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Business Manager's Report

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The December meeting was small, but it was nice to see the ones who could make it. The winter work has begun on the Mountain Valley and Enbridge Line 3. Hopefully, we will be able to continue the construction without delay. That last sentence is short but very important. We already have protesters on both jobs and politicians behind the scenes desperately trying to shut them down daily. The Keystone XL is slated for a 2021 construction schedule, but the same issues stated above also haunt its realization. We must all continue to advocate on the Action Network. Our collective voice is the most powerful tool we have, and its recognition by our clients is paramount to them in the political arena. I understand many of our members have experienced as much as two years without any employment opportunities through Local 798, but advocating must continue to grow, or the valleys will be much deeper than the peaks of employment. 2020 has turned out to be the slowest since 2006. We should finish the year with around 5.3 million man-hours, which was mostly small diameter, small change out work, and Integrity Maintenance. To hit the big man-hours, we need major spreads and major projects. Below is a column from the *Tulsa World* written by Patrice Douglas about where we are as a nation and how it affects our industry. It is about activism, but the opposite of what we can supply if we all use our collective voice. Please read it carefully, if not several times, and go to the Action Network for a few minutes and do your part!



Patrice Douglas: The real consequences of anti-pipeline activism

In any other year, the ongoing political and legal battles over the future of American energy infrastructure would be garnering far more media attention than they currently are. But while debates over the permitting of pipelines may not be printed above the fold on a daily basis, their importance has not diminished since they first became a point of national contention.

Projects like the operational but long-disputed Dakota Access, stalled Keystone XL, cancelled Atlantic Coast and the nearly complete Permian Highway Pipeline have been the focus of extraneous legal and political scrutiny, which in some cases has resulted in litigation with significant and detrimental economic consequences. As arguments develop inside and outside the courtroom, a common understanding of what is at stake is imperative to avoid permanent harm to an industry whose well-being is directly attached to the economic health of the country as a whole.

Underlying most anti-pipeline activism is a fundamental misunderstanding of the rigor of the permitting process. Though requirements vary slightly from state to state, all proposals have to undergo extensive scientific review, community consultation and structural evaluation at the local, state and national level. This culminates in an environmental assessment that, as in the case of Dakota Access, can be nearly 1,000 pages in length. Although this process does not entirely eliminate the possibility of future accidents, it does ensure that the degree of risk that approved projects entail is at level far below that of alternative methods of transportation like truck and rail, which are more polluting, costly for roads and bridges and have a greater chance of experiencing disruption.

The reality that pipelines are frequently the best available option has not prevented their continued demonization. Pipeline opponents invent highly improbable disasters as justification for curtailing energy infrastructure development, but the comprehensive economic damage that ensues from frivolous anti-pipeline litigation is not just hypothetical. A recent Consumer Energy Alliance report found that pipeline delays are already causing nearly \$14 billion in lost investment, threatening more than 66,000 jobs and sapping hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of state tax revenue. Another report found a Dakota Access shutdown alone would lead to the loss of more than 7,000 jobs and \$900 million in state tax revenues.

Those figures are liable to grow each passing year, and already they do not take into account the ripple effects of shutdowns and disruptions, which can result in everything from food insecurity to a shortage of affordable energy. In the context of a global pandemic and national economic fragility, these and other side effects of anti-energy activism cannot be dismissed as acceptable costs in the push for a cleaner future. This is especially true given that the widespread adoption of natural gas for power generation, made possible by energy infrastructure expansion and a renewed focus on domestic energy development, has helped to reduce U.S. emissions more effectively and affordably than wind, solar or any other renewable energy source.

Anti-pipeline activism is not homogenous. In some cases, it is the result of the willful proliferation of misinformation by organizations with specific political agendas. Other times, it is simply the manifestation of not-in-my-backyard resistance that wants to enjoy the benefits of affordable energy and pipelines without having to ever see or hear about their operation. But independent of the origin of the opposition, when infrastructure cases are needlessly adjudicated in the courts there is a risk of long-term economic damage.

The nature of the U.S. legal system is such that precedents established in individual cases can have permanent nationwide consequences. For infrastructure development, a single faulty or politicized ruling, like the one that ordered Dakota Access to close in July after years of safe operations, has the potential to create an impossible standard for future undertakings. Although that order was temporarily reversed on appeal, the fact that it was issued at all will permanently factor into the decisions by investors and companies on whether to pursue or scrap future projects.

Understanding the importance of energy infrastructure does not require one to ignore legitimate and nuanced concerns over pipeline construction. To be sure, there are meaningful conversations to be had about the permitting and oversight process for new projects. Pipeline companies and their investors, least of all stakeholders, do not want to see an accident occur. However, the excessive politicization and litigation of the issue by ill-informed environmental reactionaries, who more often than not are immune to the negative economic consequences of their own advocacy, is measurably harmful.

From Texas to Pennsylvania, the development of energy infrastructure has and will continue to play a pivotal role in ensuring the wellbeing of Americans from all states and of all backgrounds. Someone could have no sympathy for energy companies, their employees or even their customers and they should still rationally conclude that building safe and expansive energy infrastructure networks is in the long-term environmental and economic interests of the country.

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As always, I am proud to say, ***"I work for you, the greatest pipeliners in the world."***

Fraternally,



Daniel C. Hendrix
Business Manager

2021 Steward School

After much consideration, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 Steward School scheduled for April 4-10, 2021. As you are aware, COVID-19 is surging in much of the U.S., with many states increasing their restrictions on businesses, travel, and gathering sizes. We are certainly more optimistic now with the recent news of vaccination success rates and approval of emergency use. Still, it is important for us to stay vigilant and focused on supporting the health and well-being of our local union, training center, members, and our families.

We appreciate your support and understanding. Pipeliners Local Union 798 remains committed to the safety and health of all our members, instructors, staff, their families, and the communities in which we live and work. We are here to support you, and please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions.



Financial Secretary - Treasurer's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Happy New Year! I think we are always ready to close the last chapter and usher in a new year, but that may be truer this year than in years past. 2020 was a tough one. The global pandemic caused grief, in one way or another, to all of us. Whether you were one who became ill with the virus, lost loved ones to it, or lost out on work due to it, it negatively impacted most everyone. I do not believe we are out of the woods yet, but hopefully things will start looking much better on this front in the coming months.

