**Local 776 Newsletter**

**September 2020 Newsletter Issue #176**

**SPECIAL NOTICE SPECIAL NOTICE SPECIAL NOTICE**

**Secret Ballot Vote**

Wednesday September 16th, 2020

For **$30,000 to fund the next scheduled banquet in 2021**

**POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 3:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.**

Should a tie result, a runoff election will be held on Wednesday September 23rd at 1300 Bowman Rd., Lima. Ohio

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**Attention!**

The September union meeting is scheduled to happen as normal! Please call in and sign up with Melissa so that we can arrange the appropriate seating needed. Please do not attend if you have shown any signs of illness in the last 10 days.

**RETIREE BREAKFAST**

Friday September 18th 2020

9:00 AM @ Casa Lu Al

**Fraternal News**

* **Congratulations:** Brother Ethan Bowers who tops out from the apprenticeship in September!
* **Death:** It is with great sadness to report that Brother Vernon Steele has passed away. Our condolences go out to the Steele Family.
* **Death Benefit:** We are on Death Benefit #340 Vernon Steele. Death Benefits can be paid over the phone, in person or online at [www.ualocal776.com](http://www.ualocal776.com).
* **Labor Day Parade:** The Lima Labor Day parade that the local usually participates in has been cancelled for this year. Please enjoy the day and stay safe!

**Future Events to put on the Calendar**

* **Union Meeting:** Union Meeting Wednesday September 16th at 7PM (Please call in and sign up ahead of time)
* **UA Weld Test:** Saturday September 26th at 8 A.M.

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

**JATC**

* **Apprenticeship:** The training center is now open to members wanting to practice their skills. Please call Jason Newell at the training center to sign up if you wish to reserve a spot.
* **School Starts:** School begins on September 8th at 6:00 P.M. Mark your calendars!
  + Students will be required to wear either a face mask or face shield during classes and will have their temperature taken upon arrival.

**Business Manager Comments**

The UA announced this week that they have endorsed Vice President Joe Biden for President. The UA has done extensive research on the candidates available and they feel that Joe Biden stands with the UA on more areas than what President Trump does, including the NLRB (National Labor Relations Board), Multiemployer Pension Reform, Right to work laws, apprenticeship standards and most importantly protecting union labor! Please do your research before voting and vote for those who best serve us!

The deadline to register to vote online or in person is Monday October 5th. The deadline to request a ballot by mail is Saturday October 31st. Please call your local election board for any questions. Please make sure you are registered if you are not already.

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