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## DISTRICT COUNCIL 6

Jim Sherwood,  
Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

STRONGSVILLE — Brothers and Sisters, I hope you and your families are holding up as well as can be expected during these trying times.

We all can see these are crazy times, and we may never get back to the way we did things in the past.

None of us know when we will get to the new normal.

To date, we have lost nine IUPAT members nationwide due to the coronavirus. Our hearts go out to their families.

For those of you who remain working steady in our essential industry, thank you for being on the front lines every day.

A lot of you go into hospitals, nursing homes and other COVID-19 "hot spots" to perform work, which needs to be done.

It seems fitting to say at this point, please work safely and continue to observe the guidelines published by the Ohio Department of Health, which can be found at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov).

Not all of our IUPAT family works on construction sites or in a setting considered "essential" under the "Stay at Home" order. Our hearts go out to all of them.

### HELPING OUR OWN

Although many of our events, which underscore the IUPAT generosity, have been cancelled, there is still an opportunity to help our fellow Brothers and Sisters, who may be facing serious personal

hardship during the pandemic.

IUPAT General President **Ken Rigmaiden** launched the Finishing Industries Disaster Relief Fund just for this purpose.

We have all been at a union meeting when the need to help others is so great someone removes his hat so everyone can pull a few dollars from their pocket and give to a very worthy cause.

Consider this article a "pass of the hat" directly to you. Can you spare any amount - \$1, \$5 or anything else to directly assist fellow IUPAT members with daily living essentials?

Please say "yes" and make a donation.

The simplest way to access the donation portal is to click on a link on the International website, [iupat.org](https://iupat.org), which says "Everyday Essentials the Finishing Industries Disaster Relief Fund (FIDR)."

If you did not get this, **Annette** can forward it to you. Write "FIDR" in the subject line and email her at [annetted@iupat-dc6.org](mailto:annetted@iupat-dc6.org).

Payment can also be arranged by calling the main number at 440-239-4575.

Thank you!

### EFFECTS OF COVID-19

We at DC 6 have seen a significant reduction in work since this pandemic started.

This is bad, but there are District Councils in parts of the country experiencing a 90 percent reduction of work and were forced to lay off a substantial amount of their staff.

Thank God we at DC 6 have been financial responsible to have enough liquid reserve to weather this

unpredictable storm called the coronavirus.

We take much pride in where DC 6 is financially.

Due to the reduction of income to DC 6 and a reduction in staff workload due to some job sites being closed and limited access to others, we believed the responsible financial thing to do was to lay off three secretaries and two business representative/organizers.

The two appointed business representatives laid off were **Joe Jeffers** and **George Lekovec**, both from our Strongsville office.

Had DC 6 not been in such good financial position, we would have been forced to lay off more staff than the five we did lay off.

Since early March, all DC 6 buildings have been closed to all non-employees, but we are still working. We are still servicing the members, visiting job sites, organizing and much more.

### CANCELLED EVENTS



We were forced to cancel all union meetings in April and May.

Hopefully, we will be able to have meetings in June.

Unfortunately, we also were forced to cancel the DC 6 family picnics at Cedar Point (June 6) and Kings Island (June 20).

We also cancelled our annual PATCH charity golf outing (Aug. 3).

### IN CLOSING

We are all eager to resume our "normal" lives.

I understand it is frustrating to be all cooped up when the weather turns

nice, and it is tempting to ignore the guidelines issued by the State of Ohio and the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Please keep it up though, it is working.

You are saving lives every time you forgo an unnecessary trip or personal interaction.

The directors and I look forward to joining Local Union Meetings when they resume.

**Nichole McCarthy**, from our communications department, has been very diligent blasting out text messages and updating social media regarding the cancellation of training classes, union meetings and other community events.

I believe it is more important now than ever to be able to communicate with you, the members of DC 6.

It will be a refreshing moment when those text messages talk about resuming those activities deemed "essential" to the foundation of our brotherhood.

Until then, stay safe in every way, and we will see you soon.

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George Boots,  
Director of Training

STRONGSVILLE — I hope you and your families are healthy and safe!