Thank you to everyone who has advocated throughout the years for the Line 3 Replacement project. As of this writing, all permits are in place, and each of the spreads are beginning to get manned up. As we all know, this job is going to be under much scrutiny. This project has the potential to draw protests similar to what we saw on the Dakota Access Pipeline. There will also be an added level of stress with the COVID-19 testing that will take place on these spreads. On top of all of this, working in Minnesota in the dead of winter is a challenge in itself. This project, finally being built, is a huge win for our advocacy efforts. It shows what we can accomplish when we all pull together for one common cause. Please keep advocating by participating in the Local 798 Action Network. There is also a fight going on in Michigan over Enbridge's Line 5 Project. We will likely have more actions available to take for this important project as well.

The Integrity Maintenance work should be as good or better this year than in the past several years. This work is the future of the pipeline industry. We will continue to fight and advocate for all types of pipeline work, but the man-hours from the maintenance work far outweighed the man-hours gained from all new-lay mainline projects in 2020. As the new mainline projects face more and more permit issues, this trend will likely continue.

If there is ever anything that I can help you with, please don't hesitate to call me. ***As always, I am proud to serve the membership of Pipeliners Local Union 798!***

Fraternally,

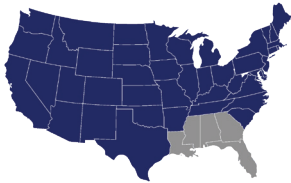
Justin Wallace
Financial Secretary-Treasurer

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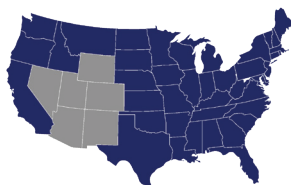
Jerry Dale Crabtree, Jr.

As you read this report, 2020 has finally come to an end, and 2021 is off and running. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and enjoyed treasured memories with your family. I also hope this report finds all my Brothers and Sisters in good health. The weather can be very hectic this time of year, so I hope everyone takes their time and safely makes it to their destinations.

It was a pleasure visiting with all that attended the December meeting. Congratulations to Black Schroeder on his retirement. We are going to miss you! I want to remind everyone to make plans to attend our regular meeting on January 8, 2021. We are all empowered by the knowledge gained when staying involved in our local and our regular meetings.

As many of you know, work in my jurisdiction is still slow. Union hands working non-union jobs is very detrimental to our way of life, and unfortunately, it has been very prevalent. I encourage and appreciate all the phone calls, so feel free to call me with any questions or concerns at 918-991-5341. I am here to serve YOU!

In closing, I wish all of you a Happy New Year! God bless you all, and God bless this great local.



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Justin Head

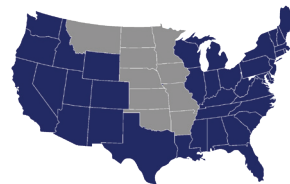
I write this report while returning home from the December Membership Meeting. It was great to see everyone that made it and to have a chance to visit. The attendance was slightly lower than September but still a good turnout for the weather conditions and time of year.

I want to congratulate Black Schroeder on his new chapter in life. He served this local well and deserves everything good that comes his way. With that said, I would also like to congratulate Joe Gaines on his appointment as the BA in Texas. I know he will do a great job.

The work in my area is winding down for the year, and I've spoken with some of the gas companies about the maintenance work in my area. I am optimistic that after the new budgets come out for 2021, they will give more fair contractors the opportunity to compete on their work. I have stated before, the work is leaning toward maintenance, and without the big mainlines, that will be the bulk of our work for the foreseeable future. Make sure you have the skill sets to man this work, be proficient with an in-service test and be familiar with the different procedures required. I still see a good chance of some mainline work, 35-mile jobs or less. However, I am still uncertain how the gas companies will adjust budgets or replan their work with the current political climate. Until we know, I will continue to pursue the work the same as always.

I am also working on a large diameter water line project that will go through Wyoming and come down into Colorado. The project hit a couple of speed bumps in the permitting process but continues to inch closer to being a reality in the next year or two. Depending on what happens next, you may see an action on the Action Network to help move this project forward. It is a PLA project to be built by skilled labor.

In closing, I hope everyone had the chance to spend some time with family over the holidays and has a happy and blessed new year! If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call.



AR, IA, KS, MN, MO, MT, NE, ND, OK, SD
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Phillip Wallace

The 2020 work season was the slowest in the last several years. We will end the year with around 5.2 million man-hours. The election year, COVID-19, and the environmental groups that we fight every day for our jobs, were big reasons some projects were shut down or canceled; projects that we depend on for our livelihood. We kicked off eight pump stations for the Keystone XL in late 2020. And TC Energy is very optimistic about starting more stations and beginning to lay pipe in the spring of 2021.

The Enbridge Line 3 Replacement Project received all the permits, and I pre-jobbed six spreads in Minnesota to kick off in December. Enbridge gave our contractors the green light as soon as the last permits were issued and did not wait until spring for fear the same environmental groups that we have fought for six years would gain support to shut it down. We have laid large diameter pipe in the cold north before, and we will do it again.

The Integrity Maintenance work was winding down in the fourth quarter of 2020. All summer, the gas companies said that COVID-19 was using up the money budgeted for this work. I think 2021 will be a good year for us in Integrity Maintenance.

I want to thank all the true Brothers and Sisters, who believe in this local union, that have participated in the Action Network to advocate for your jobs. Step up and do your part for yourself and your family.

God bless us all, and God bless America.

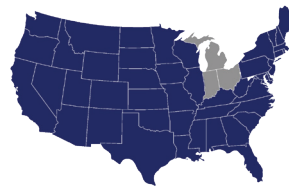
Pre-Jobs:

Michels Pipeline:

- Thief River Falls, MN. Spread 1A. 48.75 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Gordon Cameron. Welder Foreman: Shannon Jackson. Pipe Man: Greg Gallaher. Job Steward: Troy Post.
- Thief River Falls, MN. Spread 1B. 48.75 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Billy Rogers. Welder Foreman: Carl Overstreet. Pipe Man: Justin Cobb. Job Steward: Preston Richard.

Precision Pipeline:

- Bemidji, MN. Spread 2. 72.09 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Jim Cunningham. Welder Foreman: Dennis Jackson. Pipe Man: Mountain Bear. Job Steward: Todd Hartle.
- Backus, MN. Spread 3. 79.82 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Kevin Olerud. Welder Foreman: Brad Gilmore. Pipe Man: Travis Bailey. Job Steward: Bradley Mudd.
- Hill City, MN. Spread 4. 37.47 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Mike Buric. Welder Foreman: Brian Fox. Pipe Man: Steve Rank. Job Steward: Brett Mason.
- Carlton, MN. Spread 5. 53.85 miles of 36" for Enbridge Line 3. Superintendent: Rick Swing. Welder Foreman: Raymond Johnson. Pipe Man: Matt Cowart. Job Steward: Tracy Lester.



