



Regular Meeting Dates

WATERTOWN: Regular meeting
April 4th, 7:00 p.m.

PLATTSBURGH: Satellite meeting
April 11th, 7:00 p.m.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Baby Boy born to
John & Natalie Apple
Henry Kendall
weighing 8 lbs., 13 ozs.
born 2/28/17

LU 910 To Sponsor Relay For Life Team

Local Union 910 will sponsor a **Relay for Life Team** in Plattsburgh this year on June 17th. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Travis at the union hall 315-782-5630 or email tf@ibew910.org.

*April showers
bring May flowers!*

2nd Quarter Dues Are Now Payable

Wiremen \$117.60
Apprentice \$111.60

Please note -
effective 1/1/17 there has been a \$6
increase in quarterly dues.

Check or exact cash accepted.
If you have any questions concerning
how much you may owe,
please call (315) 782-5630

2017 Inside Contract Increase

The membership of IBEW Local 910 in attendance at the Regular Meeting on March 7th, 2017 approved allocation of **Inside Collective Bargaining Agreement** increase in the last year of our 3-year agreement.

Fund Manager, Mark Capone, gave a presentation to the membership on the status of the Health & Welfare, Pension and Annuity Funds.

The following distribution of the \$1.25 increase was approved effective April 1st :

\$.60 into Health & Welfare
\$.15 into Pension
\$.50 into paycheck



IBEW Local 910 Elections

The **nominations for Officers of Local Union 910** will be held on May 2, 2017 beginning at 7:00 PM at the regular monthly meeting located at Local 910's office, 25001 Water St., Watertown, NY.

Nominations will proceed in the order of offices as listed in the IBEW Constitution whose term of office shall be 3 years.

- 1) President
- 2) Vice President
- 3) Recording Secretary
- 4) Treasurer
- 5) Business Manager/ Financial Secretary
- 6) Three (3) Executive Board Members
- 7) Five (5) Examining Board Members



Additionally, nominations will be held for two (2) delegates to the International Convention.

The **Election of Officers** shall take place between the hours of 3:00 PM and 9:00 PM on Friday, June 2, 2017, at the Local Union offices located in Watertown, NY, 25001 Water St.; and in Plattsburgh, 28 New York Rd.

Notice of nominations and elections will be mailed to all members in good standing in early April.

Thank you for getting out the vote!

Photovoltaic Troubleshooting Seminar

The EJATC of Watertown will be holding a **Solar Class on Saturday April 29th in Plattsburgh and May 6th in Watertown**. This class will be conducted by American Solar Partners. It involves how to troubleshoot a solar array. You should plan on being there from 8:00-4:30.

Currently we have 71 Journeyman on Book I, 24 on Book II, 6 Apprentice, 3 Residential, CE, CW& and 0 Tele-data Technicians available for work.

Jobs bid in the last week include: Cape Vincent Correctional Facility-Hot Water System went to Watson Electric (U) for \$54,500; Southwest Technical Center-MEP Upgrades went to Northern Pioneer (U) for \$94,498; Madrid Waddington CSD-Phase 2 also went to Watson Electric (U) at \$13,269; Fort Drum Munns Corners Project (work to modify infrastructure for Rt. 26 overpass) went to NYTRIC Electric (U);and Wellesley Island Fire Station had SC Spencer (NU) low on base bid at \$191,280.

(report from Executive Board Meeting)-

Jobs bid in the last week include: Town Of Greig-New Town Barn went to Kahrs Electric (NU) for \$74,500(he was \$38,000 low), Colton Town Hall-Rewire went to S&L (U), Beaver River CSD base bid had Lawman (U) low at \$70,000; if they take alternate AMP(NU) is low at \$181,430 by just \$770; Ontario Hotel (Sackets Harbor renovation) electrical work went to NYTRIC (U), Watertown Wastewater Treatment Plant went to Patricia (U) for \$152,900, Salmon River School-Phase 3 went to S&L (U) for \$198,000, Westport CSD-Communications and Security Improvements went to H.R. Clune (U)for \$15,900,

Upcoming work includes: 3-Story Addition at the Samaritan Medical Center, Several Dollar Stores, Plattsburgh Airport-Building 2774 Renovation, Plattsburgh FedEx Distribution Facility is being rebid, Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes new houses, Town Of Constable-Petroleum Containment Building, SUNY Plattsburgh-Macomb Hall Renovation, Colton Town Hall-Rewire, Beaver River CSD, Wellesley Island Fire Station, Plattsburgh City Schools, Town Of Greig-New Town Barn, Watertown Wastewater Treatment Plant, Westport CSD-Communications and Security Improvements, Clinton Community College-Cooling System, Fort Drum NCO Academy, Plattsburgh City Schools, Plattsburgh Airport-Renovations, Watertown Airport- Security Enhancements, SUNY Potsdam-Timmerman Hall, Ticonderoga-Water Treatment Plant, DANC-Booster Pump Station Generators, Expansion and restoration of Agri-Mark& Chateaugay facility, Norsk Titanium, a new development for a wind farm on Galloo Island, and the Copenhagen & Mad River windfarms.

School projects that are in various stages of development: Clifton-Fine \$3.6 million, Brasher Falls \$10 million and Peru \$2.8 million, Thousand Islands School 6.9 Million, Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES \$18.5 million, and General Brown \$9.37 million.

Work continues to hold fairly steady with Book 1 continuing to stay around 70, with a few Journeymen getting laid off and a few going out on calls. It is busier in the Plattsburgh area and I expect that to continue. We referred 2 Travelers last week for short calls in Champlain. We expect more layoffs from Kraft this month, as well as more hiring in the Plattsburgh region.

The bids for the Thousand Island Border Crossing have been submitted and from all reports a joint venture between Northland Associates and Cainbro was the only bidding General Contractor. It is expected to be months before we hear anything on the project and how it will be awarded. To the best of our knowledge, electrical bidders only included Union Contractors; S&L Electric, Matco Electric and O'Connell Electric.

Dave Hoover and I have been contacting our New York State Assembly and Senate Representatives to voice our concern with two items in Governor Cuomo's State Budget. The expansion of Design-Build to nearly every State Agency would be detrimental to the fair and transparent bidding that public construction should contain. The second issue also hinders transparent bidding by allowing State Agencies that have facilities deemed a "secure facility" to streamline construction bidding. How ironic that the Governor puts these items forward at a time when he is preaching that he is fighting corruption. ***These changes will invite corruption!*** We have the New York State IBEW Business Manager's Lobbyist in Albany working on these issues. The Pipefitters Unions are also fighting against it. I do not think the New York State Building Trades are doing enough to fight it because it is not as big an issue in New York City.

Local 910 recently completed an organizing campaign at the co-generation plant in Plattsburgh owned by Saranac Power Partners. Employees approached Dave seeking representation. We received assistance from the IBEW International Professional and Industrial Organizing staff in surveying support, getting cards signed and holding a National Labor Relations Board Election. Prior to the election we had ample support, but as is often the case the company brought in people to change the workers minds and we lost the election. I want to thank Dave Hoover for all his hard work in trying to get these workers the representation they deserve.