Training for apprentices is continuing to take place with online classes and Zoom meetings.

### APPRENTICE REMINDERS



Make sure to continue and keep in pace with your instructor's communications

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



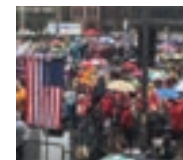
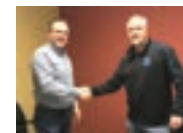
MindPlay is a streamlined solution to assesses **PHONEMIC AWARENESS, PHONICS, COMPREHENSION, FLUENCY** and **VOCABULARY** through a systematic screening process that is tailored to each student's needs. Through this screening process MindPlay automatically assesses each student's current reading level 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.

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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](mailto:georgeb@iupat-dc6.org).

## Ride Along with a DC 6 Business Rep or Organizer

District Council 6 is starting a pilot program for members interested in riding along with our Business Representatives and Organizers to see how much interest it draws. The duties of the Business Reps and Organizers goes far beyond office duties. They are out on the jobsites servicing members, generating hours for our membership by way of organizing non-union shops, performing job actions, negotiating contracts and by doing whatever it takes to put our members first. If you are interested in seeing what leadership encompasses contact **Nichole McCarthy** at 440-239-4575 to schedule a Ride Along with your local Business Rep or Organizer.



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so you do not fall behind. Your online assignments are to be completed by the end of May.

If you are not sure what to do, contact your instructor immediately.

Remember, do not listen to what other apprentices or journeymen tell you, it is your responsibility to stay in contact with your instructor.

If you have moved or changed phone numbers, contact your instructor immediately so we can update your files.

## JOURNEYMEN UPGRADE TRAINING



In-person upgrades are cancelled through the month of May.

If you are in need of upgrade hours, email **George Boots** at [georgeb@iupat-dc6.org](mailto:georgeb@iupat-dc6.org) for a list of classes available online.

## IN CLOSING

Be safe and stay healthy.

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Gary McPheron,  
Government Affairs

**STRONGSVILLE** — This horrific COVID-19 pandemic has really shown the importance and the flaws of government in moments of crisis.

In Washington, the leadership at the White House has fallen well short of what we should expect, and the president simply did not take charge and guide us through this crisis.

There were powers available to him in times of crisis that could have been used to ensure the supply of needed tests, PPE and other critical supplies.

For whatever reason, the decision was made to not take charge at the federal level, which most believe should have happened.

In Congress, especially in the Senate, one side of the aisle wanted to bail out big business and not really help workers and small business. Friends of

ours fought hard to get the crumbs that came to us.

The one-time stimulus payment was very helpful, but not enough.

Our friend Rep. Tim Ryan, OH-13, led a group seeking monthly payments above the original amount until we can get back to some sense of normal.

The additional unemployment benefits were critical and very helpful.

However, this was included only after a group of mostly Democrats refused to discuss any package without it.

We tried to get help for our members and their insurance, like reimbursements or direct pay for members needing to self-pay their insurance due to unemployment and running out of bank. These were deemed a non-starter and part of a liberal wish list.

Requests for help with infrastructure funding, so we have jobs to return to, resulted in nothing.

In the end, any assistance for our families was a bare minimum.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch

McConnell and his fellow groupies could give and still get big money to corporate America.

In Columbus, many have applauded our Gov. Mike DeWine and Dr. Amy Acton, Director of the Ohio Department of Health, for their quick, decisive and honest actions with the citizens in Ohio. We share those beliefs and believe, in spite of the difficulties caused by their actions, these leaders have saved lives in Ohio.

However, as I write this on May 1, we have started reopening the state and the protesters in Columbus and voices on the right may be influencing these decisions.

The guidelines for businesses reopening appear to fall short of tough standards we really need, and many appear to be voluntary and at the discretion of those businesses.

History clearly shows if left to self-enforcement matters related to the safety of employees or the public, many businesses will not meet the standards

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# HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY



**THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SOLDIERS WHO HAVE GIVEN SELFLESSLY OF THEMSELVES FOR OUR FREEDOM**

## THE OFFICERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PAINTERS AND ALLIED TRADES DISTRICT COUNCIL 6

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RECRUITING & COMMUNICATIONS  
COORDINATOR

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we expect - especially if it touches their wallets too much.

