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M E S S A G E F R O M T H E *Secretary-Treasurer*

The General Assembly in Virginia is over, except for the budget. Of note is the fact that Unemployment Insurance's weekly rate was raised by \$17 per week. Many of the bills introduced which could have hurt working families and union members in particular were successfully defeated due to the work of our lobbyist Vance Ayres together with other Virginia Union leaders.

Danny LaBlanc the past President of the Virginia AFL-CIO was selected by Governor Tim Kaine to be appointed Secretary of the Commonwealth. However, for the first time in the history of the Commonwealth the governor's appointment was denied. The majority parties of the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates grilled Brother LaBlanc as though standing up for working people and unions is a crime. If you or your family voted for any of those who opposed Danny's appointment—I ask that you remember these folks have no respect for you or your union when it comes time for their next election.

Look for information regarding up-coming events in our next issue such as our Annual Golf Outing on behalf of Leukemia which is scheduled for Friday, June 2nd at Twin Shields and the DAD's Day Poker Run on June 17th which once again, will start from Iron Workers Local #5's hall.

In Solidarity

JERRY LOZUPONE

Secretary-Treasurer

Plumbers Five

by Charles William Garity, Assistant Business Manager

We are so full of ourselves, both as Organized Labor and as American People, that we cannot or will not see the coming of our own end. What made this Country great are families, neighbors and workers. What are bringing Organized Labor and our Country down are greed, selfishness and single sightedness. Let me explain. I grew up in a middle class family with four brothers and one sister. My parents were depression era children. They knew first hand real hardship, the necessity of work and the necessity to prioritize for the needs of their family. We were taught to respect our neighbors, their property and the fact that their work regardless of career was honorable toil. Organized Labor and America flourish because of the ethics of this generation; then their children come along.

We have in my opinion the same work ethic of our parents. However, career and its rewards become a more driving force in our lives. With this additional economic flexibility, which our parents did not have, pushing us down the road of keeping up with the Jones. It's happening in all walks of life and at every level of labor, government and society. If we don't get back to the philosophy of our parents' generation and lose our selfishness, single sightedness and greed, economic life as we know it will become extinct. Those that have will have more and those that have less will have even less. We need to learn from history, not repeat history.

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Congratulations are extended to Brother Jim Ebel and his wife, Kathy on the birth of their grandson, Nolan William Ebel. Little Nolan was born on March 2nd weighing in at 8 lbs. 12 ozs. with an E-E measurement of 20 inches.

Condolences are extended to the family of Brother Clarence N. Jones. Brother Jones was born on August 28, 1947, initiated into Local 5 on September 11, 2002 and passed away on February 26, 2006. Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the Jones' family.

Condolences are also extended to the Apprenticeship School's Administrative Assistant, Jackie Reantoquio and her husband, Brother Kenneth Reantoquio on the passing of Jackie's mother, Joyce Eudy on March 3, 2006. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Reantoquio family.

IMPORTANT: Journeymen working on D.C. Funded Projects will be required to have a current **D.C. Journeyman's license** to work on those projects. **DO NOT PROCRASTINATE !!** Get your D.C. journeyman license now and avoid missing out on future employment opportunities.

Journeymen interested in the following classes: all jurisdiction code classes, welding certification should call the Apprenticeship School at (301) 322-8810 to sign up and receive additional information regarding these classes.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

If you are coming into the Local Union Hall to sign the referral book and you have been separated from your current employment, you **MUST BRING IN YOUR SEPARATION FORM BEFORE** you can sign the referral book.

IMPORTANT: In order to maintain medical eligibility during periods of temporary unemployment, your name must appear on the Local Union referral book **EVERY 30 days**. Failure to meet this obligation may cause temporary interruption of your medical coverage. Please refer to notification from the Medical Fund titled "Summary of Material Modification".

Mark your calendars for the June Union Meeting, at which time we will discuss and possibly vote on the breakdown of wage increase due August 1, 2006.

We would like to acknowledge the following members who will celebrate their 30 years of membership in Local No. 5 in 2006, they are: Eric Anewalt, John W. Brown, Vernon F. George, Harvey Moore, Thomas Peede, Michael Riabouchinsky, Paul Sollers,

Keith E. Ward, John D. Welch and Michael D. Wilson.

