

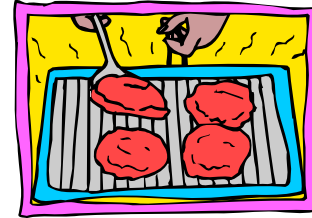
## BLOWTORCH

September 18, 2009

Thank you to all who participated in the Labor Day Parade, both marchers and spectators. We had an excellent turn out and everyone enjoyed a picnic lunch afterwards. Labor continues to be alive and well within the Rochester community.

The busy school construction season is coming to an end. Please make sure that you stay in touch with the Union Hall for any job opportunities.

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW** for our annual clambake on ***October 3<sup>r</sup>***, (*note the date change.*)  
Prices are: Retiree \$15.00, Member \$30.00 and Guest \$40.00. Pick up your tickets at the hall.



**CHECK YOUR DUES CARD:** We are currently updating our members Data Base, it is very important to take a moment and check your dues card. If your dues are not current please remit payment to the Union Hall. We will be changing our software soon and want to make sure all information is current. Thank you for your quick response.

Do not forget to contact the Union Hall if you have a change of address or change your phone number. Also call if you change job locations. And be sure you call the Union Hall when you go to work.

I cannot stress enough the importance of signing the unemployment book at the Hall when you are out of work. This helps us know when you are unemployed and when you become eligible for the Security Benefit Funds. Keep in touch with Bill Kurtz on the latest opportunities. Again, please remember to sign the unemployment book.

Make sure that you periodically check your Union Cards to make sure that you are current on dues! It is the member's responsibility to keep track on their dues! Also, keep the hall up to date on who you are working for.

You can use Local #13's website at [www.ualocal13.org](http://www.ualocal13.org)! There is quite a bit of information to locate on the site including agendas, activities and general updates. I encourage you all to check out the site now and throughout the year.

### Save the Date:

- **2010 - Local #13 Picnic:** Saturday, July 10, 2010, 11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. at Ellison Park, Creekside.
- **2009 - Local #13 Clam Bake: *October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.*** (*Note date change*)

Our condolences go to the Dineen Family, Bud Dineen has passed away.

Robert Richards Family, on the death of Robert.

The Williams Family, Steve's Dad passed away.

The Wilson Family, Roy's brother passed away.

Congratulations to the Maloney Family, George became a first time grandfather to a little girl. Jim Ziegler and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy.

## **BENEFITS OFFICE**

MEMBERS: Local 13 Family Health Fair --Thursday, October 15 from 4-8pm!! We will be offering Blood Pressure checks, Flu Shots as well as beneficial nutritional information. Excellus, Prudential, Manning & Napier, EAP will all be available to you. BTA Federal Credit Union will be here to offer their services to members. BIGGER & BETTER than ever..... light snacks, refreshments, prizes, giveaways and much more!! Bring Your Spouses and Be Sure to Attend!! You Don't Want to Miss This!!

ATTENTION RETIREES—Direct Deposit Confirmation Letter: In an effort to “Go Green” and save money the Fund Office will no longer be providing monthly direct deposit confirmation letters to our retirees.

ANNUITY: Annuity now available for ALL Apprentices – Steve Ostrander will have details. Green cards to change your Annuity contribution must be received by 10/15/09 in the Fund Office.

PENSION: If you are considering retirement, please stop in the Fund office 90 days prior to your retirement date to complete the necessary paperwork. Call Tricia Marciano at x106 or Steve Ostrander in the Fund Office if you have any questions.

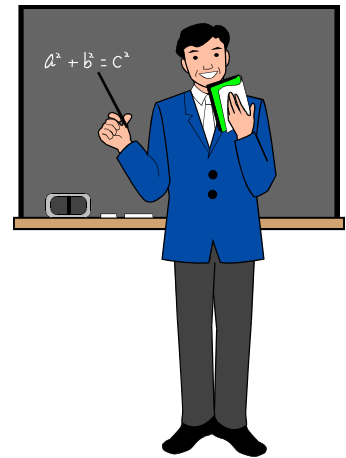
\*\*On June 15 the Fund Office converted to a new computer system. We are still experiencing some issues, so please be patient with us as we work to provide the correct information to each of our members.

Steve Ostrander—Fund Manager

## **TRAINING NEWS**

School is off to a great start. A big thank you goes to all of our dedicated Instructors who helped make the start of the school year a big success!

Keep in mind that we have some new workers on many jobsites. Working in the construction industry can sometimes be dangerous. Work-related accidents can cause serious injuries, even though most of these accidents are preventable. Statistics show that most construction accidents happen to the newest workers. Please watch out for our new Apprentices, and if you see them not working safely, guide them in the safest work practices. Don't wait for someone to be hurt before starting corrective action.



