

PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES REPORTS



DISTRICT COUNCIL 6

Jim Sherwood,
Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

STRONGSVILLE — Thank you for taking the time to read this paper and get informed on your union.

The Labor Citizen is more than the official communication platform of District Council 6 and its affiliated Local Unions. It is where you can get an update on the regional and national issues that directly affect union construction projects.

I encourage everyone reading this article to expand your knowledge base, read up on the other trades and be sure to see Matt Jaworski's "big picture" article that starts things out.

GPAC EVENT

Around this time each year, the IUPAT assembles a group of BM/ST's for the General President's Advisory Committee (GPAC).

GPAC is a two-way conversation among IUPAT staff and District Council leadership, designed to improve the way in which the membership is served. It also helps us plan how to grow the union in the face of changing demands from construction consumers.

This year, the conference will again be virtual.

There have been many personnel changes at the IUPAT. We at District Council 6 are eager to work with the new Organizing Director **Shane Smith** regarding our ongoing push to expand union market share in our geography, especially in the greater Columbus and Lexington markets.

Those two markets will be District Council 6's main focus in 2021.

Part of the GPAC event always includes a "report card" for each District Council.

We joke about the way this is presented, but it gives us a good look at the available programs the IUPAT offers and it gets the wheels turning on how to engage more of the membership in union activities.

As always, the "report card" will be presented at all Local meetings in the coming months.

VIDEO CONFERENCE UPGRADES

Several years ago, Local 707 authored language that was voted into

the IUPAT Constitution.

This has allowed us to hold Council meetings over video conference, sparing the expense and risk of all delegates travelling to a central location every month.

At the time, the Council spent over \$50,000 to link Strongsville, Cincinnati and Columbus. We have used this system to its limit, and probably well beyond.

In January and February, the Council Delegates authorized the purchase of the most modern VC equipment in use today.

It was a pleasant surprise to learn that with the abundance of technology on the market in these remote-heavy times, linking the former three sites, plus adding Toledo and Youngstown would cost less than half of the original system we installed years ago!

This platform allows us to hold formal meetings as originally intended, but also opens up a new world of training opportunities.

It will be easier to attend specialty classes and events that are held at different times around the region of District Council 6, such as job interviews, informal meetups during the workday and more.

All of this will help use the dues money that funds District Council 6 more efficiently.

BUILDING UPDATES



The Strongsville building has been showing signs of an unsettled foundation for several years now.

At first, we thought it had to do with leaky pipes causing erosion. However, the pipes are fine. Unfortunately, we still do not know why the floor is sinking in the main hall.

An engineering firm has been retained, and they indicated there may be a need to hire geotechnical subcontractors.

Just figuring out what the problem is will cost us several thousand dollars, which will come from the Building Fund, which gets its money from Building Assessments on every hour worked.

The only silver lining to this ugly situation is the comfort we can take knowing the original purchase price was below market value for a commercial building of this size.

Your Local Union Delegates will keep you informed, as will this article, in the months ahead.

OFFICE VACANCIES

With the anticipation of the District Council 6 finances going back to normal in the future, we will be taking resumes for a District Council 6 dedicated Organizer who will work out of the Strongsville office in the Cleveland area, and a dedicated Organizer working out of the Cincinnati office, who will focus on the Lexington area.

If you are interested, please submit your resume to recruiting@dc6.org.

IN CLOSING

We are all eager to get back to life as we once knew it.

Thank you again for observing masking requirements in the union offices.

Stay up-to-date on any training requirements, certifications and your drug card. Your raise may depend on it!

Please encourage our apprentices to be efficient masters of their chosen craft.

Please work safe.

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George Boots,
Director of Training

STRONGSVILLE — As another industrial painting apprentice training season comes to a successful end, be safe on the bridges.

The industrial painting season is approaching fast to our Brothers and Sisters in the industrial painting field. Good luck and be safe.

Thank you **Dan Costantini** for another great season.

UPGRADE TRAINING



Be sure to get your upgrade hours in before your wage allocation takes effect.

Check out the training section at iupat-dc6.org for the most current class schedule.

We are constantly adding upgrades. If you do not see what you are looking for, please call the training office and we will see about adding it to the calendar.

Every class has a minimum and a maximum, so if you see something you are interested in, please sign up right away, as certain classes tend to fill up more quickly than others.

Journeymen, check your Local Union's Collective Bargaining Agreement

to see if you have a training requirement to receive your next wage increase.

If so, schedule them now!

OFFICE VACANCY

Our part-time secretary **Carly Sell** has resigned and has moved to a position with another company.

Thank you Carly, for all your hard work and dedication. Good luck in your future!

We are taking applications for this position. Please send resumes to **Nichole** at recruiting@iupat-dc6.org.

AGMT CLASS

Glaziers, we are still looking for participation for the AGMT certification class.

We held our first knowledge test at the beginning of the month in Cleveland. We will hold another one in the Cincinnati training center at late fall.

If you are interested, call **Matt Harper**.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

The following apprentices have completed all the requirements of the apprenticeship program.

Let us congratulate and welcome them to the rank of journeyman.

They are **James Evinsky** of Local 847, **James Culbreath** of Local 505 and **Cory Hammer** of Local 841.

If you see them on the jobsite, make sure you congratulate them!

CONTACT US

If you have any questions regarding apprenticeship or journeyman upgrade classes, please contact a trainer in your area.

- **George Boots** (Director of Training), 440-783-2909.
- **Justin Oshel** (Taper - statewide), 440-879-6422.
- **Matt Harper** (Glazier - statewide), 440-382-2922.
- **Duane Behanna** (Painter/Taper - Southern Ohio), 513-485-1312.
- **Joe Kintyhtt** (Painter - Northern Ohio and Toledo), 440-876-3340.
- **Daniel Costantini** (Industrial Apprentice/Journeyman Upgrade), 216-408-0481.

