**Local 776 Newsletter**

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**Retiree Breakfast**

Friday September 8th at 9am

Westgate Lanes

**Fraternal News**

* **Death Benefit:** We are on Death Benefit #363 George Lino. Death Benefits can be paid over the phone, in person or online at [www.ualocal776.com](http://www.ualocal776.com).
* **Congratulations!** Richard Bowers topped out. If you are working with Ricky make sure to congratulate him!
* **Congratulations!** Josh Follas was awarded the Dayton Builders Exchange “Plumbing Craftsmanship Award”. Josh is the first person in Lima to be awarded this! Congrats Josh!

**Future Events to put on the Calendar**

* **Union Meeting:** Wednesday September 20th, 2023 at 7pm
* **UA Weld Test:** Saturday September 23rd, at 8 A.M.

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

* **Medicare Retirees Meeting:** October 19th we will be having a meeting at the hall to discuss changes happening to your insurance if you are over the age of 65. Please register with Melissa at the hall if you and your spouse plan to attend.
* **Local 776 Open House:** Local 776 will be holding an Open House on Tuesday November 14th from 11am to 6pm. Please plan to stop in and show anyone that may be interested in the trades the Training Center!

**JATC**

* **Congratulations:** Cody Rammel graduated from Instructor Training in Ann Arbor. Congrats and Thank you for all your hard work Cody!
* The first night of class is scheduled for September 5th at 6pm.
* OSHA 30 is beginning October 18th. Please call the hall to sign up if you are interested.

**Business Manager Comments**

I would like to formally thank everyone that came out and walked with us supporting Labor in the Lima Labor Day parade! It was a great opportunity to show the public how unions can come together and support each other. Also, I would like to thank the following people for their hard work to prepare to that day: Melissa Selby, Kiel Dennison, Jason Newell and Matt Cunningham. Thanks again and I hope to see anyone that couldn’t make it at next year’s event!

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