



# Enterprise Association 638 NEWSLETTER

www.steamfitters638.org

April 2024

## Business Manager's Report



*Brothers and Sisters,*

I hope the first quarter of the year has been good to you and your families, and that you are looking forward to an enjoyable summer. As the economy continues to recover, I remain optimistic that the summer months will see an uptick in work hours so that we can continue to put as many members back to work as possible. As we look forward to the future work that will sustain this union, I want to take the time to thank and commend the Trade Board, each of whom worked tirelessly these past few months on our recently ratified contract. As you know, our goal in contract negotiations is to ensure our members are afforded the pay, benefits and working conditions commensurate with the essential and important work that we do. Changes and improvements reflected in the new contract were made with the benefit of the members in mind. We must balance that with the ability to continue to win market share and ensure that our contractors are competitive now and in the future for our industry. I am proud to say that through the

work of the Trade Board and elected officers, I believe we have achieved these goals and set 638 up for growth in future years.

I also want to highlight a historic announcement that was made at the recent annual Building Trades Conference this past March: In partnership with the rest of the New York City Building Trades, we will be making an investment with Cirrus, a noted real estate developer, and the City of New York to build over \$400 million dollars of workforce housing in New York City. These new units of housing will be tailored to middle class, working people who have been squeezed out of New York's luxury market, and most importantly the funds will require the use of 100% union labor. Members of 638 will see a triple benefit with this partnership between labor, private capital and City Government: pension funds will see a healthy return on investment, union jobs will be created and we will increase the availability for housing for working people like union construction workers, nurses, teachers, police and firefighters.

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### Important Notices

*Please make every effort to attend these meetings.*

The regular  
**QUARTERLY MEETING**  
will be held on  
**Wednesday, April 24, 2024**  
at the  
**STEAMFITTERS UNION HALL**  
32-32 48th Avenue  
Long Island City, NY  
**at 5:00 P.M. SHARP.**

**METAL TRADES  
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING**  
There will be a **SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING**  
for the  
Metal Trades members on  
**Tuesday, April 30, 2024**  
at the  
**STEAMFITTERS UNION OFFICE**  
32-32 48th Avenue  
Long Island City, NY  
**at 6:00 P.M. SHARP.**

The intent is to prove this model is a success with this initial investment, and then to expand it moving forward, showing that it is good, for New York City, and across the country.

In closing, I can once again report that man hours are continuing to increase in this quarter, as the out-of-work apprentice list shrinks. As you know, I and your elected officers are here to serve the membership, and we

continue to work for you and the future health of our union.

In solidarity,



**ROBERT J. BARTELS, JR.**

Business Manager

Local 638

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## President's Viewpoint

### *Dear Brothers and Sisters of 638*

I hope everyone had a joyous and blessed Easter season. As we start to put the winter behind us and look forward to the spring, we welcome warmer weather and our vacation checks.

These past few months have been extremely busy, negotiating a new CBA, while simultaneously trying to get favorable legislation passed regarding NY's 421A affordable housing bill and addressing the housing crisis NY faces. We also attended the BCTC conference in Florida where a historic agreement was announced between the Building Trades and the City of NY to build "Workforce Housing". The BCTC and several Unions, Local 638 being one of the first, agreed to cooperatively invest \$100 million dollars with Cirrus to build housing for middle class working men and women of NY. The unions will invest and build on vacant land advantageously leased from the city. The best part is it will be done 100% Union. For too long the pattern in NY has been to build housing designed for affordable housing which we don't qualify for, or market share housing built by greedy RE investors which we can't afford. Looking at the big picture over the years this pattern has resulted in more members moving out of the five boroughs into the suburbs where we can afford to achieve the American dream of home ownership. All this resulting in less constituents in the city and the politicians know this. It's one of the first things they ask when we meet them. "How many members live in my district?" So hopefully this first "Workforce Housing" agreement will be the first of many and can help address two problems at the same time. This was presented to your Business Manager Robert Bartels and the Executive Board of the BCTC, and I, along with the other Trustees, saw the incredible opportunity here and were eager to be one of the first nine unions to get on board. As has always been now and in the past, Local 638 is an

industry leader of Union construction in New York and we will continue to lead the way long into the future.

