

District Council Business Manager's Report: John Schmitt



Brothers & Sisters,

Although this past spring has unfortunately given us a few surprise snowstorms – we are excited for everyone to be back working on infrastructure and building projects throughout the state.

Thank you to all of the apprentices and journeyman workers who participated to help make yet another successful Training Season. We have had over 2,000 Laborers throughout Wisconsin come through our Training Center this past winter, and we are excited to start the process of constructing our addition that will add a fourth training bay, and four additional classrooms to fit the needs of both our members and our industry.

We are currently working diligently on contract negotiations with our signatory contractors, and we are optimistic about ensuring that Wisconsin Laborers are receiving the best rates to support our families, all while ensuring that our contractor partners maintain a competitive advantage in the building and construction market. We are currently negotiating new agreements for the Statewide Heavy & Highway, 66-County Sewer/Tunnel/Water, 62-County Building, Statewide Asbestos Abatement, and Statewide Landscaping.

We are also proud to announce that the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council, in conjunction with other Wisconsin building and construction trade unions, have taken the steps in the creation of a brand-new Wisconsin Building Trades Council. The initial mission of this new statewide council will be to work with our partners at the non-profit WRTP/BIG STEP to provide training and connect workers to the trades working in Racine on the upcoming Foxconn project, and we're hopeful that this will serve as a model for other future projects throughout Wisconsin.

The Election Year is well underway, and I am happy to report that we have already had some great victories for Wisconsin Laborers. In January in the 10th Senate District in Northwest Wisconsin, our endorsed candidate Patty Schachtner won in a special election, and in April, our endorsed candidate for Wisconsin Supreme Court, Rebecca Dallet, also had a resounding victory. These victories, along with other local elections where over 75% of labor-endorsed candidates won throughout Wisconsin is a good sign that workers are looking for a new direction that prioritizes working people throughout the state.

In addition, we have been busy bringing candidates for Governor to our Training Center to learn more about the work that you do, and furthermore, we were happy to host U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin for a meeting and tour in order to discuss investments in infrastructure and Buy American laws, and we are excited to support her candidacy for reelection to the U.S. Senate. Check out our feature later on in the newsletter of the Senator's visit to the Apprenticeship and Training Center.

Lastly, we are working on expanding out our digital presence, and I encourage you to please follow the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council's Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/wilaborers</u> and on Twitter <u>@WILaborers</u>.

I wish you have a safe and productive construction season and thank you for all that you do.

In Solidarity,

John Schmitt

President/Business Manager

Wisconsin Laborers' District Council



Hello fellow Brothers and Sisters!

I would like to thank all of you that helped to make for another successful training season. By taking advantage of the courses the Training Center offers, you help keep the Wisconsin Laborers a well-trained, safe, and productive workforce. We are constantly looking at ways that we can help further your skill sets for the future of the construction industry. If you have any ideas for future classes, I encourage you to call us at (608) 846-5764.

At the Wisconsin Laborers' Apprenticeship and Training Center, we have some exciting news. We are in the process of planning an addition that will add four more classrooms and another training bay! The addition will be used for an OSHA 30 classroom, environmental classes, and various other classes that we will now have the space to hold at our site. The new training bay will be dedicated for the environmental classes. This will allow for a unique area that will serve for better hands-on training.

As always, if you are in the need of training yet this year, please give a call and we will do our best to hold a course for your area of need. Once again, thanks for using our Training Center and have a safe and productive work season.

Craig J. Ziegler

Congratulations to Local 330 Member Matthew Van Oss for winning a \$500 VISA Gift Card as part of the Wisconsin Laborers' Training Incentive Raffle!





It seemed like old man winter did not want to leave. But Spring is finally here. The construction season is also upon us and we project another busy season. Make sure your phone number is up-to-date with the hall.

As of May 1, 2018, Local 113 has declared full employment. Those retirees planning on returning to work must contact the local to fill out the necessary paperwork prior to beginning work. After the paperwork is complete retirees may then work 710 hours in the calendar year before being limited to 39 hours per month during the confirmed period of full employment. The 710 hours provision only applies to retirees working within Local 113's six county jurisdiction (Milwaukee, Waukesha, Ozaukee, Washington, Kenosha and Racine counties). Retirees paying monthly dues are required to pay the full active monthly dues amount while working.

