



**TEAMSTERS
LOCAL 700**

1300 W. Higgins Road
Suite 301
Park Ridge, IL 60068
(847) 939-9700 office
(847) 518-6495 fax
teamsterslocal700.com

JOIN THE TEAMSTERS
LOCAL 700 GROUP
ON FACEBOOK
to stay informed of
Local 700's activities and
to see more photos of
JTDC employees.

JOHN T. COLI
Trustee

WILLIAM P. LOGAN
Assistant Trustee

BECKY STRZECHOWSKI
Assistant Trustee

TEAMSTERS LOCAL 700

FIGHTING FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

JTDC MEMBER NEWS NEWSLETTER

October 2011

Union Looks to Schedule Meeting Regarding Jurisdiction Issues

While the Office of the Transitional Administrator continues to work with the Cook County Sheriff's Department and the Chicago Police Department to determine who has jurisdiction over JTDC, Teamsters Local 700 representatives are looking to expedite the process.

"Enough is enough," said William P. Logan, Local 700 Assistant Trustee. "This petty disagreement is putting our members in danger. It's time to put differences aside and come to an agreement for the greater good."

The next meeting has yet to be scheduled.

JTDC Work Group Focuses on Safety and Productivity

JTDC is creating a work group in an effort to identify issues in various departments.

The group, made up of Chief Steward George Sanchez, other stewards and JTDC employees, will focus on finding issues and then developing strategies to resolve said issues.

The goal of this group is to create a positive work environment. The first meeting has yet to be announced. If

Members Must Request Withdrawal Status When Leaving Job for Any Reason

If you are leaving your place of work for any reason, notify Local 700 and request withdrawal status.

Failure to do so could result in extra fees. To request withdrawal status, call (847) 939-9700 or ask your business agent.

any members want to get involved, they should contact business agent Nate Hall or Chief Steward George Sanchez.

Teamsters Local 700 to Hold Membership Meeting

Teamsters Local 700 will hold its monthly membership meeting at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 328 S. Marshfield in Chicago.

All Local 700 members are invited to attend and ask questions of the Assistant Trustees and visit with fellow Teamsters.

Local 700's newly elected executive board also will be announced:

William P. Logan, President
Becky Strzechowski, Secretary-Treasurer
Michael G. Melone, Recording

SAFETY continues on Page 2

SAFETY, *continued from Page 1*

Secretary

Vincent F. Tenuto Jr., Vice President

Billie J. Ammons, Trustee

Hector Hernandez, Trustee

Gerald N. Sims Jr., Trustee

The next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. at the Local 700 meeting hall on the first floor at 1300 W. Higgins Rd in Park Ridge.

The date, time and places for 2012 Local 700 monthly membership meetings are forthcoming.

Reminder: Members Must Use Proper Call Off Procedure

A reminder to all JTDC members that the only proper way to call off of work is to call your Team Leader, or whoever they designate, 2.5 hours prior to start time. Text messages will not be accepted.

ASC Overtime Procedures Reviewed, Corrected

After reviewing the overtime procedures in Admission Security and Control, Local 700 representatives became concerned that it was not being fairly distributed.

Going forward, all overtime will be awarded to the department in which it was created.

Additional Training Helps Members Away on Extended Leave

Any member who has been off work for six months or more will now undergo a half a day of training upon their return. Training will include briefing on updated policies and any other relevant information.

The training will take place during regular work hours and will be done through the JTDC human resources department.

Members Work in Pairs to Promote Safety While Escorting Residents

After Local 700 representatives expressed concern that only one member was escorting residents to the hospital, Dunlap is enforcing a new policy.

There should always be two staff members escorting residents to appointments until an assessment is made on the resident.

Reminder: All Employees Must Abide by Dress Code

Transitional Administrator Dunlap reminded union representatives that all JTDC employees must abide by the dress code currently in place.

Local 700 representatives pointed out that some members are concerned that the current dress code is worsening harassment in some cases.

Members with suggestions on how the dress code should be altered in a way to make employees feel safer should contact Chief Union Steward George Sanchez. Local 700 representatives will then take the suggestions to Dunlap.

Revamped Lunchroom Open for All JTDC Members to Use

JTDC will be adding a 60 inch television and large, comfortable chairs to the lunchroom. All JTDC counselors are invited to use this area and the vending machines.

Emergency Hotline Keeps Members in Touch with Local 700 During Crises

In an effort to stay available to members 24 hours per day, Local 700 is providing members with an emergency phone number.

Members can call (866) 975-2085 to speak with someone during critical incidents and emergencies.

Friday Night Boxing Event a Knockout Success

The Chicago Teamsters Hispanic Caucus Friday Night Boxing on Oct. 7 proved to be a one-two punch of fun and fundraising.

Local 700 members, officers and representatives joined hundreds of their union brothers and sisters for the sold-out event at the Teamsters Local 705 meeting hall. All proceeds benefited the Chicago Teamsters Hispanic Caucus Scholarship Program. The event brought the program's total funding to \$25,000.

To join the CTHC, complete an application and return it to 1300 W. Higgins Road, Suite 301, Park Ridge, IL 60068. Applications are available at TeamstersLocal700.com under the "Forms" tab. Interested members can also talk to Chief Steward George Sanchez.