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JOURNEY PERSON UPGRADE MARCH 2021

Location	Starting Date	Ending Date	Day of Week	Total Hours	No. of Days	Time of Class	Class Prerequisite
4 HR SCAFFOLD AWARENESS							
TOLEDO	3/09/2021	3/09/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
8 HR SAFETY REFRESHER							
YOUNGSTOWN	3/20/2021	3/20/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
AGMT							
STRONGSVILLE	3/06/2021	4/16/2021	S, M-F	48	6	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	3/6 (KBT); 4/12-4/16/2021 (HANDS-ON)
ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS							
CINCINNATI	3/16/2021	3/16/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
BLUEPRINT BASICS							
CINCINNATI	3/23/2021	3/23/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
DOOR HARDWARE							
STRONGSVILLE	3/30/2021	3/30/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
FAUX FINISHING							
COLUMBUS	3/2/2021	3/2/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
CINCINNATI	3/17/2021	3/17/2021	W	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
FIRST AID CPR-AED (ADULT)							
TOLEDO	3/6/2021	3/6/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/13/2021	3/13/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
YOUNGSTOWN	3/13/2021	3/13/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
CINCINNATI	3/18/2021	3/18/2021	TH	8	1	4:30 PM TO 10:30 PM	NA
INDUSTRIAL FORKLIFT INITIAL							
STRONGSVILLE	3/26/2021	3/26/2021	F	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/27/2021	3/27/2021	S	8	1	7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM	NA
INDUSTRIAL FORKLIFT REFRESHER							
CINCINNATI	3/9/2021	3/9/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/25/2021	3/25/2021	TH	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
INDUSTRIAL REFRESHER (RESP FIT-MED EVAL-OSHA REVIEW)							
STRONGSVILLE	3/23/2021	3/23/2021	T	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/30/2021	3/30/2021	T	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA

IN CLOSING

Work smarter, not harder. Be safe!

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Gary McPherson,
Government Affairs

STRONGSVILLE — I am writing this month's article on the very day the U.S. House of Representatives are voting on the COVID-19 relief bill.

It should become law, with or without a raise in the minimum wage. It will help our members, families and country make it to the other side of this horrible virus.

Our Union has supported this relief plan and looks forward to the benefits it will provide.

We will continue to talk about and demand the passage of the PRO Act. If passed and signed into law, this would be the most sweeping labor law changes in years.

I have talked a lot about it here and we have been posting about it on our social media, but for more information on the PRO Act, or to get involved with the IUPAT effort to get this bill enacted, visit passtheproact.org.

Let's look at a couple other issues on the table in Washington.

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Location	Starting Date	Ending Date	Day of Week	Total Hours	No. of Days	Time of Class	Class Prerequisite
LEAD REFRESHER							
STRONGSVILLE	3/22/2021	3/22/2021	M	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/29/2021	3/29/2021	M	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
LEVEL 5 FINISHING							
CINCINNATI	3/03/2021	3/03/2021	W	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
MEWP REFRESHER (BOOM & SCISSOR)							
CINCINNATI	3/24/2021	3/24/2021	W	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
NACE CIP 1							
CLOSED							
STRONGSVILLE	3/08/2021	3/12/2021	M-F	40	5	8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM	3/8-12/2021
NACE CIP 2							
CLOSED							
STRONGSVILLE	3/15/2021	3/17/2021	M-W	24	3	8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM	3/15-17/2021
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT							
CINCINNATI	3/10/2021	3/10/2021	W	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
RESPIRATOR REFRESHER (ONLY)							
STRONGSVILLE	3/2/2021	3/2/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
COLUMBUS	3/23/2021	3/23/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
PAINESVILLE	4/12/2021	4/12/2021	M	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
SSPC C-5							
REGISTRATION CLOSED							
YOUNGSTOWN	3/23/2021	3/23/2021	T	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/24/2021	3/24/2021	W	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
STRONGSVILLE	3/25/2021	3/25/2021	TH	8	1	7:00 AM TO 3:30 PM	NA
STOREFRONT PREP							
STRONGSVILLE	03/03/2021	3/03/2021	W	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
TEXTURING							
COLUMBUS	3/16/2021	3/16/2021	T	4	1/2	4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM	NA
<p>ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED; SOME COURSES ARE BASED ON STUDENT/INSTRUCTOR REGISTRATION OR MINIMUM REQUIRED PARTICIPATION. DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. COURSE WHICH DO NOT MEET THE REGISTRATION MINIMUMS MAY BE CANCELLED. ADDITIONAL COURSES MAY BE ADDED THROUGHOUT THE TRAINING YEAR. PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE AT WWW.IUPAT-DC6.ORG "JOURNEYMEN UPGRADES/CALENDAR" FOR DATES AND TIMES. PARTICIPANTS MUST BE A UNION MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING (INITIATION PAID IN FULL AND DUES PAID CURRENT TO ATTEND. TO SCHEDULE:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Go to the District Council 6 website at www.iupat-dc6.org; then select the Journeyman Calendar; select the course you want to take and register. 2. Call the Training office at 440-239-4575 ext 118 or ask for a training instructor or coordinator. <p style="text-align: center;">*NEWLY ADDED COURSE</p>							

The IUPAT wants to offer each member and their children the opportunity to advance their reading comprehension skills with MindPlay.



MindPlay is a streamlined solution to assesses PHONEMIC AWARENESS, PHONICS, COMPREHENSION, FLUENCY and VOCABULARY through a systematic screening process that is tailored to each student's needs. Through this screening process MindPlay automatically assesses each student's current reading level then establishes the appropriate MindPlay curriculum to support targeted growth. MindPlay is designed for 2nd-12th grade as well as adults with diverse reading skills and instructional needs.



