

## **BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

THE NUMBER OF PLANT CASES IN ARBITRATION STANDS AT 27.

THE STEWARDS OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2017 AT THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE. THIS MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 5:30 PM

THE STEWARDS OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2017 AT POST 69, PLEASANT STREET MALDEN AT 5:00 PM.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON NOVEMBER 15, 2017 AT THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 1:00PM.

### **AT&T / AVAYA**

A MEETING WAS HELD OF THE SCT-3 ON TUESDAY TO DISCUSS ISSUES AT AT&T. THE MAIN ISSUE WAS EDUCATING DISH TV EMPLOYEES. ANY QUESTIONS CALL THE UNION OFFICE.

### **SALES**

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2018 BENEFITS HAVE NOW CONCLUDED. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT THE UNION HALL.

DISCUSSIONS ON VACATION SELECTIONS FOR 2018 SHOULD BE TAKING PLACE WITHIN THE WORK LOCATIONS. IN

SALES, YOU HAVE THE ABILITY OF SELECTING TWO (2) FLOATING HOLIDAYS, ONCE THEY ARE PICKED THEY CANNOT BE CHANGED.

THE UNION AND THE COMPANY CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT OF MEMBERS MOVING OUT OF 50 POST OFFICE SQUARE. ANY UPDATES WILL BE CARRIED THROUGH THE STEWARDS. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT THE UNION HALL AT 617-929-6000.

### **CABLE AND LINE**

AS THE CLOCKS FALL BACK PLEASE BE EXTRA CAUTIOUS DRIVING AFTER SUNSET. PLEASE MAKE SURE WHEN CONDUCTING CIRCLE CHECKS THAT ALL LIGHTS ARE IN PROPER WORKING CONDITION. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY.

THE COMPANY HAS TOLD THE UNION THAT THE NEW FLEET OF LINE TRUCKS ARE NOT BEING BUILT TO THE COMPANY'S SPECIFICATIONS, FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE NEW VEHICLES. PLEASE REPORT ANY SAFETY ISSUES TO YOUR MANAGER AND THE UNION.

### **BENEVOLENT FUND**

RAFFLE TICKETS ARE BEING CIRCULATED TO WIN AN IPAD, A SET OF CUSTOM CORN HOLE GAME BOARDS, OR A SCRATCH TICKET BASKET. CHANCES ARE \$5 EACH OR 3 FOR \$10. DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT DECEMBER'S STEWARDS

MEETING AND PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE FAMILIES FIRST FUND.

STEWARDS WILL BEGIN COLLECTING FUNDS FOR THE HOUSING FIRST PROGRAM TO ASSIST WITH THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS, YOUR DONATIONS GO A LONG WAY IN HELPING THOSE FAMILIES WHO NEED IT THE MOST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

### **COPE**

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED AND SUPPORTED OUR CHIEF STEWARD PAUL FEENEY FOR STATE SENATE. AS YOU KNOW PAUL WAS SUCCESSFUL IN HIS BID TO WIN THE SENATE SEAT IN THIS SPECIAL ELECTION. WE ARE PROUD OF PAUL AND ALL OF OUR MEMBERS WHO KNOCKED DOORS, HELD SIGNS, MADE PHONE CALLS AND OVERALL SUPPORTED PAUL IN THIS CRUCIAL WIN FOR ORGANIZED LABOR.

### **SST**

VERIZON MANAGEMENT HAS INFORMED THE UNION THAT THEY NEED TO DECLARE AN "EMERGENCY" UNDER ARTICLE P3.06 TO SUSPEND THE LIMITATIONS ON REQUIRED OVERTIME IN ORDER TO RESTORE SERVICE DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS FROM MONDAY OCTOBER 30, 2017. PRESENTLY ALL DU'S AND NIGHTS ARE IN AND THE COMPANY IS REQUIRED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE EFFECTED BUSINESS MANAGERS BEFORE SUSPENDING OVERTIME LIMITATIONS.

THE TEMPORARY CANVASS OF SST'S TO CXM SPLICE IN DORCHESTER AND ALL BACKFILL CANVASSES ARE COMPLETE AND THE THREE PERMANENT BIDS HAVE BEEN AWARDED. WE EXPECT TO SEE MORE BIDS FOR THIS LOCATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE BIDS FOR SOUTH BOSTON AND NEWTON HAVE CLOSED AND HAVE BEEN AWARDED. MANY OF THESE BIDS WERE AWARDED OUTSIDE OF THE SST JOB TITLE TO THOSE WITH PREVIOUS SST EXPERIENCE.

ON 10/31/17 THE COMPANY POSTED BIDS FOR SST'S IN NORWOOD (1) FRAMINGHAM (5) AND SMITHFIELD RI (1).

THESE BIDS CLOSE ON 11/6/17

THE COMPANY AND THE UNION HAVE AGREED TO A TWO MONTH TRIAL OF LEAD TO SUCCEED. THIS AGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO TAKE A TEAM APPROACH TO THE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ALLOW ALL MEMBERS TO BENEFIT FROM THE PROGRAM. LTS WILL ALSO BE AWARDED AN ADDITIONAL 20% TO BE USED FOR CHARITABLE DONATIONS.

### **PLANT CLERICAL**

ALL APPLICANTS TO THE RECENT "SPECIAL" EIPP HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO LEAVE VERIZON ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4. MY SINCEREST THANKS FOR YOUR TIME

HERE AS MEMBERS OF LOCAL 2222 AND WISH ALL OF YOU;  
A LONG SAFE, HAPPY HEALTHY RETIREMENT.

THERE WILL BE NO EFFECT ON REMAINING CLERKS. THE  
OFFICIAL EIPP IS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH G25 SO THERE  
WILL BE NO MOVEMENT.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR CLERICAL GROUPS TO START  
THINKING ABOUT VACATION SELECTIONS AND CHANGES IN  
OVERTIME RULES, JANUARY 1 IS EIGHT (8) WEEKS AWAY.

### **AEM**

THE SYSTEM COUNCIL T-6 MET WITH THE AUTOMOTIVE  
DIRECTOR. HERB PRUITT ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> IN  
BRAINTREE. IN HIS DISCUSSION, HE TALKED ABOUT  
INCREASED TRAINING, REPLACING CONTRACTORS WITH  
VERIZON EMPLOYEES AND ESTABLISHING A MORE  
WORKABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE MECHANICS. LIKE ALL  
NEW MANAGERS, ONLY TIME WILL TELL THE REAL  
RESULTS.

### **CO & COEI**

THE UNION CONTINUES TO WORK TO TRY TO PREVENT THE  
MOVE OF THE RCCC GROUP FROM 50 P.O. SQUARE, BOSTON  
TO TAUNTON. ALL CO TECHS WHO CHOSE TO STAY IN  
BOSTON WILL BE MOVING TO 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE. THE  
MOVE TO TAUNTON IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN DECEMBER

2ND. ANY CHANGES WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE AFFECTED GROUP.

THE COMPANY HAS INFORMED THE UNION THAT THE ALARM CIRCUIT PRODUCT, MAINTAINED BY THE PULSE-NET GROUP, WILL NO LONGER BE OFFERED BY THE COMPANY. THE CO TECHS FROM THE PULSE-NET GROUP AT BENT STREET, CAMBRIDGE WILL BE MOVING TO THE OCO / MCO GROUP AT 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE. DETAILS OF THIS MOVE WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE PULSE-NET GROUP

WE ARE STILL WAITING FOR THE RECENTLY CLOSED COEI BID AT 50 P.O. SQUARE, BOSTON TO BE AWARDED.

WE'D LIKE TO WISH A HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL – WE HAVE MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR!