

**Local Union #50 Plumbers,
Steamfitters & Service Mechanics**

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INCOME TAX INFORMATION

Dues deductions are as follows:

- ▶ Dues \$28.00 per month
- ▶ 3% of gross wages from January 1, 2008 thru December 31, 2008
- ▶ .70¢ per hour paid from January 1, 2008 thru September 28, 2008
- ▶ .80¢ per hour paid from September 29, 2008 thru December 31, 2008



Minus Political Action Fund Contribution

- ▶ .03¢ per hour worked from January 1, 2008 thru December 31, 2008

OFFICE CLOSINGS

Health & Welfare and the Credit Union will close at 12:00 PM on April 10, 2009, for Good Friday. Please remember that the Credit Union closes at 4:00 PM on the last work day of each month.

The Nurse's Office will be closed on April 9th & on Good Friday.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Community Service Committee is looking for volunteers for the Maumee Valley area. Habitat for Humanity is planning on 2 houses in the area with one being built solely with female workers. Habitat for Humanity is also planning 4 houses in the Hancock County area. There is always other projects in other areas that need volunteers. If you can spare some time, please call the Hall and let us know how you can help.

CO-ED CARDIO TURBO CLASS

A new co-ed session of Cardio Turbo exercise classes will be starting on March 23, 2009. Join us every Monday and Wednesday for 10 weeks from 5:30-6:30 PM for this class in the Local 50 Hall.



March

SELF-DIRECTED RETIREMENT OPTION

It is now possible to invest in most any asset publicly available through a self-directed sub-account. Individual stocks, bonds, and mutual funds are appropriate investments under this option. This alternative requires that you should be financially astute regarding investment alternatives and practices - it falls under the maxim of "buyer beware." The Board recommends that those considering this strategy thoroughly weigh whether it is suitable for them; given their investment knowledge and experience. This option is subject to a fee which is assessed against your account. Please call Tina in the Fund Office for more information at 419-662-1388, ext. 20.

NEW RETIREES

Robert Schmitt 2/1/09
Leroy Mann 3/1/09

**RETIREE'S ALUMNI MEETING**

The next Retiree (Alumni) Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 15, 2009, at 11:30 AM and will be held at Inky's Restaurant; 3945 Detroit Ave. (near Sylvania Ave.). Come and enjoy real Italian food. If you have any interesting facts, trivia, or myths about Italy, please bring the information to share.

MCA CLASSES

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL ACTIVE AND RETIRED MEMBERS, WHO PLAN TO WORK, GET THIS TRAINING DONE ON A YEARLY BASIS. **CALL THE MCA AT (419) 666-6900 & Owens Community College - Tracy Rd at 567-661-7357 TO RESERVE A SPOT.** The employee shall complete this training outside of normal hours and shall receive a stipend and/or other compensation (up to eight hours) as determined by the PIPE Committee. Some of the upcoming classes that will be given at the MCA Office and Owens Community College are as follows:

Wed., April 1, 2009 @ Owens CC Tracy Rd.	Drug Free Workplace Training	5:00 - 7:00 PM Employee 7:00 - 9:00 PM Supervisor
Wed., April 15, 2009 @ MCA	OSHA 4 Hr. Refresher - Unit 4	4:30 - 8:30 PM
Tues., April 21, 2009 @ MCA	Adult CPR/First Aid & AED	4:30 - 9:30 PM
Thur., April 23, 2009 @ Owens CC Tracy Rd.	Drug Free Workplace Training	5:00 - 7:00 PM Employee 7:00 - 9:00 PM Supervisor
Wed., April 29, 2009 @ Fremont Inn (Holiday Inn)	Drug Free Workplace Training Call 567-661-7357 to register	5:00 - 7:00 PM Employee 7:15 - 9:15 PM Supervisor
Begins May 5, 2009 @ MCA	OSHA 30 Hr. Class (6 evenings) (Last One Offered Until Fall)	4:30 - 9:30 PM

L50 FEDERAL CREDIT UNION SHARE DRAFT

Local 50 Federal Credit Union is now offering Share Draft (checking account). See Karen or Amy for details.

APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

We ask that you take a moment and nominate a graduating apprentice for the Outstanding Apprentice of the Year Award. Please fill out the nomination form (enclosed) and return it to the Apprentice School by May 1, 2009.

DECEASED MEMBERS

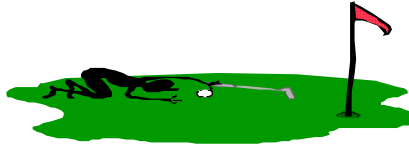
Michael J. Elekonich 2/24/09

THE LITTLE CLINIC

FrontPath has added The Little Clinic as an acceptable walk-in medical clinic to their insurance coverage. There are two locations in this area, both located inside a Kroger store. The Oregon location is at 3301 Navarre and the Holland location is at 1414 Spring Meadows Drive. Hours are M - F, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM; Sat, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM; and Sun, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. All patients are seen on a walk-in basis. The clinic will treat common illnesses and minor injuries. They will prescribe medications and referrals to primary care doctors in the area. The clinic is a complement to your family doctor when you need medical attention after hours.

GOLF LEAGUE

You must call John Brocus at 419-467-2768 or Jim Murphy at 419-874-8592 no later than March 27, 2009, if you are returning from last year's league. If you would like to join the golf league, please call John or Jim before April 3, 2009, to see if there are any open spots or to be on the sub list. April 22, 2009, will be the first night of golf at Ottawa Park Golf Course. Starting time will be at 4:45 PM. Please show up no later than 4:20 PM so that we can collect your golf fee. This year, the cost will be \$358.00; which includes your golf fee and the golf outing at the end of the year.

**L50 SOFTBALL**

This year, the L50 Softball League will be playing in Maumee at Rolf Park on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. If you are interested in playing, call Ted Theaker at 419-861-9302. We will have a meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2009, at the Union Hall from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

**SKIN CANCER SCREENING**

There will be a free Skin Cancer Screening on Saturday, May 9, 2009, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon on the 2nd floor of the Mercy Cancer Center at St. Anne Mercy Hospital. St. Anne Mercy Hospital is located at 3404 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo. Appointments are required. Please call Mercy HealthLink at 419-251-4000.

BENEFIT RAFFLE

Sister Jodi Miller had an apartment fire that destroyed all of her & her children's possessions. We are selling raffle tickets at the Hall for a \$500 gift certificate. Tickets are \$5.00 per ticket and 5 for \$20.00. The drawing will be held at the April 21st Union Meeting. If you want tickets mailed to you, send a check to the Finance Office and tell us the name you want on the tickets. We will enter your tickets in the drawing and mail you the stubs.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

“No one can possibly have lived through the Great Depression without being scarred by it. No amount of experience since the depression can convince someone who has lived through it that the world is safe economically.”

- Isaac Asimov 1920-1992

Fraternally,

Eric Osborn,
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