If you are interested in taking any of the Continuing Education classes we offer, please call the Training Office and sign up. Continuing Ed Classes are as follows:

**30 Hour OSHA Outreach in Construction** – Every Tuesday and Thursday in January thru early February from 5pm to 8pm on 1/5, 1/7, 1/12, 1/14, 1/19, 1/21, 1/28, 2/2, 2/4, 2/9. OSHA 1929 Standards will be supplied by Local 13 for each student.

**10 Hour OSHA Outreach in Construction** – 3 classes have been scheduled from 7am to 5pm on the following dates:

November 7, 2009      February 14, 2010      May 15, 2010

**Hexavalent Chromium** – One two hour class is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, 2010.

**Asbestos Awareness** \* – We have scheduled two classes, two hours each from 5pm – 7pm on the following dates:

October 7, 2009 (Wednesday)      February 25, 2010 (Thursday)

**Excavation and Trenching** – One four hour class from 4pm – 8pm is scheduled for Monday, 2/15/2010. This class includes the 3<sup>rd</sup> year Plumbing (drainage) class

**NFPA70E** \* – One class from 4pm-8pm is scheduled for Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Class includes ALL 2<sup>nd</sup> Year HVAC Apprentices

**Rigging Safety** –

- a) December 2, 2009, (Wednesday) from 4pm-8pm has been scheduled for the Advanced Rigging class for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year apprentices.
- b) Monday, March 15, 2010 from 5pm-7pm will be a two hour Basic Rigging Safety class

**Lock Out/Tag Out** – The 3 hours class will be conducted on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, 5pm to 8pm.

**Journeyman Welding**

Mondays Sept 14<sup>th</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup>  
Thursdays Sept 4<sup>th</sup> – Dec 18<sup>th</sup>  
Saturdays Sept 13<sup>th</sup> – May 30<sup>th</sup>

Davis  
Messina / Landers  
McNicholas

**Orbital Welding**

Tuesdays Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dec 15<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesdays Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

Cliff  
Quinn

**Medical Gas Certification**

Next Continuity Session will be on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 @ 4:00 P.M. Our Contractor Representative and our Authorized Testing Representative will be here at that time. All UA certs can be updated on this date. Please check your continuity cards. Welder Continuity is the responsibility of the welder. If you are counting on your employer to maintain your continuity you may end up with a lapse, which would require you to retest.

Please remember that all First and Second Year Apprentice get Monthly Evaluations by their Forman. These evaluations help the JATC to identify and correct any problems our apprentice may be running into. We also encourage the job supervisor to review these evaluations with each apprentice, so they can understand the areas where they need to improve and recognize where they are doing well. A few moments of your time on the jobsite can make a big difference. Third, Fourth and Fifth year Apprentices get evaluations every 6 months.

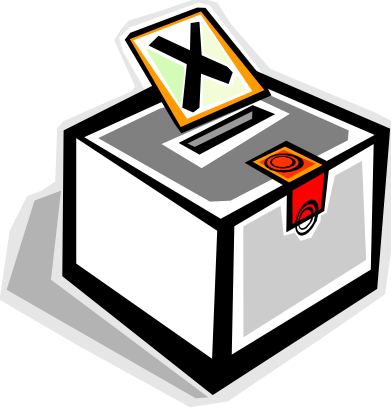
As always, we remind you that all out of town seminar reimbursements must have two weeks prior approval from the JATC. We require a Certificate of Completion within 90 days from the date of the course in order for the member to be reimbursed for these training seminars. Forms are available on the Training Web Site at [www.ualocal13.com](http://www.ualocal13.com). Thanks.

Jerry Landers, Training Coordinator



**Reminder: September's union meeting date has been changed to Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Elections will be held that day as well.**

**ELECTION ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2009 3-6PM**



**E-Board Nominations:**

**Dave Giacalone  
Rob Amering  
Todd Mitchell  
Ted Faulks**

**Pension Nominations:**

**Frank DeCarlo  
George Maloney  
Jeff Green  
Clint Byer  
Jerry Landers  
Carl Colotti**

**(for the remainder of the term)**

**Retiree's Club**

Thanks to everyone who helped with the clean up and to all who brought a dish to pass. Our next Retiree luncheon will be October 13, 2009. Please feel free to bring a dish to pass. We have a stove hooked up for your convenience in case you bring something that needs cooking or warming.

*Dave Giacalone won free dues in August meeting. The next Regular Union Meeting is **September 24th @ 5:00 P.M.** Please stay informed and come to the union meeting.*

John Perticone, Business Manager