THE TWO-MONTH LOOK AHEAD:

Saturday, April 1st
April Fools' Day.

Sunday, April 2nd
Daylight Saving time begins.

Sunday, April 9th
Palm Sunday

Wednesday, April 12th
Monthly Union Meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the U.A. Mechanical Trade School.

Thursday, April 13th
Passover.

April 13, 1743
Thomas Jefferson date of birth.

Friday, April 14th
Good Friday.

Sunday, April 16th
Easter.

April 18, 1775
Paul Revere's Ride.

April 19, 1775
Revolutionary War began.

April 19, 1892
First Gas Automobile in the United States.

April 24, 1800
Library of Congress was established.

Wednesday, April 26th
Executive Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Local Union Business Office.

April 30, 1803
Louisiana Purchase.

Monday, May 1st
Loyalty Day
May 8, 1945
V-E Day.

Wednesday, May 10th
Monthly Union Meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the U.A. Mechanical Trade School.

Sunday, May 14th
Mothers' Day.

Saturday, May 20th
Armed Force Day.

May 21, 1881
American Red Cross founded.

Monday, May 22nd
Victoria Day.

Wednesday, May 24th
Executive Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Local Union Business Office.

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Elevator Constructors Local 10

by the Business Office

FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

We would like to thank Jim Caparotta (Crash) and his class for going to Annapolis, Maryland lobbying with the legislators.

“Should any political party attempt to abolish Social Security, unemployment insurance and eliminate labor laws and farm programs, you would not hear of that party again in our political history. There is a tiny splinter group, of course, that believes that you can do these things. Among them are a few Texas oil millionaires, and an occasional politician or businessman from other areas. Their number is negligible and they are stupid.”

—President Dwight D. Eisenhower, November 8th 1954.

Ike must be rolling in his grave. Lets all pay attention to our candidates!

PICNIC

It is time to mark your calendars for another sensational picnic at Mayo Beach Park, June 3, 2006. Great entertainment, food, fun and fellowship is scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Order forms must be in by **May 19, 2006.**

Due to insurance requirements swimming is **not permitted** at the park.

Dogs are not permitted to be in the park, unless they are there for medical reasons. Medical documentation is required when you order your tickets.

Live Entertainment from the Old Skool Band, 26' Rock Mountain, Ponies, Petting Zoo, Extreme Air, Jurassic Adventure, The Wild One, Airbrush Tattoos, Photo Dog Tags, Turbo Tubs, Petting Zoo, Fantasy Gemstone Mining, Sandy Candy, Carmel Apple Snips and Funnell Cakes.

Food will be served from 11:00 a.m. until

5:00 p.m. Menu will include BBQ Chicken, Pork BBQ Sandwiches, Bourbon Beef Bracket Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, BBQ Baked Beans, Rolls & Butter, Assorted Sodas, Water, Bud-wiser, Bud Light and Ice Cream.

Each person entering the park will need to have a ticket; there will be no exceptions. Please fill out the Picnic Ticket Order Form and enclose a business size self-addressed, stamped envelope to have your tickets returned. Please do not enclose anything else with the order form and your check.

There will be no tickets issued after May 19, 2006. The Picnic Committee will issue all tickets. The Business Office will not have tickets or issue tickets.

There will be no tickets issued or sold at the gate. If you do not have a ticket, you will not be admitted.

Please make your check or money order payable to IUEC Local #10 Picnic.

DUES NOTICE 2ND QUARTER—2006

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|-------------------------|----------|
| DUES | \$207.00 |
| DEATH | \$ 25.00 |
| BUILDING FUND | \$ 10.00 |
| SICK AND ACCIDENT | \$ 10.00 |
| PER CAPITA | \$ 77.00 |
| TOTAL DUES | \$329.00 |

(DEATHS: Active members Gary Myles, Ernie Martenot, Honorary members Lou Demmel, Robert Porter & John R. Garner, Jr.)

Dues breakdown for members in good standing who are off due to sickness, lay off or workers' compensation:

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|-----------------------|----------|
| IF OFF 1 MONTH..... | \$297.00 |
| IF OFF 2 MONTHS | \$265.00 |
| IF OFF 3 MONTHS | \$233.00 |

Please include your Social Security number or your International number on your check or money order.