Foxconn update: The first phase of construction contracts to 28 companies have been announced, totaling \$100 million. 27 of the 28 companies are from Wisconsin. Most of these first awards are for supplies and equipment, but among major companies that are signatory to the Laborers are Michels Corporation, A.W. Oakes, and Payne and Dolan.

In the Milwaukee area, the new Bucks Arena is starting to wind down as other projects heat up. MSOE broke ground for a \$34 million building for which M.A. Mortenson is the GC. The \$137 million BMO Tower is under construction. There are large residential and office towers being built across the area, representing hundreds of millions of dollars in development. It will be a busy year for building construction.

The state of Wisconsin has bid out more than \$300 million in road work already this year, and contractors signatory to the Laborers union have won a sizable amount of the work. The largest project awarded was \$41 million to Michels Corporation, for the State Highway 441 and State Highway 10, which is North of Milwaukee.

Local 113 will be holding a Summer Picnic for our active and retired local 113 members at the Milwaukee County Zoo on Saturday, July 21, 2018. Be sure to watch your mail for the registration sheet and requests for tickets. Cost will be \$10/family, which will include entry into the zoo, parking, food, beer, wine and soda. The reservation deadline is June 15, 2018.

Be sure to keep all of your training and certifications up to date. If you are in need of a course, check the training schedule and send in application, or contact the Training Center at 1-800-275-6939 for upcoming Local 113 Union Hall availability. 8 hours per year is now mandatory for all members.

Laborers' Local 113 6130 W. Appleton Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53210 (414) 873-4520 www.liuna113.org

Local 113 Officers

Anthony Neira-Business Manager Richard Pusa-Secretary/Treasurer John Swan III-President Dave Goodwin-Vice President John Hawley- Recording Secretary Daniel Guetzow-Sgt-at-Arms **Joseph Vincent-Auditor** Eric Iseli-Auditor Sean Maher-Auditor

Executive Board: Anthony Neira, Richard Pusa, John Swan III, Chris Olig, Dave Goodwin, John Hawley, and Eduardo Marquez

Dispatcher: Luis Guevera

Administrative Staff: Mabel Planter Denise Meyer

Upcoming Meetings/Events

	June 27, 2018	7:00 pm
t	July 25, 2018	7:00 pm
	August 22, 2018	7:00 pm
	September 26, 2018	7:00 pm

Meeting Location: 6310 W. Appleton Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53210

Tony Neira



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

With Spring finally here, I hope that everyone is ready for the 2018 construction season as it looks very promising for our contractors and you as members. We have started to dispatch members to work with all of this nice weather. The heavy highway season looks great with road work and bridges starting soon. Our building contractors were able to keep many of you busy this past winter and will be able to continue to do so throughout the remainder of the year.

If you know of any good candidates to become Union Laborers please tell them to call the Local 140 office and talk to us about filling out an application.

In addition, please update any new phone numbers with our office. You could miss out on work opportunities if we are unable to get a hold of you.

The 2018 La Crosse Labor Day Parade will be on Sunday, September 3rd. Please save the date, as volunteers are needed. All volunteers will be added to the 2019 NASA banquet raffle.

We've had some exciting technology upgrades. Please see the URL's below to our new Local 140 website and please like our Facebook page.

http://www.liunalocal140.org

http://www.facebook.com/laborers140

We will soon have a new automatic monthly dues payment option for members which won't charge an additional fee like our credit/debit card payment option currently does. All members are strongly encouraged to enroll. More information on this will be sent out within the next few months.

If you are working out of state, or in the Milwaukee-area, please contact the Local 140 office so we can get a reciprocity form on file to have your health and pension hours transferred back to our fund office.

The Executive Board and members of Local 140 would like to thank Katie Squier for her 20+ years of service. Congratulations and enjoy your retirement!

Congratulations to Gerry Tschumper on recently becoming a gold card member. 50 years of service is very commendable.

I would like to acknowledge our members that have recently passed away. Ralph Krause and John Oelke. Rest in Peace.

Have a great summer and stay safe!

