

# UA LOCAL 396 JOURNAL

From the Desk of the Business Manager...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Many of my newsletters and union meeting reports to our membership have been about the activities of the shale development. It has been the work that has kept us busy with many different opportunities, both locally as well as out of town jobs. Work has slowed down in our trade and we have experienced this in the past. However, it is temporary and there is work out of town if anyone is interested. No one every wants to leave to work out of town but it is an option if it is needed.

There are many events that we have been working on. We have had meetings with companies, businesses and government leaders in Lordstown, Ohio. Mayor Hill of Lordstown has been a great supporter of the Building Trades and especially to Local 396. We had a meeting with the Matalco project, a \$200 million dollar remelt aluminum billet plant. The ground breaking for this project will be at the end of September. Foster Wheeler is the construction manager and the field project manager is just now getting on site. They have asked us for local piping contractors to bid on this project. Also, in Lordstown the Mayor has brought to the table with a Power Energy Company, Clean Energy LLC. This will be for a natural gas power plant. This project is estimated to be over \$800 million dollars and will provide three years worth of work. As always the need will be for welders. This project is going through

regulation compliance with the government and we should know more by October.

I was a speaker on the panel for Shale Development in Cleveland, Ohio. The topic of the event was the NGL Gold Rush Summit. I spoke about the success of the projects that we have just completed in our local jurisdiction, training and grants, our partnership and leadership with the Regional Chamber, and other committees that we are involved with. Many of the experts that spoke at this event discussed the ethanol cracker in Monaca, Pennsylvania and in Parkersburg, West Virginia. There was a discussion about a third ethanol plant in the Northeast Ohio area. We will continue to work with these companies for greater opportunities.

Through the OCC Governing Board that I am involved with and with the help of Columbus Local 189 we will have a discussion meeting about Shale projects and techniques. American Petroleum Institute, Ohio Oil and Gas Association and the Regional Chamber will be a part of this event. If anyone would like to attend this event it will be hosted on November 12th at 9:00 am. Please contact the union hall if you are interested and I will gladly car pool anyone to this event.

The United Association has reviewed our by-laws and advised of comprehensible changes that conflict with the United Association constitution and the Department of Labor laws. There will be a meeting with our officers and by-law committee to review the changes and we will present it to the membership at an upcoming union meeting once complete.

The Political Action Committee and Shale Committee will start to have their meetings. These meeting will be inline with the Executive Board meetings which take place on the fourth Wednesday of every month. However, this month there is a Business Manager's meeting in Chicago, Illinois that I will be attending. Due to this the Executive Board meeting will be changed to Wednesday, October 1st at 7:00 pm and both committees will be meeting at 5:00 pm on this date as well.

Lastly, I would like to finish by addressing our apprentices and the young members of this local. I have been in the United Association for 35 years and I have never seen the need for welders as I do today. We have received a grant that gives us the opportunity to have a full time welding instructor in the weld shop. Tim Glancy will be available Monday through Friday for the next 48 weeks to teach you a livelihood that will carry you for your entire career over the next 30 to 40 years. I highly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. The construction industry has its peaks and valleys but welders are always needed.

"We salute those members who aspire to pass on their knowledge to the next generation of United Association members."-UA Journal

Fraternally,  
Butch Taylor



# A Word From the Business Agent

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Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I hope all of you had a pleasant summer! Work in our jurisdiction this summer has been mild, just like the weather.

The Hollywood Casino in Austintown has celebrated it's grand opening on September 17th. Crews from De-Cal, Conti and York Mahoning are finishing the mechanical work at the casino and out buildings at the new site. Horse racing will get started later this fall.

GM Lordstown completed the 4th of July shutdown work with six contractors working in the assembly plant, stamping plant, and paint shop. Work ranged from two to four weeks with ten to twelve hour days.

The Conti Group from Michigan and De-Cal remain on site doing cell and conveyor line work.

The VAM Coupling plant is underway. GEM has begun to hire as work areas have become available at the site. Our members have started on the gas main and plumbing work for the locker room renovations. The job will also involve air piping, process and domestic water piping, and hydraulics.

Work at Mittal Coke and Powerhouse has been steady. The Alcon crew added four welders and one fitter this summer. The work has been hot and dirty but consistent.

