Sheet Metal Workers LU 83 Retiree's Association

Sheet Metal Workers Retiree's Meeting/Luncheon Wednesday, November 15, 2017 @ 10:30 am Followed by lunch at 12:00 noon.

This month's meeting will be held, at our new Union Hall located at 900 Commerce Drive, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Exit 10 off the Northway. (87)

The agenda will include an abbreviated formal meeting with officer's election to be voted on.

Larry Hebbard has graciously agreed to take over the office of Secretary/Treasurer and Hank and

I are remaining Vice President and President respectively and are waiting for younger
replacements in the future.

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Mark can't make this meeting because of a prior commitment but there will be a report of his along with one for Frank and Phil.

We have set aside a portion of the meeting, from 11:15 till lunch at noon, for Professor Stacey Sewell reporting to us on the progress of her book of the history of the South Mall with a section on the trades. She was at our meeting last year. If you have an interesting antidote concerning the building of the Mall, I'm sure she'd love to hear it. Hey, it may make the book. Who knows?

Note: There is some money in our treasury to be spent for the betterment of the Union/Retiree's, but those expense can only be decided and approved at our regular meetings. Please bring some of your ideas.

A membership discussion will be held on ways to improve meeting attendance. Any changes members would recommend would be welcome and seriously considered such as a different time, day, month, place, format, etc. We are hoping the new location will attract more members to participate especially the "younger" retirees.

This month we will again be having subs for lunch. If it is the pleasure of the body, they can once again vote to have the retiree's treasury pay for the meals for those that attend. We are hoping that there is enough room at the new facility that an area can be set aside where retirees could come in and relax with some comfortable furniture. We should spend some meeting time to discuss whether any of these ideas have wide acceptance in order for the group to know how hard to push for any of these endeavors.

If you plan to attend the meeting and want lunch, please call the office at (518) 489-1377 ext. 5 to let Angela know she can determine how much to order.

I want to take the opportunity to encourage you to get out there and vote on November 7th. As the union noted we have a chance to vote on Proposition #1, which if passed could hurt the union cause in reduced man-hours and hurt the pension. There are also two other propositions, # 2 and #3, which in my opinion would be good for all New Yorkers. Of course, how you vote is up to you, please take the time to learn about these important items and let you voice be heard. REMEMBER the Propositions are located at the back of the voting ballot!

We continue to look for donations from those that *have not made any this 2017 calendar year*. Our club only asks for \$6.00 per year from each retiree. To those that have already donated we are very appreciative.

Please mail your check made payable to SMWLU #83 Retiree's Association to:

Earl Brockway 1485 Knight Road Delanson, NY 12053

Our organization remains an active voice for all retirees since 1983.

YOUR ATTENDANCE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

Robert (Bob) Conahan, President Local #83 Retiree's Association