The flip flop on wearing masks while in public is another possible example of outside political voices having far too much influence on the decision-making by our leadership.

We ask our governor to make decisions based on science and public safety, not political voices or influences.

## OHIO PRIMARY ENDS

 We recently completed the longest primary voting period in Ohio's history. There were a couple of elections where union-hating politicians were defeated, and to them, we say good riddance.

There were a couple of elections where members of the IUPAT family ran unsuccessfully for office. To them we say thank you for getting involved and trying to better our country.

We will now begin to look at all the races for office in November's elections and finalize our plan to elect worker-friendly candidates at every level of government.

## IN CLOSING

Please look at what politicians do, and not what they say.

Most are silver-tongued devils, who could sell most people crap they do not need. They speak with their votes

and their actions - keep your attention on those.

Finally, please do everything possible to keep yourself and your families safe.

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Nichole McCarthy,  
Recruiting and Communications Coordinator

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STRONGSVILLE — Greetings Brothers and Sisters. We are now weeks into the COVID-19 pandemic and the construction industry's role in building, maintaining and enhancing our infrastructure is essential for our ability to come out of this pandemic as seamlessly as possible.

All of us at District Council 6 thank all our DC 6 members, who are on jobsites, keeping us union strong.

## EVENT CANCELLATIONS

 Due to the unknown duration of the COVID-19 pandemic, a decision was made to cancel the Cedar Point and Kings Island District Council picnics this year.

The August P.A.T.C.H. Golf Outing has been postponed to 2021.

## NEW INSTRUCTORS

The Finishing Trades Institute and


District Council 6 welcomes **Duane Behanna** and **Joe Kintyhtt** as full-time Commercial Painting Instructors. Duane will be instructing in the south, and Joe will be covering northern Ohio.

Duane is a commercial painter out of Local 1275, who joined the Painters Union in Pittsburgh in 1992 before moving to Ohio in 2017. He has a long-standing career working in northwest and central Ohio for May Painting and W.F. Bolin.

Duane strongly believes unions like the IUPAT make conditions better, not only for the workers, but on the jobs and within the communities.

Joe is a current member of Painters and Tapers Local 841 with 28 years in the commercial painting industry. He is following a five-generation family tradition of strong union membership. Joe, like his father and uncles, looks forward to passing on the skills and knowledge he has acquired from those before him.

## TRAINING REMINDER

 All finishing trades classes are cancelled until June 1. However, online classes are still available.

Apprentices, make sure you are completing your online assignments to ensure you stay on track.

For Journeyman, there are limited upgrade classes available online. Please contact **George Boots** with any questions.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

Any member laid off due to the coronavirus needs to select mass layoff when filing and enter MASS LAYOFF 2000180.

Any member having trouble filing online or needs to know the contact number to their processing center, please call me at 440-239-4575.

## MONEY SAVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you are a member working for 12 consecutive months and now laid off, American Income Life is offering to waive your insurance premium for up to three months.

The layoff waiver is located on our DC 6 website, [iupat-dc6.org](http://iupat-dc6.org).

On the home page, scroll down to select the American Income Life logo.

Also, CrossCountry Mortgage is now offering all family and friends of any District Council 6 member \$2,198 in total mortgage savings when you buy or refinance a home.

On our website, scroll down to the CrossCountry Mortgage logo and select the "Click Here to get Started" button.

In order to qualify for the \$2,198 discount, all applicants must use this page.

Finally, any member who has a

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## IUPAT ESSENTIAL WORKERS Our central Ohio members are pushing forward on various projects.



Finisher Scott Brumfield with Valley Interiors working at Chase Bank headquarters in Lewis Center.



Selfie from Justin Burroughs with OK Interiors working at OSU maintenance facility.



Karrie Farthing with W.F. Bolin, prepping to spray at the Residence Inn at Port Columbus Airport.



PHOTOS: COURTESY OF IUPAT DC 6  
Mike Katona and Mike Michalk working for RC Glass at the Thompson Library.