I want to acknowledge and thank your Trade Board, Chairman Kevin Benik, Thomas Davis, and Jayson Gleason job well done Brothers! It was truly a pleasure working together. I also want to thank Business Manager Robert Bartels for his leadership and experience steering us through the process. Knowing when to push and to always stand our ground is a negotiating skill you only learn through experience and we were glad to have his leadership there in the board room. We were able to successfully negotiate a fair deal for Local 638 the main goal being keeping members working. The addition of language securing separate shanties for our Sisters of Local 638 was a big win and something we all felt was a long time coming. The apprentice addendum was another important issue which took a while to resolve. Since I've taken office the weekly reports from the Training Center of apprentice employment has been a concern. This list of unemployed apprentices has been as high as 40 and an average of 28. Even more concerning was the higher rate of 3rd, 4th, and 5th year apprentices on the list. Brothers and Sisters, our apprentices are the future of our local, they need to work and they need to stay working and learn our trade before they reach journeyman wages. Our hope is this addendum will help solve this pressing issue, but just in case, we put in place safeguards that give us control over the new addendum. I want to thank the members who came out to the CBA vote and made their voices heard. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

We have been putting out information at the meetings about joining your local City Community Boards and asking members who live in the city to join their local boards. We truly appreciate those members who have stepped up and those that have served for

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years. It does help with access to the politicians when they see members involved. So if you are at a point in life where you can spare some time and get involved, your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

This year we are excited to announce that Local 638 will be attending and marching as an organization in the National Puerto Rican Day parade which will take place on Sunday June 9th. For information reach out to Parade Chairman Mike Koebel, myself or brother Kevin Gil who was instrumental in getting this launched.

Thankfully our man hours have increased consistently month over month since we took office last July. That in large part is due to all of your Officers of 638

working hard on a daily basis, and working together as a team. I want to thank all of them along with the staff at your Union Hall and the staff of the Fund Office, you make our jobs manageable. We are all pulling in the same direction here, that being for the betterment of our beloved Union and you, Brothers and Sisters of Local 638.

In Solidarity



**BRIAN R. KEARNEY JR.**  
President Local 638

### ***From the Desk of the Financial Secretary-Treasurer***

***Dear Brothers & Sisters;***

Please, there are still some members who have yet to come in and pick up the 2023 – 2025 UA card along with your stamp card and an updated Local 638 ID card.

Every working member should always have with them all three cards.

If you are retired and have yet to receive your new card, please call the Dues Office at 718-392-4074 and ask them to mail it out to you.

**As a reminder NO CASH will be accepted in the Union Office.**

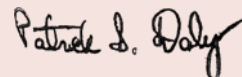
#### **Ways to pay your union dues:**

- Come into the Dues Office with a check or money order.
- Mail a check or money order into the Dues Office.
- Set up a reoccurring payment through YOUR BANK ACCOUNT where they send the union a check monthly using your book # as your account #.
- Go to [www.steamfitters638.org](http://www.steamfitters638.org) and pay your dues online.

Please have your dues paid before midnight on the last day of each month, there is No More grace period; on the first day after 3 months of nonpayment of dues you will be charged a \$ 50.00 reinstatement fee to get back in good standing.

**You NOW can pay your Reinstatement Fee plus back dues online using a debit or credit card.**

Fraternally yours,



**PATRICK S. DALY**

Financial Secretary-Treasurer

# **SUPPORT YOUR UNION!**

## 2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE STEAMFITTERS

NEW YEAR'S DAY	MONDAY	JANUARY	1
PRESIDENTS' DAY	MONDAY	FEBRUARY	19
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY	MAY	27
INDEPENDENCE DAY	THURSDAY	JULY	4
LABOR DAY	MONDAY	SEPTEMBER	2
COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY	OCTOBER	14
VETERANS DAY	MONDAY	NOVEMBER	11
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER	28
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING DAY	FRIDAY	NOVEMBER	29
CHRISTMAS DAY	WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER	25