Currently work has slowed down at home. However, there are opportunities nearby. Local

168 in Marietta has a cryogenic site under construction and work at a chemical plant and at a compressor station.

Local 50 in Toledo will begin outage work at their BP refinery starting in September and going through the fall.

Local 776 in Lima also has outage work at the Husky Refinery beginning in September and going through October.

Cambridge Local 495 has started another phase at Cadiz Cryogenic plant.

Local 521 in Huntington, West Virginia will begin a chemical plant outage in mid-September with work through October.

Canton continues to have a open calls for welders at

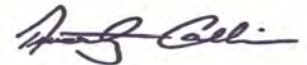
its Marathon refinery. Fitter calls are on an as needed basis.

Local 553 in Alton, Illinois has begun pre-outage work at its Wood River refinery. Major hiring will begin in mid-September.

Pittsburgh Local 449 has begun work at the Edgar Thompson Blast furnace sixty day outage. Some work opportunities could develop there.

I am in contact with all of these locals regarding work. If anyone needs more information please contact me. There are some good opportunities available until work breaks in our jurisdiction.

Fraternally,



## On the Training Front...

"The only effective answer to organized greed is organized labor"- Thomas Donahue

I hope all of you had a safe and enjoyable summer!

The apprenticeship orientation was held on September 7th to kick off the 2014-2015 school year. We currently have 74 Building Trades Apprentices with 13 being placed into the first year class. Please note that the school hours for this year have changed.

Classes will now begin at 5:45 pm and end at 9:15 pm.

Welding certifications will continue to be a huge market. Several of our sister locals have a significant amount of work and we must be able to handle these welder calls ourselves. Tim Glancy has been asked to come and help our welders with those certifications. This is being paid for by the \$150,000 grant we secured from the state.

**We have to make every effort to obtain and hold these certifications so we can man this work. If you are currently out of work this is a perfect opportunity for you to advance your skills at no cost.**

Since 2006 the backflow re-certification classes have been held in the spring and fall. If your certification is expiring call and sign up for the eight hour re-certification

class. This is a state certification and the union hall does not keep track this certification.

Rigging classes have been offered and have been going very well. Please sign up for this important class as the OSHA standards will be changing in November of this year.

**Fraternally,  
Marty Loney  
Training Coordinator**

# President's Report

Brothers & Sisters,

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer! Please mark your calendar with these important dates and upcoming events:

## YSU Football Tickets

October 11th @ 4:00PM Western Illinois  
October 18th @ 2:00 PM Southern Illinois  
November 1st @ 2:00 PM South Dakota  
November 15th @ 2:00 PM Indiana State



## Thursday, October 2, 2014

Mahoning/Trumbull AFL-CIO Labor Council Fifth Annual "Come Together with the AFL-CIO" Dinner

- Doors open at 6:00 P.M. Dinner at 6:30 P.M.
- McMenemy's Banquet Center  
325 Youngstown-Warren Road, Niles, Ohio

There are a limited number of tickets available. Contact the union hall if you are interested in attending.

## Saturday, October 4, 2014

Local Union 396's 16th Annual Golf Outing

Location: Bedford Trails Golf Course  
713 Bedford Rd., Coitsville, Ohio

Time: Shotgun start 9:00 AM

Cost: \$70/person. Includes green fees, cart, lunch, dinner, beverages

## Sunday, October 19, 2014

Help Hotline Crisis Center Annual Pasta Dinner

Location: Holy Family Church Social Hall  
2729 Center Road, Poland, Ohio

Time: 12:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Contact the hall if you would like to attend.

## Friday, October 24, 2014

Building Trades Fish Fry Dinner

Location: Operating Engineers Hall  
291 McClurg Road, Boardman, Ohio

Time: 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM

## Saturday, November 1, 2014 (see enclosed flyer)

Fundraiser for Local Union 396 Members

Location: Local 396 HVAC Building

Time: 11:00 AM to 5:30 PM

Prizes, Raffle, Bounce House, Games, Food and Drinks

Please contact the union hall if you are interested in participating by October 25th.

## Saturday, December 13, 2014

Local 396 Christmas Party

Save the Date...Details to follow

## Upcoming Union Meetings

October 2, 2014

November 6, 2014

December 4, 2014

For the vacancy position on the Finance Committee, Lance Elmo was acclimated at the August 2014 union meeting.

