

**THE  
CONDUIT**

**LOCAL 25 IBEW**



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**1932**

*"Long Islanders Serving the Electrical Needs of Nassau and Suffolk Counties For Over 90 Years"*

# ANNUAL LABOR DAY BLOCK PARTY



On August 17, 2024, Local 25 held its Annual Labor Day Block Party. Once again it was a huge success with over 500 in attendance this year. The kids were lined up all day for the waterslide.

There were pony rides and a small farm animal petting zoo for the little kids. They all seemed to love it. Please come next year; bring the kids; bring the grandkids...all are welcome!

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★ **Special Election Issue** ★



## THE CONDUIT

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# BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT



**BY KEVIN B. CASEY**

Sisters and Brothers, as I sit here and write this article for the Conduit, it is the last week in September. The summer is over, kids are back in school and employment is still very good. We are still getting into Book 2 on a regular basis and currently have 59 travelers working in the jurisdiction. Employment should stay strong throughout the fall and into the winter. With some of the bigger projects just breaking ground now, they should be hiring manpower in

the next few weeks.

August and September have been very busy months here at the hall. We had our annual block party, our annual softball tournament, the EWMC fishing trip, the IBEW Membership Development Conference, the IBEW 3RD District Conference, the IBEW Women's Conference, and the NECA Conference. In October we will have the kids Halloween party and then the kids Christmas party in December.

This October 1st will mark my 8th year as your Business Manager of this great Local Union. Over these past 8 years we have made some significant changes and achievements; all for the betterment of the membership. Here is a list of some of these achievements: Union meeting start time change from 7 pm to 5 pm; having barbeques and pig roast after the union meetings; raffling off barbeques in the summer month union meetings and TV's and other items at the Christmas meeting; taking bus trips every year to the NY Jets and NY Yankee games; doing major renovations to the interior and exterior of the union hall, which includes a new roof, new exterior facade, new portico and patio in the back of the hall, new renovated lobby, new carpet, tile and a new bar in the hall. We started and were chartered by the International, a Local 25 Women's Committee and a Local 25 Veterans Committee. We have made significant changes to the Referral System, which has resulted in 8 years in a row in which we have had full employment with travelers working in the jurisdiction. We started the annual Local 25 College Scholarship Golf Outing, which has given out \$392k dollars to 69 children of active members to help pay for their college tuition. We started the Brotherhood Fund, which is 2 cents an hour from the union dues to help the children of any active member who passes away. Since the inception of this fund, we have given out \$40k dollars to 4 children of active members who passed away. We also have increased the balance of the General Fund by \$10 million dollars, even with reducing the union dues twice from 4.5% to 3.5%. Some things that we are looking to do in the future that I have mentioned in a previous Conduit article is putting solar carports and EV charging stations in the parking lot of the union hall. It's been a bit of a process with engineering and the permit process, but I'm pretty confident we will break ground on this project in 2025.

I would like to thank President John Guadagno, Financial Secretary Ryan Casey, retired Financial Secretary James Malley and my entire staff for helping accomplish all of these achievements.

Brothers and Sisters, that ends my report for this issue of the Conduit. Remember to work safe turn off energized circuits, and always stick together out there.

*Shut it Off*



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY JOHN GUADAGNO

The summer is once again winding down. We had a great summer for employment with all our members working for the eighth year in a row.

Our 53rd Annual Softball Tournament was held on August 23rd, 24th, and 25th at Baldwin Park. We had great weather the entire weekend. Local 3 won the upper bracket and Local 1049 won the lower bracket. The Brotherhood Trophy went to Local 353 from Toronto, Canada. Thanks to all who helped, with a special thanks to Chairman Joshua Margolis, Tom Skladel for making calls, helping to coordinate the hospitality tent, and running the tournament, Lisa Hofman and the Women's Committee for selling softball shirts, Ricky Viera and the EWMC Committee for their help all weekend, Welsbach Electric for transportation, and United Rental Equipment for donating the generator.

Elections are just around the corner and we as union members need only examine the facts to see the obvious choice in candidates. This is a general election year; union members need to get out and vote! Please look over the endorsements of Local 25 and seriously consider them.

On December 1, 2024, at 1 pm we will be going to a New York Jets game. Once we get the tickets, we will send out a text. Buses will leave around 9 am from the back of the union hall.

In closing, enjoy the fall and work smart until we meet again.

## New Benefit for Local #25 Members - ID RESOLUTION!

IBEW Local 25 members now have access to Identity Theft repair and restoration services at no cost to the member. To learn more about this benefit, go to <https://idresolution.net/ibew-local-25>.