*\*WHEN A HOLIDAY IS ON A SUNDAY IT IS OBSERVED ON MONDAY\**

## 2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE SERVICE FITTERS

NEW YEAR'S DAY	MONDAY	JANUARY	1
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	MONDAY	JANUARY	15
PRESIDENTS' DAY	MONDAY	FEBRUARY	19
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY	MAY	27
INDEPENDENCE DAY	THURSDAY	JULY	4
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**PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A FLOATING HOLIDAY AGREED UPON  
BETWEEN EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE.**

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## 2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE STEAMFITTERS FIRE PROTECTION

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## 2024 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

STEAMFITTERS UNION HALL  
32 32 48th Avenue • Long Island City, NY 11101  
5:00 P.M. SHARP

JANUARY	WED.	24th...Qtrly.	
FEBRUARY	WED.	14th	28th
MARCH	WED.	13th	27th
APRIL	WED.	24th...Qtrly.	
MAY	WED.	8th	22nd
JUNE	WED.	26th	
JULY	WED.	17th...Qtrly.	
AUGUST	WED.	28th	
SEPTEMBER	WED.	11th	25th
OCTOBER	WED.	23th...Qtrly.	
NOVEMBER	WED.	13th	27th
DECEMBER	WED.	11th	25th

### METAL TRADES SEMI-ANNUAL MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 23rd & Tuesday, October 22nd at 5:30PM

# Financial Report

October, November, December 2023

## General Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	7,400,411.87	Amalgamated Bank Checking Account	3,133,727.97
General Fund Revenue		Amalgamated Bank Investment Account	7,462,093.02
United Association Dues	490,794.00	Cash on Hand	1,000.00
Local Dues	91,957.00	Total Bank Accounts & Other	<u>10,596,820.99</u>
Work Dues	2,199,181.18	Less: Due to Other Local 638 Funds	
Reinstatement Fees	8,200.00	and other liabilities	
UA Initiation Fees	4,202.75	Due To Enhancement Fund	2,251,353.66
Local Initiation Fees	38,199.50	Vouchers Payable	<u>805,957.12</u>
Interest Income-Sweep and Investment Accounts	19,263.35	Total Amount Due to Other Local 638 Funds	
Enhancement Fund Dues Collected	215,606.69	and Vouchers Payable	<u>3,057,310.78</u>
International Training Fund Dues Collected	237,031.59	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>7,539,510.21</u></u>
UA Organizers Fund Collections	268,806.87		
Building Trades Dues Collected	55,018.77		
United Association - Organizer Reimbursement	585,000.00		
Total General Fund Collections	<u>4,213,261.70</u>		
Less: Transferred to other Local 638 Funds			
Enhancement Fund Dues Collected	215,606.69		
International Training Fund Dues Collected	237,031.59		
UA Organizers Fund Collected	<u>268,806.87</u>		
Total Transferred to other Local 638 Funds			
and International Training Fund	<u>721,445.15</u>		
Net General Fund Revenue	<u>3,491,816.55</u>		
	10,892,228.42		
Total General Fund Expenses (Details to Follow)	<u>3,352,718.21</u>		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>7,539,510.21</u></u>		

## Enhancement Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	2,156,867.51	Due from General Fund	2,251,353.66
Dues Collected for Enhancement Fund	215,606.69	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>2,251,353.66</u></u>
Total Revenue Received	<u>2,372,474.20</u>		
	2,372,474.20		
Less: Enhancement Fund Expenses (Details to Follow)	121,120.54		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>2,251,353.66</u></u>		

## Medical Benefits Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	16,229,245.94	Medical Benefits Fund Checking Account	936,767.99
Add: Revenue Received		Amalgamated Bank Investment Account	14,512,125.43
Dues Collected During Quarter	227,134.36	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>15,448,893.42</u></u>
Interest Income	73,138.62		
Total Revenue Received	<u>300,272.98</u>		
	16,529,518.92		
Less: Expenses			
Coverage for Uninsured Members	1,080,625.50		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u><u>15,448,893.42</u></u>		