Fraternally,  
George Popovich



In memory of Terry Stanton:  
27 year member and Officer  
for 10 years

## ~IN MEMORIAM~

Local 396 remembers its members who have recently passed:

**Edward Cupples**, initiated 1980, died 02/03/2014;  
**Howard Deceder**, initiated 1955, died 04/15/2014;  
**Robert Meikle**, initiated 1961, died 04/16/2014;  
**Terrance Stanton**, initiated 1987, died 05/25/2014;  
**Charles Repomonto Sr.**, initiated 1951, died 7/1/2014;  
**Greg Waterbeck**, initiated 2011, died 08/17/2014;  
**Scott Miller**, initiated 1938, died 09/06/2014;  
**John Siersdorfer**, initiated 1955, died 09/16/2014

"O God, Who has called hence the soul of our Brother/Sister who has departed this life. You who alone Knowest the secrets of each heart, with all its trials, sorrows and temptations we beseech Thee to have mercy upon him/her, and also upon all those, our brothers and sisters, who have gone previously; pardon each sin that they have committed and give them rest, light and peace in Thy everlasting Kingdom; all of this we beg through you our God and Savior."

## ~RETIREES~

Ahhh, Retirement...the time to enjoy all of the things you never had time to do when you worked! Congratulations are extended to our retirees, and we wish you the best.

**Ronald Jonesco**, 29 years of service;  
**Kevin Montgomery**, 34 years of service;  
**Jay Sargent**, 34 years of service;  
**Dante Massacci**, 17 years of service;  
**John Mizner**, 17 years of service;  
**Frank Lach**, 28 years of service;  
**William Davison**, 34 years of service;  
**Dave Pirko**, 23 Years of service  
**Andrew Marek**, 37 Years of Service



**OSA Golf Outing**  
Left to right: Clyde Widener, Brent Kelley, George Popovich, Butch Taylor



**YOUNG Golf Outing**  
Left to right: Moon Barrett, George Popovich, Dick Tranick, Marty Loney



**OSA Golf Outing**  
Left to right: Butch Taylor, Chuck Whitman, Shawn Gray, Paul Otto



**Ohio Appalachian Development Grant Award Pipe Cutting Ceremony**



**Austintown Racino Grand Opening**  
Left to right: Frank Righetti, Carol Righetti, Butch Taylor



**Austintown Racino Grand Opening**  
George Popovich and Michael Sciortino



**Coupling Plant**

**ENOUGH IS ENOUGH  
VOTE NO  
ON THE JOB-KILLING  
"COMMUNITY  
BILL OF RIGHTS"  
VOTE NOVEMBER 4**

**IT'S BACK...**

**THE SAME JOB-KILLING,  
"COMMUNITY BILL  
OF RIGHTS" THREATENS  
YOUNGSTOWN AGAIN.**



**BUT YOU CAN STOP IT**

Enough is enough. Radical activists who don't care about our community have put their reckless, job-killing issue on the ballot again. It's not enough that Youngstown voters have rejected the measure three straight times but the "Community Bill of Rights" threatens more than just jobs and economic development, it threatens hard-working Youngstown residents like those pictured above and our entire community. We have rejected this measure three times before because it threatens vital tax revenue that Youngstown needs for our schools, police and fire departments. It's why a broad-based coalition of Democrats, Republicans, businesses, labor, community groups, and the Youngstown Vindicator oppose this reckless measure.

**ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!  
VOTE NO AGAIN!**

**OPPOSED BY BOTH  
DEMOCRAT AND  
REPUBLICAN  
PARTIES**

**DON'T BE FOOLED...**

**THE COMMUNITY  
BILL OF RIGHTS  
THREATENS  
YOUNGSTOWN  
LIKE NEVER BEFORE**

- X** Youngstown has rejected the "Community Bill of Rights" three straight times.
- X** It threatens more than just jobs and economic development, it threatens our entire community.
- X** Vital tax revenue for our schools, police and fire departments would be threatened.
- X** Both Democrat and Republican parties oppose this reckless measure.

**VOTE NO AGAIN!  
ON THE JOB-KILLING  
"COMMUNITY BILL OF RIGHTS"  
CHARTER AMENDMENT**