If you believe your identity has been stolen or you are at risk, contact ID Resolution at 877-308-9169. You will need to provide your Group Number and Group Name to verify your account:

Group Number: IBEW 25  
Group Name: IBEW LOCAL 25

## LOCAL UNION 25 CALENDAR

### Regular Meeting

5:00 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month

### Executive Board Meeting

6:00 PM

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month

## UNIT MEETINGS

### Neon Sign

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month

### Maintenance

4:30 PM

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month

### CW/CE

4:30 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month

### Residential

4:30 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month

### Telecommunications

4:30 PM

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday each month

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### Amber Light

### Women's Committee LU25

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month  
in the Long Island Room

### Apprentice Awareness Committee

4:00 PM

Last Friday each month

### E.W.M.C.

4:30 PM

Last Wednesday each month

### Foreman Committee

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month

### Retirees Club

12 Noon

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday each month

### Veteran's Committee

4:30 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month

### V.U.F. Committee

4:30 PM

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month

*Don't Work On Live Circuits*

## Notice from the Office of the Financial Secretary Ryan Casey

As a result of an amendment to the IBEW Constitution at the 40<sup>th</sup> International Convention held May 2022 the per capita dues were increased for January 2024.

*Please take note of the Amounts & Renew early.*

### Work Cards (Semi-annually) are due by September 30, 2024

“A” Construction, Telephone & Residential

October 2024-March 2025

\$302.00

### Unit Work Cards are due by September 30, 2024

“A” Maintenance, CE/CW, Pump & Tank, Neon Sign and Technicians

October-December 2024

\$148.00

### Payment Methods

1. By mail (please include a self-addressed stamped envelope)
2. Online, visit [www.ibew25.org](http://www.ibew25.org) (under “Secure Member login”)

Master Card, Visa & Discover

*\*\*Please note Cash is no longer accepted\*\**

### Apprenticeship Awareness Committee

## Join us for our Annual Breast Cancer Walk!

This year it will be Sunday, October 20th @ Jones Beach Field 5. Shirts are made and will be sold at union meetings and/or contact Jocelyn Jackson or Jenn Megliola and we will get you one. Further information on how to sign up to walk with us that day or donate will be available soon. Thank you for your continued support!

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## Shine a Light: Raising Suicide Awareness Webinar

September is National Suicide Prevention Month—a time to honor those we’ve lost, support those who are struggling, and deepen our understanding of suicide’s impact on individuals, families, and communities.

Join National EAP for our upcoming public webinar on September 18th at 12 PM EST, where we’ll focus on increasing suicide awareness and exploring prevention strategies. Let’s come together to shine a light on the path to hope, healing, and prevention.

**Date:** September 18th

**Time:** 12 PM EST

To Register: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1129051542496206688>

Together, we can make a difference.

**NEED ASSISTANCE NOW?** Get started with EAP today!

- VIA PHONE: 800-624-2593 for immediate EAP consultation
- ONLINE: [visit www.nationaleap.com](http://www.nationaleap.com)
- VIA CHAT: [NEAP CHAT](#)
- VIA EMAIL: [info@nationaleap.com](mailto:info@nationaleap.com)

# BLOOD DRIVE

## IBEW Local #25

Thursday, October 17, 2024

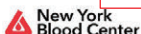
2:30PM – 7:00PM

370 Vanderbilt Motor Pkwy  
Hauppauge, Union Main Hall



To make an appointment scan the QR code above.  
For medical eligibility questions, please call 1-800-688-0900 M-F (9-5)

Walk-ins are welcomed if space permits.  
Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.



800.933.BLOOD - nybc.org #nybloodcenter



# I.B.E.W. LOCAL 25 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Trustees of the I.B.E.W. Local 25 Scholarship Fund will be accepting tuition scholarship applications from students who have graduated high school in 2024, or currently attending a four-year recognized college or university. The Scholarship requirements are as follows:

1. Must be a child who is a dependent of an active member of Local Union #25 in good standing
2. Acceptance of study or currently attending a four-year recognized college or university
3. Must be a rising freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior currently attending a four-year recognized college or university
4. Must have and maintain at least a 2.5 GPA
5. Submit a 200-word essay on what unionism and Local 25 has meant to you and your family
6. Submit an official high school transcript or a current college transcript if currently attending a four-year college or university at time of application
7. Any member who has a child who may qualify **must return the application, essay, and official transcripts to the Business Office of IBEW Local 25 by June 14, 2025**
8. Each child can only win one time

Applications will be reviewed and awarded to the most qualified candidates.



## SCHOLARSHIP FORM

Member's Name

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Card No.

