

ENGINEERING NEWS

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Business Manager Barry Dixon—District I, II & III

Business Managers Report
September 2018

Brothers and Sisters:

As the Business Manager for another three years after the white ticket election I want you to know that I will continue to do the best I can to support our Local and the Labor movement as a whole. It has been a tumultuous and hectic first term. Our Local continues to fight the good fight across the state. Contract negotiations have taken a tremendous amount of my time. We have approximately 37 contracts ranging from 1 year to 4 years in length. This requires the negotiation of contracts on a continual basis. Contracts within our mining industry, crane company contracts, general construction contracts, SCA contracts on many of our in-state military bases and federal facilities. As this is an election year, time must be taken to address the political side of our local. Attending to internal Union affairs with the International, Regional and with other crafts also requires a substantial amount of time not only from the Business Manager but also from the staff.

Our largest loss of jobs has been in the mining area, With Westmoreland Coal being on the verge of bankruptcy this has become very time consuming. Meanwhile Bisti Fuels our other mining entity continues at a steady pace. Construction has picked up significantly, crane work continues to boom, we will also be picking up a significant amount of pipeline work in our southern district II deep in Texas this fall.

The International Convention was held this year in Florida attended by the Business Manager and the President Leslie John. There were 15 amendments to the Constitution approved and one withdrawn. There were also 32 resolutions approved. The International has now opened the National Training Site in Crosby Texas just outside of Houston. This is a first class facility offering a wide range of training. The International has also mandated that all Business Managers negotiate a minimum of \$0.05/hr. into all labor contracts. Our new website is up and running. Please visit the website at www.iuoelocal953.com

I hope you attend your Semi-Annual meeting scheduled for September 29, 2018 at the Albuquerque Hall. We will be serving lunch after the meeting. In closing I urge each and every member to vote for the candidate of your choice.

Fraternally,

Barry W. Dixon
Business Manager

Hello Brothers and Sisters;

I can't believe it's that time for another Semi Annual meeting, a lot has happened since the last Semi Annual. I hope this newsletter article finds you all in good health and spirits.

A new company by the name of Saulsbury has taken over the maintenance contract at APS's 4 Corners Power Plant. They were a non-Union company but have signed on to the General Presidents Project Maintenance Agreement for the work at APS's properties here in New Mexico and Arizona.

On the other side of the river, Babcock & Wilcox is the maintenance contractor at PNM's San Juan Generating Station. Unit 1 is back on line after one of the coal silo's collapsed and did a considerable amount of damage. PNM is still trying to get their plan of abandonment passed but we are fighting to keep it running, this would affect Westmoreland Coal as well.

Politically this is an election year, not only with the Local but also with the State races. Locally, we had a white ballot where there was only 1 person running for each seat on the Executive Board so as the Recording Corresponding Secretary, I had to cast one vote for each candidate, they will be sworn in at the September Semi Annual.

In the State wide races, make sure you are registered to vote and by all means, "Get out and Vote". Not only do we need to vote but our spouses and children need to vote, remember to vote for the candidate that supports our industries and is Union friendly.

Bisti Fuels at Navajo Mine has hired some Full Time Temporary miners and may be looking at getting more onboard. These miners sign on to a 6 month contract with the possibility of an extension and if they are there for 12 months then they automatically become permanent employees. We also got a new 3 year contract with Bisti this year.

Things at Westmoreland Coal Company at San Juan Mine are not as rosy, they are in the process of filing for a reorganizational bankruptcy.

We are fighting Right-to-Work county by county here in New Mexico, the latest fight has been in District 3's San Juan County. I'll give a report at the Semi Annual meeting.

As always, if your name, marital status or address change let the Hall know so we can update our records. When we do mail outs we have a number of letters come back due to a bad address.

Thank you for your support and I hope to see you at the September 29th Semi Annual meeting at 10:00 AM in Albuquerque.

Clayton D. Benally—Recording Corresponding Secretary/Business Agent

The Business Manager & Executive Board have endorsed the following candidates for the Elections coming up in November 2018.