Checks/money orders should be made payable to **IUEC Local #10.**

All dues should be mailed/dropped off or put in the mail slot **prior to April 1, 2006**, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope. You are considered late if your payment is received on the 1st or thereafter and will be assessed a late fee. Mail payments to:

Ronnie Thorne
Financial Secretary
IUEC Local #10
9600 Martin Luther King Hwy
Lanham, MD 20706

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PICNIC TICKET ORDER FORM

June 3, 2006 — Mayo Beach Park, Mayo MD

Please Print the Following Information:

Member's Name: _____

Member's SS No: _____ Home Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

ACTIVE MEMBER'S TICKETS

Would you like to serve on the Picnic Committee (minimum of 2 hours = 1 free ticket)? Yes

Adult (18 and up) Tickets: _____ @ \$10.00 Each = \$ _____

Child(ren) Ticket(s) (Age 7–17): _____ NO CHARGE

Child(ren) Ticket(s) (Age 6–under): _____ NO CHARGE

Names of Child(ren): _____

RETIRED MEMBER'S TICKETS

Adult Tickets: _____ NO CHARGE

**Retired members are entitled to one (1) free ticket for your spouse/friend—anyone else is considered a guest.*

GUEST'S TICKETS

Adult (18 and over) Tickets: _____ @ \$30.00 Each = \$ _____

Child(ren) Ticket(s) (Age 2 and Under): _____ FREE

Child(ren) Ticket(s) (Age 3–17): _____ @ \$20.00 Each = \$ _____

Total Number of Tickets Requested: _____ Total Amount Enclosed for Tickets: \$ _____

Yes, I would like a map

Please enclose a **self-addressed, stamped business-size envelope** to have tickets returned. Please send this request to: IUEC Local #10, **PICNIC TICKETS**, 9600 Martin Luther King Highway, Lanham, MD 20706.

ALL REQUESTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 19, 2006

Sheet Metal Workers Local 100

by Robert A. Walter, Business Manager/F.S.

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This publication serves as Sheet Metal Workers' Local 100's official mode of communication for notices to the membership of dues increases, special meetings, and other information concerning Local 100.

MESSAGE FROM BUSINESS MANAGER/FINANCIAL SECRETARY ROB WALTER

As we approach Spring our thoughts this year turn to contract negotiations. We will begin negotiations in Cumberland, Washington, D.C. and Baltimore in the very near future.

One thing that is inevitable each time we begin to negotiate is the contractors beat us up on absenteeism. While most local unions throughout the U.S. are struggling with unemployment, one of Local 100's biggest problems is getting our membership to work the hours available to them.

Absenteeism hurts the contractor by not having the necessary manpower everyday to get the work done on schedule. Absenteeism hurts the membership because each time someone misses work that is a day he is not contributing to the various fringe benefit funds. Absenteeism is also probably the number one reason a person gets laid off.

I realize that it is necessary to take a day off on occasion for personal or family reasons. Please try to work as many hours as are available to you. Help yourself, help your contractor and help your union.

Another issue that deserves immediate attention is the Maryland HVAC license. Maryland state law requires that all persons performing HVAC work in Maryland have a license. If you have let your license expire or you do not have a license, please contact the business agent in your area for assistance. You must have a license to work in Maryland.

On a final note, I would like to mention that Brother Shaun Brien of the Washington, D.C. Area and Brother Peter Steckman of the Cumberland Area will be competing in the National Apprentice Contest in Las Vegas at the end of March. I want to wish them luck in their efforts and they have already made Local 100 proud. They are the best in the industry.

Remember our work is dangerous, please work safely. God Bless America and remember our troops.

GENERAL MEETING, AREA MEETINGS, RETIRED CLUB MEETINGS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Please read this information carefully so that you will be aware of all upcoming important business to be held and plan on attending these meetings.

General Meetings & Washington, D.C.

Area meetings: Meetings will be held at the union hall, 4725 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland on the 4th Friday of every month at 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted: The March 2006 meeting will be held on Friday, March 24, 2006 (two special orders of business will be held at this meeting) and the April 2006 meeting will be held on Friday, April 28, 2006. A special order of business will be held at the April 2006 Washington, D.C. Area meeting to nominate for the position of trustee for the health, pension, vacation and 401(k) fringe benefit funds. Please read information under "Washington, D.C. Area News" for information about nominations and election for this position.

