



Local Lodge 1746

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On Monday, August 3, the next class of 20 began training at Asnuntuck. Of those we have five former 901s in attendance. After the 7 week course those folks will be placed in Occ 176 jobs in HSMC.

At the monthly meeting on Sunday, August 9th, nominations will be held to fill the position of Recording Secretary for the remainder of the term. Rodney Conlogue retired at the end of June and we thank him for his many years of service to this Local. In addition to Rodney, both Joe Carranquinha and George Livieri left Pratt at the end of July and we would also offer them our thanks for their dedicated service to the IAM.

There are currently 3 openings for EH & S Reps, 2 on first shift and one on second. Nominations slips may be picked up at the Union Hall on August 10th and will be accepted until Friday, August 21st. Election, if necessary, will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015.

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**On June 27th the New Britain Rock Cats** Game was called due to rain. The good news is that all vouchers will be honored at any remaining home game this year.

So if you still have your voucher or are interested in getting some, call the Local at 860-568-3000. We still have plenty!!



Remember to watch out for each other and keep yourselves safe on the job. Don't forget to ask for a MSDS for the chemicals that you work with. You have a right to know what you are using, you can always call out a union safety rep at all times if there is an issue. They are in your corner and can help...Get involved in the VEHS committees, you will be trained on the committee you chose. We can always use another set of eyes and ears out there, Thank you.

I am submitting a poem written by Don Merrill, It hits the nail on the head for all of us. Please use it freely, Don writes many of these poems to share with everyone.

Yours in solidarity, Deb Belancik

### **I chose to look the other way**

I could have saved a life that day,  
But I chose to look the other way. It wasn't that I didn't care: I had the time and I was there.  
But I didn't want to seem a fool, or argue over a safety rule.  
I knew he'd done the job before: if I spoke up he might get sore.  
The chances didn't seem that bad: I'd done the same, he knew I had.  
So I shook my head and walked on by: He knew the risks as well as I.

He took the chance, I closed an eye; and with that act I let him die.  
I could have saved a life that day, but I chose to look the other way.

Now every time I see his wife, I could have saved his life that day.  
That guilt is something I must bear, But isn't something you need to share.

If you see a risk that others take that puts their health or life at stake,  
The question asked or thing you say; could help them live another day.

If you see a risk and walk away, then hope you never have to say,  
I could have saved a life that day, but I chose to look the other way.

**5th Annual MACHINIST CLUB OPEN  
Golf Tournament  
to Benefit  
FOODSHARE and ULA**

**Join us Friday, September 11, 2015 at  
TWIN HILLS COUNTRY CLUB  
Route 31 in Coventry CT  
Registration 10 AM, 11 AM tee time**



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John Taylor 860-869-4733      FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE  
MAKE YOUR OWN FOURSOMES

**Entry fees to be PAID no later than Sept. 4th along with Hole Sponsor donations  
Make checks payable to "MACHINIST CLUB"**

**REGISTRATION**

Team: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Holes Sponsored at \$ 100.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGN WORDING** \_\_\_\_\_

Send payment to 1746 Machinist Club, 357 Main Street, \_\_\_\_\_ East Hartford,  
CT 06118

**GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER**  
**United Way 2015. This year's topic is ALICE.**

In Connecticut, 1 in 4 households have earnings above the Federal poverty level but below a basic cost-of-living threshold, despite working hard, these households struggle to make ends meet. United Way calls this newly identified demographics. ALICE, an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed.

The Connecticut ALICE Report documents the challenges facing ALICE families throughout our state, shining light on this hidden populations.

Alice households are hardworking people who are struggling to make ends meet. Very sadly, some jobs in Connecticut do not pay a living wage. There are working families that work 2 jobs to make ends meet and put food on the table for their family.

In Connecticut there are more than 330,000 households living in our urban, suburban and rural communities with incomes above the federal poverty rates but below the state's basic cost of living threshold as defined in the United Way Alice Report

We all know that Alice could be our neighbors, friends co-workers and family members. Too many families live paycheck to paycheck. They don't need a hand out but a hand up. If you would like to see the ALICE full report you may go to, <http://alice.ctunitedway.org>

Please think about volunteering for United Way.

I can use a co-chair for United Way from our local level LL 1746, you may contact me on my cell phone 860-681-8236 or shop phone 860-565-4766 (5-4766 within shop EH) (Deb Belancik) If you are interested.

Yours in solidarity, Deb Belancik

In an effort to keep our members fully informed listed below are L.L. 1746's minimum expectations of their H&S Reps.

**1) Protecting Workers from Imminent Danger/Hazardous Condition**

**AN ACT CONCERNING AN EMPLOYEE'S RIGHT TO ACT. OSHA Imminent danger**

All EHS Reps, must contact the Chief Union EHS Rep. prior to shutting down a job.

2) Immediately answer all EHS calls when requested/called.

3) All EHS complaints, even verbal, must be put at least into a fact sheet with all the information to be filled out.

4) All safety complaints will have an agreed upon date for completion on the complaint form (Oral and Written).

5) Enforce all aspects of the contract with the I.A.M. and Pratt & Whitney

6) Become familiar with Article 26 and Letter 27 & 28 of the contract. Participate and fully support VEHS committees as outlined in letter 28.

7) The assigned safety reps. will do safety walk around per Article 26 section 5

8) Must attend Stewards Class and Monthly meetings per Local Lodge 1746 by-laws, hand out flyers, organize, any and all duties per the by-laws and constitution and reasonable requests from the officers of the Local.

9) Meet weekly with the Chief. Attend BI-monthly meeting when called.

10) Attend training as deemed necessary by the Union. (Note: may be out-of-state or on an off-shift)

11) Will train other employees as needed, after completing Train the Trainer course from I.A.M. Crest or equivalent.

12) Shift assignments for each Safety Representative are per the CBA and the by-laws of local lodge 1746. Safety reps cannot change shifts without approval of the Chief Rep and the President of the local lodge.

Please contact me or President Nancy Flagg with any additional questions.

Thanks, John Hanusovsky, Chief Safety Rep. I.A.M.- L.L. 1746 Cell 860-818-0738 Office 860-565-3748

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



The next Monthly Meeting is  
Sunday, August 9, 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  
Phone 203-787-4180

On Sunday April 26th, longtime member Mike Chase passed away. He was an activist for the IAM and served this local as a shop steward and shop committeeman.

Mike worked in EHRO in the waterjet area on second shift. He joined the United States Marine Corp during the Vietnam era. He was a proud Marine and worked on the committee to have a Veterans' Wall erected in M Building. Along with his co-workers, Mike worked to design and dedicate that wall. His last visit to the Shop was Veterans' Day 2014. Mike's big smile and kind words will be missed by his co-workers.

Norman Jones

Here are some of the officers email addresses to contact with your concerns and suggestions.

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### **WEBSITES:**

[www.iamLL1746.org](http://www.iamLL1746.org)

[www.iamdistrict26.org](http://www.iamdistrict26.org)

[www.goiam.org](http://www.goiam.org)

[www.shopunionmade.org](http://www.shopunionmade.org)

# Remember Our Troops Red-Shirt Friday's!

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