Clark Jensen

Laborers' Local 140 2771 George St LaCrosse, WI 54603 (608) 788-1095 www.liunalocal140.org

Local 140 Officers

Clark Jensen-Business Manager

Pete Arentz-President

Justin Woodward-Vice President

Mark Clements-Recording Secretary

Clark Jensen-Secretary/Treasurer

Don Hansen-Sgt-at-Arms

Katie Baumbach-Auditor

Alex Plenge-Auditor

Rudy Larson-Auditor

Executive Board: Corey Starr,

Kai Rodgers, and Roy Kolterman

Administrative Staff: Samantha Jensen

Upcoming Meetings/Events		
June 5, 2018	7:30 pm	
August 7, 2018	7:30 pm	
September 4, 2018	7:30 pm	
Meeting Location:		
Boot Hill Pub		
1501 St. Andrew Street		

La Crosse, WI 54603



Greetings Brothers & Sisters!

Laborers' Local 268 held its election of officers on May 8, 2018 for 3-year terms, and the new officers are listed on the side of the page.

We would also like to thank Jeff Dehnhoff for his dedication and hard work for the members of Laborers' Local 268 over the last 12 years serving as a Field Representative (2006-2012) and then as Business Manager (2012-2018). It has been a pleasure working with you, and you will be greatly missed. Best of luck to you brother in your retirement!

Our July membership meeting date has changed due to the Independence Day Holiday, and we will be meeting the following Wednesday, on July 11, 2018.

The Wausau informational meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2018 starting at 6pm at the Wausau Labor Temple, located at 318 S. 3rd Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401.

Upcoming retiree council meetings will be taking place on July 18, 2018, which will be a picnic starting at 12pm at Colby Lion's Club, located at 103 W. Adam Street, Colby, WI 54421, and the following regular retiree council meeting will be on September 19, 2018 starting at 11am. All retirees in good standing are welcome to come.

Local 268 is no longer mailing reminder postcards for delinquent dues. Automated phone calls will be made approximately 1 week prior to suspensions. It is very important that we have current phone numbers and addresses so you receive all union notices.

Lastly, congratulations to the following members who received their 25+ Years of Service Pins:

Larry Dilts – 55 Years

Dick Masanz – 50 Years

Kenneth Fetkenheuer - 50 Years

LaVerne Kodesh - 50 Years

Gerhard Hannemann – 45 Years

Tom Hanutke - 40 Years

Robert Roycraft – 40 Years

Ronald Roubal - 40 Years

Dave Peterson – 25 Years

In Solidarity, Brian Dehnhoff

Laborers' Local 268 2233 Birch Street Eau Claire, WI 54703 (715) 835-5001 www.liunalocal268.org

Local 268 Officers

Brian Dehnhoff-Business Manager

Scott Johnson-President

Josh Garr-Vice President

Angie Kolstad-Recording Secretary

Brian Dehnhoff-Secretary/Treasurer

Ross Waldofski-Sgt-at-Arms

Roger Lewallen-Auditor

Daniel Patz-Auditor

Executive Board: Scott Geissler, Allen Bradford, and Dave Prueher

Administrative Staff: Deb Heath

Upcoming Meetings/Events

June 6, 2018	7:00 pm
July 11, 2018	7:00 pm
August 1, 2018	7:00 pm
September 5, 2018	7:00 pm

Meeting Location:

Eau Claire Labor Temple

2233 Birch Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703



At the time of writing this article, we are in negotiations for our Heavy & Highway Agreement and our Building Agreement. Work under the Building Agreement is good right now, so those negotiations are moving along to the point of an offer to be ratified by the members of all the Locals in which the agreement covers.

This brings up the Heavy & Highway negotiations with a completely different scenario. Areas of concern - complete repeal of Prevailing Wage and lack of additional money toward bridges and road work is a big concern for our contractors going forward. What is the biggest challenge? **Market Share.** How much is there and who is going to get the work that is available. Enough on that.

Thank you to all of the Local #330 members who attended our first-ever Unity Conference on March 3, 2018. We had over 170 members learn more and have questions answered about their health insurance, pension, and other business of our union. We look forward to organizing similar conferences in the future!

Local #330 will have a fall outage this year at Point Beach Nuclear plant. We currently have a nice pipeline job going in the Wrightstown area, and also one in the Westfield area. KS Energy is the contractor on these. We are seeing a shortage of members with CDL's, Asbestos and Sewer/Water experience. All of these certification requests were recently made from our contractors.

I wish you all a safe and productive construction season!

Tony Marcelle



Congratulations to Local 330 Retiree Conrad Umentum or receiving the Greater Green Bay Central Labor Council "Victor G. Crambeau" Award for your years of leadership and activism!