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credit card, mortgage, vehicle loan or insurance policies should visit union-plus.org for financial assistance.

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Jimmie Matowitz,  
Retirees' Club

STRONGSVILLE — Hi Brothers and Sisters. I thought I would start my article off with some silly old corny jokes to cheer us up and have a laugh in these crazy times!

Did you hear about the ship loaded with red paint, which crashed into a ship of blue paint? The crew was marooned!

A non-union glazier was called to examine a broken window. He looked at it for an awful long period of time and said, "It is not worth fixing. It is worse than I thought. It is broken on both sides!"

Stash called in Murphy the painter for another estimate to paint his house. "How much are you going charge me," Stash asked.

Murphy replied, \$30 an hour.

"Good Lord the homeowner replied, I would not pay Michelangelo that price!"

"I will tell you one thing, Mister," Old Murph replied, "If that guy you mentioned is doing the job for less than that, he is not a member of my union!"

Why do you not want to mess with a union taper? They know how to box and use a bazooka!

What kind of music do drywall finishers listen to? Sheet rock!"

Jake was a manager of a glass company and advertised in the paper for experienced glaziers. Since a good glazier is hard to find, he was pleased when a man called about the job and said he had over 10 years of experience.

"Where have you worked as a glazier," Jake asked. The man replied "Dunkin Donuts!" (Think about that one; ha ha!)

Oh well, those were not exactly the best jokes, but just something to smile about!

I hope and pray all of you are doing okay. We will get through this.

Most importantly though, please keep all the doctors, nurses, police officers, firemen, other first responders, truck drivers and all the hard-working people taking care of our grocery stores in your prayers.

They are doing so much for all of us. They are the warriors risking their lives for all of us and our families.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Hopefully, we can have our June meeting, which is set for June 3.

Time will tell.

If we cancel again, **Jerry Gilpen** will be in touch with all of you.

## CONDOLENCES



I am sorry to report Brother **Norm Skizenta** passed away. He was 80 years old. Norm was one of our top paperhangers back in the day.

Please keep Norm and his family in your prayers and thoughts at this time.

## IN CLOSING

Please be safe and keep your social distancing.

"As you get older, three things happen. First, your memory goes, and second, ... I cannot remember the other two!" - Sir Norman Windom.

## Painters LOCAL 707

Lou Ferrante

CLEVELAND — Greetings Brothers and Sisters, I hope everyone is staying safe through this pandemic.

The governor deemed our construction jobs essential, and he has a plan to safely reopen other parts of our economy.

Remember, our contractors and general contractors are required to meet the safety guidelines in order to keep you safe at work.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact us at the Union Hall at 440-239-4575.

Remember, our building is closed to non-employees, but we are still working and visiting jobsites.

We are doing our best to keep you, our members, informed of changes as they are announced.

Due to the virus outbreak, Local meetings throughout DC 6 have been cancelled for May.

We are hopeful meetings can resume in June, and we will do our best to inform the membership of changes or cancellations by text alerts, posting on our social media and on the DC 6 website.

The restrictions due to the virus have also caused the cancelation of our District Council 6 family picnics scheduled for June 6 at Cedar Point and June 20 at King's Island.

With the future uncertainty, we have also postponed the annual DC 6 PATCH Golf Outing until 2021.

We had a significant downturn in membership hours due to the virus, and to prevent financial impact on the District Council, we laid off three part-time secretaries and business representatives **Joe Jeffers** and **George Leskovec**.

All training classes have been

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## IUPAT ESSENTIAL WORKERS We thank all of our members working throughout the pandemic.



Finisher Shannon Wright with Valley Interiors working at Chase Bank headquarters in Lewis Center.



Tim Page and Greg Glatzhofer, Jr. working for Carroll Glass at Baldwin Wallace University.



PHOTOS: COURTESY OF IUPAT DC 6  
Chris Hall and JB Hendricks working for Carroll Glass at Baldwin Wallace University.

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cancelled until we get the all clear, however the training office is still open if you have any questions for them.

We are all eagerly awaiting a return to some kind of normal. Unfortunately, nobody knows what the new normal will be, or more importantly, when that will be.

