

Business Manager's Desk IBEW LOCAL UNION 130

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In this newsletter you will find information on the recent AFL-CIO Labor Day Picnic, general election, current negotiations, Local 130's membership picnic, and membership service pin night.

The AFL-CIO Labor Day picnic was a huge success with great food, refreshments, and union fellowship. There were many political candidates in attendance.

Early Voting for the October 14th primary election is officially upon us. Early voting will begin Saturday, September 30th, and run through Saturday, October 7th (except Sunday, October 1st), we will have the opportunity to get out and show off the political power of the labor movement in Louisiana. This is our chance to make sure that we elect candidates up and down the ballot who will support our members and our priorities in state and local government. Many people are focused on the gubernatorial race, and that is of course an incredibly important race. But so many other important races will be decided on October 14th, including other statewide offices, state senate and house, Board of Elementary & Secondary Education (BESE), parish councils, sheriffs, judges, and more. We need you to vote in every race on your ballot. Your vote is a show of support for yourself, your family, your community, and your union. When we all vote, we can make Louisiana a place that every working family is proud to call home. Now, we know y'all are busy. You've got your families, friends, jobs, and daily lives to look after. That's why your local union leaders undertook an exhaustive process to make sure they endorsed the candidates who will best represent your interests, the interests of hardworking people here and across Louisiana, at all levels of government. They interviewed the candidates and asked them to commit to labor priorities, and they researched voting records and professional backgrounds. So, you can be sure that when you vote for union-endorsed candidates, you're voting for the person in that race who will best represent us. The endorsed candidate list is enclosed and will remain posted on our daily email blast through election day.

Local 130 is currently in negotiations, more on the progress will be mentioned in the upcoming months.

The IBEW Local 130 Membership Picnic will be held on Saturday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in City Park, Shelter #1. This picnic is free to our membership, please bring your family for fun activities, food, and drinks.

Local 130 will hold its **Annual Service Pin Ceremony** on **Tuesday, December 12**th **at 6:00 P.M.** *in the Alexander Room* to honor the service of our brother and sister members to our beloved Local. Enclosed is a list of members who will be receiving pins this year. Members and their families are invited to attend.

Apprenticeship classes have started. Welcome all new 1st year apprentices, becoming a member of Local 130 will be the best decision you've made.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate the following members for completing the Apprenticeship Program and becoming our newest Journeyman Wireman: Chandler Bonnette, Laval Watson, Nathaniel Hendrickson, Daniel Berlier, Colin Bourrouso, Richard Berlier III, Jason Price, Cody Pemberton, James Davis, David Collet Jr., Peyton Jones, Clayton Norwood, Christian Sarrat, Jerrell Duret, Dillion Truxillo, Jeffery Schultz, Rene Reeb, Alexander Huesel, Garrett McCollough, Jeremy Franklin, Jared Toomey, Miguel Miranda, David Suarez, Christopher Lackey, and Vu Trinh. I thank you all for representing the Local 130 and for your hard work.

I wish you all a happy and safe Fall season!

Fraternally,

Paul