



UNION MEETINGS
Thurs., April 11 @ 5 pm
Thurs., May 9 @ 5 pm

Retiree Meetings
3rd Tuesday of each month
18 Avis Drive, Latham, NY
April 16, 2019

JATC Meetings
2nd Tuesday of the month
at 4 pm

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IMPORTANT DATES
April 25, 2019 - Contract vote

5/11/19 - 125TH
CELEBRATION

5/16/19 - CDPHP
WORKFORCE CHALLENGE



Dear Brothers & Sisters:

As you are aware, Local 7 is currently in contract negotiations with the Mechanical Contractors Association of the Capital District (MCACD). Local 7's current contract expires on April 30, 2019. In anticipation for a ratification vote, I am calling a special meeting and have reserved the Labor Temple for Thursday, April 25th at 4:30 pm. In consultation with the negotiating committee, it was decided to give members the opportunity to vote throughout the afternoon. Members may vote at the Labor Temple starting at 1 pm where a copy of the contract proposal will be readily available for your review. Polls will be closed briefly at 4 :30 pm for a presentation by the negotiating committee followed by members in attendance given a chance to cast their ballot as well. The goal here is to give as many members an opportunity to vote as possible. You matter; your vote matters!

New By-Laws

At February's regular union meeting and following proper membership notification, members in attendance were presented with numerous proposed changes to Local 7's By-Laws. Also, the membership heard recommendations sent to Local 7 by the Office of the United Association that included mandatory changes as a result of amendments and policies passed by the delegates in attendance at the UA's 2016 National Convention. Each proposal was read aloud at this meeting. It is worth noting that Local 7's By-Laws have not been updated since 2008. After an open floor discussion, the members in attendance voted 57 to 17 to approve (2/3 required for passage) all the proposed changes as presented. I am in the process of having new By-Law booklets printed at which time each member will be mailed a copy.

LOBBY DAY

Lobby Day this year is set for May 14th. Again, Local 7 will be joining UA Locals throughout the state at the Capitol to visit with NY's Legislators. The 1st & 2nd year apprentices will be part of Local 7's lobby group, and of course, members are welcomed and encouraged to participate. CDTA buses will be transporting the contingency to and from the capital and lunch will be provided. Details and departure times will be announced at a later date. Lobby Day gives Local 7 the chance to visit with local legislators to advocate for legislation and discuss the issues that affect the everyday lives of our members. It is important because Local 7's families are important. I hope you will be able to join us.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Richard P. Walsh/John P. Elacqua Memorial Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce applications for scholarship awards. Applications will be available March 1st, 2019 through April 30, 2019 for the 2019-2020 academic years.

Scholarship awards are for undergraduate and graduate studies in the amount of \$500.00 per semester.

Please be advised undergraduate scholarships are for a maximum of four years of study leading to a bachelor's degree.

Graduate scholarships are for a period of not more than one year within a two year period immediately following the earning of an undergraduate degree. Graduate school scholarship applications are not confined to the March 1st-April 30th time period. They are available any time.

In addition to sons and daughters of members, supplemental applications are available for nieces, nephews and grandchildren of members. To get a scholarship application, please call Jennifer at 518-785-9808, ext. 10.

Kearney Cup Dodgeball Tournament

Local 7 Plumbers & Steamfitters Local will once again be sponsoring a team for the Kearney Cup Dodgeball Tournament to be held on Sunday April 28, from 9 am to 3 pm at Siena College, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville, NY, 12211. If you are interested and want to join the team, call or email Christine at the Union Hall 518-785-9808 ext. 22 - cfass@ualocal7.org.

125th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We are very proud to say that 2019 will mark our 125th year of excellence! We will honor our past, enjoy our present and celebrate our future with a special event on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at the Albany Capital Center.

Event reservation ticket is \$50 per person. This includes cocktail hour and three course meal with duet entree. We will be having a live band, The Refrigerators as well!

PLEASE GET IN YOUR RSVP'S AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS SPECIAL EVENT!

COME CELEBRATE 125 YEARS WITH YOUR FELLOW LOCAL 7 MEMBERS!



CELEBRATE OUR PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE
MAY 11, 2019 - ALBANY CAPITAL CENTER

You may also purchase a table of 10 for \$500, checks made payable to Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 7, mailed to 18 Avis Dr., Latham, NY 12110.

HOTEL: Room reservations can be made at the Renaissance Hotel, 144 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. Call 518-992-2500. We have a discounted block of rooms for May 11, 2019, at a rate of \$149-\$169.00, mention UA Local 7 Gala. **LAST DAY TO BOOK is April 20, 2019. The block is a first come-first served basis.** If hotel books and you need to stay, contact the hall at 518-785-9808.

2019 CDPHP WORKFORCE CHALLENGE!

Local 7 will once again be participating in the CDPHP Workforce Challenge. Go to www.cdphpwtc.com to register for the 2019 CDPHP Workforce Team Challenge before the May 1st deadline! This year's 5K race is on Thursday, May 16 and both runners and walkers are highly encouraged to participate. The race is at the Empire State Plaza and starts at 6:25 pm. For Local 7 Team information, contact Christine Fass at 785-9808, ext. 22 or cfass@ualocal7.org.

ALBANY EMPIRE

Local 7 will again be a sponsor for the ALBANY EMPIRE Arena. Football team. Tickets will be available soon!