IN, MI, OH
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Charles Yates, Jr.

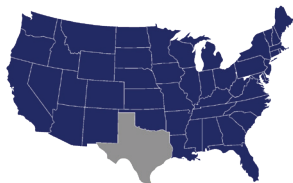
In 2020, we faced historic challenges from a lack of work and a pandemic to a chaotic presidential election. We continue to struggle with a rising number of COVID-19 cases that restrict every aspect of our lives and have us a bit fearful. Both the current political climate and the presence of a global virus have greatly influenced our industry. Now, more than ever, we must support our livelihood and strengthen our nation's infrastructure by attending town hall meetings, signing petitions, and following the Action Network at action.local798.org. It may seem insignificant, but it truly is our best tool to be a voice of support.

Work in Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio is at a standstill like most areas. Contractors and gas companies are exercising every precaution to follow the CDC guidelines. Despite the continued emphasis on safety first, protestors are now using COVID-19 as ammunition to prevent future projects. Thankfully, Enbridge's Line 3 in Minnesota is moving toward kick-off, but the much-anticipated Mackinaw Strait's Line 5 continues to face permitting issues and constant resistance from the governor's office. "Product from Line 5 is essential to manufacturing more than 6,000 items, including eyewear, clothing, hand sanitizer, vehicles, shampoo, toothpaste, and medical equipment. Line 5 meets 65% of the Upper Peninsula's energy needs and delivers 55% of Michigan's statewide propane needs." **(The Great Lakes Tunnel Project, December 13, 2020. www.enbridge.com/projectsandinfrastructure/publicawareness/)** Currently, the four-mile tunnel is scheduled to begin construction in 2021.

I just returned from the December Membership Meeting, where we had 88 in attendance. Thank you to those who ventured out and made the trip. We discussed the work outlook and maintenance projects, as well as current numbers. Health care dipped because we have had fewer contributions and increased health care costs. Man-hours were down in 2020, but all the funds are solvent. We are fortunate to be part of a union family with protections and benefits.

I wish Black Schroeder all the best on his retirement and welcome newly appointed Joe Gaines as the next Texas Business Agent. Those are some big boots to fill. Black believed in me and gave me my first big opportunity as a steward in 2006, and from there, our friendship grew. I cannot begin to list all that we have shared on the ROW, the highway, and in our homes. He contributed significantly to our industry, Pipeliners Local 798, and my life. Godspeed, my dear friend. You won the prized shiny belt buckle embossed with pride and accomplishment.

Happy New Year to you and yours! If I can be of assistance, don't hesitate to call. Shop small, support union, and buy made in the USA.



TX
918-237-3573



Joe Gaines

I write this report after attending the December Membership Meeting. I want to start by congratulating Black Schroeder on his retirement. I first met Black over 20 years ago on a job in Tennessee. I had recently joined 798, and it was only my second union job. From the moment I met Black, I knew he was not only a good Welder but a good man. Fast forward five years, and I was stewarding work for Black in Texas. Over the years, Black has mentored me, counseled me, and helped me to make my way on this path. I have nothing but the utmost respect and admiration for him, and I wish him the very best in all his future endeavors! "Buck! Baby, Buck!" I also want to thank Danny Hendrix for the opportunity to work for our great local. I know that I have big shoes to fill as the BA for Texas, and I will do my best not to let the membership down.

I spent the last few months visiting all the work underway in Texas, from the Keystone XL Stations to the Michels HDD drill under the Houston Ship Channel. Work in Texas remains slow, with the majority of the work still going to non-union contractors. To regain market share, we must remain steadfast to work union only. Union contractors also must do their part and bid work in Texas.

Additionally, I ask you to take part in the Action Network. This is one of our best tools to advocate for change. When you see a post on Facebook asking for your help, take a few minutes and make your voice heard. It is so important that we stand together to help regain work, especially in the South.

Thank you to everyone that attended the December meeting. I know with the year of COVID-19, it is difficult to travel, so thank you for making the sacrifice. It was great to see old friends and see a few new faces.

In closing, remember that if I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to call. My cell number is 918-237-3573. Thanks to everyone that has reached out to congratulate me on my appointment. I am honored and humbled to work for the best pipeliners in the world. Best wishes for a prosperous 2021!

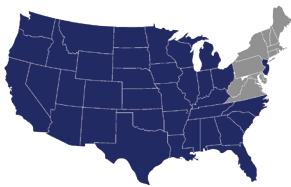
Pre-Jobs:

Roberts Pipeline, Inc.:

- Lancaster, OH. 540' of 16" HDD in Fairfield County for TC Energy. Superintendent: Mark Decker. Welder Foreman: Milan Klaus. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 12-11-20.

Charps, LLC:

- Lancaster, OH. One change out on Line 15, 30" pipe in Vinton County for Enbridge. Superintendent: D.J. Omang. Welder Foreman: Joseph Foris. Working 6-10s. Job complete.



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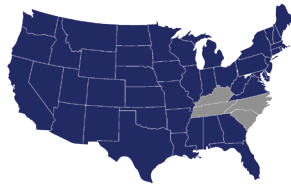
David Butterworth



The work in the Northeast is currently slow, and I am hopeful that things will pick up after the first of the year. On the horizon for 2021, we have the Leidy South and the Bridgeline and McCravey projects for Williams Companies. Leidy South consists of approximately 12 miles of 36" and 42", while the Bridgeline and McCravey, both in Pennsylvania, include approximately four miles of 24" and 3.7 miles of 20". Also, National Fuel Gas has 29.51 miles of 20" expected to kick off in Pennsylvania this spring. Some of the MVP spreads are still working in West Virginia and Virginia, but they use small crews to work on individual bore permits as the permits become available. The MVP is also still deliberating with the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals on the NWP 12 Army Corps of Engineers water certification details. Until this issue is resolved, I don't look for the MVP to fully man up.

The projects listed above are expected to go, but as with all pipeline jobs in the Northeast, permits will play a major role in determining when they will actually start. Please check the Action Network to see if any actions are required. I also expect to have some maintenance work in the upcoming year. A large portion of the 2020 workload was maintenance, and it looks like this trend will continue into 2021. Maintenance work requires a broad range of welding skills, and the 9045 downhill low hydrogen welding procedure is becoming more prevalent. If you are looking to weld on one of these projects, I would suggest broadening your skills so we can continue to man them properly.

