including seven who died later. The police responded with wild gunfire, killing seven or eight people in the crowd and injuring about a hundred, half of them fellow officers".

In the ensuing days, all well known "anarchists and socialists" and members of the International Working Peoples' Association were arrested. Thirty-one were indicted and eight held for trial. Although the bomb thrower was never identified, the indicted men were eventually held responsible because of their "inflammatory speeches and publications".

Eight men were found guilty of conspiracy to commit murder because of their writings and their sermons and were sentenced to death. Louis Lingg was the first to die. He committed suicide in jail. On November 11, 1887 Albert Parsons, August Spies, Adolf Fischer, and George Engel were hung.

Because of public outrage, the remaining had their sentences commuted to life imprisonment. On June 26, 1893, Illinois Governor John P. Altgeld pardoned them and had them released from the penitentiary. In his opinion, "the jury was selected to convict and the judge so prejudiced against the defendants that a fair trial was impossible".

In the end, the bomb thrower was never caught and the police escaped all blame for the loss of life. Furthermore, the workers returned to work a sixty-hour workweek at the McCormick Harvester Works. Blood had been spilled and the strike had been crushed but the labor movement lived on. It would take more than fifty years of continuous struggle before the 40-hour workweek became their standard.

"Whereof what's past is prologue."

May 1st, 2007 McArthur Park: The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) fired over two hundred forty rubber bullets and lobbed tear gas canisters into a crowd of protesters which included many women and children. The LAPD then moved through the crowd clubbing those that remained in the park, including members of the press. Yeah, it was a bunch of immigrants again with a key demand for "labor rights and living wages for all workers". They better check the surveillance tapes carefully before the police are blamed. There has to be a German or an Irishman somewhere in the crowd that can be hung.

FROM WAYNE'S WORLD WORKING OFF THE CLOCK

This is the time of year that some of our members are working off the clock. Performing jobs on the side is a common practice for some of our members are seeking to earn extra income. It is not unusual to try and earn extra income. It is not unusual to see people working way beyond their normal 40 hour workweek in order to make ends meet. If side jobs don't infringe on someone's regular job, there should be nothing wrong with doing side work, right? Wrong – First, it's against our agreement. If you do perform side work make sure you are not doing it on company time or using their facilities, resources or supplies. I know some of our members want to utilize their skills to help their friends and families but, be careful, because some companies have a policy on side work that could get you fired. If you take the chance and do side work, having the right permits, licenses and insurance would be very important. If someone gets hurt working for you, guess what, you are on the hook for their disability and/or medical costs. Not everyone is meant to do side work, you need to learn something about running a business. It is not about just wanting to make some easy money by grabbing some gravy work and not worrying about permits, insurance, etc... So just be careful there could be some heavy prices to pay.