Baltimore Area: The next meeting for the Baltimore Area will be Wednesday, April 12, 2006, beginning at 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 7910 Harford Road. The administrator of the Baltimore Area Health Fund from Benefit Administration Corporation will be attending the April 12, 2006 Baltimore Area meeting to answer questions from the membership.

Cumberland Area: The next Cumberland Area meeting will be held on Friday, April 14, 2006, at the Cumberland Eagle's Club, at 7:30 p.m. Ongoing contract negotiations will be discussed at the April meeting. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Norfolk Area: Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at 1500 E. Littlecreek Road, Room 308.

Richmond Area: Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. at 3204 Cutshaw Avenue.

Roanoke Area: Meetings are held on the 3rd Friday of every month at 8:00 p.m. at the Union Hall, 2101 Dale Avenue, S.E.

RETIRED CLUB NEWS

Baltimore Retiree Meeting: The next retirees meeting will take place on Thursday, April

20, 2006. These meetings start promptly at 12 noon on the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 7910 Harford Road. Join the club, share some food, drink, laughter and fellowship with your good brothers. Club dues are \$10 per year. If you have not already done so, please join us in 2006. Mail club dues to: SMW Local 100 Retirees Club, c/o 3506 Quatman Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21234. Attention—In cases of inclement weather on meeting dates: If a meeting is scheduled and Baltimore County schools close due to a weather problem, that means there will be no club meeting on that day either. Remember the success of any club depends on the participation of its members; help make 2006 a huge success for the Baltimore Retirees Club!

Richmond Retired Club: Richmond Area Retired Club meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Retired club meetings begin at 10:30 a.m. at 3204 Cutshaw Avenue.

Washington, D.C. Retirees' Club: The Bus Trip to Herrington will be leaving the union hall at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 10, 2006. Please contact Bob Phares at 703-451-3770 if you want to go on the trip. Don't wait to call, the bus fills up quickly. The April 2006 Washington, D.C. Area retirees club will be held on the bus on the way to Herrington on April 10, 2006.

NEXT FREEDOM FROM SMOKING CLASS IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!

Wow the first group attending the Freedom from Smoking class is almost through the eight week course. We are taking names now for the next session. This course is led by an instructor from Washington Adventist Hospital. Nicotine replacement patches are provided free to participants. If you are interested in attending the next session of the Freedom from Smoking Class please contact the business office at 301-568-8655, ext. 4 or 800-492-8004, ext. 4 you may speak with a business agent or staff member.

ARE THERE NON-MEMBERS WORKING ON YOUR JOBSITE?

According to our bylaws "All members of Local 100 shall at all times, upon the request of any member, show his official dues receipt." Are you carrying your dues receipt?

There are non-members working with you. Are you checking the workers on your

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jobsite or shop to make sure that they are members in good standing?

If you have workers on your jobsite or shop that are not union members you should immediately contact a Local 100 business agent. The agent needs the name of the contractor and the name of the jobsite, the agent does not need your name. A chain is only as strong as its weakest link.

BYLAWS UPDATE

All areas voted on the proposed bylaws changes at their March 2006 meetings. As of the printing of the newsletter we do not have the vote tally. We will be reporting the outcome of this important vote in the next issue of this newsletter.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with profound sadness that we inform you of the passing of:

Brother Rolan Bryant
(retired)

Brother John D. Fitzpatrick
(retired)

Brother Charles H. Mengele
(retired)

Brother Lennie King
(journeyman)

Brother Lawrence G. Lipscomb
(journeyman)

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family and friends of these departed Brothers. Through this article Local 100 attempts to notify the membership of deaths of members in a timely manner. If we have overlooked anyone that you know is deceased, please contact the local's office.

SERVICE PINS

Congratulations to the following members who have recently received service pins:

Brother Raymond Carper – 40 Year Service Pin

Brother William Geary – 50 Year Service Pin

Brother John Porterfield – 60 Year Service Pin

Thank you to all these good brothers for the many, many years of service to our trade.

Contact Wanda in the dues office to request a service pin or for information on service pins, call 301-568-8655, ext. 114 or 800-492-8004, ext. 114.