Laborers' Local 330 886 W. Airport Road Menasha, WI 54952 (866) 340-0330 www.laborerslocal330.org

Local 330 Officers

Tony Marcelle-Business Manager Paul Daugherty-President James Lenz-Vice President Gerald Schomaker-Recording Secretary Kelly Buss-Secretary/Treasurer Tim Miller-Sgt-at-Arms Brian Hubers-Auditor Brian Lee-Auditor Milana Robinson-Auditor

Executive Board: Tony Marcelle, Kelly Buss, Paul Daugherty, Gerald Schomaker, James Lenz, Ryan Young, and Mark Linsmeier

> Adminitrative Staff: Kerri Guseck Lisa DuBord

Upcoming Meetings/Events

	Appleton - 2288 North B	allard Road
	June 12, 2018	7:00 pm
	July 10, 2018	7:00 pm
	August 14, 2018	7:00 pm
	September 11, 2018	7:00 pm
	<u>Green Bay - 1570 Elizab</u> e	<u>eth Street</u>
	June 20, 2018	6:00 pm
ı	August 15, 2018	6:00 pm
	<u>Fond du Lac - 50 E. Bank</u>	<u>Street</u>
	July 11, 2018	6:00 pm
	September 5, 2018	6:00 pm



Hello Brothers & Sisters.

Spring has arrived and so has the work load, creating a high demand for our labor force. Major building projects such as the Alliant Riverside Energy, the Surf on the UW Campus, and the Judge Doyle Square project in downtown Madison are all in full swing.

The \$200 million Verona Schools Project has begun with the clearing of the site and will begin construction this summer.

As our out of work list is getting smaller, we are taking steps to fill positions for upcoming projects by advertising on Madison Metro Buses, on Facebook, and Help Wanted Banners at the Local 464 office. On-Line applications are available at www.union464.com

Just a reminder that July's membership meeting will be on Thursday, July 5th at 6:00 pm as we recognize and celebrate Independence Day, on Wednesday Julv 4th.

With the change of meeting time from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm, our hopes of increasing attendance have been successful. Please attend your monthly meetings for information on upcoming events, work projects, along with where the Local stands on political issues.

The Building Trades of South Central Wisconsin are once again sponsoring Take Kids Fishing Events taking place at Tenney Park in Madison on June 2, 2018 and Traxler Park in Janesville on June 3, 2018, Office Staff: Diana Kirkpatrick and and we encourage you to attend these fun family friendly events if you can!

As new leadership moves this Local forward, I woul like to recognize past leadership. As most of you know, Dan Burke retired after 38 years in the Laborers' Union. Dan spent 20 years in the field an 18 years as an officer. Dan has passed his knowledge, experience, and most of all his leadership qualities to all of us. Thank you for everything Dan!

Our staff and I look forward to educating our new members, as well as staying in touch with our veterans and retirees, as we move this Local forward into the future.

Please be safe and productive on your job sites this summer.

Jim Foye

Laborers' Local 464 1438 N. Stoughton Road **Madison, WI 53714** (608) 244-6400 www.union464.com

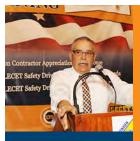
Local 464 Officers

Jim Foye-Business Manager **Toby Meicher-President Kevin Roth-Vice President** Dean Hackl-Secretary/Treasurer Ben Mau-Recording Secretary Johnny Rupprecht-Sgt-at-Arms **Jim Staskal-Auditor** Jeff Semmens-Auditor **Ron Niebuhr-Auditor Executive Board** Jim Foye, Dean Hackl, Toby Meicher, Kevin Roth, Charlie

Schuett, Ben Mau, Robert Dixon

Kati Koss

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	June 6, 2018	6:00 pm
nd	July 5, 2018	6:00 pm
	August 1, 2018	6:00 pm
	September 5, 2018	6:00 pm
	<u>Retirement Luncheon</u> July 18, 2018	11:30 am
	Meeting Location:	
	Local 464 Union Hall	
5	1438 Stoughton Road	
	Madison, WI 53714	



Thursday, April 26, 2018 will be a day remembered as a day that could have been a lot worse. At roughly 10:00am that morning, Superior's Husky Refinery had a major explosion that not only affected a scheduled 5-year turnaround, but potentially could have been catastrophic within a 25-mile radius. While luckily no one died, and minimal injuries were reported, there were thousands of work hours lost for the time being.

Aside from that, work has started and we are looking to a good construction season.