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## Targeting Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	20,590,201.48	Targeting Fund Checking Account	9,385,288.21
Add: Revenue Received		Amalgamated Bank Investment Account	11,630,092.96
Dues Collected During Quarter	2,414,481.95	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>21,015,381.17</u>
Interest Earned	90,097.11		
Total Revenue Received	<u>2,504,579.06</u>		
	23,094,780.54		
Less: Expenses			
Payments Made for Targeted Jobs	1,700,597.36		
Payments for Helper Program	378,802.01		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>21,015,381.17</u>		

## Building Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	6,635,257.65	Building Fund Checking Account	3,021,805.13
Revenue Received		Amalgamated Bank Investment Account	4,065,629.82
Dues Collected During Quarter	408,524.59	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>7,087,434.95</u>
Interest Income	43,652.71		
Total Revenue Received	<u>452,177.30</u>		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>7,087,434.95</u>		

## Emergency Relief Fund

<b>Revenue and Expenses</b>		<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>	
Fund Balance - October 1, 2023	23,218.87	Checking Account	25,718.87
Add: Revenue Received		Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>25,718.87</u>
Transferred from Enhancement Fund	10,000.00		
Total Revenue Received	<u>10,000.00</u>		
	33,218.87		
Less: Benefits Paid and Other Expenses	7,500.00		
Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>25,718.87</u>		

## 32-32 48th Avenue Realty Corporation Checking Account Activity

Cash Balance - October 1, 2023	1,222,530.00	Johnson Controls	5,796.48
Add: Cash Received		KONE Elevator company	7,379.28
Rental Income - 32-32 48th Avenue	199,506.00	NYC Dept of Buildings	660.00
Rental Income - 27-08 40th Avenue	88,200.00	NYC Water Board	930.32
Interest Income	1,824.45	NYC Fire Dept	260.00
Total Cash Received	<u>289,530.45</u>	Quill- Supplies	2,949.41
	1,512,060.45	Building Supplies	638.61
Less: Cash Disbursed		Sierra Consulting Group	999.00
Briscoe Protective LLC	147.75	Sound Refrigeration	11,578.05
City Waste Services - Rubbish Removal	1,257.51	United Steel Products	602.46
Con Edison - Utilities	28,083.72	Total Cash Disbursed	<u>65,432.59</u>
Design 24/7 - Expediting	4,150.00	Cash Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>1,446,627.86</u>

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### **LOCAL 638** **REGULAR OFFICE HOURS**

**8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.**  
**There will be someone at the Union Hall to collect dues on meeting nights.**

*If anyone is contacted by an investment counselor regarding your pension or buy-out, please be informed that they are not endorsed by this organization and have no affiliation with Local 638 or its trust funds.*

## General Fund


### Detail of Expenses

Business Manager's Salary	76,995.23
Business Manager's Expenses	6,500.00
President's Salary	64,766.52
President's Expenses	4,875.00
Financial Secretary Treasurer's Salary	64,766.52
Financial Secretary Treasurer's Expenses	4,875.00
Vice-President's Salary	53,790.88
Vice-President's Expenses	5,200.00
Business Agents' Salaries	484,117.92
Business Agents' Expenses	35,685.00
Organizer's Salaries	107,581.76
Organizer's Expenses	7,930.00
Recording Secretary	2,224.80
Executive Board	9,308.21
Finance Board	1,854.00
Board of Trustees	1,854.00
Central Trade & Labor Board	741.60
Inspector, Guard, Sentinel - Meetings	3,244.50
Examining Board	2,101.20
Metal Trades Negotiating Committee	538.24
Drug Counselor	2,600.00
United Association - Local Officer's & Office Staff Pension Fund	278,610.51
Steamfitters Industry Funds - Distribution Accounts	406,500.90
Office Staff Salaries	300,193.47
Office Staff Welfare Benefits	58,823.52
Social Security Tax Exp - Officers, Staff & Committees	44,448.06
Federal Unemployment Tax Expense	2,031.58
New York State Unemployment Insurance	797.39
Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Fee	7,696.65
Steamfitters Industry Funds Admin Charges	8,000.00
Purchase of Automobiles	425,417.38
Howard Edelman - Arbitrator	1,900.00
Calibre, LLC - Accounting Services	10,156.25
David Grote, CPA, P.C. - Accounting Services	37,250.00
United Association - Dues and Fees Expense	530,733.00
Verizon - Telephone and Internet Charges	10,475.02
LI Federation of Labor	420.00
Nassau-Suffolk Building Trades Council - 4th Qtr 2023 Dues	7,428.45
NYS Pipe Trades - 4th Qtr 2023 Per Capita	36,679.13
Building & Construction Trades of NYC - 4th Qtr 2023 Dues	28,475.00
NYS AFL-CIO - 4th Qtr 2023 Dues	3,120.00
Hanover - Commercial, Auto, Umbrella, Cyber	76,320.14
Auto Repairs and Maintenance	4,321.68
Constant Contact	114.33
Dues Refunded	208.00
EZ Texting - Cell Phone Texting Expense	1,818.65
LEAF - Copier Lease	2,122.53
US Postage	4,000.00
Quill - Office Supplies	3,491.27
Neopost - Mailing Machine	1,028.87