LAST DAY TO PAY DUES

The last day that dues can be paid in March 2006 will be by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2006. If your February 2006 dues are not paid by 5:00 p.m. on March

31, 2006, you will be recorded suspended and you will be required to pay a reinstatement fee and one month's dues to reinstate your membership (in accordance with the SMWIA Constitution and Ritual).

DUES PAID IN 2005

All journeymen members of Local 100 paid \$1,092 in dues for 2005. Remember that you can add the amount you contributed to apprentice organizing and organizing assessment to this amount because those contributions are part of your total dues paid. Apprentice organizing and organizing assessment contributions are \$0.15 per hour worked in 2005. If you have any questions about this or need additional information, please contact the dues office at 301-568-8655, ext. 114.

DUES INCREASE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2006

The following dues rates will be in effect for January 2006 dues:

Journeymen

All Areas – \$96 per month beginning January 2006 dues

1st year apprentices

All Areas – \$29.25 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Washington Area – \$70.75 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Baltimore Area – \$64.25 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Cumberland Area – \$62.75 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Norfolk Area – \$56.75 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Richmond Area – \$60.75 per month beginning January 2006 dues

2nd thru 4th year apprentices

Roanoke Area – \$58.75 per month beginning January 2006 dues

Classified/Specialty Workers

All Areas – \$45 per month beginning January 2006 dues

All other dues classifications will remain the same amount per month.

RELIEF FUND

Members who are unemployed and need assistance paying their dues should contact the business office at 301-568-8655, ext. 4 or 800-492-8004, ext. 4. The deadline is the last day of each month. You must be laid off during the previous month, call in and apply before the last day of the current month and have your

dues paid for the current month, if you meet the eligibility requirements the relief fund will pay your next month's dues.

WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA NEWS

Special Order of Business: Nomination and Election of Funds Trustee. At the April meeting, to be held on Friday, April 28, 2006, we will hold nominations for the position of trustee for the health, pension, vacation and 401(k) fringe benefit funds. The term for this position, currently held by Bill Phares, will be six years. The election for this position will be held at the May meeting, which will be held on Friday, May 19, 2006. All Washington, D.C. Area members are eligible for nomination, except apprentices, limited members, retired members, owner-members. Dues must be paid in advance for the current month (April dues must be paid by March 31, 2006) and recorded on an official receipt in his/her possession. The member must have a record of continuous good standing for not less than two consecutive years immediately preceding nomination or election. All Washington, D.C. Area members may vote except limited members and owner-members.

Training Center Information. The Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee is currently seeking applications for the apprenticeship program Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Must be 18 years of age, physically fit to perform the work of the sheet metal trade, pass a drug test and have reliable transportation. For further information and test dates contact the Training Center.

Attention Journeymen: You need to come in before your certification expires or you'll have to retest. It is the welder's responsibility to keep their certification updated. If you weld you may call and ask for the Welder Certification Maintenance Form (BC2103) and have your foreman complete it and fax back to the Training Center. If you are a member of the American Welders Society (AWS) you can send in a check to Milo Chaffee in the amount of \$10 payable to (AWS) along with your update card. Updates need to be in place before your certification expires.

Improve your skills sign up for below contact the Training Center at 301-568-8655 Ext 3.

- Auto CAD I April 2006 (14 weeks) (prerequisite Sketching Class)
- Auto CAD II – July 2006 (20 weeks)

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Reinforced Iron Workers Local 201

by Kevin G. McVeigh, Business Manager

Everybody who wants to work is working and it looks like we finally have the new Baseball Stadium deal and we could be working on the project by mid-June.

It saddens us to report our third death of this year with the passing of Brother Robert (Rock) McLaughlin. Brother McLaughlin joined Rodman Local 201 in 1969 and was a member for 35 years. He was 63 years old. Rock was also one of our contractors (Metro Steel) and had employed a lot of our members over the years. He will be missed by all who knew and worked with him. His death is #2603.

Rodman Local Union 201's negotiating committee is in negotiations with our contractors for a new contract. Our present three-year contract will expire on April 30, 2006.

Nominations for International Convention Delegates from Local 201 will be held on **April 21, 2006** at our regular meeting. To be eligible to be nominated for delegate you must have had your dues current for 24 months. Elections for International Conven-

tion delegates will be held on **Friday, May 19, 2006** at our regular meeting.

