



# BOILERMAKERS LOCAL 92 NEWSLETTER

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I want to congratulate the hard working members of Local 92 who have made this organization a shining example for other locals and crafts. I am often asked what makes Local 92 Boilermakers so successful on each and every job. I tell them that my agents and I remind our members that they are our best advertisement. That if they want more work they must make each project a success. We try to create a feeling of pride in our work, the desire and drive to be the best. We try to help each member understand the direction we've taken - a new unionism, and to grasp the concept of Boilermaker pride. As a craft, we cannot be successful unless every Boilermaker functions at no less than his or her best!

Local 92 has an "open door" policy. We invite any member to call the hall with questions concerning any aspect of our operation, or our trade. If our knowledgeable agents do not have an immediate answer, they have all the tools to find the answer. We operate under three important documents; the Boilermaker International Constitution, Local 92 By-Laws, and Local 92 Referral Rules.

As in any organization there are members who are concerned more for themselves than the organization, and who ask for "special favors", without regard for our operating documents. When those members are not granted a request, some will talk in half-truths, and hurl insults and accusations at supervision or agents who stood their ground and did not grant those "special favors". We keep the best interests of the entire membership in mind when making any decision.

In today's political climate, there are some who think it is acceptable to hurl insults and accusations at good people, who try to do a good job. With electronic media available at everyone's fingertips it makes it easy to start rumors; to slander and libel innocent people, with no proof, and with no repercussion. Whether through maliciousness or ignorance it is wrong to spread untruths about honest, hard working people, or organizations.

We have a few misinformed members perpetuating some destructive rumors. One well-meaning member, passing bad information to other members, not only creates distress among the membership but also creates a problem for our agents. The time taken away to resolve the problem a rumor creates is time stolen from members who need attention in other matters. We are fortunate to have dedicated agents spending many hours to make sure you, the members, receive the highest level of service possible. Please call the hall for verification of information, before you risk passing on inaccurate information. We will be more than happy to answer any question you may have. Don't be part of the problem, be part of the solution.

Fraternally,  
Eddie Marquez

"The reward for work well done is the opportunity to do more."