**Local 776 Newsletter**

**July 2024 Newsletter Issue #221**

**Attention**

The next Retiree Breakfast is scheduled for June 28th beginning at 9:00 A.M. at Westgate Lanes.

**Fraternal News**

* **Death Benefit:** We are on Death Benefit #368 Dean Smith. Death Benefits can be paid over the phone, in person or online at [www.ualocal776.com](http://www.ualocal776.com).
* **Welcome:** Jackson Kipp, Alexandria Shumate, Christopher Snider and Cordell Newman were sworn in at the June union meeting.If you are working with any of these new members, be sure to welcome them to Local 776!
* **Congrats:** Blake Brickner, Noah Ellerbrock, Craig Green, Jack Maxwell, Jhonniel Mendoza, Caleb Stewart and Josh Wehri all top out in July. Congrats guys!!

**Future Events to put on the Calendar**

* **Union Meeting:** Wednesday July 17th, 2024 at 7pm
* **Local 776 Retiree/Graduation Banquet:** Saturday October 19th, please call Melissa to sign up (see attached flyer)
* **UA Weld Test:** Saturday July 27th, 2024 at 8 A.M.

Please call Melissa no later than noon the Thursday before to sign up and to check on the status of the test session.

* **Labor Day:** We will once again be walking in the Lima Labor Day Parade on September 2nd.Keep your eyes out for the August Newsletter for more information about what time to show up. We will follow up with a cookout at the Local 776 Union hall.

**JATC**

* Classes are out for the summer! If you have any classes that you would like to see in the future, please let Kiel know.
* First night of class will be Tuesday September 3rd, 2024
* Currently the application window is open until July 26th. If an application is turned in after that date the applicant will just be interviewed at a later date. If you know of anyone interested in the trades please have them fill out an application and call us with any questions.

**Business Manager Comments**

I would like to wish all our members a happy Fourth of July! Take this opportunity to spend some extra time with your family and celebrate our freedom. Also, please be safe out there!

July 1st is the start of the new pay scale for Building Trades members. We will have new pay sheets and business card sized wage cards for anyone that would like one. All you need to do is stop by the hall after the 1st and pick one up.

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