By the time you receive this report, the holidays will have come and gone. I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and wish everyone a Happy New Year. I pray that everyone stays safe during these abnormal times we live in, and I hope that 2021 shapes up to be a significant improvement to 2020.



KY, NC, SC, TN
918-270-6735

Chris Lancaster



I write this report following my return from the December Membership Meeting. As always, it was a useful and informative meeting. On a sad note, during the meeting, Black Schroeder announced his retirement. Black has significantly contributed to our local as a member and as a Business Agent. He has worked hard to help us maintain the level of respect we all deserve, and he helped to get us better working conditions and benefits. I have always been proud to call him my friend, and he is a friend to the membership as well. He will be missed, but I'm pleased that he has reached the point where he can begin the next chapter in his life and enjoy his retirement. On a brighter note, congratulations to Brother Joe Gaines for his appointment as the new BA for the state of Texas. Joe is an excellent, strong union member, and I'm sure he will professionally represent us. I look forward to working with him.

The work hasn't picked up since my last report. There are still several small jobs out for bid that have yet to be awarded. Let us all hope that 2021 will be a better year, and things such as COVID-19 won't drag our work down as it has in 2020.

The January meeting will be here soon. I look forward to seeing you there. I hope all of you had a Merry Christmas, and I wish you a happy and safe new year.

Pre-Jobs:

Charps, LLC:

- Hartsville, TN. Two (2) - 30" change outs. Welder Foreman: Joseph Foris. Superintendent: Brandon Olson. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 12-20-20.

Contractors Rental Corp dba CJ Hughes:

- Catlettsburg, KY. Six (6) - 10" pipe replacements. Welder Foreman: Todd Caseman. Superintendent: Matt Hill. Working 5-10s. Integrity Maintenance. Approx. completion 12-12-20.



DISPATCH Report

Justin Hornback

As we get 2021 started, I want to bring up some helpful reminders. Make sure you select every skill on your out-of-work card for the jobs for which you are applying. If you do not have a required skill selected on your card, you will need to submit a new one. It takes 48 hours to update before you may apply for the job. Ensure you call and place yourself on the out-of-work wheel anytime you are laid off, quit, are fired, or leave a project for another reason. You can always check your number through the automated system or on the members' login on the website. Ensure that you have your most up-to-date contact information on file. If you ever have any questions or want more information regarding the Dispatch Policy, give us a call in the Dispatch office.

Building trades opportunities slowed down during the holidays to almost nothing except for the UA 101 welder calls in the Ohio/Michigan area. Those that have obtained their certification have found employment relatively quickly. We have heard of upcoming projects from other locals, and we anticipate some future opportunities arising. Heli-arc certifications are usually the first calls we see open up on most projects. If you have never welded with a tig torch, or it has been years since your last weld, it would be beneficial to get into the Training Center for some practice or to get your certifications updated. If you are interested in getting on the building trades list, give us a call, and we will add your information and certifications to the list.

I hope everyone has a healthy, peaceful, and prosperous 2021.

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ORGANIZING Report

Ronnie Hill 918-284-6862

I hope this report finds everyone doing well and in good health. It will soon be a year since I first mentioned COVID-19 in my report. I certainly didn't think we would still be dealing with it after all this time, but it's sad to say that is precisely the case. It is a very puzzling virus, to say the least. The severity seems to depend on the individual. Some have very mild symptoms, and for others, it can be severe. Regardless of your thoughts on it, please take precautions to protect yourself and others. This thing has changed almost everything we are accustomed to and our daily way of life, and it seems to be poised to do that for a very long time.

Line 3, thankfully, is underway and will provide some good jobs. It should last through the winter. A job this size through the winter is rare. It will be very cold, but it will provide some very good paychecks when work has been scarce. The KXL is still a possibility, and hopefully, it will become a reality sooner rather than later. That project has been a political football for a very long time. Please continue to sign all petitions, letters, etc., from the Action Network. Many jobs would never have received approval without our activism. Heavily scrutinized jobs such as the KXL need continued support from every one of us. The Action Network benefits us greatly in so many ways.

The recent presidential election has turned into a fiasco but should be settled by the time you read this. Regardless of how it turns out, some will be happy, and others will not. Feelings and emotions in this election have run high. But whichever way it turned out, we are and will always remain a family, Brothers and Sisters, united in a common cause to secure work, a living wage, and benefits for ourselves and our families. Remember that we are one, we are united, and we will always stand in solidarity together for our industry and the betterment of every person.

The work down here has been slow as it has in most of the country. Both union and non-union alike have been almost at a standstill. I will be spending a considerable amount of time after the first of the year in South and West Texas, along with New Mexico and western Oklahoma. If anyone has any information in any of these areas, or any area for that matter, please give me a call. If you are contacted by a nonunion company in another capacity, I would like to hear from you. We must continue to try and convince the unorganized worker that being a union member is not only the best thing for them, but for the industry as a whole. Our goal must always be to achieve a 100% union industry.

As Black Schroeder takes his retirement, I would like to say that I have known Black for many years and worked with him on welding jobs. I also had the pleasure to work with him here in the state of Texas over the last 10 years for Local 798. He has been truly devoted to this local and has always been a true professional in every way. So, to Black, I say, "Enjoy your well-deserved retirement. You earned it, Brother, and it has been a great honor to have worked beside you and to have you as my Business Agent."

Brother Joe Gaines will be our new Business Agent for the state of Texas. I have known Joe for a long time as well. Although Joe has some very large shoes to fill, I am confident he is up to the task. Not only is he a hard worker, but he is a skilled craftsman that is second to none. He is also a straight-up honest young man that will serve this local union and its membership well. "Welcome, Joe, you will do well, and congratulations."

If there is any way I can help anyone, please feel free to call me at any time. Please work and travel safe, and I wish each of you a safe and prosperous new year. Remain the most highly productive and skilled pipeliners in the world and always be union proud.

I certainly hope everyone enjoyed a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with their families. Hopefully, this new year, 2021, will be nothing like the one we just experienced. I think everyone can agree that 2020 is a year we are happy to see behind us, and one we are not likely to forget very soon. I know I won't soon forget it.

Fraternally,
Ronnie M. Hill

Meeting Notice

January 8, 2021

The Regular January Membership Meeting will be held at the Pipeliners Local Union 798 Union Hall, 4823 S. 83rd E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74145, on Friday, January 8, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.

****Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, there will be no Friday membership lunch or Ladies of 798 Hospitality. ****

Hotel Accommodations

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Meeting Notice

April 9, 2021

The Regular April Membership Meeting will be held at the Pipeliners Local Union 798 Union Hall, 4823 S. 83rd E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74145, on Friday, April 9, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.

