



# The Local Scene

For Members, Family and Friends of Teamsters Local 676

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Howard W. Wells

## A Message from Our President

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I want to thank the members of our Local for their confident nomination, at the January meeting, of the entire Howard W. Wells Slate for the Delegate Elections. There were no members in opposition or other members nominated. This is considered a "White Ballot" or an unopposed election by acclamation. We will proudly and professionally represent you as delegates to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters 2006 National Convention.

It was one of the most memorable events of my long Teamster career. Hundreds of you packed the Hall, and cheered enthusiastically, when our nomination and election by acclamation were confirmed by the Independent Election Officer. Neither I nor the other members of my slate take your support for granted. We promise to do everything possible to help you both on and off the job.

Your vote of confidence, and solidarity, in the leadership of Local 676 sends a powerful message to the employers we deal with every day. Local 676 is a united Teamster Local ready to stand up and fight for the rights of its' members. Local 676 members are ready to stand side by side with each other to protect their rights because they know the Local is watching their back.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Second Annual Local 676 Picnic. This year we will enjoy a day at Clementon Lake Park. Once again thank you, all of you, for your trust and support.



## Hoffa Leads Rally for Sikorsky Strikers

Today Teamsters General President\* James P. Hoffa led thousands of Teamsters, union members and community activists in a historic rally to support the 3,600 Teamsters on strike at Sikorsky aircraft in Stratford, Connecticut."

"Listen loud and clear, Sikorsky," declared Teamsters General President\* Jim Hoffa. "When you pick a fight with some Teamsters, you pick a fight with all 1.4 million of us. We're here to show you the strength and power of the mighty Teamsters army, and we will not back down from this fight."

### Reminder!

**Bill Einhorn, the Health & Welfare and Pension Funds Administrator will attend our Monthly Membership Meeting March 19th.**

## Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the 2006 International Brotherhood of Teamsters Convention

### Delegates

Howard W. Wells, Ernest Clements, Marcus King, Charles Mahoney, Roy Kaiser

### Alternate Delegates

Edward Pearce and James Bennett

## We welcome your suggestions!

Let us know what you think of your Local Union. Send your ideas to the Local c/o President Howard W. Wells

## Rides, Slides and Food!



Save the Date!

Local 676  
2nd Annual Picnic

Sunday June 11,  
2006

Watch for more details in upcoming newsletters and on your Union Bulletin Board.

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## Second Annual Local #676 Christmas Party A Big Success

Once again we are left wondering. It's another of life's mysteries. It seems that our President Howard and Santa Claus have never been seen together! Perhaps it's just coincidence.

Well over 400 attended this year's second annual Christmas party here at Teamsters Local 676. The children received presents from Santa Claus and the officers served as Santa's helpers.

There was plenty of food and presents for all. President Howard Wells, the officers and staff of Teamsters local 676 truly enjoy this time spent with the members and their families during this holiday season,

**The April Monthly Meeting has been rescheduled to April 23, 2006 because Easter falls on the third Sunday.**

## Thank You!

To all those members who brought in toiletries and other items for our Servicemen and women in Fallujah Iraq. We collected a nice amount and are in the process of sending them to our Team Captain Sgt. Joseph Kneble USMC

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Please join us after the  
March 19th Meeting  
for a St. Pat's Day dinner  
of Ham & Cabbage, etc



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Applications are now available for the  
Teamsters Local #676  
Scholarship Fund



Deadline for filing is March 30, 2006  
You must be a High School Senior  
who will be attending college in the fall.

**Important Notice!**  
**Teamsters Health & Welfare and Pension Trust Funds**

After more than 50 years of being headquartered in Center City Philadelphia, the Funds will be relocating their offices to Pennsauken, NJ. The new address as of April 10, 2006 is:

Teamsters Health & Welfare and Pension Trust Funds  
 Of Philadelphia and Vicinity  
 6981 North Park Drive — Suite 400  
 Pennsauken, NJ 08109

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## Teamsters Local 676 & the Public Sector

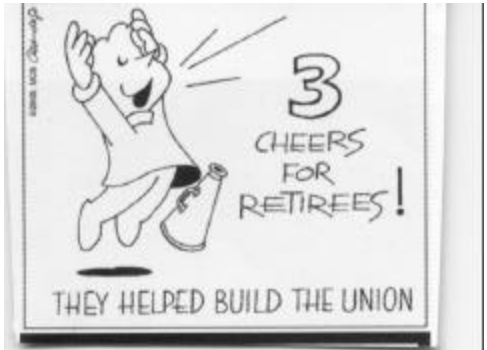
Teamsters local 676 represents more than 47 public-sector contracts, we cover public works, white-collar office staff workers, and police communications officers. Presently we are in negotiations with the following communities.

1. East Windsor police communications officers.
2. Pittman water department
3. Maple Shade, public works
4. Landis MUA
5. Carneys point public works
6. Evesham MUA
7. Haddonfield public works
8. Mantua public works
9. Pennsauken sewer department
10. Princeton police communications officers
11. Swedesboro public works.

**Public-sector organizing:** We welcome the employees of Medford lakes wastewater and public works departments. The employees signed cards and demanded recognition.

Just a note to say thank you to the numerous shop stewards, past and present, who served in public-sector. Also special appreciation for the Business agents who serve our public-sector members. Ernest M Clements, Roy Kaiser, Edward Pearce, James Bennett and President Howard Wells thank you for all the long hours and hard work.

Marcus W. King  
coordinator of public-sector  
Teamsters local 676



## Recent Retirees

Michael Gaskill	Bair Transport, Inc
Thomas Strehle	Chain Mgmt, Inc
Floyd Martin, Sr	Hertz Penske Truck
Otis Bennett, Jr	M Levin Co
Frank Fiot	Penske Trk (Rollins)

### Port Authority Transit

Daniel Arber	Donald Keppen Thomas Perry
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William Silcox      Roadway Express

John Kinney      St Johnsbury Trk

John Harfner      Tose-Fowler Inc

### United Parcel Service

Michael Brindel      William Lovell  
John Underwood

Richard Riggan      U S Silica

Gary Feldman



## Deceased Members

Robert Ferretti      Inactive-Const

Sal Polito      Coca-Cola

William Rutter Sr      Retired-Sysco

Justin Smith Jr      Retired-Const

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## Local #676 Photo Gallery



Howard  
Wells  
President

Retired employees of Willingboro municipal utilities Authority.  
Webster Evans (Marcus King VP) Walt Mason

Retired employees of PATCO.  
Jame Melbourne Peter Petrizio Thomas Perry

Retirees received a gold watch and a certificate symbolizing the number of years of service.