### Detail of Expenses (continued)

UPS - Shipping Charges	563.73
Poland Spring	495.23
Spectrum	323.91
Gill ID Card - Supplies	1,285.00
Office Supplies and Expenses	8,020.17
Union Labor Works	6,750.00
Computer and Cloud Hosting	16,475.27
True Type Printing	19,894.87
OOO Printing	2,277.87
<b>Donations</b>	
Alzheimer's Research	25.00
American Cancer Society	25.00
American Diabetes Assoc	25.00
American Heart Association	25.00
American Lung Association	25.00
American Parkinsons Association	25.00
American Red Cross	25.00
Arthritis Foundation	25.00
ASPCA	25.00
Boy Scouts of America	25.00
CARE	25.00
Cancer Care	25.00
Covenant House	25.00
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	25.00
Disabled American Veterans	25.00
Easter Seals	25.00
Father Flanagan's Boys and Girls Town	25.00
Franciscan Sisters of the Poor	25.00
Fresh Air Fund	25.00
Girl Scout Council	25.00
Guiding Eyes for the Blind	25.00
Habitat for Humanity	25.00
Holy Apostles Soup Kitchen	25.00
MADD	25.00
March of Dimes	25.00
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital	25.00
Multiple Sclerosis Society	25.00
Muscular Dystrophy Association	25.00
National Children's Cancer Society	25.00
Paralyzed Veterans	25.00
Police Athletic League	25.00
Recording for the Blind	25.00
Ronald McDonald House	25.00
Salvation Army	25.00
Special Olympics	25.00
St. Jude Children's Hospital	25.00
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	25.00
Tunnel To Towers Foundation	25.00
US Olympic Committee	25.00
Wounded Warrior Project	25.00
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>


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## VERY IMPORTANT!

**When you are CALLING IN A JOB, you must leave your  
NAME, BOOK NUMBER, JOB LOCATION, DATE, PHONE NUMBER &  
THE BUSINESS AGENT'S NAME.**

*Please make sure you speak clearly.*



**Death Benefits**

**Deceased Member**

William Cannon	3,000.00
James Hoffman	3,000.00
Robert J. O'Brien	3,000.00
Augustus Williams, Jr.	3,000.00
Joseph Medaglia	3,000.00
Michael Perper	3,000.00
Albert Disabatino	3,000.00
Renford Ferguson	1,500.00
James McDarby	3,000.00
Oliver Pessoa	3,000.00
William Zappolo	3,000.00
Richard Maher	3,000.00

**Beneficiaries**

Maureen Cannon	3,000.00
Daniel Hoffman	3,000.00
Dianne O'Brien	3,000.00
Diana Williams	3,000.00
Colleen Medaglia	3,000.00
Donna Perper	3,000.00
John Distabatino	3,000.00
Desmin Green-Ferguson	1,500.00
Barbara Darby	3,000.00
Lorna Pessoa	3,000.00
Susanna Zappolo	3,000.00
Thomas Maher	3,000.00