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Enbridge Line 3 sends thanks to the Local 798 Training Center. Special thanks to their trainers, Lantz Schwartz, Kyle Comstock, Logan Schwarting, and Zach Watkins. Also, thanks to Northern Horizons, Inc. in Solway, Minnesota, for their hospitality and Luke Bruns and Levi Novacek for all their help.

2021 UA Convention Delegates/Alternates Election

As you are aware, the ballot count for the 2021 UA Convention Delegates/Alternates Election was rescheduled for Saturday, December 19. On Thursday, December 10, after the 9:00 a.m. CST deadline, the Election Committee mailed the returned ballots from the Sheridan Station Post Office located at 6110 E. 51st Pl., Tulsa, OK 74135 to the Garden City Post Office located at 600 Franklin Ave., Garden City, NY 11530 via priority mail. As of December 18, the ballots were still in transit to the Garden City Post Office and did not arrive in time for the ballot count. USPS is experiencing unprecedented volume increases and limited employee availability due to the impacts of COVID-19. Once the ballots have been received at the Garden City Post Office, a date for the ballot count will be determined.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, do not hesitate to contact an Election Committee member.

Greg M. Russell (Chairman): Cell: 318-348-3147 Email: pipelinehand798@yahoo.com
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Renée Vause

Director

IMPORTANT PLAN CHANGES

The Board of Trustees of Pipeline Industry Pension Fund, Pipeline Industry Annuity 401(k) Plan, and Pipeline Industry Benefit Fund met on December 2, 2020, and approved changes to the respective Plans as summarized below. These important pension plan, 401(k) plan, and health and welfare plan changes will affect active participants, spouses, children, and retirees. The Pipeline Industry Benefit Fund (PIBF) office will be sending a document titled *Summary of Material Plan Modifications* dated December 2020, which outlines all the recent changes. Several highlighted changes include:

- ◇ An extension of pension credit levels for 2,080 hours for 1¾ pension credits and 2,200 hours for 2 pension credits was granted through December 31, 2021.
- ◇ The amount available to a participant for a 401(k) Hardship Distribution was previously expanded from Employee contributions only to include QNEC/Employer contributions and earnings on Employee and QNEC/Employer contributions. This was originally in place effective April 1, 2020, through March 31, 2021. This has been extended through April 30, 2021. Beginning May 1, 2021, the amount available for a Hardship Distribution will be from Employee contributions only.

Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) Wellbeing Enable Program Launch - Updated ID Cards to be Mailed in January

The Board of Trustees has elected to change the PIBF Utilization and Preauthorization provider to the BCBS Wellbeing Medical Management Program effective February 1, 2021. The Wellbeing Enable program also includes many options that will help you and your family manage your physical and mental health and wellbeing. Please watch your mail for the new ID cards which will be mailed in a BCBS envelope in January. The new card will include the new Wellbeing Management phone number, so be sure to destroy your old card. Please note, there is no change to your PIBF Plan.

COVID-19 Testing and Vaccine Coverage – PIBF is a “grandfathered health plan.”

PIBF provides coverage for diagnosis and testing for COVID-19. During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, this coverage is at 100% for the cost of the test along with certain costs to determine a COVID-19 diagnosis. As of the date of this article, guidance for coverage of the vaccine is being finalized. Information provided to PIBF indicates that the first phase of the vaccine will be 100% government-funded for the cost of the vaccine. Costs related to the administration of the vaccine will either be shared by PIBF or covered by the provider or clinic through a Provider Relief Fund. The Fund will monitor this developing guidance and adjust coverage criteria of the vaccine accordingly. After the initial phase of the vaccine, coverage will likely be provided at PIBF co-insurance rates. As a reminder, PIBF is a “grandfathered health plan” under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the Affordable Care Act). As permitted by the Affordable Care Act, a grandfathered health plan can preserve certain basic health coverage that was already in effect when that law was enacted. Being a grandfathered health plan means that PIBF may not include certain consumer protections of the Affordable Care Act that apply to other plans, for example, the requirement for the provision of preventive health services without any cost-sharing. This includes certain vaccinations. PIBF will follow all federal mandates for coverage of the COVID-19 testing and vaccine as it relates to a grandfathered health plan.

Email Addresses and Other Personal Information

To remain HIPAA compliant, PIBF and Local 798 do not share change of address information. It is extremely important that plan participants notify both 798 and PIBF when permanent address changes occur or when email or telephone numbers change. You can change your address by mail, by calling the Fund office at 918-280-4800, or by going online to www.pibf.org, logging in to the “Members Login” section, and choosing “Change of Address Form” under the “Forms” tab.

Deductibles Renew January 1st

Please remember that medical and prescription deductibles start over at the beginning of the year. The PIBF office receives a large volume of calls early in the year, questioning the price increase from their last refill. In most cases, this is due to the deductible having to be met before the prescription is covered with co-insurance.

Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)

The HRA deadline is fast approaching for 2020 claims. Don't leave money on the table! Remember to file for reimbursement of your 2020 claims by April 15, 2021.

Summary of Benefits and Coverage

The PIBF office recently mailed out the Summary of Benefits and Coverage describing what the benefit plan covers and what it costs. This is a condensed version of our PIBF Summary Plan Description booklet showing comparable information about your health plan benefits and coverage.

MDLIVE - Virtual Medical Visit Option

The MDLIVE program launched on May 1, 2020. Hopefully, you have all registered and set up a profile for you and your dependents to use should you need the service. It is a great idea to do this in advance of your first virtual visit. **If you have not yet registered, you can now get to the MDLIVE website by clicking on the MDLIVE logo on our homepage, www.pibf.org.** As a reminder, this is a virtual medical visit program offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield for active and COBRA participants and for participants where PIBF is the primary coverage. This program will give 24/7/365 access to speak to a doctor from any location. Co-payment for this service will be \$15 per visit. This co-payment will not count toward your annual medical benefits deductible or out-of-pocket expense limit. It will be eligible for reimbursement under the HRA by submitting your Explanation of Benefits (EOB) with a completed HRA Claim Form.

Featured Personnel



Anisha Acharya is the Senior Accountant in the Accounting Department at PIBF. She assists the Controller with the accounting duties. She has been with the PIBF for over a year and enjoys learning about the pipeline industry and the operations of a non-profit organization.

Anisha moved to the United States from Sydney, Australia, with her family 5 years ago when her husband got transferred internally within his company. She has been married to her husband, Saroj, for

12 years and has two daughters, 8 and 5 years old. In her spare time, she enjoys reading books, spending time outdoors with her family, and visiting new places.