Anthony Allison - State House Rep District 4

Xochitl Torres-Small - District 2 Congressional Seat

Michelle Lujan Grisham-Governor

Deb Haaland- Congress

Brian Colon- State Auditor

Hector Balderas - Attorney General

****Please support your Local Union by voting for these Labor-friendly candidates****

IN MEMORY OF:

June 2018

Jackie Litten and

Charles I Neal



UNION DUES

A COURTESY REMINDER,

**OUT OF WORK MEMBERS & REGISTRANTS PAY
\$30.00 PER MONTH FOR DUES.**

RETIREE DUES ARE \$17.50 PER MONTH.

CALL (505) 266-5757

All Union Brothers & Sisters,

Another Semi-Annual meeting is fast approaching and we hope that everyone comes out and attends. There are several things going on around District II, as we are looking to renegotiate new contracts with several of our current contractors.

We are currently in contract negotiations with Oak Grove Technologies and are hopeful to have an agreement soon. Omni Corporation is one of the contracts that we will be renegotiating in the upcoming weeks to ensure our members are covered by a new collective bargaining agreement. WW Contractors was awarded the maintenance and janitorial contract that covers Las Cruces and Roswell and is another contract that is coming up for renegotiation in the next couple of months.

Through meetings with management and employees, we have been able to resolve some of the issues with Balfour Beatty in El Paso. We will continue to hold regular meetings to establish a good working relationship with all employees. Some of our other contracts seem to be running somewhat smooth with few minor issues. FSI at Cannon AFB and QSI at Holloman AFB moved in to brand new facilities and our members will have the responsibility to maintain these buildings in working order.

We will be renegotiating with National Contracting Services in El Paso towards the end of the year and, as with all other contracts, the Union will work tirelessly to ensure that our members end up with the best contract possible .

State elections are ongoing so we encourage everyone to please get out and vote for the best candidate that supports the labor movement against Right to Work, which is a topic that is being pushed around the state. I urge members in District II to support Xochitl Torres-Small for Congress in Congressional House District II.

This is just some of the activity happening in District II, hope to see everyone at the upcoming Semi- Annual Meeting.

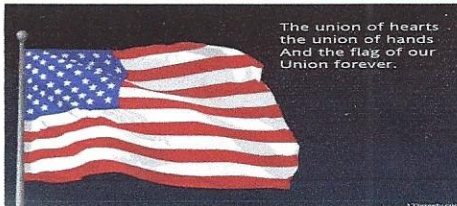
Anthony Gurrola—Vice President/Business Agent

IUOE TRAINING

THE INTERNATIONAL TRAINING SITE (NTF) IN CROSBY, TX IS UP AND RUNNING!! THEY ARE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ALL UNIONS MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING WHOSE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTES INTO THE NTF. ALL TRAVEL, FOOD, AND HOUSING ACCOMADATIONS ARE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE BY THE INTERNATIONAL.

THE INTERNATIONAL IS OFFERING OPERATOR TRAINING CLASSES FOR THE CONTRUCTION INDUSTRY SUCH AS CRANE/ OILER TRAINING, NCCCO CLASSES AND STATIONARY CLASSES .

THE BUSINESS MANAGER MUST APPROVE ALL APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED. PLEASE SEE YOUR LOCAL UNION OFFICE OR APPRENTICESHIP OFFICE FOR PAPERWORK.



IUOE Merchandise For Sale

IUOE T-SHIRTS:

Short Sleeve	\$13.00
Long Sleeve	\$15.00
XL & XXL	\$2.00 Extra

IUOE Hats:

IUOE Camo & Black	\$12.00
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OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**DISTRICT I (Albuquerque)- First Friday of the month at 6:00 P.M.
District II (Roswell)- Second Friday of the month at 6:00 P.M.
District III (Kirtland)- Third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 P.M.**

LABOR DAY PICNICS AROUND NEW MEXICO

Event: Labor Day Breakfast
Date: Monday, September 3, 2018
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Hotel Encanto
Address: 705 S Telshor Blvd, Las Cruces, NM 88011

Event: Labor Day Picnic
Date: Monday, September 3, 2018
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Location: Tiguex Park
Address: 1800 Mountain Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104

