***** COVID-19 *****

Please do not come to office

The Health and Welfare of our members and families is our top priority.

We get info daily from various sources.
The best & quickest way to get that to our members is through our web site at:

www.smartlu83.org

If you do not have access to a computer, please ask another family member to look at our site to get you this information.

In addition, we will be posting updates on our Facebook page at:

www.Facebook.com/SHEET-Metal-Local-83-114030002018459

We have also started setting up our “Blast Text” system.
On your smart phone dial: 21333 and text Local#83 to be added to the system.

We will be setting up an office schedule and will have limited people in our office.
We are able to accomplish some items from working at home.
This schedule will be on the web site also.

The staff is very busy trying to assist all members.

Our office phone # is: (518) 489-1377

You may also contact us at our email addresses:
Frank Maguire - President/Business Manager: frank@smartlu83.org
Jon Barnes – Business Representative: j.barnes@smartlu83.org
Phil Stenglein – Marketing Representative: phil@smartlu83.org
Larry Warzek – JATC Training Coordinator: larryw@smartlu83.org
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MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION IS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAGE
The stock market is another item that has every member worried. PLEASE DO NOT PANIC!!
Call our Annuity advisor Matt Kapanek at (518) 831-0227 or (716) 633-0900 or email him at: mkapanek@kapanekwealth.com Matt will be able to assist you in evaluating your allocations and making sure you are in the right place given your personal goals and market conditions.

Below is the web link from the SMART IA web site; https://smart-union.org/news/smart-cov-id-resources-for-union-members/

*This newsletter will be on our web site so you may open the links directly*

Additional information from the Insurance Fund:

IMPORATANT ANNOUNCEMENT

March 24, 2020

TO: Sheet Metal Workers Local Union #83 Insurance Fund
RE: WAIVER OF COST-SHARING FOR COVID-19 TESTING

To remove any barriers for medically necessary testing, effective March 18, 2020 any member cost sharing for the COVID-19 test is waived (i.e. deductibles, copays, and coinsurance will not apply). Testing includes items and services furnished during health care provider office visits (including in-person visits and telehealth visits), urgent care visits, and emergency visits that result in an order for or administration of a test to the extent such items and services relate to the evaluation for the test and the furnishing or administration of the test.

All other treatment including but not limited to screening-evaluation that does not result in testing, hospital, transportation and pharmacy services will be covered in accordance with the existing terms and conditions set forth in the Summary Plan Description (i.e., no changes to treatment coverage).

If you have any questions regarding this announcement, please contact the Benefit Administrative Systems customer service line at (800) 843-3831.

We know these are stressful times, if you need someone to talk to, please take advantage of the programs listed below, all at little or no cost to you.

HELP is a phone call away. 24/7/365. Professional Counselor 1.877.884.6227

SMHIT Helpline

OR

SMW LU 83 Employee Assistance Program (EAP) (518)573-0733