Anisha's message to the membership is, "I am so grateful to be a part of such an incredible organization and to be working with a wonderful group of people in a very supportive environment. Thank you to our members at the Local 798 for your hard work and for the opportunity to serve you."



Halley Shelton has worked at PIBF for 5 years and started in June of 2015. She works in the Pensions and Contributions department and takes care of the steward reports, discrepancies, and talking to the members about their eligibility. She is not married but is in a relationship. Halley spends her free time going on walks with her dog, Swayze, going to concerts (pre-COVID), reading, and listening to new music. She is currently in school and plans to complete her degree in May of 2021.

Halley says, "I am so grateful to be a part of such a great work family. PIBF has given me many blessings and I am so happy to help serve the membership by keeping up with their hours and eligibility. I can't wait to see what else is in store for me and this wonderful organization."



Grant Sample initiated into Pipeliners Local 798 on June 30, 1956, and worked in the field as a pipeline Welder for many years. In July of 1976, Grant became the Director of Pipeline Industry Benefit Fund, a position he held for more than two decades. In May of 2006, Grant was appointed to the Board of Trustees. After serving more than 14 years as a Trustee, Grant retired on December 31, 2020. Thank you, Grant, for all your work as a Trustee. We wish you well with your retirement.



Update Your Information

The beginning of a new year is a great time to update your contact information with the union hall. Simply sign into the Member Login section of the Local 798 website at www.local798.org to verify your information is current. This includes mailing address, phone numbers, email address, and demographics.



Pipeliners Voluntary Fund Scholarship Program

Calling all students! The deadline to submit your completed application, appraisal forms, and transcripts is January 22, 2021. Applications can be downloaded online from the Local Union 798 website at www.local798.org. The application is available under the Voluntary Fund tab in the Scholarships section.

Year-End Statements

Your monthly dues, Voluntary Fund, and working assessments paid for 2020 are available to you on the Member Login section of the Local 798 website. Once signed in, click on the payment history page, and enter any year period to view the total amount of monies paid during that time. To view your working assessments and organizing fees paid, you must go to the work hour page and enter the date range you need, it will give you the totals for that time frame. ***Please remember, hours are typically reported 30-45 days behind, so if you worked in December, those working assessments will not appear until late January to mid-February 2021.***

Your emailed year-end statements will not be available until after February 22, 2021. If you do not have an email address on file, your year-end statements will be mailed to your home address. We will be working diligently to get this information out to all members, so we will be unable to provide the information over the phone prior to that date. However, you may obtain this information when logged into the Member Login section of the website as indicated above. Please keep in mind that it is our goal to provide the membership all the information they need, while striving to do so in the most cost-efficient ways possible.



Short & Personal

THANK YOU

The Family of William G. "Bucky" Price thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The check was greatly appreciated before Bucky's passing. Special thanks to Fred Curran, Danny Hendrix, and Justin Wallace. God bless all the members of Local 798.

Mitchell and Kim Elliott thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The help was greatly appreciated during Kim's second cancer diagnosis and surgery. It's a privilege and an honor to belong to such a great organization. Special thanks to Neal Crabtree, Justin Wallace, and Jerry Dale Crabtree, Jr.

The Family of David Phillip "Phil" Starbuck thank the Brothers and Sisters of Pipeliners Local 798 for the support and prayers during the loss of their son and father. It was a shock to all. Special thanks to Charlie Yates and Kirk King.

Mike and Camey Miller thank every member that contributes to the Voluntary Fund each week. The gift received during the time their newborn son, Michael Henry, was in NICU was greatly appreciated and unexpected. They have waited 16 long years for this miracle and to receive that gift during those difficult times was a complete blessing.

A.J. Fessenden thanks the Voluntary Fund for the help received after the loss of his father. He is truly grateful to Dave Marsh (Carrot), Justin Wallace, Danny Hendrix, and all his 798 Brothers and Sisters.

The Family of Rance Spaid thanks everyone for the thoughts, prayers and donations. Special thanks to Phillip Wallace for his time and help. Please continue to pray for Tim Bellinghausen and his family.

Mark and Cindy Matthews thank the Voluntary Fund for the help received when their grandson was injured in a fire and had to be flown to a children's hospital. It was very helpful and much appreciated! Special thanks to Kerry Lobell, Clyde Smith, and Cody Lancaster.

Reid Hebert, Sr. thanks his 798 Family and all his Brothers and Sisters who contribute to the Voluntary Fund for the financial assistance during his time of need. After having back surgery and not being able to work for three months, it definitely came in handy. "May God bless you all and keep you safe!"

Stanley Martin thanks Justin Wallace and the Brothers and Sisters of this great local for the help from the Voluntary Fund during his recovery from a horse accident when he couldn't get out to work. He hopes to be back out soon.

The Family of Michael Topazio appreciates the help from all the contributing Brothers and Sisters for the check received from the Voluntary Fund. Michael always gave each pay period because he felt helping people in difficult times was necessary. Thank you for your generosity and, "May God bless all of it's wonderful, hard-working, dedicated members." They also thank 798 for the bible received.

Rob Martin thanks everyone that donated to the Voluntary Fund for the check he received after his surgery. It was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Danny Hendrix, Justin Wallace, Bob Houston, Ron Moss, and Robert Brown.

Robert A. Taylor II and Family thank Pipeliners Local 798 and members who donated to the Voluntary Fund for the check received. It will help with damages incurred during Hurricanes Laura and Delta. He is thankful for an organization that takes care of its Brother members in bad times.

Joseph S. Campbell thanks the Voluntary Fund and all the Brothers and Sisters who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The money will really help with his recent hospital stay with heart problems. He appreciates the help! Special thanks to Johnny Ray Warren, John Michael Johnson, Zachary Campbell, Danny Hendrix, and Justin Wallace.

Martin and Karen Hand are humbled and grateful to receive the monies so thoughtfully sent. Their part of Louisiana has definitely seen its fair share of hurricanes this year, and your generosity was much appreciated and welcomed. "Our hearts were smiling. Thank you very, very much for thinking of our family."

Eli James thanks the membership and the other tradesmen who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The assistance was much appreciated. Special thanks to Wayne and Jenny Bates and Lil Fred for their support.

Billy Chenhall, Jr. thanks all the Brothers and Sisters who contribute to the Voluntary Fund and Kelly Jellison for his letter after the recent passing of his wife, Mona.

Jimmy Strange and Robin Bogus thank the Voluntary Fund for the money received after Robin had to make an emergency trip to Florida for her mom's open-heart surgery and aftercare. Special thanks to Danny Hendrix, George and Donna Murphrey, Jimbo and Kayla Foreman, and all who contribute to this benevolent fund.