## IN CLOSING

Now, more than ever, stay safe.

## Glaziers LOCAL 847

Tim Halas

YOUNGSTOWN — Our next regular meeting will be June 9 at 6 p.m. at 35 S. State St. in Girard.

We are all continuing to adjust to the changing environment caused by the coronavirus, so the information I put in this article has a very good chance of being outdated.

If you have any questions, please call me.

## SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



The June 9 meeting will be a Special Called Meeting to vote on District Council bylaw changes. It will also be a Special Called Meeting to propose wage allocations and vote for wage allocations for apprentice and journeymen glaziers.

This meeting will start at 6 p.m. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Please try to attend!

## CANCELLATIONS



District Council 6 cancelled all meetings in May.

Please check the Training Department's article and website in order to stay up-to-date with their closings.

## WORK STATUS

All our contractors have begun calling people back to work, but we still have several guys off.

Please let me know if you get called back.

## CONTACT ME

My phone number is 330-207-4855, my email address is [timh@iupat-dc6.org](mailto:timh@iupat-dc6.org) and the address to the office is 35 S. State St. Girard, OH 44420.

Please address all mail to Glaziers Local 847.

## Glaziers LOCAL 181

Jim Black

CLEVELAND — Hello Brothers and Sisters of Local 181. As of now, our next union meeting will be on June 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Council 6 offices, located at 8257 Dow Circle in Strongsville.

Please try to attend.

First and foremost, we value each one of you and care about the well-being of both you and your families. I want to thank every member of Local 181 for your efforts and for your patience over these past few weeks.

We know this is a difficult and challenging time for everyone.

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

Due to the coronavirus and what is currently going on in the state of Ohio, our May Local union meeting was cancelled. The vote for the bylaws will now be rescheduled.

A notice will be sent out to everyone to inform you of when the vote will take place.

## WORK OUTLOOK

I was expecting work to pick up in by now, but due to everything currently going on, a lot of the projects have slowed down, which will most likely push some projects to start later than expected.

Work is still a little slower than I had hoped it would be, as currently, there are over 20 members laid off. Once the state opens back up, we will be extremely busy. I am expecting full employment.

The first portion of Metro Hospital has started and Harmon Glass has the contract.

The main 10-story building is scheduled to start in July.

Ahuja Medical Center in

Beachwood is planning on adding another building to their campus. This will be a huge project for us.

The 10-story Market Square project on the corner of West 25th and Lorain Road is finally underway and Panzica is the general contractor.

I have been working with Summit Construction to try and secure work for our members. They have a lot of work in the area and will continue to be aggressive in this market.

The next project will be NASA, so if you see Summit Construction anywhere, please call me and let me know. I want to stay on top of these guys.

## DRUG CARDS

You must have a current drug card, even if you are working at a smaller shop or have not needed to show it in a while.

Stay on top of it and get it renewed if it has, or will expire. If you are not working, please get it taken care of now.

I cannot stress the importance of having a current drug card. Also, stay on top of your yearly test. Do not let it lapse.

A lot of members have missed out on work because they do not have a current drug card. Do not let that be you.

Remember, random drug tests are going out. Do not miss a random, which is equivalent to a fail.

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

## WELDER NEEDED



I am in need of a certified welder. We do not have enough glaziers certified to weld.

If you are off work, this is a great time for you to get the certification, which will only help you in the long run.

## 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 interest rates, contact me. I can put you in contact with one of their representatives.

## 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!

## Tapers LOCAL 505

John Kulju

CLEVELAND— Hello Brothers and Sisters of Local 505. I hope this message finds you doing well.

There has been a lot going on the past several weeks in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic. These changes are not only related to our lifestyles, but with how we do our work.

I thank everyone for all their hard work and commitment they have put into making this situation as best as possible.

At first, I know a lot of people were upset with the handling of things, but none of us have been through this before.

Since there have not been any meetings and we are unsure of when we will have our next meeting, the wage allocation will go as such: \$0.55 into the paycheck and \$0.25 in the health and welfare as per the International.

We will be able to reallocate money by vote at the next possible meeting.

