



**Central Florida Chapter  
Local Union No. 3, I.B.E.W. Retirees Association  
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14th, 2022, at 11:30 AM. It will be held at Houligan's Sports Grill, located at 1643 US Highway 1, Ormond Beach FL 32174. All brothers and sisters along with their spouses are welcome.

At the January "A" meeting there was 1247 AJ's out of work with a wait of 214 weeks. There are travel opportunities

There are currently 17 members serving active duty, let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

I am sad to report that past chairman and founding member Tom Doidge has lost his hard battle with dementia. I ask that you keep Tom and his family in your prayers.

If there are any members that would like to attend our monthly meetings but do not have transportation please let me know and I will try to have someone in your area pick you up.

I was very happy to see that our letters that had gone out to retirees new to the area produced results. We added 7 new members to our chapter and I am hoping to keep adding members throughout 2023.

Dues for 2022 are still only \$15.00. Anyone who has not paid, please see Paul Dietrich at our next meeting or mail your dues to the address at the top of this page.

Fraternally yours,  
Michael Manfredi



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**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 1/12/2023**

**The President's report:**

President Cleary recognized Martin Luther King jr. day and highlighted his accomplishments.

He also recognized the celebrating of the Chinese Lunar New Year this month

White Plains Negotiations will start soon, the Committee has been chosen. Those members will be William Beck Chris Washington, Leanne McCarthy Joseph Diaz and Christopher Powers Joseph Magel has been chosen as the Election Judge for the upcoming Election of officers There are 17 members serving active duty: 8- Army, 1 Army Reserve, 3 Navy, 1-Navy reserve, 2 Marine corps and 2 National Guard.

There have been changes made to the assistant business managers. Christopher Erikson Jr. will be filling the position of Senior Assistant Business manager, and Richard Duva will be the Assistant Business Manager for manufacturing in addition to his other duties.

**For Employment:**

1247 A members waiting 214 days

18 A-Tel, 27 MIJ, 16 MJ and 1 MH

There was no weekend work

Furlough have begun for 2023. 280 have been referred out

**In Westchester:**

10-A members waiting 116 days

2-M

9-App

1-MIJ

1 Herald Square will be the new Location for The Apprentice School, Local #3 Business Representatives, Educational and Cultural Society and Local #3.

There will be 50 replacement apprentices starting work in February.

There was a Super's meeting. 100 supers were in attendance. The Business Manager had those members taking the oath of membership to remind them of their commitment to the Union. Some topics that were discussed were Diversity in the workplace, Apprentice's absences and training, mentoring and green jobs, Competition and their relations hip with building managers and that there are 5 days in the work week and asking employees to take off days if they have no work should not be an option.

There will be a finance meeting to determine whether the dues assessment for the working members will change.

There are 187 Adm members unemployed. The business Manager asked that all members to check the union cards of those ADM members and also Expeditors.

There is an increase in the hiring of members with CDL licenses.

We have gone 4 months without a serious accident

The governor passed 3 bill that support our industry but also vetoed 3 bill which will hurt labor.

The welfare fund continues to be a topic of discussion for the trustees. Investments and contributions are down, and usage and expenses have increased. The money in reserve is down by half and the Business Manager explained that the trustees have the difficult task of potentially modifying the plan.

He ended by encouraging the membership to read the editorial IN the Union World.