Local 1091

The schools will be wrapping up by Summer's end, and US Highway 2 will be completed by October. Ashland and Bayfield Counties are seeing substantial work in both commercial building and heavy highway, and we will be building a new fire hall in both the City of Superior and the Town of Superior.

During the course of the summer, we will be contacting our membership about the importance of the upcoming elections in both Minnesota and Wisconsin. We will be hosting a Summer BBQ at the Duluth Labor Temple on Thursday, June 28 at 5pm, with the regular membership meeting to follow at 7pm. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Enbridge is finally looking to get the certificate of route approved by the Public Utilities Commission on June 21, and we are hopeful to get started on the project in the 4th quarter of 2018.

Membership is continually growing in Local 1091, with apprentices engaging in our mandatory training. Please make sure you are current on your requirements. With that being said, we hope you all have a productive and safe summer while working in our industry!

In Solidarity,

Dan Olson

Upcoming Events

June 28, 2018 – Summer BBQ - Duluth Labor Temple - Duluth, MN

August 18, 2018 – MN Laborers Picnic - Como Park -St. Paul, MN.

August 25, 2018 – Local 1091 Membership Picnic -Billings Park - Superior, WI

October 21, 2018 – 25+ Year Service Pin Party -Spirit Mountain - Duluth, MN Laborers' Local 1091 2002 London Road Duluth, MN 55812 (218) 728-5151 www.liunalocal1091.org

Local 1091 Officers

Dan Olson-Business Manager & Secretary Treasurer

Chris Thacker-President

Curt Davey-Vice President

Derek Pederson-Recording Secretary

Eric Miller-Sgt-at-Arms

Herb Meyer-Auditor

Jeremy Wehr-Auditor

Patrick Hill-Auditor

Executive Board

John Schneider, Craig Sutherland,

and Zac Hanson

Wendi Mattinen-Office Manager

Upcoming Meetings/Events

June 28, 2018	7:00 pm
July 19, 2018	7:00 pm
August 16, 2018	7:00 pm
September 20, 2018	7:00 pm

Meeting Location: Local 1091 2002 London Road Duluth, MN 55812



Below is the upcoming Accuplacer Testing Schedule, and the full schedule can also be accessed through our website at www.wilaborers.org.

Anyone interested, or may know someone that is interested in the Laborers Apprenticeship program, or seeking assistance or tutoring prior to testing may contact me at O: (608) 846-5768; C: (608) 212-0802; or rwiatt@wislaborers.org.

2018 Accuplacer Testing Dates

<u>Milwaukee - Local 113</u> <u>Location:</u> 6310 W. Appleton Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53210

<u>Dates:</u> June 5, 2018; July 10, 2018 August 14, 2018

Eau Claire - Local 268 Location: 2233 Birch Street Eau Claire, WI 54703

<u>Dates:</u> June 15, 2018; July 20, 2018; August 24, 2018

Menasha - Local 330 Location: 886 W. Airport Road Menasha, WI 54952

<u>Dates:</u> June 6, 2018; July 11, 2018; August 8, 2018; September 8, 2018 La Crosse - Local 140 Location: AmericInn Hotel & Suites 125 Buol Road Rm. #100 West Salem, WI 54669

<u>Dates:</u> June 11, 2018; July 16, 2018 August 20, 2018; Sept. 10, 2018

<u>Wausau - Local 268</u> <u>Location:</u> 318 S. 3rd Avenue Wausau, WI 54401

<u>Dates:</u> June 14, 2018; July 19, 2018 August 23, 2018

Madison - Local 464 Location: WI Laborers Training Center 4633 LIUNA Way, Suite 100 De Forest, WI 53532

<u>Dates:</u> June 7, 2018; July 12, 2018; August 16, 2018; Sept. 6, 2018

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Congratulations to the Following Members on Completing Your Apprenticeships!