Starting June 1, \$0.05 per hour will come out of our check for window/monthly dues.

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## TRAINING STATUS



As most of you know, all classes have been canceled for training at the present time.

Stay in touch with me if there is anything I can help you with.

## IN CLOSING

Be kind, be humble and always be thankful.

T.C.M.B.S.

## Glaziers LOCAL 372

Harry Mullins

COLUMBUS — Members of Local 372, work in the Columbus area is busy. Madison Glass, out of Michigan, has the new jail.

Pioneer is well underway at the Rhodes Tower.

Celina has a four-story office building at Polaris and a job at OSU.

Blakley has a job underway in Athens for Ohio University.

AAG is working on Kenyon College Library and the Children's Hospital data center.

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

AAG has the airport renovation and the Facebook job.

Blakley has the new WOSU TV station.

Celina has two projects for Messer on the OSU campus.

Madison Glass has the Hilton expansion and the new Crew stadium.

The new OSU hospital will be union.

## ORGANIZING UPDATES

Everyone is working.

I brought in five new members since the last week of February, but we need to bring in more new members because we are going to be very busy.

If anyone knows any glaziers, who might be interested in joining our Local, please get me their information so I can try to get them to join.

Columbus Glass and Mirror got the Linden Recreation Center, which is being built under a Community Benefits Agreement. This means it must be a union job.

Columbus Glass, a non-union contractor, has signed our agreement for the duration of the project.

We hope this will open the door for them to sign a full contract and they are scheduled to start sometime in May.

Right now, we still need drywall finishers.

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

I have been sending jobs to our contractors to bid on almost every week. Hopefully this will generate some work for the members.

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

The Lexington campaign has been placed on hold until the shutdown is over.

## CANCELLATIONS



The May meeting is canceled. If the shutdown ends by June, then the June meeting will be a Special Called Meeting to vote on the DC 6 bylaws.

The Cedar Point (June 6) and Kings Island (June 20) picnics have been canceled.

If you bought tickets, you will be refunded.

## 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

Please protect yourselves during this COVID-19 pandemic. Practice social distancing as best you can on the jobsite and wash your hands often.

If you have any concerns give me a call.

Keep up the good work and be safe.

## Mixed Trades LOCAL 1103

Kevin Mullen Jr.

PAINESVILLE — Everyone, please stay safe out on your job sites.

If you feel there are any safety issues, please contact your representative immediately! Please follow us on Facebook for more updates, including real time information.

Be safe!

## Mixed Trades LOCAL 1020

Gary McPheron

LIMA — The COVID-19 pandemic has caused the April and May Local meetings to be canceled, due in part to the governor's order and out of extreme caution by the leaders of the District Council.

The buildings have been closed to anyone except employees, but we have continued to come in and conduct the business of the Union and its membership.

## SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



A Special Called Meeting was scheduled at the May meeting for nomination for vice president, with elections in June if necessary.

The Special Called Meeting for nominations for Vice President will now be after the regular meeting on June 2, with elections in July, if necessary.

## WORK OUTLOOK

Work has slowed in our area due in large part to the virus after a very busy season.

If you are laid off, please let us know so we can get you on the "Out of Work" list.

If you are on the list, please let me know if you go back to work, so I can remove you from the list.

## MERCHANDISE PURCHASED

The membership approved the purchase of hats, shirts, planners and

hardhat stickers.

The easiest way to get yours is come to the union meeting.

They will be given out there on a first come, first serve basis when it comes to sizes.

I also will be happy to come out to the jobs and deliver them.

Just contact me and we will make arrangements.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Union meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

We try to have some good food and refreshments, so come on out and participate.

## Painters and Tapers LOCAL 7

Jamie Peppers

TOLEDO — I hope this finds you well. As we progress through the changes with COVID-19, we have been out on jobsites to make sure work sites are safe, have adequate wash stations and maintain social distancing.

If you have concerns jobsites are not following the guidelines adequately, please give us a call and we will stop out on every jobsite to ensure you are able to work safely.

The Local 7 office will be open as we work through this, but the offices are closed to general public.

Renata's return is up in the air.

We will try to keep you as up to date as possible, but as you know, things are changing on almost a daily basis regarding new protocols.