\_\_\_\_\_

Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's SS#

\_\_\_\_\_

School Graduated from

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Graduated

\_\_\_\_\_

College Accepted To

\_\_\_\_\_

College Address to Send Check

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# Committee Corner

*C.O.P.E. (Committee On Political Education)*

This upcoming Presidential/Local Election in November 2024 is a pivotal moment in the future of our Local union. We are not going to talk about any other subjects related to this election except for how this election affects IBEW Local 25 members and their families.

Included here is a comparison of the 2 candidates in relation to organized labor.

Presidential nominees Kamala Harris and Donald Trump are in a tight race for the White House. Every voting bloc will count, including members of labor and other people in their households.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is endorsing Vice President Kamala Harris for President of the United States.

Presidential Nominee, Vice President Kamala Harris:

Labor Historians generally agree that the Biden/Harris administration has the second-strongest labor friendly record, after Franklin D Roosevelt.

The AFL-CIO gave Harris a lifetime score of 98% on her senate voting record pertaining to Labor.

As Vice President, Kamala Harris chaired the White House Task Force on Worker Organizing and Empowerment.

VP Harris was a co-sponsor of the Asuncion Valdivia Heat Illness and Fatality Prevention Act, protecting workers against occupational exposure to excessive heat.

Presidential Nominee, former President Donald Trump:

In 2018, Former President Trump signed 3 executive orders that restrict the labor rights of approximately 950,000 federal government employees who belong to unions.

In 2019, when Trump appointees held

the majority of the NLRB's 5 seats, the board overturned an Obama-Era NLRB ruling mandating speedy elections. However, in 2023 when Bidens appointees were in a majority, the board issued a ruling favorable to unions that rolled back that Trump-era ruling.

More recently, in a highly publicized conversation with Tesla, SpaceX, and X CEO Elon Musk, Trump praised Musk for firing employees who spoke out on workplace problems and attempted to unionize.

Historian Nelson Lichtenstein claims that Trump's years in office were bad for organized labor, which is representative of how labor experts see his track record.

"Vice President Harris has been a proven ally of the IBEW. Working by President Biden's side, she cast the deciding vote to save our pensions. Their administration created good union jobs through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the American Rescue Act, the Inflation Reduction Act and the CHIPS and Science Act," said International President Kenneth W. Cooper.

If you are interested in volunteering in this upcoming election, please contact the President's office. All volunteers will get a free t-shirt as shown in previous Conduit articles.

How IBEW Local 25 households will vote is not clear.

As our former Business Manager, Kevin Harvey, used to say, "We need to vote our wallet."

We support those who support labor.  
Every vote counts.

*In Solidarity*  
*C.O.P.E. Chair Joshua Margolis*

*Shut it Off*

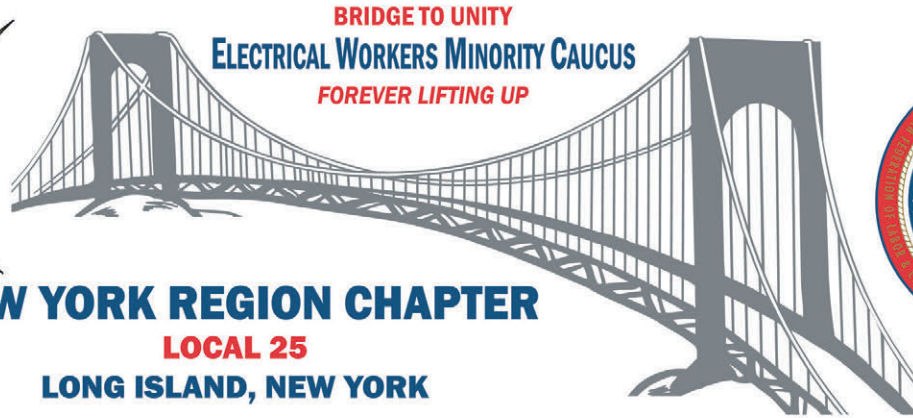
# IBEW LOCAL 25 POLITICAL ENDORSEMENTS FOR 2024

Office	IBEW LOCAL #25 Endorsements
<b>President</b>	Kamala Harris/Tim Walz
<b>US Congress</b>	
NY-1	LaLota
NY-2	Garbarino
NY-3	Suozzi
NY-4	Gillen
<b>State Senate</b>	
SD-1	Anker
SD-2	Mattera
SD-3	Murray
SD-4	Martinez
SD-5	Rhoads
SD-6	Bynoe
SD-7	Martins
SD-8	Weik
SD-9	Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick
<b>Assembly</b>	
AD-1	Thomas Schiavoni
AD-2	Giglio
AD-3	Destefano
AD-4	Kassay
AD-5	Smith
AD-6	Ramos
AD-7	Gandolfo
AD-8	Fitzpatrick
AD-9	Durso
AD-10	Stern
AD-11	Cardinale
AD-12	Brown
AD-13	Lavine
AD-14	McDonough
AD-15	Blumencranz
AD-16	Silitti
AD-17	Mikulin
AD-18	Burroughs
AD-19	Ra
AD-20	Brown
AD-21	Griffin
AD-22	Solages

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# EWMC (Electrical Workers Minority Caucus)



I.B.E.W.  
LOCAL 25

Our Local EWMC has been very busy the past two months. First, we had yet another successful annual fishing trip. We want to thank everyone who came, Jenn from the JATC for all the behind the scenes work necessary, as well as the front office for their continued support. As usual, it was a great time had by all.

