



The Local Scene

For Members, Family and Friends of Teamsters Local 676

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A Message from Our President



Howard W. Wells

I would like to thank everyone, at this time, for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President. I appreciate the assistance of the members and stewards in helping us make progress here at Local 676.

It has been an exciting year for all of us here at Local 676. We had our First Annual Open House (last February), our first Unity Day when we went to the Temple Football Game (October). Many of our members got involved in "Get out the Vote" activities and Voter Registration. We increased the number of registered members in our Local by 11.8%. Our First Annual Christmas Party capped off the year for the members and their kids. More than 175 children saw Santa and received a very nice toy.

I will continue to work with Marcus King, whom I have appointed the Benefits Director of Local 676. Together we are bringing many new, exciting and valuable programs to you our members. There is now a reduced fee Legal Plan and a reduced rate Mortgage Plan available to all members. Several members have already taken advantage of the plans, saving large sums of money, especially on mortgages and refinancing.

Our Community Outreach Program is also coming along well. It is part of our ongoing effort to bring renewed respect for Local 676 in South Jersey. The day I was asked to throw the first pitch at a Little League Championship Game I knew that the hard work was beginning to pay off. On April 18, 2004, a group of more than 140 members and their families turned out for the Annual "Katie's Crew" Walk for MS. Teamsters Local 676 donated 150 T-Shirts and our Local Union Banner to "Katie's Crew" for this event. It was an honor for me to be asked to participate in the morning's activities.

Fraternally,

Howard W. Wells President & Principal Officer



Health Awareness Day

Health Awareness Day at Local #676

The February Monthly Membership Meeting included free health screenings for blood sugar level, blood pressure, cholesterol, body fat and anti-oxidant levels. Presentations were given by Dr. Anthony Carabasi [South Jersey Health & Wellness Center] on alternative pain management, chiropractic and physical therapy and by John Felicione, PA [Pharmanex] on the importance of anti-oxidant, vitamin and trace element levels to good health.

Assisting the members on behalf of South Jersey Health and Wellness Center were therapists Beth Bongard, Kelly Tropp, Felicia Wright, and Jennifer Probst -- Dr. Anthony Carabasi -- and patient services director Tony Kim. All members and their families are entitled to a free medical consultation. Please call Tony Kim at 856-761-8100 to schedule an appointment.

For further information concerning anti-oxidant, vitamin, and trace element supplements you may contact Richard Felicione (Local #676 member) at 856-964-8440 or Anna Marie Sabatino at 856-655-0884. They have a biophotonics instrument which can measure the level of anti-oxidants in your system. This is important information in the fight against cancer and other debilitating diseases and conditions.

Your Health is Your Greatest Asset

Meeting Schedule

January 16, 2005

February 20, 2005

March 20, 2005

April 17, 2005

May 15, 2005

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Win a 2005 Corvette Convertible

Compliments of GMAC Insurance

Support the James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund

The JRHMSF is pleased to make this special offer available to the first 2,000 participants. The vehicle will be awarded to a individual. Group purchase of a single ticket is prohibited. Ticket price is \$100 and you need not be present to win. Drawing to be held Wednesday may 11, 2005 at the Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas, NV.

If you are interested in purchasing a ticket[s], and you are using a Credit Card, please fax this completed form to 202-624-8721. If you are paying by check, please send this completed form with your check made payable to the James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund, 25 Louisiana Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20001. Your ticket stub will be sent to you via U.S. Mail.

Thank you for your support.

Notice: Winner is responsible for reporting and paying all applicable federal, state, and local taxes. Winner must provide a statement on IRS Form W-2G containing his or her name, address, taxpayer identification number, and a declaration that no other person is entitled to any portion of the Corvette. Winner must also pay federal income tax calculated at the rate of 25% of the fair market value of the vehicle, within 30 days of the date the drawing is held. The approximate fair market value of the 2005 Corvette is currently estimated to be at least \$52,245. Corvette is not affiliated with this sponsorship.

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_____ Total number of tickets you are purchasing at \$100.00 each.

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Peter J. McGuire Scholarship Award Information

The Peter J. McGuire Scholarships will be awarded once again at our annual Labor day Observance on Friday September 2, 2005. Last year we awarded 25 \$1000 scholarships bringing our grand total to 353 awards totaling \$214,500. Below please find the criteria used to determine eligibility and the contact information needed in order to apply for the scholarship. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Council at 856-663-1555.

The qualifications for a student to receive a Peter J. McGuire scholarship are as follows:

1. The student must have one **immediate** family member in an AFL-CIO affiliated union
2. The student must show documented financial need.
3. The student must maintain a grade point average of 2.5 or above.
4. The student must live in southern New Jersey.

Four area colleges meet the criteria for scholarships.

Camden County College, Gloucester County College, Rowan University, and Rutgers University.