

## Local Union 2032

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### From the Desk of Michael Malek, Business Manager



Mike Malek

#### Thoughts and Ideas from

- Michael Malek
- Peter Dishaw
- Bill Brown
- Val Pelkey

Peter Dishaw



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Once again let me welcome all of you to our newsletter. I hope you find this information useful and informative. Feel free to offer any comments or suggestions to improve it.

Let me begin by announcing that our elections are officially over and that our new slate of officers have all been sworn in to take on their duties. I would like to welcome them on board and as well acknowledge the outgoing officers, stewards and committee members for their service. There is no question why the IBEW stands tall in the labor movement and that is directly attributed to the dedication and hard work of its members and officers.

Also, our yearly Labor Day Parade in Massena was outstanding this year. We had a great turnout of marchers. Bill Maxwell, J.J. Gray, Phil Pomainville and Randy Woodside did an excellent job on the float. Thanks to all who made that day such a special event. If you get a chance you can view pictures on our website or go to U-tube Mas-

senal Labor Day to view it.

I would like to talk to you about the upcoming elections that are just days away. Never has there been a more critical time for us to mobilize and get out and vote. We worked very hard to get our politicians elected and the risks are just too high if we lose them. You must realize there are people out there who don't agree with our principles and threaten our way of life.

We have people working on campaigns in three regions. Jeff Popiel, Dave Mix and Gary Bright are coordinating the Delaware, Schoharie County Region. Mike Roberts, Nicole Getz are taking care of Oneida County and Peter Dishaw, Bill Brown and Ben Murtagh are working the St. Lawrence County area and overseeing our phone banks.

I have also have attached in this newsletter a list of our Federal and State endorsed candidates for your reference. So let's all get out there and work hard and

get our friends and family out there to vote. Join President Hill, Vice President Siegal, and myself to elect candidates who want to work with us and make this country the best it can be.

Fraternally,



### President Peter Dishaw Thoughts

Dear Brothers, and Sisters,

I would like to wish everyone a happy upcoming holiday season. Be safe, and enjoy. We are fast approaching negotiations and believe we are in an excellent position to do well. Please fill out the negotiation forms, so we have your ideas on what you would like changed, or added to the new contract. Include your personal e-mail address also, in case we have a question about your ideas.

Before negotiations begin, we have a State election to get through on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. I would like to see everyone get

out to vote for the candidates we endorsed. This doesn't really need to be said, but we may need them during negotiations. An endorsement is only as strong as the members that get out to vote for the candidates we endorse. This being said vote for Cuomo! Bring your family and friends, and support the candidates that support organized labor.

After the elections, we will be having a COPE drive. COPE stands for Committee on Political Education. We will be encouraging the members to increase their contributions to help with the new political landscape in Albany. Our local has been

one of the highest donors per capita for years. Our local also is one of the most political. It is the nature of the beast, and we have to accept it. These contributions have directly influenced legislation, such as, the 30yr/55 bill for retirement.

In closing, Unity is strength, strength comes from Unity! Get to the monthly Union meetings, and support your Union. It is your Union, and it's only as strong as your support. Thank you.

Fraternally,

Peter Dishaw - President

## Bill Brown, E-Board Member

This is an important year for all of us as IBEW members, not to sit on the sidelines and watch special interest attempt to steer this mid term election in their direction. Groups like the wall street bankers who nearly destroyed our economy and big business that wants to send our hard earned wages overseas, are all spending millions to swing this election to their advantage.

We may not be able to match them dollar for dollar, but we do have the power to stand together and vote as one union voice.

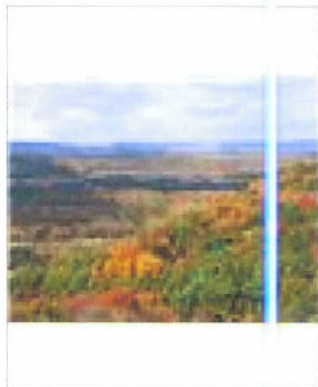
This election is not about which party we belong to but more importantly identifying with a candidate and supporting them.

Our union local has endorsed specific candidates that we believe are the hardest working politicians supporting us as working families. It is our responsibility as unionized members of our communities to get out and vote for these candidates.

We cannot sit home and let this election be controlled by special interest or those wanting to change our leadership simply because they are angry. So let's all get out and vote on November 2nd and make our union voice heard.

Yours in solidarity,

Bill Brown E-Board Chair  
Local 2032



## Valerie Pelkey Administrative Assistant

Another year has passed and here we are again in the fall season. It seems like only yesterday we were marching in the Labor Day Parade. Before long it will be Thanksgiving and Christmas and a new year will begin.

This year has certainly been a interesting one for me. I have learned many things about Local 2032 and all of the components that keeps a union strong and vital. Local 2032 is certainly a union that you can be proud of and one you can take pride in.

The union dinner was certainly a success and I enjoyed meeting people I had not met and putting names to voices of those I talk to. A big thank you to Peter Dishaw and all those that helped me put together this dinner. It certainly was a success.

Just a few notes of interest. If you change your address, please let me know so I can update our records, as well as let the International know of the change. Also, stewards when someone is retiring, please let me know so I can change their records from active to retired. When a new person is hired, please request the paperwork asap to have them fill out. Also, remember to tell them about the 10.00 initiation fee as well. Please send me grievances as soon as they are filed so we have them here in the office if questions arise on them.

Please feel free to call the or email the office if you have any questions for me. I will help you in any way I can.

Val

## Committee Members

### Negotiating Committee

- Mike Malek –Business Manager
- Peter Dishaw —President
- Mike Roberts—CEC Unit Chair
- Jeff Popiel—B/G Unit Chair

### Cope Committee

- Mike Malek
- Peter Dishaw—St. Law
- Bill Brown— Registrar

### Safety Committee

- Peter Dishaw—President
- Bud Draper—Unit Safety St. Law
- Dave Teuscher—Unit Safety CEC
- Dave Rehberg—Unit Safety B/G

### 457 Committee

- Dave Teuscher—CEC

### Health Care Committee

- Mike Malek
- Terry Cook—St. Law

### E-Board Committee

- Bill Brown—St. Law.
- Roy Lawrence - St. Law.
- Terry Cook—St. Law.
- Greg Sacco — CEC
- Gary Bright — B/G

### Transmission Committee

- Mike Malek
- Mike Roberts—CEC
- Dan Basmajian—B/G
- Peter Dishaw—St. Law.

### Apprenticeship

- Peter Dishaw

If you would like to know more About these committees please contact one of the members of the various committees or the office at 764-1778.



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## Local 2032 Endorsements

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Thomas DiNapoli - Comptroller

Eric Schneiderman - Attorney General

Charles Schumer - US Senate

Kristen Gillibrand - US Senate

Joe Griffo - NY State Senate

Jim Seward - NY State Senate

Darrel Aubertine - NY State Senate

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Bill Owens - US Congress

Paul Tonko - US Congress

Scott Murphy - US Congress

Roann Destito - NY State Assembly

Addie Russell - NY State Assembly

Brian McGrath - NY State Assembly