If you are interested in learning more about how this free union benefit can help you or your child please contact
Director of Training, George Boots at
440-239-4575 or georgeb@iupat-dc6.org.

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FINISHING TRADES INSTITUTE OF THE OHIO REGION 2020-2021 APPRENTICESHIP CLASS SCHEDULE

COLUMBUS TRAINING CENTER - 8700 MEMORIAL DRIVE, PLAIN CITY, OH 43064
ALL CLASSES ARE 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

FIRST YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 8/17/20	Mon 8/17/20	Mon 8/17/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 9/14/20	Mon 9/14/20	Mon 9/14/20	N/A
Week 3	Mon 1/11/21	CINCINNATI Location	Mon 3/15/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 3/22/21		Mon 5/17/21	N/A
SECOND YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 9/7/20	APPRENTICES WILL ATTEND CLASS IN CINCINNATI	Mon 9/28/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 10/12/20		Mon 11/16/20	N/A
Week 3	Mon 2/1/21		Mon 3/15/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/10/21		Mon 5/17/21	N/A
THIRD YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 9/7/20	APPRENTICES WILL ATTEND CLASS IN CINCINNATI	Mon 9/28/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 10/12/20		TBA	N/A
Week 3	Mon 2/1/21		Mon 3/15/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/10/21		Mon 5/17/21	N/A
FOURTH YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 9/7/20	APPRENTICES WILL ATTEND CLASS IN CINCINNATI	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 10/12/20		N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 2/1/21		N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/10/21		N/A	N/A

CINCINNATI TRAINING CENTER - 200 KOVACH DRIVE, CINCINNATI, OH 45215
ALL CLASSES ARE 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

FIRST YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 8/24/20	Mon 8/24/20	Mon 8/24/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 9/28/20	Mon 9/28/20	Mon 9/28/20	N/A
Week 3	Mon 1/18/21	Mon 3/22/21	Mon 3/1/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 4/12/21	Mon 4/26/21	Mon 5/3/21	N/A
SECOND YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 9/21/20	Mon 8/10/20	Mon 9/14/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 11/9/20	Mon 10/5/20	Mon 11/2/20	N/A
Week 3	Mon 3/15/21	Mon 2/8/21	Mon 3/1/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/24/21	Mon 4/5/21	Mon 5/3/21	N/A
THIRD YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 10/26/20	Mon 8/10/20	Mon 9/14/20	N/A
Week 2	Mon 12/7/20	Mon 11/16/20	Mon 11/2/20	N/A
Week 3	Mon 3/15/21	Mon 2/22/21	Mon 3/1/21	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/24/21	Mon 3/22/21	Mon 5/3/21	N/A
FOURTH YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 10/26/20	Mon 8/10/20	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 12/7/20	TBA	N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 3/15/21	Mon 2/22/21	N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 5/24/21	Mon 3/22/21	N/A	N/A

STRONGSVILLE TRAINING CENTER - 8257 DOW CIRCLE W, STRONGSVILLE, OH 44136
ALL CLASSES ARE 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

FIRST YEAR					
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT	
Week 1	Mon 9/14/20	Tue 8/18/20	Mon 8/17/20	Mon 11/16/20	
Week 2	Mon 11/2/20		Mon 10/5/20	Mon 1/4/21	
Week 3	Mon 2/8/21	Every Other Week	Mon 1/4/21	Mon 2/1/21	
Week 4	Mon 4/19/21		Mon 4/5/21	Mon 2/15/21	
SECOND YEAR					
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT	
Week 1	Mon 8/24/20	Wed 8/19/20	Mon 8/24/20	Mon 12/7/20	
Week 2	Mon 10/19/20		Mon 10/12/20	Mon 1/11/21	
Week 3	Mon 1/25/21	Every Other Week	Mon 1/11/21	Mon 2/8/21	
Week 4	Mon 3/22/21		Mon 4/12/21	Mon 2/22/21	
THIRD YEAR					
	COM PNT		GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 8/10 - Wed 8/12	Thu 8/13 - Sat 8/15	Thu 8/20/20	Mon 8/31/20	Mon 12/7/20
	Thu 10/8 - Sat 10/10	Mon 10/5 - Wed 10/7			
Week 2	Mon 1/4/21 - Fri 1/8/21	Mon 1/11/21 - Fri 1/15/21	Every Other Week	Mon 1/18/21	Mon 2/8/21
Week 3	Mon 1/4/2021 - Fri 1/8/2021 GROUPS A & B MERGED	Mon 1/11/21 - Fri 1/15/21		Mon 4/19/21	Mon 2/22/21
Week 4	Mon 2/22 - Fri 2/26	Mon 3/1 - Fri 3/5			
FOURTH YEAR					
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT	
Week 1	Mon 8/3/20	Fri 8/21/20	N/A	Mon 12/14/20	
Week 2	Mon 9/28/20		N/A	Mon 1/18/21	
Week 3	Mon 11/16/20	Every Other Week	N/A	Mon 2/1/21	
Week 4	Mon 1/11/21		N/A	Mon 2/15/21	

TOLEDO TRAINING CENTER - NWOCEC, 4535 HILL AVE, TOLEDO, OH 43615
ALL PAINTER CLASSES ARE 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM (Day Time)
GLAZIER CLASSES ARE 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM (Evening)