We will get through all this together. ACT Ohio has a nice online resource for COVID-19 and unemployment related issues, please check it out at [actohio.org/covid-19-resources](http://actohio.org/covid-19-resources).

## 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.

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This is vital in the event of any unforeseen incidents.

Please call the Union Hall if you have any questions.

## RETIREE HEALTHCARE

The Health Insurance office has sent out notices to all participants looking to carry our insurance into their retirement.

The bottom line is, it is in your financial interest to remain a member of the Local.

## Painters and Tapers LOCAL 841

Scott Harter

AKRON — Our May meeting has been cancelled, but we are planning on a June meeting. **Scott** will text or call you with any updates.

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

## CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Akron and Yerman & Young contracts have been extended for one year with an \$0.85 increase, effective June 1.

Our tentative July meeting will be a Special Called Meeting to allocate the increase. Please call Scott if you have any questions or concerns.

## UNEMPLOYMENT CODE

If you have been laid off due to COVID-19, please remember to type in this mass layoff code 2000180.

## IN CLOSING

If you do not feel safe or protected at your job site, please call the Union Hall with your concerns.

## Glaziers LOCAL 948

Bruce Vidak

TOLEDO — I hope this finds you well.

At this time, we have some information to pass along to the members.

**Renata**, our secretary at the Union Hall, will be laid off until further notice.

Also, all May meetings, all journeyman upgrade classes, and apprenticeship classes will be cancelled for the month of May.

All DC 6 buildings are closed at this time - except for staff.

I want to thank the IUPAT for their swift action with Congress during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Our people at International have been working hard for us working families at the federal level, making sure we have a voice. Imagine if we did not have their representation.

If you are asked to send an email or a text, please do it. It takes minutes and does a lot for our union.

If people are still on jobsites, please use your best judgement. Demand the highest of safety standards and follow the guidelines!

If jobsites are not following the new guidelines, call me!

I will be at that job and others making sure that all jobs we are on are safe!

Do not work on jobsites that do not follow COVID-19 guidelines!

## IN CLOSING

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

Stay safe Brothers!

## Painters and Tapers LOCAL 476

Jim Taylor

YOUNGSTOWN — Our regular meeting scheduled for May 21 has been cancelled.

The June meeting is set for June 18 at 5:30 p.m. at 35 S. State St. in Girard.

## SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



June's meeting will be a Special Called Meeting to discuss and vote on our June 1 allocation.

As of June 1, our wage allocation of \$0.90 will be allocated to our wage until we are able to have an allocation meeting.

## UNION HALL INFO

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the

DC 6 Youngstown building will be operational, but is closed to all non-employees until further notice.

If you need assistance, please call my cell at 330-207-485 or the Union Hall at 330-758-7117.

Please stay in touch with the DC 6 Facebook, Twitter and Local 476 Facebook, as well as your local news media to keep up to date with the latest information.

## LAYOFFS

Members who were laid off due to the coronavirus must use mass layoff code 2000180.

## WORK STATUS

Work is still slow due to the pandemic.

The industrial crafts are back to work, except in states where construction is shut down.

Commercial painting and drywall finishing has slowed down due to the suspension of hospital and nursing home work.

If you are off work, please call the Union Hall so we can get you back to work.

## TRAINING UPDATES



All training has been suspended. If you have any questions, please contact **George Boots** or Training Department staff at 440-239-4575, ext. 131.

## IUPAT 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 very helpful information.

## DUES REMINDER



As of Jan. 1, window dues are \$39.40 a month. Dues must be in the office by the close of the 20th day of every month.

## IN CLOSING

Stay safe and stay healthy!

## Mixed Trades LOCAL 249

David Lay

DAYTON — Work in Dayton is picking up. If you are out of work, please contact me so we can get you placed with a contractor.

We are currently looking for drywall finishers. If you know of anyone, have them contact me.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cedar Point and Kings Island picnics have been canceled. All money will be refunded.

## DUES REMINDER



It is every member's obligation to keep their dues current.

If you have not worked 40 hours a week, every week, you may be behind on your dues.