Brothers, it is important for all members who are working to remember if you get hurt on a job to report the injury (no matter how small) to your foreman and shop steward so an **accident report can be filed**.

Our Apprenticeship and Journeyman upgrading office has been teaching classes for the Post-Tensioning certifications. We now have a project (Convention Center, National Harbor) that requires this certification in its specs. When the next journeyman's class is offered, please sign up early.

This is the **LAST** notice of our Annual Awards Banquet, which will be held on Saturday, April 1, 2006 at VFW Post 9619 in Morningside, Maryland. Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. Dancing until midnight. Come and join our graduating apprentices and all our members who will be receiving their service awards and pins. If you plan to attend please let us know early so we can make sure to have all service awards and pins for the banquet. If you are

not sure of your years as a member please contact the Union Hall.

The following members will go suspended as of March 31, 2006 for being six months in arrears on paying dues: Ciro Hernandez, Remberto Avila, Eduardo Berrios, Carlos Castera, Owusu Duah, Darwin Gonzalez, John Hergett, Luis Osorio, Luis Pineda-Gudiel, Bernhard Prebble, Ronald Salazar, and Darren Spragley.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Wednesday, April 5, 3:00 p.m.
J.A.T.C. Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 12:30 p.m.
Retirees Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2:00 p.m.
Stewards Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 5:00 p.m.
Executive Board Meeting

Friday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.
Local 201 Membership Meeting

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- GMAW MIG – July 2006 (10 weeks)
- GTAW TIG – September 2006 (10 weeks)
- Service Class – July 2006 (20 weeks) (\$25 Test Fee)
- Sketching Class – July 2006 (10weeks)
- Stick Welding – January 2007 (20 weeks)
- TAB - Pending

Journeymen wanting to retest for the CFC Certification test contact Training Center by May 10 to get your name on list. There will be a \$25 test fee. Otherwise the next CFC Certification Test is May 25, 2006 (4:00 p.m.)

Welding Test and Updates June 8, 2006 (4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

Training Center is still in need of Air Condition Units for the Service Class. Anyone who wants to donate an AC unit or know where AC Units can be donated should contact the Training Center.

Reminder Apprentices: If you need to apply for an apprentice license call Maryland Department of Labor Licensing and Regula-

tion 410-230-6159 contact Person Patricia McCray to receive an application.

CREDIT UNION NEWS:

Telephone: 202-829-5404 (phones open at 9 a.m. Monday-Friday)

Fax: 202-723-3190

The Audio Response System number is 1-800-724-7573

Credit union hours: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. through 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. through 3:30 p.m.

E-mail address: Information@ibew26fcu.com

Notice to all ATM/POS cardholders that are linked to the regular share account. If you have your ATM/POS card set up on your regular share account you can only use the card for a total of 6 times per month. If you need to make more than 6 transactions per month contact the credit union office immediately so we can convert your ATM/POS card to a transaction account in order to comply with Regulation D requirements. After 6 debits to the share account it will lock out any further transactions for the month. This policy goes into effect 4/1/2006.

We will be moving in June 2006 along with IBEW Local Union 26 to the new facility in Lanham, Maryland. We are excited for the staff and our members as we will be

gaining some much need space. Watch the newsletter for updated information regarding our move.

BALTIMORE AREA NEWS

Metal Workers Gone Wild! Mark your calendars now to join your fellow brothers for a camping trip on May 19-21, 2006 for the absolute best weekend imaginable. You have heard all about it, this is your chance to be a part of it. Call (410) 732-1849 for details.

Visit the National Pension Fund website to access your pension history at www.smwnpf.org. Click "about you" then enter your SMWIA number (6 digits) and your social security number. If you do not have internet capabilities, you may call 800-231-4622 with any pension questions.

HVAC License: Members are reminded to keep their HVAC License current as required by state law. If you have a problem with your renewal it's your responsibility to contact the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulations at 410-230-6160.

Important Phone Numbers:

Baltimore Union Hall: 410-732-1849 or 800-307-2124

Benefit Administration Corp. (Baltimore Health Fund): 443-573-3635

National Pension Fund: 800-231-4622
SMW+: 800-831-4914

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We will no longer return dues cards that do not have a self addressed stamped envelope. If we receive your dues without a self-addressed stamped envelope, we will assume you will come by the Business Office to pick up your card.

