## Sheet Metal Workers Local 25 Retirees Newsletter

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Dear Fellow Retirees.

The next Retirees' luncheon will be held on March 20, 2024 at 12:00 noon, Costas Restaurant, 120 Chestnut Street Roselle Park, NJ 07740. Price per person is \$25.00. The Retirees Club has a 30 person minimum guarantee with Costas.

Forty-one members attended the last luncheon. Ed VanClief won the 50/50. Frank Fata drew the names of the member's of the month. Dan Smith Jr. was the January \$100 winner and keeping it in the family, Dan Smith Sr. won the February \$100 winner of the month.

Nice to see Tommy DeAngelis return to the luncheon along with Bob Taylor, Klaus Sauers and Rocco Condatore.

Last year we collected money for an active member, Keith Giordano, who was being treated for a serious illness. Keith has made great progress and was in attendance at the January union meeting.

Joe Demark reported that work in the area remains slow. He also gave the members an update on our now 60 year old court case.

As you know, the club's sole source of funding is annual dues. Currently we are 65 members short of last year's 142 members. We enjoy the support of many out-of-state members as they rarely if ever are able to attend the luncheons. Prior to COVID, luncheons averaged 55 members. Currently, we are hard pressed to get 40 in attendance. There are over 400 retirees. I think we could do better in membership and attendance.

Parking reminder: handicap placard holders can park anywhere in the lot for free. Parking on nearby streets is also free. I contact Mayor Signorelli before luncheons to get parking attendant consideration.

Sadly, I announce the passing of the following men: Tommy Materna, former member Local 10, long time club member and a regular in attendance at club luncheons, a truly nice guy. Mark Metz, former member of Local 22, hard working guy who was fun to work with, a gifted artist, he attended Texas Christian University and his brother predeceased him by 5 days. Ernie Boniface, former Local 10 Business Agent, started A&E in a garage in the 50's, went on to become Bonland, the largest employer in Local 25, Bonland had shops in several jurisdictions and performed work across the country, including fabricating duct work for the 1970s Russian Olympics and employed many of today's retirees.

Respectfully, Don Sullivan Jr. President

Cc: Demark, Brooks, Hoffmann, Melahn, Conte, Pasquinucci, Sam Figueroa

## **Dues payment slip**

Member

Telephone number and email

# **2024 Luncheon Retirees Luncheon Schedule**

January 17

March 20

May 15

July 17

September 18

**November 20** 

All luncheons at Costas Restaurant, 12 noon If postponed, the luncheon will be re-scheduled for the fourth Wednesday. In the event of inclement weather, an email will be sent out by Ed Van Clief.