If you think you are behind call me, **David Lay** at 937-272-4785 or **Dannie Dunn** at 937-231-2693.

We appreciate your cooperation.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



If you have any questions come to a Local meeting.

As a reminder, Local meetings are the second Wednesday every month at 5:30 p.m.

Try to attend if you are able.

## IN CLOSING

Please remember to work safe, wash your hands and look out for one another.

## Mixed Trades LOCAL 123, 238 & 387

Jason Parr

CINCINNATI — At the end of April and into early May, work has begun to pick up as the COVID-19 threat is being handled responsibly.

We thank our members who never refrained from going to work every day.

We definitely had a couple weeks where times were uncertain and many of us feared for our health and the health of our family members.

But our Brothers and Sisters

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continued to push through the uncertainty and get the work done.

You all deserve a pat on the back and a big thank you for your efforts in these recent weeks.

It is looking like a busy late spring and early summer here in the Greater Cincinnati area, and we are actively looking for painters, glaziers and finishers, if you know anyone interested in a career in the IUPAT.

## COMMUNITY MINDED



The IUPAT Day of Action, scheduled for April 18, was cancelled. Despite this, our organization and our members are continually helping local communities and people in need.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the IUPAT Facebook page continually offered informational live webcasts to members and their families to help.

They also tried to reach out to fellow members impacted by COVID-19 with either loss of income, loss of health insurance, pension protection and the protection and safety of workers.

If you have any stories about any of these issues, please contact any of us Business Agents.

## INTERNATIONAL DUES



Beginning June 1, there will be a \$0.05 per hour deduction from wages for International Administrative Dues.

They have frozen their monthly per cap charge for each member for the next five years while implementing the new Administrative Dues.

## LIVEHEALTH ONLINE



The LiveHealth Online app is free to download, and you can visit with the doctor for free if you are a member covered by The Southern Ohio Health and Welfare Fund.

Go to the App Store on your Android or iPhone and download the LiveHealth Online app to begin filling your health needs.

## TRAINING UPDATE



District Council 6 is currently offering classes online during the restriction of large group gatherings.

If you need journeyman upgrade hours, feel free to contact your business representative or visit [iupat-dc6.org](http://iupat-dc6.org) and review the online course catalog.

## IN CLOSING

I want to share my condolences to anyone negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Although most of the construction projects have pushed forward and most of our members have stayed continuously working, we have all been carrying around a little extra worry and stress on top of our already hectic lives.

Our lives will return to normalcy eventually, Brothers and Sisters.

In the meantime, enjoy the extra time you get to spend with family, including your pets. I am sure they are enjoying the extra time they get with you.

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### Glaziers LOCAL 1162

Scott Harter

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AKRON — Our May meeting has been cancelled, and we are planning on having our next meeting on June 10.

**Scott** will text or call you with any updates, and to confirm or cancel.

If you have been laid off due to COVID-19, please remember to type in this mass layoff code: 2000180.

Also, if you do not feel safe or protected at your job site, please call the Union Hall with your concerns.

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### Mixed Trades LOCAL 555 & 1275

Christopher Naegele

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PORTSMOUTH — Brothers and Sisters, I hope this finds you well.

With everything going on in regards to keeping safe on the job and at home, we need keep our heads held high during this trying time. We will make it through!

## MEETING UPDATES



Unfortunately, membership meetings have been put on hold.

This means our ability to discuss or vote on certain topics has also been

put on the back burner.

We have been talking about purchasing shirts and hoodies at the cost of members who want to order.

I would also like to see some design ideas from folks.

Hopefully we can get back and make this happen.

## WORK OUTLOOK

Work in central Ohio had a little hiccup, but has recovered.

Projects, which were pushed back, are now up and running.

The bridges around the state are being rigged and will be in full swing very soon.

If you have been off, or your work status has changed, please call the Union Hall.

## JOBSITE SAFETY



If you have any questions or concerns about your safety on your jobsite, call me!

If someone on your jobsite shows any signs of being sick, call me!

If someone asks or tells you to perform your work unsafe, call me!

We are an essential workforce, not an expendable one!

## 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 lookout for one another.