FIRST YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Tue 9/8/20	9/16/2020	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 12/7/20	Every Wednesday	N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 2/15/21	From 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM	N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 4/26/21		N/A	N/A
SECOND YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 9/21/20	9/16/2020	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 11/9/20	Every Wednesday	N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 3/15/21	From 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM	N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 4/5/21		N/A	N/A
THIRD YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 8/31/20	9/14/2020	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 10/26/20	Every Monday	N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 2/1/21	From 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM	N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 4/12/21		N/A	N/A
FOURTH YEAR				
	COM PNT	GLZ	DRY	IND PNT
Week 1	Mon 8/17/20	9/14/2020	N/A	N/A
Week 2	Mon 10/12/20	Every Monday	N/A	N/A
Week 3	Mon 1/18/21	From 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM	N/A	N/A
Week 4	Mon 3/8/21		N/A	N/A

APPRENTICE CLASSIFICATIONS: COM PNT - Commercial Painter; GLZ - Glazier; DRY - Drywall Finisher/Taper; IND PNT - Industrial Painter

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ENERGY ISSUES

With the recent string of winter weather and related problems in Texas, energy is talked about a lot. So where is our Union on the issue of energy?

The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades believe a modern U.S. energy policy should embrace an “all of the above” power production strategy – one that does not pick winners and losers. The policy should also promote self-reliant, North American oil and gas production capacity and utilization.

This approach will result in economic prosperity, enhanced domestic energy security and robust job creation.

Our dependence on foreign supplies of oil and gas, along with the threat of global climate change, exemplifies the need for a comprehensive U.S. energy policy that benefits our domestic economy.

For the 117th Congress, our nation must promote cutting edge, domestically developed, and domestically sourced clean energy technologies. We should embrace the utilization of our natural resources through support of environmentally friendly innovation.

Support the folks doing the work. In building a strong, fair economy, based on clean energy. Special attention should be paid to workers and communities negatively impacted by the transition away from high-carbon industries and sectors.

Thousands of workers are currently employed in these sectors, in high-paying jobs that support their families and communities.

Support for impacted workers and communities can include wage and health benefit replacements, “bridge to retirement” funding for workers near retirement age and retraining and education support for workers who would like to shift to other sectors.

This would include Prevailing Wage, state-approved apprenticeship job training standards, project labor agreements, best value contracting and targeted local hire programs.

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Infrastructure is a word we hear a lot, but we see little action.

The previous President had numerous infrastructure weeks, where they talked a lot about action but did little or nothing.

The best way to help our members

and their families is for them to have work, lots of work. Our infrastructure needs attention, and it needs it now.

One of the prime reasons for today’s crumbling roads, bridges, electrical power systems and water systems is corrosion. Corrosion is preventable, yet it is often neglected in a penny-wise, pound-foolish miscalculation.

Corrosion threatens the continuous operation of these systems and exacts a global cost of \$2.5 trillion.

We support H.R. 2, the Moving Forward Act! This is a more than \$1.5 trillion plan to rebuild American infrastructure — not only our roads, bridges and transit systems, but also our schools, housing, broadband access and so much more.

AN EYE ON THE STATEHOUSE

Lastly, I will touch on what is happening at the Statehouse.

It is currently budget time, and traditionally this is where our enemies try to sneak harmful items into the massive budget bill.


It can go unnoticed and is all but impossible to change once it passes in a budget.

This potential problem is less likely than years past due to having friends in chairmanship and on the committees, plus our partnership with ACT Ohio, who really get into the weeds with legislation.

We also have our eye on the state transportation budget. The main item we watch for there is work done by the building trades, remains with the building trades. There are always a few who believe some work could be done cheaper and better in-house, but most know this is simply not true.

We do not anticipate any problems in the budget process.

LOCAL ELECTIONS

 There will be primary elections in Ohio on May 4, which will involve some mayoral and city council seats.

We expect there will also be a primary for the soon to be vacated 11th District Congressional seat. Current Congresswoman Marcia Fudge will likely be the Secretary of Housing and Development by the time you read this, and a special election will be held for her seat.

The Governor will set the dates for

the primary, but every expectation is it will fall on May 4, as an election is already scheduled.

District Council 6 has endorsed Shontel Brown in the Democratic Primary.

If you live in the Cleveland area and Congressional District 11, we ask you to take a strong look at her campaign and consider supporting her with your vote.

DISTRICT COUNCIL 6

Nichole McCarthy,
Recruiting and Communications Coordinator

STRONGSVILLE — Greetings everyone!

Staying up to date on the current activities and union information is an important part of being an active member.

This can be done in the simplest of ways: attend your Local union meetings and like us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to stay up to date regarding pension information, hiring of instructors and organizers, find news about Special Called Meetings, DC 6 events and more.

We feel it is important to keep you all informed and engaged with the current events occurring within the Council.

OPEN POSITIONS

District Council 6 is still accepting resumes for a dedicated organizer expected to start at some point in the future, provided District Council 6 finances stabilize and remain stable.

This organizer will be focused on working closely with the Director of Organizing on important campaigns and organizing drives throughout the Council.

The dedicated organizer we are seeking will be working out of the Strongsville Union Hall.

Any member from these areas looking to become a future leader within District Council 6 should send their resume to **Nichole** at recruiting@iupat-dc6.org

District Council 6 is also looking to hire two more secretaries. One full-time secretary in our Cincinnati Union Hall and one part-time secretary to work out of the Strongsville Training Center.

Applicants must have general office experience, be proficient in

Microsoft Office and have good communication skills.

We are offering \$14 to \$16 per hour based on experience with full-time and part-time benefits offered. Send your resume to Nichole at recruiting@iupat-dc6.org.

DRYWALL FINISHERS NEEDED

District Council 6 is looking for drywall finishers for Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton, Youngstown and the Lexington, Ky. areas.

Please send any referrals to **Nichole** at recruiting@iupat-dc6.org.

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Jimmie Matowitz
Retirees

STRONGSVILLE — Hi Brothers and Sisters! I Hope all of you are doing well at this time.