**Death Benefits**

**Deceased Member**

Thomas Cashin	
Joseph Licausi	
William Zeyer	
William Armstrong	
T. McLaughlin	
George Mirsberger	
Jack Weiner	
William Theophil	
Cecil Lewis	
Total Death Benefits	61,500.00
Total General Fund Expenses	3,352,718.21

**Beneficiaries**

Thomas Cashin, Jr.	3,000.00
Maryann Licausi	3,000.00
Maura Zeyer	3,000.00
Robert Armstrong	3,000.00
Lillian McLaughlin	3,000.00
Gloria Mirsberger	3,000.00
Patricia Weiner	3,000.00
Sean Theophil	3,000.00
Cecil Lewis	3,000.00
Total Death Benefits	61,500.00
Total General Fund Expenses	3,352,718.21

**Enhancement Fund**

50 Year Luncheon Expenses	22,747.19
Floral Arrangements	496.11
Transferred to Emergency Relief Fund	10,000.00
FAB Specialties - Promotional Items	11,098.15
NY Helmets to Hardhats - Fifteen Tickets and Ad	8,500.00
Steamfitters Local 638 Retirement Club - Contribution	2,500.00
NY/NJ Port Authority Publishing - Ad	9,500.00
The Knights of St. Patrick - Journal Ad	600.00
Creating Unity in the Community - Kwanzaa Celebration 2023	200.00
Ronald McDonald - Nassau-Suffolk Building Trades Breakfast	1,000.00
Common Point Queens - Turkey Giveaway	200.00
NYS AFL-CIO - Ten Tickets	2,500.00
Building Trades Employer's Association - Sponsor	12,000.00
Catholic Charities - Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway	4,275.38
Local 292 Dinner Dance - Four Tickets	900.00
Brooklyn Board - Ten Tickets NYC Building Trades Lunch	1,400.00
East Coast Business Managers - N. Carolina - 10/9/23-10/12/23 - Hotel, Airfare & Exps. - R. Bartels, B. Kearney, S. Dolan, C. Johnsen	8,209.18
UA Business Agents Conference - Annapolis, MD - 10/16/23-10/20/23 - Hotel, & Expenses - S. Dolan, R. Goger, B. Hunt, C. Johnsen, D. Johnson, M. Koebel	11,186.17

Local 449 Anniversary Dinner - Pittsburgh, PA - 11/10/23-11/12/23 - Hotel, Airfare & Expenses - R. Bartels, B. Kearney, S. Dolan, R. Goger, J. Powers, J. Reinoso	6,314.96
Women's Building Trades Conference - Washington, DC - 11/30/23-12/4/23 - Hotel & Expenses - J. Powers, M. Callahan, C. Heardt, A. Palazzo	7,493.40
Total Enhancement Fund Expenses	121,120.54

*Fraternally Submitted,*

**PATRICK S. DALY**  
Financial Secretary-Treasurer

**BRIAN R. KEARNEY, JR.**  
President

**ROBERT J. BARTELS, JR.**  
Business Manager

**Board of Trustees**

Daniel Brennan  
Erik Brooks  
Matthew Brennan

**Board of Finance**

Marybeth Callahan  
Anita Palazzo  
Daniel McCormick

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**GIVE BLOOD**

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
**32 32 48<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE**  
**LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11101**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024**

**12:30PM TO 6:30PM**

**PLEASE COME AND DONATE AND HELP**  
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## **TRAINING CENTER NEWS**



### **IMPORTANT: SST RENEWAL INFORMATION**

Site Safety Training Cards must be renewed every 5 years **BEFORE** the expiration date. Per NYC Department of Buildings, **there is NO GRACE PERIOD**. You must complete the refresher courses, apply, and obtain your renewed card **BEFORE** your old card expires. If you do not have the new card in hand the day your old card expires, you will have to complete all 40 (worker) or 62 (supervisor) hours of training again.

### **SITE SAFETY ONLINE CLASSES**

**10 Hour SST Bundle, 8 Hour Refresher, 16 Hour Refresher, 8 Hour Refresher (Spanish)**

<https://www.clicksafety.com/steamfitters638/>

Go the website above and choose the appropriate class from the banner. Click "Buy Now" to purchase and begin classes. The discount code will be automatically applied. An itemized "Registration Confirmation" will be emailed to you. A copy of this receipt is **REQUIRED** for reimbursement. Upon completion of the courses, contact the Training Center to obtain a new SST card and apply for reimbursement.

