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The Classifieds

A FEW THOUGHTS FROM THE UNIT CHAIRMAN

by Cecelia Stacy

Stronger Together
Enforcing our Contract,
Fighting for Justice
United

The calls and questions pertaining to our contract continue. We have become even more established with our tentative agreements on both sides. No money proposals have been discussed; I'm told that this is normal when negotiating. All other matters are settled first and then the finance portion will follow. As stated before, once we start with the money portion, if membership wants to come together and discuss what is at hand, the GNC can make that happen.

Our next scheduled meeting with the School District will be October 25th. Detailed updates from the past meeting held on October 4 will be discussed at our Monthly Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 10, which will be held at the Freeport Public Library at 4:30 p.m. As information comes available, I will keep you informed.

As a result we are asking that we come together and show our unity in standing together for the cause, a fair contract.

Homecoming parade was a success. We were 15 strong. Special THANKS to ALL who supported USW 745 in the Homecoming parade.

YOU ROCK!



Chromebooks concerns are hopefully all taken care of. When signing into a chromebook, even though it asks for student's information, just put in your e-mail address @fsd 145.org, with your password, and you should be able to log on. We had concerns pertaining to printed information not being secured, and others being able to see/receive your printed documents. Hopefully that too has been corrected; if not, please let us know as soon as possible.

NEW WEBSITE

Check out our new USW Local 745 website at uswlocals.org/local-745-freeport-il. Under news/publications you will be able to review past issues of the Classifieds. Mark it in your favorites to keep up with current information.

THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO HMMM

WEINGARTEN RIGHTS

If this discussion could in any way lead to my being disciplined or terminated, or affect my personal working conditions, I respectfully request that my union representative or steward be present at the meeting. Without representation, I choose not to answer any questions.

Please know and understand your rights.

I realize we have some new members who have never received a welcome packet. I had hoped to have a contract by now and for that reason, I was waiting so that the contract could be included in the packet. however, it's taking a little longer than we anticipated. For that reason, I will be sending out welcome packets for all new employees to be distributed by your building communicators. I will not be including the old contracts; you will receive a new one when it's complete.

In our welcome packet you usually will find a Union Card, a Contract, a list of Officers, a list of Stewards, a Weingarten Rights card, and a discounted card of local business. You must be a signed card member to attend Membership Meetings. I will have some on hand Tuesday, October 10th, at the library during our Membership Meeting for anyone needing to complete a card.

This Month's Events

Date: October 3 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Freeport Middle School Administrative Board Meeting

Date: October 10 Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Freeport Public Library District 145 Membership Meeting

Date: October 15 Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Union Office Local 745 Membership Meeting

Date: October 17 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Freeport Middle School Administrative Board Meeting

Next Month's Events

Date: November 7 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Freeport Middle School Administrative Board Meeting

Date: November 12 Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Union Office

Local 745 Membership Meeting

Date: November 14 Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Freeport Public Library District 145 Membership Meeting

Date: November 21 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Freeport Middle School Administrative Board Meeting

WELCOME NEW GNC MEMBER

We welcome Jonathan Adams as our new Grievance and Negotiating Committee member. Jonathan is currently working as a special paraeducator at Empire School.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Dorothy Cox	Senior High	1
Maria Perez	FMS	1
Kelly Thruman	Lincoln Douglas	2
Jessica Daniels	Empire	5
Pam Kuper	Lincoln Douglas	7
Jennifer Casson	Lincoln Douglas	9
Melva Dodson	Carl Sandburg	9
Kathleen Williams	FMS	10
Mignon Cooper	Carl Sandburg	13
Delores Horton Johnson	Banks-Bergagna	13
Demonte Davis	Senior High	15
Jennifer Whitson	Senior High	18
Amy Kreeger	Lincoln Douglas	22
Debra Hamilton	Senior High	30



Inspirational

The "3" C's in life:
Choice, Chance, Change
You must make the Choice
To take the Chance
If you want anything in life to
Change.



FROSTED GRAPE SALAD (Eyeball Salad)

1 (8 oz) cream cheese, softened

1 c. sour cream

1/3 c. sugar

2 tsp. vanilla

2 pounds red seedless grapes

2 pounds green seedless grapes

3 Tbsp. brown sugar

3 Tbsp. chopped pecans, toasted

In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese, sour cream, sugar and vanilla until blended. Wash and pat dry the grapes. Add grapes and toss to coat. Transfer to a serving bowl. Cover and refrigerate until serving. Sprinkle with brown sugar and pecans just before serving. Yield: 21-24 servings.

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Friends and Family Discount Program

A Friends and Family Program Discount card can be picked up at the Union office at 2496 E. Maize Road or by contacting a G.N.C. member. Area participating businesses include: Butitta Brothers, CarQuest, Brightflower Nursery, Rock Hollow Conservation Club, Dairy Queen, 4 Seasons Bowling, Loescher Heating, Hampton Inn, Cimino's Little Italy, Art Ross Glass, Amsoil, Carlson Canine Camp, Freeport Quiznos, Auto Logic, and TJ's Truck Accessories.

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.