Where has the time gone? Our last meeting was March 4, 2020!

It seems like yesterday we were together discussing our successful Christmas party, trying to figure out what this so-called COVID-19 was all about, and looking forward to a nice lunch.

The good news is that we finally have some light at the end of the tunnel! I am hopeful we can possibly get together sometime this summer and pick up right where we left off.

Let us hope and pray all of us will be lucky enough to have our vaccines soon and get back to normal, enjoying our family and friends again.

For now, we have spring and summer right around the corner and our Cleveland baseball team has started spring training for the 2021 season. The times are looking up and I hope to see all of you real soon.

GET WELL SOON

Please keep Brother **Greg Golembiewski** in your thoughts and prayers. Greg is having some very serious health issues at this time!

IN CLOSING

“Change is the Law of Life and those that look to the past are certain to miss the Future.” – John F. Kennedy.
See *PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES* on page 26.

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Mixed Trades

LOCAL 123, 238 & 387

Lee Denny

CINCINNATI — Greetings, I hope this finds all Sisters and Brothers in good health.

We are coming into our peak season and preparing for a busy spring and summer.

Although COVID-19 has been a hurdle we have faced over the last year, we are encouraged by the news of vaccinations being implemented and getting back to normal.

COVID-19 has impacted not only work activity, but our day-to-day lives and families. Please continue to keep you and your family's health a priority.

WORK OUTLOOK

Work in our area continues to be consistent and strong.

We have several projects upcoming and will need to continue our efforts to grow our membership and continue to grow our market share in the area.

The Brent Spence bridge project has been awarded to DC 6 signatory contractor Northstar out of Youngstown. This is a highly anticipated and complicated project.

We hope it will be a successful project, as Locals 123 and 238 will be instrumental in the efforts of completing this project.

We look forward to the task and the continued efforts to grow!

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



There will be a Special Called Meeting for members of Local 387 at April's regularly scheduled meeting at 200 Kovach Drive in Cincinnati to vote on Local bylaw changes.

Local 123 will have a Special Called Meeting for wage allocation in April at their Local meeting on April 2 at 6 p.m. at 200 Kovach Drive in Cincinnati.

Local 238 will have a Special Called Meeting for wage allocation in April at the Bellevue Vets, located at 24 Fairfield Ave. in Bellevue, Ky. at 5:30 p.m.

ORGANIZING

District Council 6 is focusing our organizing efforts throughout the Council, but especially in the Cincinnati and Lexington areas.

Agents from across the council will be utilized in these efforts.

Our focus will be in the drywall finishing trade, while maintaining our obligations to all the other trades.

Lexington has been a leading topic under BMST **Jim Sherwood** and Director of Organizing **Bo Anderson**.

If finances stabilize, we will look to add an additional business representative/organizer to the DC staff.

We look forward to a successful campaign.

TRAINING UPDATE



If any member needs journeyman upgrade training, please contact **George Boots** at 440-783-2909 to register. Online training may be optional.

Remember, our contract requires us to have 16 hours of training to receive our upcoming wage increase.

HEALTH AND WELFARE



All COVID-19 vaccinations will be covered under our prescription program.

IN CLOSING

Our members utilize the Brent Spence bridge on a daily basis.

With the upcoming project, please remember the safety of our Sisters and Brothers. As always, look out for the safety of those working beside you.

Mixed Trades LOCAL 1020

Gary McPheron

LIMA — The painters and finishers have a raise on April 1. The previously negotiated increases are \$1.05 to the industrial rate and \$0.95 to the commercial rate.

I do not know at the time of this writing how the members will allocate those raises. However, we will need to put money toward the pension to complete our obligation to the funding improvement plan.

You should expect some increase to your rate of pay on April 1. Feel free to call for details, or come to the meeting on April 6 and get a new wage sheet.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

There will be a Special Called Meeting to vote on the new proposed bylaws for Painters Local 1020 after the April 6 regular meeting.

The Union meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning at 7 p.m. We have started serving food again, but they are box lunches.

Since they are boxed, we only get a finite number of them, available on a first come first serve basis. Come early and stay late.

Masks are required, but we will provide one for you if necessary.

Proper social distancing is observed, tables and chairs are disinfected prior to the meeting and hand sanitizer is available.

WORK OUTLOOK

Work will pick up quickly when the weather improves. If you are not working, please let me know, so I can add you to the "Out of Work" list.

Last year due to COVID-19, work was slow early in the season and picked up later in the year.

We should get busy when the weather turns nice this year.

Glaziers LOCAL 948

Bruce Vidak

TOLEDO — I hope this finds you well.

The Union Hall is open for our Local Union meetings, which take place on the second Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. at 909 Front St. in Toledo.

In order to hold in-person meetings, we must follow a few guidelines set forth by Gov. DeWine, including the wearing of face masks, social distancing and no buffet food.

These are some simple rules until we get through this mess.

Renata, our secretary, is back in the office from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

You can reach the Union Hall at 419-476-7505.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you goes out to the members who stepped up to take the welding journeyman upgrade class and the AGMT certification class.

Both classes take some time and effort to do, so it does not go unnoticed.

The more training we have under our belts, the more valuable we are!

WORK OUTLOOK

Work is looking good for Glaziers Local 948 this summer. Be sure to work smart and work safe!

See *PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES* on page 27.