Shannon Jackson thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund and all the many phone calls received during the two back-to-back hurricanes that hit his home. The gift was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Sam Jacks, Buddy Kervin, Tony Tristani, and Karman Mason. All the generators greatly helped him and his family.

Jayson and Regina Lambert thank the Brothers and Sisters of the Local 798 Voluntary Fund for their help with the passing of Jayson's father. Special thanks to Van Smith for his help.

Gibran and Melodie Smith appreciate and thank all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The back-to-back hurricanes that passed over the state of Louisiana brought a lot of destruction and worry for them and their Brothers and Sisters of Local 798 that live in their great state.

Bobby Burns thanks all the members for the financial aid that was received during his recovery. "It was very much appreciated. What a great organization to belong to!"

Joe Lee and Family thank the Brothers and Sisters of Local 798 for the gift during their difficult time of losing their father. It was very appreciated.

Pat Gros thanks all members of Local 798 for being so kind and gracious. Hurricane Laura and now Hurricane Delta have both left their beautiful community devastated. The contributions to the Voluntary Fund made it possible for her to restock a fridge and buy necessities like gas for her generator or her car to go in search of bread and ice. She is proud to be part of such a wonderful organization where everyone is family.

Corey and Ashlee Sharp and Girls thank you for the Voluntary Fund check received after Hurricane Sally. Special thanks to Joseph "Joe" Hurt, Kerry Lobell, and Darrell Turner for writing in. "Thank you for all the calls and texts. We love and appreciate all of you."

Robert Morris thanks all the union Brothers and Sisters that give to the Voluntary Fund. Special thanks to Chrissy and Jeff Park and Local 798.

Beverly Hallman and the Family of Jerry Leon Hallman thank all the Brothers and Sisters of the 798 Pipeliners Union for the help during their trying times.

Michael R. Thompson thanks everyone who contributes to the Voluntary Fund. Your generosity will go toward repairing damages to their home caused by Hurricanes Laura and Delta. Special thanks to Danny Hendrix, Phillip Wallace, and Jerry Crabtree, Jr.

Mack Doyle thanks the Voluntary Fund for the help received following Hurricane Laura in southwest Louisiana. Special thanks to Danny Hendrix, Justin Wallace, and Jerry Dale Crabtree, Jr.

Guy and Maria Williams thank the Voluntary Fund for the check received after Maria's recent surgery. They appreciate all the members of Local 798 that contribute to this wonderful fund. Special thanks to Danny Hendrix and Justin Wallace for all they do for our local.

Debbie Townsend and Family thank you all for the prayers and good wishes. It was such a comfort to talk to Danny's pipeline friends as they shared the many nice memories of working with him. The Bereavement Keepsake was very nice.

Scott "Scooter" Fortune thanks his Brothers and Sisters who contribute to the Voluntary Fund for the check received. Special thanks to Preston R'chard, Nate Rickard, Corey Hiller, and Danny Hendrix. He is very proud to be a member of this great local. "God bless and a safe work season to all."

Don and Debi King cannot begin to explain how thankful they really are for the check received from the Voluntary Fund. It was such a blessing as they navigate through their financial change due to Don's cancer diagnosis.

Tom Y'Baro, Jr. thanks the Voluntary Fund for the assistance received. It is greatly appreciated. "God bless everyone who gives." Special thanks to Philip McCan.

Clayton Temple and Family thank the Voluntary Fund for the check. It will go a long way in helping them. "Being a member of Local 83 in Wheeling for around 14 years now, I've had the pleasure of working with several 798 members and have always been treated with much respect. God bless you all and thank you again!"

Randy and Lea Sample thank the members who contribute to our Voluntary Fund for the help they received during Lea's hospital stay. To belong to this great organization has been a blessing of their lifetime.

Jackie Johnston thanks Local 798 so much for the beautiful bereavement book. She appreciates it more than you know.

Andrew Blakeslee expresses his greatest appreciation and thanks for the donation. Your generosity will help their family during this difficult time. He can't wait to get back to doing what he loves after his arm heals. Andrew and his family are grateful for your support.

John Wayne and Linda Carte thank Local 798 for the help after the storms. Special thanks to Jerry Dale Crabtree for the caring phone call.

J. W. and Linda Osburn thank their 798 Brothers and Sisters for their generosity. The gift will greatly help with the bills incurred due to J.W.'s hospital stay. Special thanks to Brent Harper and Dale Crabtree.

Herman L. Hattaway thanks the Voluntary Fund for the generous gift after a tree fell on his house during Hurricane Delta. He also thanks the person that reported their loss. "We are in the process of getting our home repaired. What a blessing my wife and I were not injured. I appreciate my Brothers in Local 798." He is retired but still has a warm spot in his heart for the brotherhood of friends he made working on pipelines.

Jacob Hill thanks everybody for being there at his time of need and to all the guys that wrote in. "I think of the pipeline as my second family. I appreciate your thoughtfulness."

Stephen and Sarah Schafer thank the Voluntary Fund for the kindness. It is very much appreciated and will help greatly.

George Sanders thanks all the Brothers and Sisters that contribute to the Voluntary Fund. Local 798 is truly blessed to have such a wonderful group of members. The donation was greatly appreciated after his knee surgery. Special thanks to Robert Punk and Tim Shell. "God bless each of you."

Bruce Weeks thanks Jennifer Bates and Justin Wallace for the gift received from the Voluntary Fund. "During these trying times when our country is in turmoil and our industry is faced with lots of setbacks, we as 798 Brothers and Sisters have not lost faith in our leaders and for these reasons it makes me proud and honored to be a member of one of the greatest locals in the United States."

Ernie Fontenot and Greg Fontenot thank all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The checks were greatly appreciated during Hurricane Laura. Special thanks to Mack Doyle.

Dustin Monceaux thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The money was greatly appreciated after Hurricane Laura destroyed his RV. Special thanks to Jerry Crabtree and Preston R'chard.

Donnie and Marietta Monceaux thank all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. It really helped after being hit with two major hurricanes within six weeks. It is an honor to belong to such a giving and caring local. Special thanks to Jerry Crabtree and Preston R'chard. God bless all.

Mark Kongsjord thanks his Brothers and Sisters for the help and kind words received after the passing of his father. "Thank you all, and God bless."

Floyd Howell expresses his sincere gratitude and appreciation for all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. Special thanks to Vernon Leo Youtsey.