Event: Labor Day Picnic
Date: Monday, September 3, 2018
Time: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Location: Young Park
Address: Santa Fe, NM 87505

**CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME TO
OUR NEWLY INITIATED 953 MEMBERS**

March 2018

Joseph Baca, - Timothy Butler, - Jesus Chaparro, - Marcus Chaparro,
- Nick Cordova, - Edward Ferran, - Pedro Garcia, - Vonerick Garcia, -
Louis Gonzales, - Martin Gutierrez, - Donald Lahair, - Daniel Mar-
tinez, - Jeremy Martinez, - Cody Miller, - Randy Peacock, - Justin
Sanchez, - Anthony Spence, - Ryan Wilson

April 2018

Jose Castillo, - Isaac Gomez, - Jerome Herrera, - Joshua Manning, -
Richard Martinez, - Abraham Mendoza Raul Ramirez, - Michael
Roark, - Christopher Roberts, - Mario Sandoval, - Bryant Tafoya, -
Charles Walter

June 2018

Kevin Adams, - Cody Albritton, - Felix Ashley, - Paul Bey, - Pascual
Calabaza, - Jose Chavez, - Wilfred Cowboy, Eugene Hernandez, -
Lawrence Herrera, - Kenneth Miller, - Erasmo Monreal, - Phillip
Murillo, - Austin Selzer, Angel Silva, - Frank Trujillo

July 2018

Robert Enos, - Michael D Sheffield, - Michael J Sheffield, - Emmett
Tsosie, - Lary Woodworth, - Fernando Zambrano

Labor Day Picnic
**FOR ALL UNION MEMBERS,
THEIR FAMILIES & THE
GENERAL PUBLIC**



Date: Sunday, September 02, 2018
Time: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Location: Berg Park
Address: 400 Scott Ave, Farmington, NM 87401

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Hello Local 953 Brothers & Sisters,

We are coming closer to the end of our training year. Being the Safety Incentive is right around the corner, safety training classes will soon be ending. In past years we have done Safety Training all year, we have training classes until the end of August. If you and six other people need a Safety Training class, we will gladly put a training class together. Just a friendly reminder to our members you must protect your Safety Training cards like gold, to receive your incentive money you need to send in copies of your cards. For the Safety Incentive, your training must have been completed before August 31, 2018. Safety Incentive Applications will be sent to Union Members on September 1st, 2018.

Please check out our website & familiarize yourself with all the training we have to offer at: www.operatingengineerstraining.com. The website has important dates and all the information you will need as far as NTF Training, Safety Training, Safety Incentive Information, and Apprenticeship Information.

There are some amazing training being offered by the National Training Fund to the general membership, who are in good standing with our local and whose employer pays into the training fund. The schedule is at the union hall & our office. The Training & Education Center is in Crosby, TX, and The International will be providing all travel, food & housing accommodations.

I am very impressed by the training I have personally attended and highly recommend all members to take advantage of these training.

We are in need of a part-time Stationary Instructor for our Apprentices. If you are interested in this position, please call our office at (505) 877-5071.

We would like our members to welcome our new Operator Trainer, Nick Cordova.

Mr. Cordova has been an incredible asset to our program, and we thank him greatly for helping us with all of our operator training.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let us know how we can help!

Fraternally,

Lisa Holland – Executive Apprenticeship Director



Nick Cordova

Upcoming Training Classes

Class: OSHA/Hazcom/1st Aid CPR & AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

Dates: August 18th & 19th - Española

Address: 206 Guachpangue Rd, Española, NM 87532

Class: 1st Aid CPR & AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

Date: August 22nd At Kirtland Hall

Date: August 29th - Española

Address: 206 Guachpangue Rd, Española, NM 87532

**INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS
LOCAL 953**

**151 PENNSYLVANIA ST SE
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87108**



***Please join us for our
Semi-Annual Meeting at the ABQ Hall
September 29th, 2018 at 10:00 AM
151 Pennsylvania St S.E
Albuquerque, NM 87108
Lunch will be provided***