Zackary Eaton Tyler Egan David Radionov Salvador Martinez **Dave Dellis Michael Meyer Fredrick Butler** Melissa Gordon **Ian Riley Brain King Jaydon Matott Ervin Nissley Brady Bauer Dustin Perrv Kent Smasal Derick Krug Eduardo Marquez Robert Reilly Austin Lee Jon Euler Jesus Cervantes Donald Om** Matthew Lowrey **Garrett Goodenough Jacob Swenson Taylor Kops Danny Jones** Antonio Morales Nunez **April Smith Trent Kapinus Joseph Hershberger** Seth Van Eerden **Joshua Popelier Kevin Paulin James Lehmann**

Tate Youngblut Rvan Zuehlke David Laskowski **Jordan Gilbertson Dante Perry** Milana Robinson **Tyler Genke Ronald Beyler James Carlin Chris Gunther Tyler Kaiser David Norr** Andrew Campbell **Tyler Kotlarz Zachary Mercer Guillermo Sanchez Robin Archer Anthony Bertagnolli Riley Hargrave Logan Soerens Zackary Luebke Robert Semanko Cody Komp Richard Krook Thorton Dolata Dustin Weber Kyle Koch Eric Hoffman Eric Deprey Clifford Garner Jr. Dominic Flock Tyler Ness Oscar Rodriguez** Nathan Krauss

As a variety of industries compete for the same limited pool of craft professionals, and as contractors find it difficult to meet workforce demands, a skilled and highly trained workforce is more valuable than ever in today's construction industry. A contractor's commitment to utilize the laborers' apprenticeship, training, and safety programs will strongly help to maintain successful and sustainable momentum in this highly competitive market.

Wisconsin LECET (Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust) has been on the forefront of the recruitment process. We have been attending and actively promoting the Laborers as a viable career choice to hundreds of teens and young adults across Wisconsin. We have had conversations with attendees at career fairs and educational conferences about our apprenticeship program and our continuous safety and training dedication which is a top priority for a lifelong career in the construction field. We offer classroom presentations and provide one-on-one guidance to young people about the benefits of this industry. We are connecting with local communities and youth organizations to facilitate partnerships that help to provide a diverse worker pipeline by encouraging young people to explore careers in the construction industry.

A skilled workforce is not only an important foundation for attracting new people to the construction industry; it also provides incentives to retain people. When leadership values and participates in continuous improvement through education and training, the Laborers, along with our signatory contractors will continue to confidently move forward. We are changing the culture of the construction industry by collectively elevating the skill level and education of workers in construction, which in turn, attracts a younger generation to join our forces.

Wisconsin LECET welcomes the opportunity to partner with our local communities and signatory partners at these recruitment events. Feel free to reach out to us if you know of an event in your area that you would like us to participate in. We look forward to hearing from you.

Diane Newby

Wisconsin LECET Director



WI Laborers & LECET Staff at the Building Advantage Career Fair



WISCONSIN LABORERS' HEALTH & PENSION FUND

Access Your Benefits Online

You have the ability to check your benefits online through the MemberXG website located online at https://memberxg.gobasys.com/BPA/main/#!/account/login.

If you have not already done so, you can create your account by clicking the "Create Account" box in the upper right corner of the initial MemberXG screen, and enter the following information

- User Type Either Member or Dependent
- Email Address
- Confirm Email Address
- First Name
- Last Name
- Last Four Digits of Your Social Security Number (SSN)
- Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)
- Zip Code/Postal Code
- Mobile Phone Number (Optional)

Enter a password, confirm the password, answer three security questions, and select the Terms of Use and Privacy Policy check box. Click Finish. The account is created, and you are returned to the initial MemberXG screen.

You also will receive an access code which will be <u>sent to the email address that you</u> <u>entered when you created your MemberXG account.</u> Note: For security purposes, each time you log in from a new computer/device, you must enter a new access code.

If you are in need of additional technical assistance, or need help retrieving your password, please contact the Claims Department at (608) 842-9101 or Eligibility at (608) 842-9102.

HRA Debit Card – Single Sign-On

Please note that you now have the ability to access your HRA debit card information right on the Fund website. We've included a link through MemberXG to allow you to have single-sign on access to all your HRA transactions.

Biometric Screenings

Biometric screenings should be completed between 12/1/2017 and 11/30/2018. The biometric screening form is available on the member website. If both the member and their spouse complete the biometric screening, their 2019 annual deductible will be waived.

If the results of your biometric screening are identified with out-of-range results you will have the opportunity to complete 2 coaching phone calls from a nurse. If you choose to participate in and complete the coaching phone calls, you will receive a \$100 HRA contribution.

Please contact the health fund claims department (608-842-9101) if you have any questions about these programs.

PPO Physician

When you use a PPO physician your out-of-pocket expenses will be reduced. Please contact Anthem at 1-800-810-2583 to find an in-network physician or log in to Anthem.com. You will need to have your alternate ID available; this is located on your medical ID card. Please see your Summary Plan Description and Summary of Material Modification documents for more information.