**The OSHA 30 Online Certification is available free of charge for union members, you must call or send an email to be registered.**

In order to obtain a 40 Hour or Renewed SST card, e-mail [khertel@steamny.com](mailto:khertel@steamny.com)

**It is the responsibility of each member to keep track of their expiration date and sign up for refresher training. If you have any questions, please call the Training Center.**

#### **The Training Center telephone numbers.**

- Steven Cuadra, Director of Education (718) 885-8820
- Kathleen Hertel, Building Trades Steamfitters (718) 885-8827
- Margarita Velez, Metal Trades Service Fitters (718) 885-8825

**Training Center Address: 48-03 32nd Place, Long Island City, NY 11101**

### **CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES**

If you wish to register for any of the below classes, please call **Kathleen Hertel at (718) 885-8827** or email: [khertel@steamny.com](mailto:khertel@steamny.com). Please have your union card/book number ready when calling.

- Automatic Sprinkler Systems – One night a week for 16 weeks
- AutoCAD
- Condensing Boilers – Two-night course, (NOT part of the HW Heating Course).

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- Drafting and Blueprint Reading – One night a week for 20 weeks
- Flagger Certification – One night course
- Geothermal HVAC / Heatpumps / Intro to VRF's– Three-night course
- Hot Water Heating Systems – One night a week for 7 weeks
- NEW: ICRA Awareness (Infection Control Risk Assessment) – Two night course
- 16 Hour Rigging Worker Course (NYC Department of Buildings Approved)
- 8 Hour Refresher Course for the 16 Hour Rigging Worker Card
- Scaffolding Certification – Four-hour course (NYC Department of Buildings Approved)
- Steam Technology Introduction - One night a week for 7 weeks
- Tube Bending- One night a week for 4-6 weeks
- Construction Supervisor Certificate - This is a five-course program given online from the UA University. For details go to <http://www.wccnet.edu/unions/construction-supervision/>

**WELDING: Building Trades Members who want to sign up for the below welding courses should call Kathleen Hertel at (718) 885-8827 or email [khertel@steamny.com](mailto:khertel@steamny.com).**

- Welding Classes – \*Stick (SMAW)
  - \*TIG (GTAW) must have current SMAW certification test
  - \*UA18 Orbital Tube Fusion – 4 Saturday Classes and must have current GTAW qualification test
  - \*UA21 2" XXH Carbon Steel Pipe – 4 evening classes and must have current SMAW qualification test
- Welding – Pipe Certification Test
- Brazing Certification Prep and Test
- Welder/Brazing Continuity Dates: April 24, 2024, July 17, 2024, October 23, 2024
- Copper Connections – One night a week for 10 weeks

To put your name on the list for the below listed courses, please call **Margarita – Metal Trades Service Technicians Line at (718) 885-8825** or email: [mvelez@steamny.com](mailto:mvelez@steamny.com)

- **New Certification Course: Next Generation of Low GWP Refrigerants** – A2L Mildly Flammable Refrigerants Certification Course. 4 evening prep sessions and one evening test date. A laptop computer or Chromebook is required. Certification Diploma will be issued upon passing grade on examination.
- Introduction to Refrigeration – One night a week for 6 weeks: This course is designed to give you a solid foundation on the science and technology behind commercial and residential refrigeration systems.
- EPA Section 608 Prep and Test – 3 Prep sessions plus the test date. Technicians who successfully pass the core and 3 types will receive their CFC Universal Certification. A laptop is required to take the exam.
- UA Star Mastery Examination: Metal Trades Technicians wishing to take the prep courses and exam must have a minimum of five years of documented work experience installing and servicing HVACR equipment and piping systems. This Certification requires an application, and it has a fee payable to the testing agency.

**Please Note: All classes are scheduled according to participation and availability.**

**All members should have their book number and cell phone number handy when calling the Training Center.**