We had a small volunteer job at Almost Home Animal Shelter and are in talks with setting up a bigger volunteer job at Pronto Food Bank in Bay Shore shortly.

Last but not least, our 14th Annual Dinner

Dance will be held October 19, 2024 at 6pm at Wind Watch Country Club. We're excited to be honoring Josh Margolis, Chris Kelly, and AJ McAteer. We urge everyone to come and celebrate their accomplishments with us.

As always, our Caucus is committed to inclusion. We welcome everyone from all divisions who might be interested in furthering our mission to join us for the EWMC meetings on the last Wednesday of every month at 5PM.

**Allen Murphy**  
*EWMC Recording Secretary*

## RETIRED MEMBERS

Our most sincere congratulations to the following Brothers & Sisters who will or have retired: We all wish them the very best! May they enjoy a future filled with happy times and good health.

### IBEW LOCAL 25 PENSION FUND

David M. Cordova  
Richard A. Fantini  
Thomas A. Gross III  
Margaret M. Herdina  
Tod C. Kassay  
Peter G. Leis

### IBEW INTERNATIONAL OFFICE PENSION

Gary J. Faryna  
Robert J. Froeder  
Thomas A. Gross III  
Margaret M. Herdina  
Sharon A. McCabe  
Christopher M. Sudnik

## Notice to Active & Retired Members

Every member of Local 25 is entitled to a **death benefit** provided by the **International Pension Plan**. Most members also participate in our **Group Life Insurance** with the **Union Labor Life Insurance Company**.

When you were initiated, you selected a beneficiary to receive each of these benefits. Please review your beneficiary designations. *The beneficiary that you designated when you were sworn in may not be appropriate today.* If you wish to change the beneficiary on either or both benefits, please contact the Financial Office.

- Ryan Casey,  
Financial Secretary

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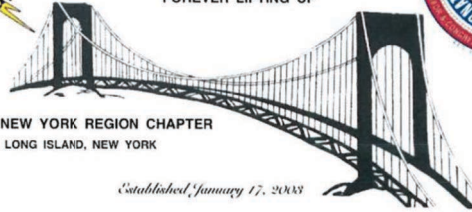


ELECTRICAL WORKERS MINORITY CAUCUS  
FOREVER LIFTING UP



EWMC NEW YORK REGION CHAPTER  
LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

*Established January 17, 2003*



# *Fourteenth Annual EWMC Dinner Dance*

## *October 19, 2024- 6PM*

**\$100**  
Per  
Guest

*Raffles*  
50/50

*Honoring*

*AJ Mc Ateer*

*Executive Director, L.I. Chapter, NECA*

*&*

*Christopher E. Kelly*

*Training Director, Joint*

*Apprenticeship & Training Committee*

*&*

*Joshua E. Margolis*

*Recording Secretary, IBEW Local 25*

*For more information, please call:  
Jennifer Megliola (516) 492-1639*

*Location:*

*Wind Watch Golf & Country Club \* 1715 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge NY 11788*

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## **PRESCRIPTION BENEFIT REBRAND**

### **ACTIVE HEALTH PARTICIPANTS ONLY**



Magellan Rx, your prescription benefit manager, is rebranding effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. The new name is **Prime Therapeutics Pharmacy** (see new logo above).

The change from Magellan Rx to Prime Therapeutics is mostly a rebrand and name change. Phone numbers, member ID numbers and addresses will not change for you or providers. Prime has been sending communications to all participants and providers with rebrand information.

**Please note the timeline below showing communications and changes that you will notice in the next few months.**

**August 2024-** You should have received a letter in the mail indicating the name change.

**9/16/2024-** Magellan Rx Pharmacy, became Prime Therapeutics Pharmacy. Logos on the websites will be different. Banners on the current website and app will inform you of a website/portal for accessing your prescription information.

**10/1/2024-** New member app launch and new online website/portal access. **Look for “Prime Central” in the App Store.** Letters will be mailed with rebranded logos and a QR for the new App installation.

