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October 2020 MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 6, 2020
5:00pm Local 70 Office
2722 County Road D East, White Bear Lake, MN

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, October 13, 2020
5:00pm-North St. Paul American Legion Post #39
2678-7th Avenue E, North St. Paul MN

ARROWHEAD REGIONAL MEETING

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HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Happy Fall Y'All
October Has Arrived

The IUOE training facility in Texas remains closed until further notice. Apparently, the county health department requires all visitors arriving in Houston to be quarantined for fourteen (14) days. As the situation changes, I will keep all our membership informed through this monthly report, our website and on the Local 70 Facebook page.

Here at the Local 70 office life continues, we are still maintaining our everyday responsibilities all be it most of our meetings are now virtual, but life continues despite having to adapt to a new format. We attempt to provide a safe working environment here at the office. Our doors are secured, no admittance without a scheduled appointment and masks are required for visitors and members attending in-house training. Negotiations continue, again mostly virtual. Grievance meetings still go on, contract enforcement remains one of the responsibilities that keep the reps busy. Internal education continues as well, currently we are in the middle of a 64-hour refrigeration class. Upon completion of the class a member should be able to successfully pass tests that would provide the member with a CFC certification and hands on knowledge to perform the work associated with refrigeration. Hopefully we will offer another refrigeration class after the first of the year.

We are attempting to offer boiler classes much like we had offered in past years. Currently we are seeking a member to instruct the class. If you are interested in becoming an instructor, please let me know and I will set up an interview for the part-time position.

Schools throughout the state are operating under the restrictions established by the state in conjunction with those established by the CDC. Be especially cautious and aware of the presence of children both around schools and around the neighborhood.

With less than six weeks to go until elections are upon us the airwaves are filled with political advertisements. Hopefully by this time members have educated themselves, had their questions answered and are able to support and vote for the candidate that best reflect their issues. I generally get extremely busy and take advantage of the USPS, I vote by mail. It works extremely well. I mailed my ballot in yesterday. I encourage everyone to participate and vote.

Until next month, be safe, wash your hands and try to enjoy the fall weather.

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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.