



Local Lodge 1746

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On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as “the Great War.” Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11th became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

Please take a moment on Wednesday, November 11, to give thanks to all of our veterans and active service people.

Annual GATE COLLECTION

NOVEMBER 20, 2015

On **Friday, November 20, 2015** familiar faces from Local Lodge 1746 will be conducting a gate collection for the **Workers Aid Fund**. Monies donated by both hourly and salary employees comprise the fund, a resource made available to current and former salary and hourly Pratt & Whitney employees who demonstrate severe financial need due to long-term illness or other unavoidable hardship. The Workers Aid Fund has existed as a result of the stewardship of our Local’s Financial Office, which has administered the fund; the commitment of our Community Services Committee, whose volunteers brave the cold and man the gates; and the unflinching generosity of employees, whose contributions have sustained the Fund for years. There are familiar faces present at every stage of the Fund’s existence—from inception to use.

On November 20th, please come prepared to contribute to a familiar face collecting for the Workers Aid Fund on the behalf of other familiar faces still in need.



How air sampling should be done

- 1) Be specific on what chemicals you want sampled or tested.
- 2) Know what the sample is being analyzed for.
- 3) The only way it can be measured is to measure specific chemicals or substances
- 4) Know when the sample was taken.
- 5) Did the sample include the period of max exposure?
- 6) How long was the sample?
- 7) Was it a grab, one shot, spot check or a direct reading?
- 8) Was it during an entire course of the work day, 8hrs) ?
- 9) Was it at the time of normal operation or was it on slow working day?
- 10) Was it a hot day? cold day? humid day?
- 11) Was it taken when all of the doors and windows were open?
- 12) Was it taken when all of the ventilation was running the way it runs?
- 13) Know where the sampling device was located.
- 14) Was it set up near the nose of the person?
- 15) Was it next to a fan?
- 16) Was it near the operation or on the floor across the room?
- 17) Was it close to the source of the problem?
- 18) Who did the sampling?
- 19) Did he / she work for the company?
- 20) Was it an industrial hygienist or a safety engineer or chemists or safety inspector etc?
- 21) Was the person wearing the sampling device? Make sure you know who they are.
- 22) What was the sampling device?
- 23) Did they use the proper pumps and sampling device? Filter device can not be used for testing gasses
- 24) Are they calibrated?
- 25) Are they working properly?
- 26) What laboratory carried out test?
- 27) Without knowing the facts you can not accept answers like:
 - A) Don't worry it's safe.
 - B) It doesn't smoke.
 - C) It doesn't smell
 - D) It's not bad air.
 - E) It's non toxic
 - F) Safe from Chemicals
 - G) The level is far below the OSHA standard.
 - H) The test was negative.

There could be more excuses or terms that a company can use to try to convince an employee/ employees that everything is fine, when in actuality it may not be.

Please print this out and use it for a reference guide when and if you ever have any sampling done..

If anyone has any question, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time.

Outside the shop 860-565-4766 / Inside the shop, 5-4766 Deb Belancik

Brother Merrick has Raffle tickets for a 2015 Harley-Davidson FLHR Road King
\$5 per ticket or 5 for \$20
Drawing will be held November 21, 2015

Things to remember during an emergency at the work place

Some of this is a reprint form a couple of years ago. A few notes have been added to update the information.

In the event of a Fire or chemical release:

SELF EVACUATE when you witness a condition of imminent danger and your safety is in jeopardy. You do not need to wait for the evacuation alarm, if you pass a Red Emergency pull box as you exit, pull the box on the way out the door. Do Not stay at the Pull Box. Leave the building and go to your designated assembly location. Only use your cell phone to call (860-565-1111) from a Safe location.

Do Notify the Emergency sweeper of any observations or special conditions you witnessed.

Do not go back for your Keys or other belongings. Try to hide a key somewhere on your car. This will help you get home and also avoids "lock outs". Personal belongings can be replaced.

Do not attempt to extinguish a fire on your own. Do not jeopardize your personal safety in order to save property or process equipment. East Hartford P&W has full time professional Fire Fighters trained and properly equipped to handle Emergency Incidents

How to get Help for an Injury or medical emergency.

To call from an inside Phone, call 5-1111, Cell phones should call 860-565-1111. Be ready to provide the location of the medical emergency, Building I.D., column number. And nature of the injury or medical condition.

In addition, Red Emergency Pull boxes can be used for Medical Emergencies. These are located on columns with a red light. Please stay at the Box once it is pulled. You will need to bring the emergency responder to the person in need of help. They respond to the location of the box.

Do NOT bring the person to Medical or the Fire dept. Let the responders come to patient.

For the person in Medical need, Please Listen to the Emergency Responders. If additional medical care is offered, (a trip to the Hospital), please consider going. It is better to play it safe and get treated sooner than later. Remember to take care of yourself; you couldn't do it for a better person!

For an injury, Please report it when it happens, Even on the off shift or weekends the Fire dept. is here 24/7, 7-days a week. Don't wait to see if it gets better. If it doesn't get better, you are delaying treatment and possibly complicating your recovery time.

Some critical extras to the above basic information:

If you are going to use the Red Emergency Boxes to help in a medical emergency, be sure to also call our emergency number to let them know it is a medical emergency. They immediately call for local paramedics to respond as well. This saves critical time in the emergency response.

Cab vouchers are available from the Fire Department when they are responding to you for a work connected injury. These vouchers get you back to Pratt from the hospital. Sometimes during the emergency, first responders are so focused on your care and turning you over to the outside ambulance, the Cab voucher is forgotten. You can call Yellow cab 860-666-6666 and have them bring you to Pratt Fire Headquarters where the voucher can be supplied.

If your supervisor goes with you, they are NOT allowed in the exam room. If they supply a ride back to Pratt, limit your conversations on the subject of the injury. This is for your protection against Worker's Comp Fishing Expeditions.

Keep this information handy and review to be ready for emergencies.



The next Monthly Meeting is
Sunday, November 8, 2015 at 11:00 am



EAP Corner

For IAM Local Lodge 1746:
P&W in East Hartford
*Please feel free to contact me
with any of your issues or concerns
and know that it will be in
total confidentiality.*

*Lenny Ward-EAP Coordinator, LAP-C Certified,
NAADAC / NCAC Certified, AFL-CIO
Union Peer Counselor, SAP (Substance Abuse
Professional) Certified.*

*Fax 203-787-4180
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The Officers, Representatives and Staff of Local
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Would like to wish everyone a
Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!!!



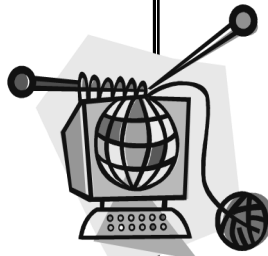
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