Online member portal on 10/1/2024 will be [www.primetherapeutics.com/member](http://www.primetherapeutics.com/member)



**11/1/2024-** New hard copy ID cards will be mailed to all participants in the Fund; expect them to arrive early to mid-November. You will be able to download ID cards from the new app; you can use your current ID card until you receive the new card.

**12/1/2024-** Current app and current website/portal will be discontinued. You will be able to see your information on the new App and new portal access noted above.

*If you are currently on a specialty medication, Prime will reach out to you on your next scheduled delivery to update your payment information.*

*Your card ID number will not change, therefore any refills you have at retail pharmacies will still be valid after the rebranding. If you are utilizing mail order for your maintenance medication, there is no need to update your billing information on the new portal.*

**NEW Home delivery pharmacy website [primetherapeutics.com/homedelivery](http://primetherapeutics.com/homedelivery)**  
**NEW Specialty pharmacy website [primetherapeutics.com/specialtypharmacy](http://primetherapeutics.com/specialtypharmacy)**

If you have any questions on the information shown in this article, please call the IBEW Local 25 Health Fund office at 631-434-3344 or the number on the back of your Rx ID card.

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# New Benefit for LU #25 Members & Retirees

Welcome Letter

Powered by



**FK&M** FELDMAN, KRAMER & MONACO, P.C.  
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS

## Welcome to Your Legal Plan With Your Union Lawyer

Dear Members,

With our new legal plan, you will now be able to gain access to attorneys in connection with real estate transactions, preparation of wills, receiving legal advice, drafting letters, and reviewing documents, and much more relating to a variety of matters.

In addition to you, this plan will also cover your spouse or domestic partner; unmarried, dependent children under the age of 19; or unmarried, dependent children up to the age of 26 if the child is wholly dependent upon you for support and maintenance and is enrolled as a full-time student.

The initial point of contact for every active participant is the toll-free number of the Legal Plan Office of Feldman, Kramer & Monaco, P.C., +1 (800) 832-5182 (for NY) or +1 (800) 292-8063 (for outside of NY). If necessary, the Legal Plan Office will then make referrals to local participating attorneys.

Below, please find a summary of some of the many benefits included in the Legal Services Plan:

- Free Telephone Advice and Consultations
- Free Office Consultations
- Toll-Free 24 Hour Hotline for Emergencies
- Free Letter Writing
- Free Document Review
- Will and Trusts
- Estate Planning Seminars or "Will Days"
- Free Lease Review Benefit
- Free Uncontested Annulment Benefit
- Free Uncontested Adoption Benefit
- Free Uncontested Name Change
- Free Promissory Note Drafting
- Identity Theft
- Foreclosure
- Veterans Benefits
- Student Loan Reduction Assistance
- Traffic Matter Assistance
- Elder Law
- Bankruptcy
- Real Estate Transactions
- Reduced Fee Benefit
- Criminal Defense
- Referral Attorneys
- Stockbroker Arbitration
- Personal Injury Benefit
- Estate Administration Benefit
- Commercial and Business Law Benefit
- Guaranteed Maximum Fees
  - Bankruptcy chapter 7
  - DWI (first offense and up to two court appearances)
  - Divorce (uncontested, without marital agreement)\*
  - Divorce (uncontested, with marital agreement)\*
  - Separation (uncontested)\*
  - Modification of Child Support (Preparation of pleadings only)

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# ANNUAL LABOR DAY BLOCK PARTY

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# Local 25's 7TH ANNUAL Halloween at the Hall

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH**

**12:00 - 4:00 pm**  
**Local 25 Union Hall**



Door prizes for best decorated  
Booth and Costume!

Each booth hands out candy  
to the trick or treaters

**\*\*BOOTHS MUST REGISTER FOR EVENT\*\***

Contact Jason Ugenti for details!  
631-681-7479



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# Peconic Sportsman's Club Breast Cancer Shoot Fundraiser



Bill Summers

On September 8, 2024, the Peconic Sportsman's Club held a Breast Cancer Shoot Fundraiser. Thanks to all the Local #25 members who came out for this great cause.



Sean Meehan, Al Murphy Sr., Bill Summers

## IBEW William Lindsay Softball Tournament



The weekend of August 23rd, 24th & 25th, IBEW Local #25, IBEW Local #1049 and IBEW Local #3 sponsored the Annual Softball Tournament at Baldwin Park. Local #25 won the Sportsmanship Award.

## IBEW Summer Softball League

This year, the members of the Local #25 Softball Team were the 2024 Summer Softball Champions.