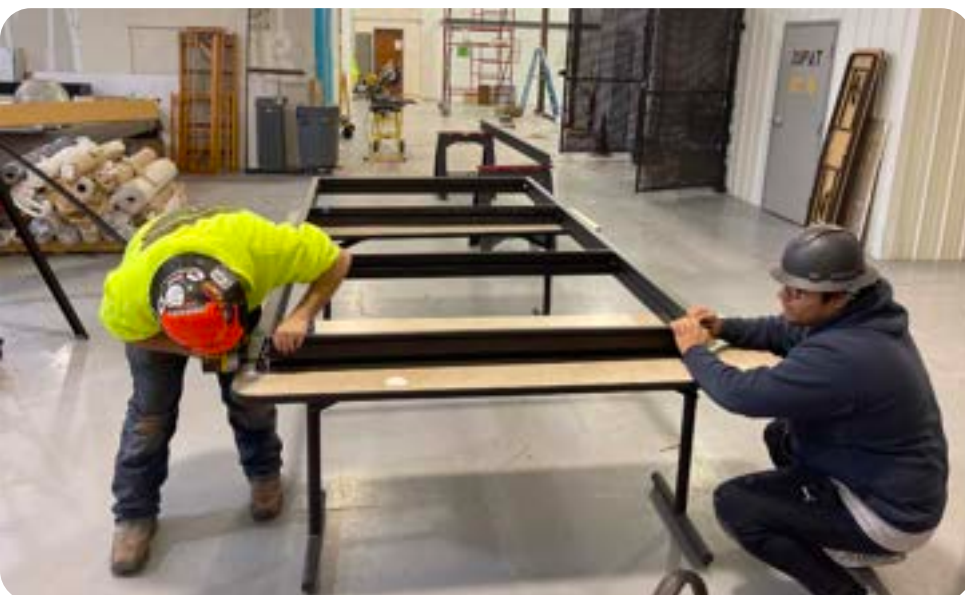


PHOTO: COURTESY OF IUPAT DC 6

Local 387 second year glazing apprentices Brad McCabe and Brandon Luna put together the storefront at the Cincinnati Training Facility.

PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES REPORTS



It looks like we will have a busy summer and will probably need more members to get into the glazing trade.

With that being said, some of the best glaziers in this town hear about us via word of mouth from friends and family.

If you know anybody looking to get into the trades, have them get ahold of me and fill out an application at the Union Hall.

CBA UPDATE

Our CBA is up this June, and we will be negotiating a new contract this year. We have the best glaziers in this District Council.

It should be an interesting year.

IN CLOSING

Work safe and work smart.

If you need to get ahold of me, call 419-450-2442.

Stay safe Brothers!

Glaziers LOCAL 181

Jim Black

CLEVELAND — Hello Brothers and Sisters of Local 181.

As of now, our next union meeting will be April 21 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Council 6 offices, located at 8257 Dow Circle in Strongsville.

Please try to attend.

WORK OUTLOOK

Work has slowed down.

At the time of this writing there are nine journeymen and three apprentices laid off, which is not too bad considering the time of year it is. I do not expect it to last long.

The new Ahuja project has started.

Metro Health Hospital is going strong, with the interior portion beginning soon.

The massive Circle Square project is on track and the glazing contractor has been named.

The downtown Cleveland Sherwin Williams project is on schedule and a general contractor has been named.

The City Club Apartments are moving forward, and a general contractor has been awarded.

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Local 181 is currently going through contract negotiations.

Thank you to all for attending the meetings so your voice can be heard.

DRUG CARDS

Having a current drug card is a must. Please make sure your drug card is current.

Even if you are working at a smaller shop or have not needed to show it in a while, stay on top of it. You never know when you may need it.

If you are not working, please get that taken care of.

I cannot stress enough the importance of having a current drug card.

Also stay on top of your yearly test. Try not to let that lapse.

I have had a lot of people miss out on work because of not having a current drug card. Do not let that be you.

Random drug tests are going out. Do not miss a random, as it is equivalent to a failure.

If you have any questions, call me and I can get you set up with that test.

TRAINING REMINDER



Stay on top of your upgrade classes and all the certifications, as training is becoming more important.

Please call the Training Department or check the website for the updated training schedule.

The more current certifications you have, the better off you will be.

Currently, I am in need of a certified welder.

We do not have enough glaziers that are certified to weld.

If you are off work, this might be a great time for you to get that certification, as it will only help you in the long run.

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

If you have moved, changed your phone number or need to update your beneficiary card, please contact me and let me know.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Local 181

members **Mike Hunyadi** and **Todd Gittins** on their recent retirement.

Congratulations guys, you deserve it. Enjoy!

LOWER YOUR MORTGAGE

I have been working with Cross-Country Mortgage.

If you have any financial questions or are interested in refinancing because of the low rates, contact me and I can put you in contact with one of their representatives.

THANK YOU



Thank you to every member of Local 181 for your efforts and your patience over the past year. It has been a trying time for all of us.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at any time. Please stay safe out there!

COVID-19 has hit the construction industry hard. Please do your best to practice safe habits and stay safe out there.

ADDICTION HELP

If you, your family or anyone you know is struggling with an addiction of any kind, please reach out to addiction specialist Pat Patton at 216-548-2249.

IN CLOSING

If you have any questions or concerns, contact me anytime at 440-382-2924.

Keep up the good work and stay safe out there!

Painters and Tapers LOCAL 7

Jamie Peppers

TOLEDO — I hope this finds you well.

Please make sure to notify us if you are laid off.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



During the next few meetings, we will be talking about ideas for negotiations.

Remember, our union meetings are

back on schedule.

As always, the meetings are the second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m.

I hope to see you there as we discuss the upcoming contract and Local bylaws.

UPDATE BENEFICIARY INFORMATION

We urge everyone to check their beneficiary cards and notify the union, the Local Pension and the International Pension of any changes.

You will need to notify all three entities of any changes, as all three are administered separately.

This is vital in the event of any unforeseen incidents.

Please call the union Hall if you have any questions.