ROBERT TEMPLETON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The law firm of Koonz, McKenney, Johnson, Lightfoot and DePaolis established the Robert R. Templeton Memorial Scholarship Fund in 1986. Each year, two (2) children of Local #10 members will be awarded a four-year, \$2,000.00 scholarship for college tuition and related expenses.

Each year, a selection committee, composed of educators and community leaders, is chosen by the administrators. The committee is instructed to make selections based upon academic achievement, community service and the content of a brief essay on the importance of union commitment.

All children of active members of the union will be eligible as long as they are currently in their senior year of high school or enrolled in a college on a full-time basis. Application forms will request financial information, letters of recommendation, high school transcripts, SAT or equivalent test scores and an essay will be "The Importance of Union Commitment in America."

Robert Templeton exemplified the very best in many ways, professionally and personally. We are honored to be able to memorialize his name and his commitment to your union with this scholarship fund.

To get an application by mail, please contact Elaine at the Business Office at 301-702-1010 or stop by and pick one up. **Deadline to return applications is June 1, 2006.**

APPLICATION INFORMATION

We will be taking applications for new hires on Thursday, May 18, 2006 from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Minimum age for applicants is 18. Applicants must bring with them originals and copies of the following information or they will not be given an application: Birth Certificate, Valid Drivers License/Picture ID, Social Security Card, High School Diploma/GED and Military Discharge (DD-214), if applicable.

This does not mean we will hire anyone. There will be no exceptions made, we are taking applications on this day and time only.

WEBSITE

Please check our website for all current and up to the minute information at www.iuec10.com.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

Christmas in April will be held on April 29, 2006. We are looking for volunteers. All volunteers must be at least 14 years of age or older. If you bring your child, please check with their individual school to see if they will get credit for participating in this program and if they get credit and need a letter, please let me know. We will be doing home improvements for those less fortunate and will let you know the location when you get signed up to volunteer.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please e-mail Chris Clark at upclaven51@comcast.net (preferred way of contact) or call 240-417-4550.

I.U.E.C. LOCAL #10 RUSSELL G. HANSBOROUGH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Renditions Golf Course
1380 W. Central Avenue
Davidsonville, MD

MAY 5, 2006

8:00 Shotgun Start
SCRAMBLE

\$125.00 per person

Renditions Golf Club requires all players to wear appropriate golf attire. Shirts with collars must be worn at all times, soft spikes only. This event fills up early, so don't delay in getting your payment in.

For more information contact:
Sonny or Jimmy Demmel
301-459-0497

Get your foursomes together. Singles or doubles will be paired up. Make your check payable to: the **RGH Golf** and mail to:

I.U.E.C. Local #10 – Golf
9600 Martin Luther King Hwy.
Lanham, MD 20706

Golfer's Name

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

NORTHERN VIRGINIA CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

The Council is located at 4536 B John Marr Drive, Annandale, VA 20003 and they meet at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. If you are interested in attending, please call Jimmy Demmel at the Business Office.

RETIREES

The second Thursday of each month meet at Tuckers Restaurant off of Pennsylvania Avenue for a 10:00 a.m. breakfast. All retired brothers are welcome to attend.

CONDOLENCES

We would like to extend out deepest sympathy to:

Patricia Hayden and her family on the death of her brother.

Michael Murray and his family on the death of his mother.

Honorary member John Quill and his family on the death of his mother.

SKEET SHOOT

The Skeet Shoot will be on Sunday, May 21, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at Bull Run Regional Park in Manassas, Virginia. The fee is \$40.00 per person, which includes lunch. If you are interested, please call the Business Office to sign up.

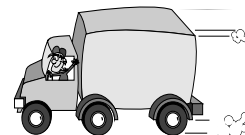
BLOOD DRIVE

We will be having a Blood Drive thru the American Red Cross on Thursday, May 11. The time will be printed in the next Article.

- You must be 17 years or older, weighing at least 110 pounds to donate.
- One pint of blood is given during the donation.
- Those with new tattoos must wait one (1) year before donating.
- If you are on antibiotics for infection you may not donate.
- If you have a sore throat, flu or cold you may not donate.
- Additional medical questions can be answered by calling 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.
- The actual blood donation takes 8-10 minutes; however, the entire process, from registration to refreshment, will take approximately one (1) hour.