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# EWMC 4th Annual Fishing Trip

BY JENNIFER MEGLIOLA

On September 14, 2024, the EWMC held their 4th Annual Fishing Trip. Approximately 120 Union members and their families boarded the Yankee III and the Island Spirit III out of Captree. It was a beautiful day on the water. A big thank you to Local 25 for providing the food and refreshments. Special thanks to Lisa Hofmann and Nancy Schneider for the great photos.

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On Friday-June 14, 2024, the JATC held an in-person Graduation Ceremony for Electrician and Maintenance Apprentice Graduates. Present at the ceremony were: Business Manager/JATC Trustee-Mr. Kevin Casey; President/JATC Trustee-Mr. John Guadagno; JATC Trustee Chair-Ms. Susan Pascale; JATC Trustee Secretary-Ms. Jocelyn Jackson; JATC Trustee-Ms. Kristine DeNapoli; JATC Trustee/Chapter Manager Long Island NECA-Mr. A.J. McAteer, along with many other distinguished guests. As I did that night, I would like to congratulate all the graduates and instructors, once again, for a job well.

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## 2024 SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**ROBERT P. HLUDZINSKI**

**98.0%**

Long Island Electrical Industry Award

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**FRANK R. USENZA**

**JAMES A. FARNWORTH**

**97.7%**

Long Island Chapter N.E.C.A. Award

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**VINCENT M. ROVTAR**

**97.6%**

Local Union No. 25, I.B.E.W. Award

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**KYLE T. WATSON**

**97.1%**

Long Island Chapter N.E.C.A. Award

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**MATTHEW L. DAVIDOFF**

**97.0%**

Local Union No. 25, I.B.E.W. Award

**MICHAEL T. TORRES**

**MATTHEW T. LANGTON**

**95.4%**

Retired member Ted Fuchs "GRUMP AWARD"

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**THE JOSEPH C. GRAMER, SR.**

**MEMORIAL AWARD**

PRESENTED TO:

**BRANDON M. HANDY**

**95.1%**

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**2024 OUTSTANDING APPRENTICE  
GRADUATES**

PRESENTED TO:

**ROBERT P. HLUDZINSKI**

**&**

**BRYCE L. DUSOLD**

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**PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARD**

PRESENTED TO:

**ROBERT P. HLUDZINSKI**

**JAMES A. FARNWORTH**

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Until my next article please remember:

**IT'S NEVER TOO INCONVENIENT TO SAVE A LIFE – SHUT IT OFF!**

*Respectfully Yours,  
Christopher E. Kelly  
Training Director*

*Shut it Off*

# 2024 GRADUATING CLASS



## **IBEW LOCAL 25 VETERANS COMMITTEE**

### **Veterans Readiness and Employment**

You may be eligible to receive VR&E services from the V.A. to assist with resumes', job training, education or starting your own business. Other services are available for veterans who are severely disabled and unable to work in traditional employment. VR&E services will not affect your GI bill or compensation money. Any veteran with a 10% disability rating from the V.A. who does not have a dishonorable discharge may be eligible. Check out [www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/](http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/) for more information and eligibility requirements.



*In solidarity*  
**Jason Helfer**  
*Veterans Committee*

*Don't Work On Live Circuits*



## V.U.F. COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Your donations help those families who find themselves in hard economic times. If you could find it in yourself to give and if you can give a little. I know that we all do what we can, but it would really mean a lot to those families if you could.

Come on down to the General Meeting every

month on the second Tuesday at 5:00pm. I hope to see you soon and if you need to reach me, you can call me at 1-631-615-9295 or email me at [ccallahan@ibew25.org](mailto:ccallahan@ibew25.org) for any concerns.

*Yours in Brotherhood,  
Christopher Callahan  
Chairman of the VUF*

## V.U.F. Donations August 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024

Ahearn, Daniel, J.

Ainsworth, Roger, L.

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Boris, Richard

Braun, John, R.

Buck, Thomas, E. Sr.

Callahan, Christopher, C.

Casey, Kevin, B.

Casey, Ryan, G.

Cleaver, Jon

Corrigan, Francis, X.

Corrigan, Paulette, B.

Coyne, Dennis, M.

Crockett, Douglas, W.

Czaikowski, William, W.

Di Leone, John

Doherty, John, P.

Doscher, Bruce, C.

Fantini, Richard, A.

Faryna, Gary, J.

Foote, James, I. Jr.

Guadagno, John, G.

Heidrich, Frederick, L. Jr.

Henke, Andrew, J.

Hilton, Daniel, P.

Jones, Sergio, R.

Kassl, Adam, C.

Kelly, Christopher, E.

Koch, George

Lawless, Thomas, P.

Majkut, John, C.

Maurer, John, H.

Mc Carthy, Timothy, S.

Mc Ginley, William, J.