Mixed Trades LOCAL 555 & 1275

Christopher Naegele

PORTSMOUTH — We are still holding in-person meetings with all the proper requirements for social distancing, mask wearing and sanitation.

Local 555 membership meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Seventh Ave. in Portsmouth.

Local 1275 membership meetings are held at 5 p.m. at 8700 Memorial Drive in Plain City.

Please make every effort to attend!

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Please be advised, we are currently in the process of contract negotiations for Local 1275.

Watch your mailbox, your email, social media and texts for future dates and times of any Special Called Meetings.

IN CLOSING

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, contact me at 614-620-6986.

You can also contact **Rebecca Reinert** at 614-294-5301, or **Harry Mullins** at 614-371-6290.

Work safe and look out for one another!

See *PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES* on page 28.

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Painters and Tapers LOCAL 476

Jim Taylor

YOUNGSTOWN — Our next regular meeting will be March 18 at 5:30 p.m. at 35 S. State St. in Girard.

The following meeting is scheduled for April 15 at 5:30 p.m. at 35 S. State Street in Girard.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Local 476 will hold a Special Called Meeting following the March 18 regular meeting. We will vote on Local 476 bylaws.

WORK OUTLOOK

Commercial painting work is steady and looks to be like that for the next few months. We may be adding a few workers.

Industrial painters are heading out to start rigging and get started for the 2021 season.

There should be a need for more industrial painters this year.

If you know an industrial painter who is looking for work, have them call me.

Drywall finishers are needed. There is a huge demand for finishers needed in the Local 476 area, as four to five local contractors are looking for finishers. There is also a need for about 20 finishers at the battery plant.

Let me know if you are off or know someone who wants to get into the trades as a finisher.

There is also a large number of finishers needed throughout the Council. Call Local 476 at 330-207-4854.

MEMBER APP



Many members have taken advantage of the IUPAT Member Mobile Portal app to keep up-to-date with their contact information, dues and pension amounts.

If you have not downloaded the app, please take a second and do so. It is helpful information.

TRAINING REMINDER



Many local jobs are requiring the training we have been talking about for some time. This is OSHA, respirator fit and lift class.

Make sure you get in touch with **George Boots** or the training department to get signed up for class.

Remember, as per the CBA, all members are required by June 1 to have OSHA 30, annual respirator fit training and four hours of additional training, not to exceed eight hours in total.

Please contact George Boots or members of the training staff at 440-239-4575, ext. 131 for information on training and/or upgrade classes.

WINDOW DUES



Window dues are \$39.40 a month and must be in the office by the close of the 20th day of every month.

IN CLOSING

Remember to work safe!
Everyone needs to return from work to their families.

Painters and Tapers LOCAL 841

Scott Harter

AKRON — We are planning on holding an in-person meeting on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, at 6 p.m. at the Union Hall, located at 67 South Maple St. in Akron.

Please make every effort to attend, as we are discussing changes to the bylaws and the upcoming contract negotiations.

For food we will be having corned beef sandwiches.

MEMBER INFORMATION FORM

If you have not completed and returned the member information page, which was sent to you by the Indiana State Council of Roofers Health & Welfare, your insurance claims will be denied until they receive the completed form.

Please call **Scott** for more information.

RETIREEES' CLUB



All Retirees' Club meetings have been suspended until further notice.

CONDOLENCES



It is with great sadness that we announce that Brother **Chris Katsaras** passed away on Jan. 19.

There is a \$10 death assessment due.

IN CLOSING

Scott will call or text with any updates on meetings or union business.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Union Hall or Scott.

Glaziers LOCAL 372

Harry Mullins

COLUMBUS — Members of Local 372, work in the Columbus area is busy. Pioneer is well underway at the Rhodes Tower, and they got the curtain wall on the Hilton Hotel expansion.

Celina is working on a building for Messer. They also have three other jobs around campus, and a medical office building in Dublin.

Blakley has the new WOSU TV station job.

AAG is working on the Kenyon College Library, the Facebook job and the Airport renovation.

Madison Heights Glass started the interior glass at the county jail, and have been awarded phase three of the jail.

We are still waiting on the list of jobs below to get started:

Blakley has the Nationwide Insurance job, and the entrances and punched openings on the Hilton Hotel.

Celina has another project for Messer on the OSU campus.

NEC also has a job on the OSU campus.

We did not get the new Crew stadium, as it went to Hemm's Glass.

ORGANIZING UPDATE

I brought in several new members in the past year.

We will need to bring in more new members. It has been a busy winter and it is going to continue through the summer.

If anyone knows any glaziers who might be interested in joining, please

get their information to me so I can try to get them to join.

Columbus Glass and Mirror has finished the Linden Recreation Center. It was built under a Community Benefits Agreement.

Although they are no longer signed with us, I am still in talks with Dave Stout, the owner. I am hopeful that he will sign our agreement.

Right now, we still need drywall finishers. I will keep you updated as I know more.

Our marketing team is working on getting our contractors working for various general contractors that have not used union contractors before.

Our contractors are currently bidding the Millennial Tower, a 50-story building and the North Market, a 36-story building.

The Lexington campaign has begun, and we are looking for an office in Lexington.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Our February meeting was canceled because of the weather.

Our March meeting will be held on March 15. We will have safety precautions in place for COVID-19.

ELECTRONIC PAY STUBS



All our contractors now send electronic pay stubs.

If you do not have a computer or are unable to access your pay stubs, get ahold of **Rebecca** and she will get them for you at the office.

HERE TO HELP

If you have any questions or concerns, contact me at 614-371-6290. You can also contact **Chris Naegele** or **Rebecca** at 800-704-2079 or 614-294-5301.

IN CLOSING

With COVID-19 still out there, please protect yourselves. Practice distancing as best you can on a job site and wash your hands often.