Greg Cooper thanks everyone who contributes their hard-earned money to the Voluntary Fund. It was a blessing to receive this after an emergency surgery, and corrective surgery a month later. Special thanks to Donald Hurst and Steve Stamper for the letter written on his behalf. God bless you all.

Alice Begishe thanks Danny Hendrix, Justin Wallace, and all his Brothers and Sisters in 798 for helping at her time of hardship. COVID has really done a number on her financially, work wise, etc.

John and Joanna Tims thank the Voluntary Fund for the money. It was really needed at the time of the loss of their father.

Jardel Ramirez of Local 725 thanks Local 798 and its members for the generous financial help. It really helped in his time of need.

RETIREMENTS

Anthony E. Ashby, Spacer, Marion, MI

David L. Ashby, Welder, Holland, MI

Ancita Begay, Helper, Pinon, AZ

Melissa Buchanan, Helper, Blasdell, NY

Robert H. Daniel, Welder, Broken Bow, OK

Jeff S. Davis, Helper, Ashland, KY

Robert L. Gafford, Spacer, Layton, UT

Danny J. Gage, Helper, Cutler, OH

David F. Hickman, Welder, Rogers, AR

Danny R. Morgan, Helper, Campti, LA

Matthew W. Temple, Spacer, Kingsford, MI

D. L. McKeefe, Jr., 79-year-old Retired Welder of Eufaula, OK, passed away November 17, 2020.

Ted Cox, Jr., 73-year-old Retired Welder of Haworth, OK, passed away November 21, 2020.

James Wheeler, 90-year-old Retired Spacer of Fairfield, FL, passed away November 23, 2020.

Henry L. Caskey, Jr., 95-year-old Retired Welder of Dodson, LA, passed away November 29, 2020.

James E. Scarborough, 82-year-old Retired Welder of Kirvin, TX, passed away December 9, 2020.

IN MEMORIAM

Tanya E. Millhouse, 57-year-old Helper of Cleveland, OH, passed away June 13, 2020.

Tyne A. Noggle, 29-year-old Helper of Rose Bud, AR, passed away June 15, 2020.

Bruce C. McCool, 74-year-old Retired Spacer of High Island, TX, passed away August 28, 2020.

Lanny R. Ware, 65-year-old Retired Helper of Tenaha, TX, passed away October 6, 2020.

Mark A. Kongsjord, 62-year-old Retired Welder of Deer River, MN, passed away October 10, 2020.

David P. Starbuck, 60-year-old Retired Spacer of Greenbriar, AR, passed away October 10, 2020.

Billy H. Gills, 81-year-old Retired Spacer of Mountain Home, AR, passed away October 12, 2020.

Sam McClain, Jr., 93-year-old Retired Welder of Henrietta, TX, passed away October 13, 2020.

William J. Bertelmann, 68-year-old Retired Helper of Lake Havasu City, AZ, passed away October 16, 2020.

Patricia Trujillo, 65-year-old Retired Welder of Albuquerque, NM, passed away October 17, 2020.

Robert E. Dotson, 80-year-old Retired Helper of Spencer, WV, passed away October 21, 2020.

Holmes H. Smith, 70-year-old Retired Welder of Oak Grove, LA, passed away October 23, 2020.

Elder S. Bailey, 96-year-old Retired Welder of Quitman, MS, passed away October 24, 2020.

Kenneth W. Morrison, 70-year-old Retired Welder of Clendenin, WV, passed away October 28, 2020.

George A. Johnston, 72-year-old Retired Welder of Central City, PA, passed away November 4, 2020.

Troy Cox, 82-year-old Retired Welder of Bald Knob, AR, passed away November 4, 2020.

Charles E. Ogle, 82-year-old Retired Welder of Rockbridge, OH, passed away November 7, 2020.

Pierre A. Bell, 57-year-old Retired Helper of Erie, PA, passed away November 9, 2020.

B. H. Dial, 85-year-old Retired Welder of Ida, LA, passed away November 13, 2020.

SWAP & SELL

2014 Forest River Trailer: Work and play. Located in Wheeling, WV area. \$9,000. Contact fabianvaras48@gmail.com.

Welding Rig: 2008 Chevrolet 3500 Duramax, 400 hp, 100,000 miles. Front end brand new, ready to work truck. Lincoln SAE 350 German engine, 3-cylinder, low hours, heavy duty machine. Comes with remote control box and welding leads. Only used on two jobs. Asking \$15,000. Contact fabianvaras48@gmail.com.

Welding Bed: Custom built diamond plate aluminum. Easy to work off of. Light weight. Roll-out trays in toolbox. Easy to load bottles. Leads lock up in the rear. \$8,500. Contact (918) 991-1004 or okpipliner@yahoo.com.

2003 Ford F-350 FWD: 61,000 miles, four-wheel drive, 2,900 hours on welding machine. Will sell truck as flat bed for \$20,000 or best offer. Will sell Lincoln Deutz II for \$8,000 or best offer. Contact (330) 627-6366 or fivestarfarms5@yahoo.com.

Welding Bed: Welding bed from 2019 F-350. Bed was built this summer. Fits a Miller Pipe Pro or Lincoln Welder. \$7,500. Contact (417) 655-7695 or devinmclerran@gmail.com.

2013 Lincoln SAE 300 HE: 609 hours. Runs and welds as it should. Includes 100' of remote lead, ditch box, and 250' of lead. \$10,000. Contact (740) 516-9538 or axal.robinson@aol.com.

2010 Miller Big Blue 350 Pipe Pro: Runs and welds great. Comes with a (true remote) cordless remote. If you're not familiar with the true remote brand, look them up, by far better than the Miller cordless remote. 2,300 hours. Serviced regularly. \$7,500. Contact darrowjohn11@yahoo.com.

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Patch Logo Cap - Winter
Item #107 - \$15.00

Knitted Cap
Item # 102 - \$8.00

Gray Long-Sleeve T-Shirt
Item #118 - \$17.00
(S, M, L, XL, XLT, 2XL, 2XLT, 3XL, 3XLT, 4XL, 4XLT)

Black Long-Sleeve T-Shirt
Item #119 - \$17.00
(S, M, L, XL, XLT, 2XL, 2XLT, 3XL, 3XLT, 4XL, 4XLT)

Navy Tiger Stripe Fleece Jacket
Item # 109 - \$60.00
(S, M, L, LT, XL, XLT, 2XL, 2XLT, 3XL, 3XLT, 4XL, 4XLT)

Navy Pullover Hoodie
Item #116 - \$37.00
(S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

Local 798 Blanket
Item #135 - \$37.00