Beneficiary Form

Just a friendly reminder that you make sure that you have a completed beneficiary form on file with the Fund office. Please contact the Eligibility Department (608-842-9102) at the Fund office to obtain a form.

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Spring and Summer!

Wisconsin State **Legislative Update**

The Wisconsin Legislature has for the most part adjourned for the 2017-18 session, and most legislators who are not retiring after this term are back home in their districts looking toward their next election.

This was a challenging legislative session, starting with the full repeal of the state's Prevailing Wage laws, as well as the elimination of **Project Labor Agreements** (PLAs) for state and local public works projects. These policies enacted by the **Republican-led State** Legislature and by Governor Walker will have long-lasting Wisconsin's workers.

In addition, the state legislature did not address a long-term funding solution for the state's transportation fund, which will likely be a significant issue in this November's elections.

While this flurry of activity happened early in the 2017-18 legislative session, there were also some recent actions by the state legislature that passed over the Wisconsin Laborers' objections.



Restrictions on Local Control

AB748/SB634 was passed on a party-line vote and signed into law by Governor Walker which will prohibit local units of government from setting wage requirements for contractors working on public works projects; limiting local governments from establishing local and negative impacts on all of regulations around scheduling, hours, overtime, and benefits; and prohibits local governments from establishing a wage-claim process separate from the state.

> This is just one of over 150 attacks on local government control that have occurred in the last seven years, and the Wisconsin Laborers believe that local communities should be able to make their own decisions on local employment standards.

Apprenticeship Ratios

The Legislature also passed a bill signed into law that makes a uniform 1:1 ratio between apprentices and journeymen throughout the construction industry. Historically, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development set apprenticeship ratios after receiving recommendations from the state trade apprenticeship advisory committees. The Wisconsin Laborers believed that this was a bill that was a solution in search of a problem and ignores the differences between construction craft laborers and other skilled trades.

NABTU Legislative Conference

Delegates from different Wisconsin Laborers locals attended the 2018 North America's Building Trades Unions Legislative Conference in April 2018. The Conference consisted of numerous guest speakers, breakout sessions discussing legislative and political goals for 2018 and beyond, and was punctuated by the LiUNA Lobby Day on Capitol Hill.

Wisconsin Laborers met with Rep. Mark Pocan (top-left), Rep. Gwen Moore (top-right), U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (bottom), and Rep. Sean Duffy (no picture) to discuss investments in infrastructure, supporting Davis-Bacon prevailing wage, repealing the Cadillac Tax, pension reform, and a variety of other issues.





Senator Baldwin Visits WI Laborers Training Center

On February 21, 2018, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin, who has been endorsed by the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council in her reelection bid this November, toured the Wisconsin Laborers Apprenticeship and Training Center to learn more about the work that we do, and to discuss the importance of infrastructure investments, worker training, and Buy American laws.

We are proud to have Senator Baldwin fighting for all of Wisconsin's working families in the U.S. Senate!









LIUNA Members Working on Wisconsin's Energy Infrastructure





Above: Members of Local 330 working on the Fox Energies Pipeline Project in Wrightstown.

Left: District Council President/Business Manager John Schmitt with representatives from TransCanada who visited the Wisconsin Laborers' Training Center to learn more about how members of the Wisconsin Laborers have the training and skills to work on energy infrastructure projects throughout Wisconsin.

Construction Season



Local 113 Members from Con-Cor Concrete Inc. working on the BMO Tower in Downtown Milwaukee.



Local 464 Members from Findorff pouring concrete at the Summit Bank project in Cottage Grove.



Paul Voge (Local 113) from Berghammer working at the Fox Town Brewery Project in Mequon.



Congratulations to Local 330 Member Mike Mielke who won the January 2018 Newsletter Raffle of a Milwaukee Tool Job Site Radio and Battery Charger!

Charcoal Weber Grill

Our next Grand Prize Giveaway will be a 22in. Weber Performer Deluxe Charcoal Grill with a Built-in Thermometer and Digital Timer!

To Enter via Email: Send your Name, Local Union Number, Address, and Phone Number to <u>info@wilaborers.org</u>

Or To Enter via Facebook: Like the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council Facebook page, and send us a private message with your Name, Local Union Number, Address, and Phone Number.

One entry per member.

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