If you have any concerns, give me a call.

Keep up the good work and be safe.
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Glaziers LOCAL 1162

Scott Harter

AKRON — We should be able to hold an in-person meeting on April 14 at 5:30 p.m. at the Union Hall, located at 67 South Maple St. in Akron.

Please make every effort to attend.

MEMBER INFORMATION FORM

Remember, the member information form needs to be completed and returned to the Roofers so that your medical claims will be paid.

If you have not received this form, please call **Scott**.

IN CLOSING

Scott will call or text you with any updates on meetings or union business. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Union Hall or Scott.

Mixed Trades LOCAL 1103

Anthony Jones

PAINESVILLE — Greetings.

My name is **Anthony Jones**, I will be the new recording secretary for Local 1103.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the American Legion in Painesville.

There will be a Special Called Meeting on April 12. We will vote on the pay raise.

TRAINING REMINDER



We are having a respirator fit test on April 12 at 4:30 p.m. at the Union Hall.

We are holding a CPR class on May 22 from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The class is limited to nine people.

Please register with the Union Hall or call Training Director **George Boots** to lock in the spots.

This class will take place at the American Legion Pavilion in Painesville.

IN CLOSING

Thank you.

Glaziers LOCAL 847

Tim Halas

YOUNGSTOWN — Our next regular meeting will be April 13 at 6 p.m. at 35 S. State St. in Girard. Please try to attend.

I hope you and your families are well.

Thank God we are getting closer to spring!

WELCOME JON!



Welcome **Jon Bettac** to the DC 6 staff. He is the Representative out of Local 505.

I had the chance to work with him and believe he will be a great addition to our staff.

BYLAW UPDATES

The bylaw committee met and will present their proposed changes to the bylaws at the March meeting.

Please watch your mail for a Special Called Meeting to vote on the bylaws in the near future.

WORK STATUS

Work is going well. At the time I am writing this article, we have one member off.

Please let me know if you become available for work.

CONTACT ME

My phone number is 330-207-4855, my email address is timh@iupat-dc6.org and the address to the office is 35 S. State St. in Girard.

Please address all mail to Glaziers Local 847.

Painters LOCAL 707

Will Fortner

CLEVELAND — Greetings Local 707 members.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Our April meeting will be a Special Called Meeting to vote on our upcoming wage allocation on May 1.

We will also be voting on a new delegate to District Council 6 to take the place of **Joe Jeffers**, who recently retired.

Shawn Kroger will also be here to discuss the contributions needed by our health and welfare fund to keep it funded.

IN CLOSING

If you are off work or have any questions, please do not hesitate to call one of our agents or President **Bill Pearson** at 440-334-4371.

Painters & Tapers LOCAL 505

Jon Bettac

CLEVELAND — Hello Brothers and Sisters!

I have been enjoying getting to meet folks on the jobs.

If you need work or know someone that does, let me know. We are always looking for new members to join our Local, as several contractors need employees right now.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Join us on the third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the Union Hall to stay informed about what is going on with our Local.

TRAINING REMINDER



Be sure to keep up on journey person upgrade classes. If there is not anything offered that you are interested in, call the Union Hall and ask for the Training Department. They can help direct you to additional online courses that are available.

DUES REMINDER



Thanks to everyone who has been keeping dues current, even if you are not working.

Just a reminder that dues are taken out of your check unless you are

not working, then you are responsible for them.

BENEFICIARY UPDATE

It is important to keep Local records current for beneficiaries.

If anything has changed, such as your address, marital status, children or anything else, please let me know. I would be happy to get a card to you.

With that being said, many of you do not have one on file with Local 505.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have not been receiving a dues receipt, please contact the Union Hall, or me, to update your contact information.

You can also check information on the IUPAT Mobile Member Portal app. This is a great resource to check the latest IUPAT news, contact information, certifications and transcripts, dues status, beneficiaries and more.

You can even see how your pension is doing and how many hours you have accrued.

MEMBER PORTAL APP



Download the app from the Google Play or Apple App Store.

You can create your account by using your Member ID Number, last name and date of birth.

Your Member ID can be found on your membership card, or you can check the address box on the latest Journal that you should be receiving in the mail as well.

Also check out the IUPAT website at IUPAT.org, and the links to the union Facebook and Twitter pages.

You can use the QR scan code included here. It will take you directly to the Member Portal app in whichever store you download apps.

Additionally, see the example of the back of an IUPAT membership card. See *PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES* on page 31.



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Use your Member ID Number, last name and date of birth to create your account.

IN CLOSING

Be sure to check out some of the other articles in The Labor Citizen, as there is some good information within.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact me any time at 440-879-6323 or at jonb@iupat-dc6.org, that is what I am here for.

Painters & Tapers LOCAL 788

Lou Ferrante

SANDUSKY — Greetings Brothers and Sisters. I hope everyone is staying safe.

Stay patient with the COVID-19 restrictions, we will get this behind us soon.

Work opportunities are slowly increasing. Contact the Cleveland office at 440-239-4575.

The Sandusky office is still closed, so all communications need to come through Cleveland.

If you are laid off and have filed for unemployment, they are again

requiring membership verification from the Union.

Please contact the Union Hall at 440-239-4575 so a verification letter can be sent on your behalf.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to **John Kulju** from Local 505 on his retirement.

Best of luck to you John!

MEETING LOCATION

The Sandusky Laborer's building remains closed.

We are doing our best to keep you updated on meeting locations.

VACCINE PROGRESS

COVID-19 vaccinations continue to increase, and a third vaccine has been approved for use.

This should help speed up the process of getting us back to normal.

IN CLOSING

I look forward to seeing you, safely, at a meeting soon.

Stay safe.