

ON THE BRIDGE

IRON WORKERS LOCAL 55



Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Don Budd, for the loss of his Daughter, Candy; may her soul rest in eternal peace.

Under Doctor's Care: Herbie Herzberg, Robert Sterling, Don Dubry Sr., Russ Eldridge, Bill Vas, James Blaze, Tony Santos, Eugene Ward Sr., Nebra Garmon (James Garmon wife, Jack Juhasz's daughter), Lee Curtis, Pete Wenzler, Annie Wenzler, Gus Rahe, Matt Carver, Jim Witt Sr., Wally Roloff, Susan Miller (Frenchy's wife), Robert Reichert, Ella Hofmann (Mike's mom), Regina Jefferson (Marvin McBrayer's sister), Mary Crump (Johnny Crump's wife), and Kylee Blaze. Here's a get well to our sick and disabled.

Family Additions: Derrick Dellafiora and Stefanie O'Leary welcomed their first daughter (and Daryl Billings' granddaughter) Delanie Rose, who weighed in at 4lbs, 8oz and was 17inches long. Congratulations!

Dues and Assessments: 11 month dues and assessments are now available; please call ahead if you wish to pick them up. The 12 month assessments will automatically be mailed out to you when we get the numbers from the fund office at the end of February.

Union dues: Just a reminder that it is your responsibility to pay your union dues. The notice we send out if you are six months behind is a courtesy and we are not required to send you a reminder.

Food Baskets: Please note that the procedures have changed for our monthly food basket program. In order to be eligible to pick up a monthly food basket, please stop by the hall for a voucher slip. You must be a member of Local 55, and LAID OFF, in order to receive one. Food baskets are available the third Wednesday of every month, for members in need.

FYI - Local 55 holds Alco-

holics Anonymous meetings in the union hall every Friday evening and is hosted by Ed Alexander. You do not need to be a member in order to participate, everyone is welcome.

Members who are 65 years and older, or are permanently disabled, may be eligible to apply for lifetime membership, call the hall or send DeeDee an E-mail at deedee@iw55.org and she will send you an application.

Please e-mail the hall at deedee@iw55.org if you have children and/or grandchildren who are involved in sports and/or extra-curricular activities, their names, ages, schools and/or teams that they are on so that we may include them in our newsletter.

Journeyman Upgrading Classes: PLEASE CALL PAUL AT 567-686-6063 OR 419-382-3080 TO SIGN UP IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON A LIST FOR ANY UPCOMING CLASS

Certified welders: Please DO NOT forget to turn in your welding work reports EVERY SIX months. If you let them lapse, your certification will expire and you will be forced to re-test, call Paul at the school to find out when you are due to turn one in.

Please note that the correct fax number for the 6 month ODOT Welding update is 614-887-4123. for those of you that fax your own reports in.

Apprenticeship Applications. The Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee is accepting applications for the apprenticeship program. Applications are being accepted every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday's from 9:00am to 3:00pm at the training center until further notice. There is an application fee of \$10.

If you have an announcement you would like included in this newsletter, simply call the hall or send an e-mail and we will be happy to include it!

May God Bless You and Your Family! -Joe Blaze III