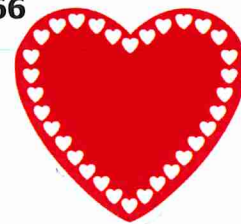


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- Organizing
- Education
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- Experience
- Knowledge

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Business Manager/  
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**FEBRUARY 2021 MEETINGS**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, February 2, 2021  
5:00pm Local 70 Office  
2722 County Road D East, White Bear Lake, MN

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS  
HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

**ARROWHEAD REGIONAL MEETING**

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**OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021,  
to observe  
President's Day.

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**FROM THE DESK OF  
DAVID MONSOUR, BUSINESS MANAGER**

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**February 2021**

Where does the time go? It appears it was just New Years, and here we are already in February 2021. Our new President is in place, Congress is working on approving the individuals presented by President Biden for the positions he has nominated them for and once again we are faced with another Impeachment of our former Commander in Chief. In addition to that huge mess our leaders are attempting to pass another Stimulus package to help those of us that so desperately need assistance. What a way to start a new year, not to mention a new term for a newly elected president.

On a positive note, President Biden is attempting to correct some of the things that directly affect all of us in Labor, namely the General Counsel to the NLRB. The National Labor Relations Board was established as an independent federal agency that protects the rights of private sector employees to join together, with or without a union, to improve their wages and working conditions.

The individual that had been appointed by the previous administration showed little interest in representing the employee and much more interested in representing the employer. Basically, working against the core principle of the NLRB. I believe that we are on the correct course with the Biden appointee in place.

The pandemic continues. COVID 19 is not something that will simply go away without a massive effort put forth by the entire population of our planet. Contrary to the information put out upon the inception of this pandemic, things like, it will just go away, herd immunity will take care of it or the suggestion that a medication that at one time was prescribed for malaria would also work for COVID 19. Face it Brothers and Sisters we have a death toll exceeding 400,000 soles. Some of the population is hit harder than others. We need a plan, and we need it now. I see that President Biden is working on doing just that.

Things in our lives are going to become more difficult before they begin to improve. Be patient, play by the rules. Observe the CDC guidelines, wear a mask when social distancing is not possible, wash your hands get tested and when the opportunity to be vaccinated presents itself take advantage of it.

This happens to be an election year for officers here at the Local. Watch for upcoming notifications to be available here in the coming months.

In addition specifics can be found within the IUOE Constitution and the Local 70 By-Laws, both of which are available for your reading on the Local 70 web site.

Be a part of the solution and not part of the problem. Keep the faith.

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If you need representation at your job site work with your steward and your rep. Become educated as to what your contract does for you. Together we will get through this, together we will persevere.

The training center in Texas is open for business, if you have the opportunity take it, improve your skills. Daylight has been increasing each and every day. Before we know it spring will be upon us and summer shortly thereafter.

Be Safe, wash your hands and stay warm.

In Solidarity,

David B. Monsour  
Local 70  
Business Manager/Financial Secretary



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### ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Please make sure you notify the Local 70 office at 651-646-4566 with any changes in your home mailing address, job location, hours you are working and wage information. We want to maintain accurate information on our members so you receive important mailings and other information pertaining to union membership, pension information, proposal meetings and contract votes for your job site. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.



***FROM YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
AT LOCAL 70!***

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