Meehan, Sean, P.

Meyer, Jerry, P.

Normandy, Michael, A.

Oliveri, James, A.

Pagliaro, Joseph

Perry, Donald

Price, John, J.

Psillos, George, M.

Quinn, Stephen, J.

Reichert, William, A.

Ritzmann, Edward, S.

Rozmus, Theodore, T.

Ryan, Robert, C.

Sander, Gerald, J.

Schneeloch, Paul, M. Jr.

Sweeney, Michael, J.

Tartaglia, Thomas, L.

Tatara, Jonathan, G.

Vianello, Antonio, M.

Williams, Thomas, R.

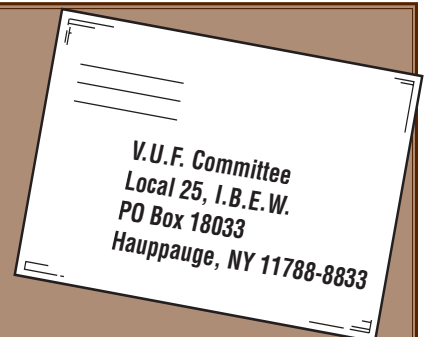
Wish, Lee, C.

Zagger, Anthony

Zimmermann, John, T.

### **DO THE RIGHT THING**

**PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED ENVELOPE TO MAKE  
YOUR DONATION TO THE VUF COMMITTEE TO HELP  
THE MEMBERS WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED**



*A Dead Circuit Never Killed Anyone*



# Local 25 Golf Committee



The 2024 golf season concluded with the August 21st outing at Smithtown Landing Country Club. It was great to see many new faces at this year's outings. Family members, friends, business associates, apprentices and retirees were all present. Thank you to all who attended.

*The results of the August outing at Smithtown Landing were as follows:*

- 1st Low Gross .....**Phil Perry**..... 85
- 2nd Low Gross.....**Mike Zeffer**..... 88
- 3rd Low Gross ....**Dick Summers**..... 88
- 4th Low Gross .....**Joe DiMeglio**..... 90
- 5th Low Gross .....**John Zottarelli**..... 91
- 1st Low Net .....**Jim Donohue** ..... 73
- 2nd Low Net.....**Matt McDermott** ..... 73
- 3rd Low Net .....**Chris Burgbacher**... 73
- 4th Low Net .....**George Starke**..... 74
- 5th Low Net .....**Kevin Oak**..... 75
- Closest to the Pin – Hole #2.....**George Starke**
- Closest to the Pin – Hole #7.....**Kevin Oak**
- Closest to the Pin – Hole #11.....**Bob Estler**
- Closest to the Pin – Hole #16..... **Guy Yuhas**
- Longest Drive – Hole #14 .....**Bill Summers**



The “Last Out” cash winner was **Mike Schomber**.

Thank you to Local 25 and its members for its generous support of our golf outings.

Special thanks to the following Golf Committee members. Without their help, these outings would not be possible.

**Roy Starke**  
**Jim Starke**  
**George Starke**  
**BJ Bjornson**  
**George Werner**

**Guy Yuhas**  
**Matt Mc Dermott**  
**Sal Stuto**  
**Vinny Ferravanti**  
**Billy Jankowski**

Thank you to **Danielle Thompson** and **Diane Crennan** for all their time and efforts in assisting the Local 25 Golf Club.

Check the upcoming Conduits for the dates of the 2025 golf outings. All golfers, families and friends are welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all on the links!

*Fraternally yours,*  
**Mike Zeffer**  
**Golf Committee Chairman**

## Important Phone Numbers

The following telephone numbers and websites are listed for the convenience of all covered members:

### ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY BOARD

Benefit Fund Office, 631-434-3344  
Fax 631-434-3397  
E-mail: [info@eibofli.org](mailto:info@eibofli.org)  
Web Site: [EIBofLI.com](http://EIBofLI.com)

### LOCAL 25 IBEW

631-273-4567 Fax 631-273-4773  
[www.IBEW25.org](http://www.IBEW25.org)

### HEALTH & BENEFIT FUND MAGNACARE

Customer Service  
Hospital/Medical  
Toll free 1-877-624-6224  
[www.magnacare.com](http://www.magnacare.com)

### Medicare Eligible Retirees

Empire BlueCross Blue Shield,  
Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO)  
Member Services: 1-833-910-4432  
RX Information: 1-833-409-1228

Labor First Advocacy,  
the dedicated number for IBEW Local  
No. 25 retirees on Medicare  
1-855-460-7493

### Hospital Precertification/2<sup>nd</sup> Opinion

Toll Free 1-877-335-4725

### Dental:

DDS Preferred Provider 516-794-7700  
[www.ddsinc.net](http://www.ddsinc.net)

