



# The Local Scene

For Members, Family and Friends of Teamsters Local 676

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*Howard W. Wells*

## A Message From Our President

I would like to thank all of those who contributed to the success of our Picnic at Clementon Lake Park. More than 1700 members and their families enjoyed a day of rides and food and fraternity.

It is our hope that this kicked off an enjoyable and safe summer for all of you. Nice weather and the positive response from our membership mean we will probably make this an annual event. (*see photos page 4*)

**Have a Great Summer  
See you at the September Meeting**

## Change to Win and AFL-CIO Agree to Collaborate on Politics

Determined to help elect labor friendly candidates in Washington and state houses across the country, the Change to Win Federation and the AFL-CIO have agreed to put aside their differences and join forces to coordinate union member mobilization for the 2006 elections.

Change to Win, which includes the Teamsters union and six other large unions, split from the AFL-CIO last year to forge a new labor coalition that can provide "new hope for millions of workers in economic crisis", and "has a bold plan of action to make real change," according to Change to Win Chair Anna Burger.

## Important Information for our members at UPS

We attended the 27th International Teamsters Convention in Las Vegas, NV from June 25—30. This meeting takes place every five years to address issues that affect our diverse membership.

A number of resolutions important to UPS'ers were discussed, considered, voted on, and passed by the delegates at the Convention. Of greatest interest to most of you was the resolution to begin negotiations early with UPS. The current contract expires July 31, 2008. The resolution is very specific in stating that this is not an offer to reopen the current contract!

In an earlier survey of UPS members the overwhelming response to early negotiations was **yes**. We want to emphasize that the current National Contract and Supplemental Agreements will remain in effect until July 31, 2008.

A Proposals meeting for UPS members will be held in the later part of August. Please watch for Union Postings concerning this important meeting. Members are also encouraged to submit proposals by mail or by email to Business Agent Roy Kaiser at the following address: [rkaiser@teamsters676.com](mailto:rkaiser@teamsters676.com) Information concerning the meeting will also be posted on the Local's web site: [www.ibtlocal676.org](http://www.ibtlocal676.org)

Another big issue concerning UPS (and freight) was the card check neutrality agreement between the IBT and UPS Freight (Overnite). This will make organizing these drivers a professional and civilized process. When you see these drivers on the road—talk to them—let them know the advantages of union membership. With them among our ranks we and they gain security and ensure a strong future for all of us. The Overnite facility in Pennsauken would be under Local 676 jurisdiction — let them know we will welcome them.

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(left to right)  
NJ Senator Wayne Bryant, Nicole Handy,  
US Representative Rob Andrews

US Representative Rob Andrews and New Jersey Senator Wayne Bryant assist in the award ceremony

## The First Scholarship Class Of Local 676

At our monthly meeting in May eight industrious and dedicated students were the recipients of the first Local 676 Scholarship Awards. Each of these young men and women have shown their ability to handle the challenges of school and family and community.

### Amanda McClure

Daughter of Eugene McClure  
Our member with the  
Landis Sewerage Authority

She has applied to Cumberland  
County University

### Daniel Phelps

Son of Michael Phelps  
Our member with Star Gas/Inergy

He has applied to Widener  
University

### Shannon Baals

Daughter of James Baals  
Our member with Buena Boro  
MUA

She has applied to Rider  
University

### Joel Sanger

Son of Jonathan Sanger  
Our member with  
Roadway Express

He has applied to Long Island  
University

### James Sauerwald

Son of Warren Keith Watson  
Our member with  
Allied Beverage

He has applied to Burlington  
County College

### Jennifer Baciu

Daughter of Halina Woloszyn  
Our member with UPS

She has applied to Rutgers  
University

### Emily Barbera

Daughter of Stephen Barbera  
Our member with Modern Gas

She has applied to Arcadia  
University



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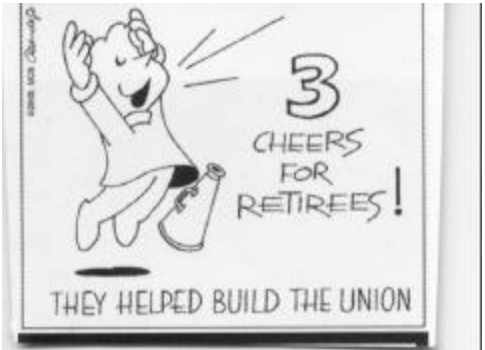
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## \* Second Notice \*

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Hall  
Monday September 25, 2006 from 1 PM to 7 PM

If you know of any member, active or retired,  
who has long term medical or health problems —  
please inform your Business Agent.



## Mail Order Prescription Drug Benefit



At their meeting in May, the Funds Board of Trustees approved the implementation of a mail order benefit for maintenance prescription drugs. This benefit is available to those participants who have been taking this medication for at least 3 months.

Join the

## Retirees Club

Meetings are held the third  
Wednesday of the month.

Call Shirley at the Hall for details.

Moving? Moving? Moved?

If you have moved or are planning to move  
in the near future please submit your new address to  
the business office.



## Recent Retirees

William Allison	Jos. Jingoli & Son
Ken Brooks	United Parcel Service
Fred Bryan	Gypsum Haulage
James Cage Sr	Patco
Cono Cirone	Lo Biondo
Patrick Clinise	St. Johnsbury
Carl Drexler	Gypsum Haulage

### Leonard Hagan

Howard Johnson Jr	J B Van Sciver
Abbie Kidd	CBS Records
Francisze Mikolajczyk	Camden Iron
Thomas Modestowicz	Lo Biondo
Joseph O'Drain	Sysco
Charles Pacifico	United Parcel Service
Robert Polidoro	Philadelphia Park
William Raroha	John Jeffrey Co

## Howard W. Wells Tapped to Head Two Philadelphia Area UPS Committees

Our President has been appointed the Union Chair (lead person) for the Philadelphia Metro Grievance Committee. Howard was chosen because of his experience with UPS and ability to see grievances to a fair and reasonable conclusion.

Howard will also serve as the chair for the Metro Philadelphia UPS Contract Supplemental Negotiating Committee. Be sure to submit your suggestions or bring them to the Proposal meeting this month.

## Deceased Members

*Edward Johnston Jr — E P Henry—Retired*

*John (Jack) Comley—Vineland Transit Mix—Retired*

*Alfred J. Rogers—Construction—Retired*

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## Scenes From the Local 676 First Annual? Picnic At Clementon Lake Amusement Park & Splashworld



### Supplemental Disability Insurance

This insurance is available through  
Colonial Insurance  
Call Dave Bell 856-874-9600

Watch for Eagles Sunday at the  
Hall — Big Screen Action



### 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

Special Thanks  
Don Howell, a member of our Local, has put in countless hours of  
his own time building and maintaining our web site at  
[www.ibtlocal676.org](http://www.ibtlocal676.org).