If you or anyone in your family would like to participate, please call Dale Dotson at the Business Office or contact Dale at the Union Meetings or before school.

MOVING?



**REMINDER:
PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR
LOCAL UNION OF ANY
ADDRESS CHANGE.**

Iron Workers

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Saturday, April 1, 6:30 p.m. till 12:00
Local 201 Annual Awards Banquet

Todos los que quieren trabajar estan trabajando. Parece que al fin tenemos el trato para el nuevo Estadio de Béisbol. Puede ser que empecemos a trabajar en ese proyecto a mediados de junio.

Nos entristece reportar nuestro tercer muerto de este año que es el Hermano Robert (Rock) McLaughlin. El hermano McLaughlin se hizo miembro del Local Rodman 201 in 1969 y fué miembro por 35 años. Tenia 63 años de edad cuando falleció. Rock tambien fué uno de nuestros contratistas (Metro Steel). La compania de Rock empleó a muchos de nuestros miembros sobre los años. Nuestro hermano Robert (Rock) McLaughlin será estrañado por todos los que trabajaron con el y tambien por los que lo conocieron.

El comité del Local Rodman 201, esta en negociaciones con nuestros contratistas para un nuevo contrato. Nuestro contrato actual de tres años se expirará el 30 de abril del 2006.

Nominaciones para la Convención Internacional de los Delegados del Local 201 será el **21 de abril del 2006**, en nuestra reunion regular. Para ser elegible de ser nominado tiene que tener todos su dues pagados por 24 meses consecutivos a tiempo. Las elecciones para la Convención Internacional de Delegados sera el **Viernes, 19 de mayo del 2006**, en nuestra reunion regular.

Hermanos, es *muy importante* que si estan trabajando y se lastiman en el trabajo (*no importa que pequeño el accidente*) lo reporten a su foreman, al shop steward,

y que **tambien llenen un reporte de accidente.**

Nuestra oficina de Mejoria del Aprendizaje a Journeyman ha estado dando clases para las certificaciones del post-tención. Ahora tenemos un proyecto (Convention Center, National Harbor) que requiere esta certificación en sus especificaciones. Cuando la próxima clase de journeyman sea ofrecida, favor de inscribirse temprano.

Esta es la **última** notificación sobre nuestro banquete de premios anual sera el sabado, 1ro de abril del 2006 en el VFW Post 9619 en Morningside, Maryland. Los cocteles empiezan a las 6:30pm y la cena es a las 7:30pm. El baile sera hasta la media noche. Venga y sea parte de la graduación de nuestros aprendices y nuestros miembros que estarán recibiendo sus pins de servicio. Si planean en atender favor de avisarnos con tiempo para estar seguros de tener todos los pins de servicio para el banquete. Si no esta seguro de los años que tiene de servicio favor de comunicarse con el hall.

Los miembros siguientes serán suspendido el 31 de marzo del 2006 por estar 6 meses atrasados en pagar sus dues: Ciro Hernandez, Remberto Avila, Eduardo Berrios, Carlos Castera, Owusu Duah, Darwin Gonzalez, John Hergett, Luis Osorio, Luis Pineda-Gudiel, Bernhard Prebble, Ronald Salazar, y Darren Spragley.

EL CALENDARIO DE REUNIONES Y EVENTOS

Miércoles, 5 de abril, 3:00 p.m.
J.A.T.C.

Miércoles, 12 de abril, 12:30 p.m.
Reunion de los Jubilados.

Miércoles, 12 de abril, 2:00 p.m.
Reunion de los Shop Stewards.

Miércoles, 12 de abril, 5:00 p.m.
Reunion de la Junta Ejecutiva.

Vernes, 21 de abril, 7:00 p.m.
Local 201 Reunion de los Miembros.

Sabado, 1 de abril, 6:30 p.m. – 12 a.m.
Banquete Annual de Premios de Local 201

Plumbers

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Monday, May 29th
Memorial Day.

Paid Holiday per the current C.B.A.

Special Order of Business: at the April Union Meeting will be to vote on the Finance Committee Report.

Current Assessments Due: Death #1041, and Michael A. Collins Assessment.

**The Union Starts
With**

YOU

**Attend Your
Union Meetings**