### Davis Vision

For information: 1-800-999-5431  
[www.davisvision.com](http://www.davisvision.com)

### EPIC Hearing Service Plan:

1-866-956-5400

### Prime Therapeutics Pharmacy:

For prescriptions 10/1/24 and after.  
1-800-424-1701  
[www.primetherapeutics.com](http://www.primetherapeutics.com)

### National EAP

#### Employee Assistance Providers

1-800-624-2593  
[www.nationaleap.com](http://www.nationaleap.com)

### I.B.E.W. LOCAL 25 PENSION FUND:

#### The Prudential Insurance Co:

Pension Checks:  
Missing/Change of Address, Call:  
Toll Free, 1-800-421-1056  
[www.prudential.com](http://www.prudential.com)

### NEBF Pension: 1-301-556-4300

NEBF Education & Information  
Web Site can be accessed at: [NEBF.com](http://NEBF.com)

## Did You Know?

- ❖ Thomas' English Muffins aren't really British; the product was invented in the U.S.
- ❖ Ninety percent of the world's population lives above the equator.
- ❖ Alaska is the westernmost and the easternmost state in the United States.
- ❖ Metallica is the only band to perform on all seven continents.
- ❖ Tug of war used to be an Olympic sport.
- ❖ Everyone has their own unique smell, except identical twins.
- ❖ Despite their name, sweet potatoes are unrelated to regular potatoes.
- ❖ Gorillas, monkeys, bonobos, and other primates make a new nest to sleep in every night.
- ❖ Time stops at the speed of light.
- ❖ New York's Central Park is bigger than Monaco. The park is bigger than an entire country.
- ❖ Lettuce is a member of the sunflower family.
- ❖ Women couldn't apply for credit at a bank before 1974.

*Vinnie D'Ambrosio*

**To view your EIB Local 25 important  
benefit information**

**Please visit:**

**[https://memberxg.gobasys.com/EIBNY/  
main/#!/account/login](https://memberxg.gobasys.com/EIBNY/main/#!/account/login)**

*Shut it Off*



**Please take note when renewing your work card –**

The Financial Office suggests you *pay your work card online*. We have designed the online payments to auto send a temporary receipt to your email. This is advantageous to the member because it is temporarily acceptable if carded on the job (until your work card and IO Receipt are received by mail).

**Ryan Casey, Financial Secretary.**

*In Memoriam*

NAME	CARD #
Retired Brother Steven C. Breest <i>Passed away July 14, 2024</i>	D861715
Retired Brother Douglas L. Trude <i>Passed away July 18, 2024</i>	D523597
Retired Brother Patrick Lobasso <i>Passed away July 24, 2024</i>	D450143
Retired Brother Richard B. Sherwood <i>Passed away July 31, 2024</i>	D160869
Retired Brother James Gramer <i>Passed away August 8, 2024</i>	D100540
Retired Brother Bernard G. Nagel <i>Passed away August 11, 2024</i>	D229561
Retired Brother Christopher Duffy <i>Passed away September 2, 2024</i>	D770671

*In Sympathy*

The officers and members of Local Union No. 25, IBEW extend their deepest sympathy to the following members and their families on the sorrowful loss of their loved ones:

- Deceased Brother Robert Anderson      *Wife*
- Deceased Brother August Arena      *Wife*
- Deceased Brother Joseph Curley      *Wife*
- Retired Brother Michael Nodell      *Wife*
- Deceased Brother Frederick Reichert      *Wife*
- Retired Brother Richard Sherwood Jr.      *Father*

**REMEMBER...**

**Deadline for Articles for the Next Conduit Issue...**



*Don't Work On Live Circuits*



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## IMPORTANT REMINDER

In accordance with Telephone Communications Act (TCPA), all text recipients must opt-in to receive any future texts from IBEW Local Union #25. It is important that all members implement the following procedures as soon as possible.

Members/recipients should log-in at [notify.workingsystems.com](http://notify.workingsystems.com) using your cell phone number to opt-in or opt-out of receiving text messages. Instructions for opting in and opting out on this website are provided on YouTube: How to use the LaborPower Opt-In website.

It is your responsibility to implement these procedures or you may miss out on important information that is being sent to our members regularly.

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DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

**IBEW Local #25**  
**Thursday, October 17, 2024**

**2:30PM – 7:00PM**

370 Vanderbilt Motor Pkwy  
Hauppauge, Union Main Hall



To make an appointment scan the QR code above.  
For medical eligibility questions, please call 1-800-688-0900 M-F (9-5)

*Walk-ins are welcomed if space permits.  
Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID  
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