



IBEW LOCAL UNION 130

Paul J. Zulli
Business Manager/Fin. Sec.

Corky Cortez
President



June 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you know, on June 10th Local 130 conducted an election to fill all offices for the next three-year term. The results of that election were as follow:

President: Ernest "Corky" Cortez
Vice-President: Brian "Moose" Torzewski
Recording Secretary: Travis "Butch" Naquin
Treasurer: John Bilich
Business Manager/Fin. Sec. Paul Zulli

Executive Board: Keith Black, Ryan Edwards, Julius Gray, Tim Moran, Rodney Wallis
Examining Board: David Boynes, Joseph Fairbanks, Sean Mahaffey, John Swiger, Sterling Tucker

Please join me in congratulating these newly elected Brothers and wish them the very best in performing their duties and fulfilling their responsibilities. The elected Brothers will be sworn into office at the next regular meeting on Thursday, July 13th.

Also, we all owe a debt of gratitude to Election Judge Arasimo Geraci and the entire Election Committee: Daniel Berlier, Richard Berlier III, Jennifer Bivona, Sean Calloway, Enden Castillo, Devan Johnson, Scott Lopez, and James Newsom. Thanks to all for a job well done.

I'd like to express my sincere gratitude thanks to all of you for your strong vote of confidence in our administration, which was shown in the results of the June 10th election. The IBEW Local 130 is important to me, I love and respect this great organization and all its members. I greatly appreciate all it has done and continues to do for my family, members, and myself. I genuinely express my feelings with deep commitment and dedication to the IBEW Local 130. It has been and will continue to be a privilege to serve this great Local and each one of you. I pledge to continue to manage an administration that works every day for the best interests of our members and their families. Let us all come together to keep moving the local forward, we are stronger together!

The Negotiation Committee will be meeting soon to discuss the current Inside CBA that will expire in November. Enclosed in this newsletter you will find a membership survey to be completed and returned to the hall. Your responses to the survey will be of great value to the committee. We'd appreciate our memberships' participation.

On March 20, 2023, we held our local apprentice competition. The participants were Brothers: Colin Borrouso, Tyren Fobb, Christopher Lackey, Miguel Miranda, Rene Reeb, and Vu Trinh. There was a written test prior to the competition, and everyone competed on six separate stations. The stations consisted of building a service, wiring three single-phase transformers into 1-three phase transformer, pipe bending, wiring 3-way and 4-way switches, motor controls, and converting a fluorescent fixture to L.E.D. At the end of the competition Brother

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Colin Borrouso won and was asked to represent Local 130 in Shreveport on June 10, 2023. In Shreveport, Colin completed a written exam and competed in a similar hands-on task. Colin did very well in representing our local union and came in 2nd place among six apprentices from around the state. Unfortunately, Shreveport won this year. Please join me in congratulating all the brothers and our outstanding apprentice, Colin Borrouso, for the win. We are all very proud of each one of you for your hard work and dedication in class and on the job!

Congratulations!

2nd Place – LA State Apprentice Competition



Brother Colin Borrouso

IBEW will hold its 2023 International Reach out and Engage NextGen Electrical Workers (RENEW/NexGen) Conference on August 9th-12th in New Orleans. Seven of our members will be attending to represent the local: Rachel Duchene, Alexandra Johnson, Devan Johnson, Miguel Miranda, Isabel Salathe, John Swiger, and Jeffrey Wendling. The mission of RENEW/NexGen is to inspire the next generation of IBEW workers to become active in their local union by focusing on issues important to younger workers, providing education about the IBEW and the labor movement, and fostering relationships with members and local union leadership.

Brothers and Sisters 35 years old or younger, you are invited to the RENEW Local 130 meeting on Thursday, July 13th at 5:00 pm in the Alexander Room to discuss the upcoming conference and how RENEW will be structured in the future.

Local 130 invites you and your family to attend our membership picnic on Veteran's Day, Saturday, November 11th. The picnic will be held at City Park, Shelter #1 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM. There will be a spacewalk and games for children to enjoy. Plenty of food, drinks, and prizes. If you would like to volunteer to set up the day of the picnic, please contact Kelly.

As a reminder, the union hall will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Have a wonderful and safe Summer!

In Brotherhood,



Paul

Dues Department:

Monthly membership dues are due on the first of each month with a 15-day grace period before you are considered late. You are welcome to use Autopay for monthly dues using a credit or debit card. If you are interested, please request a credit card authorization form from the dues department.

Dispatch Office:

Resign is done between the 10th and 16th of each month. You will be dropped from the books if you don't resign on time. Contact Butch at 504-831-1372 or via email to resign butch@ibewlu130.com

Credit Union Office:

NEW MEMBER PROMOTION - Summer Savings Event

Nearly half of all U.S. consumers have faced at least one unexpected expense in the last 90 days of \$400 or more.

For over 60 years we've helped our membership prepare for such an event. Union members with a Credit Union account, set up with Payroll Deduction or an automatic transfer from their primary account, have always fared better **WHEN PREPARED**. For a limited time, between **June 19th and July 19th** we'll waive the \$5 account opening fee if you set up a new account with us, make a minimum deposit of \$25 and set up payroll deduction. With as little as \$25 or more, per pay period, you could save \$1,200 a year. As an added benefit, Credit Union members have also been able to take advantage of our great auto loan rates, saving members thousands.

Contact us for details 504-831-1307

Apprenticeship Office:

The NOEJATC office is looking for a class instructor and an instructor for hands-on training for the next school year. If you are interested, please contact David Crumb at 504-835-9899.

The Alexander Room & Terrace:

The Alexander Room has been awarded as Couple's Choice by WeddingWire for demonstrating excellence in quality, service, and professionalism within the wedding industry. The venue was also recognized by The Knot as the best of weddings. The award certificates are displayed in the foyer. Since 2014, Troy and Cindy Timphony of Hobnobbers Café have catered, managed, and marketed the Alexander Room and Terrace. We currently have 69 events reserved for this year and through 2024. The venue has been used to host weddings, birthday parties, meetings, reunions, and more. Get in touch with Cindy to book a tour or to request more information for your next event at (504) 650-6804 or visit the website <https://www.alexanderroom.com/>



IBEW LOCAL 130 2023 MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

The Negotiation Committee for Local 130 will soon be meeting with the contractors to discuss modifications of the current agreement. Your responses to the enclosed survey will be of great value to the committee. **Please complete the following survey and return to the local union.** Thank you in advance for your participation.

1. Rate the following in order that you consider to be the most important. Use #1 as the most important, etc.

- _____ Increase the Health & Welfare contribution
- _____ Increase the Pension contribution
- _____ Increase hourly wage
- _____ Increase Foreman Rate

Comments:

2. If any language were to change, what singular issue would you prefer?

Comments:

3. Do you think the wages for Foremen is

- _____ Acceptable
- _____ Unacceptable
- _____ About right
- _____ Don't know

4. Concerning wages, which of the following would you consider a fair increase percentage?

- _____ 2%
- _____ 3%
- _____ 5%
- _____ Other

5. If you were on the Negotiating Committee, what is the one issue you would consider as a must have? Why?

6. If the holiday falls on a Saturday, would you like Friday off?

Yes, definitely

No

7. Would you be in favor of giving up double-time on Sunday in exchange for one-week paid vacation?

Yes

No

8. Would you be in favor of giving up double-time on Sunday in exchange for (PTO) Paid-Time-Off?

Yes

No

9. General comments and/or ideas:
