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TOM DOIDGE JOHN GRECO Chapter Founders Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday December 12th, 2024, at 11:30 AM. It will be held at Houligan's Sports Grill, located at 1643 US Highway 1, Ormond Beach FL 32174. All brothers and sisters along with their spouses are welcome.

As of the "A" meeting that was held on Thursday 11/14. There are 1,014 AJ's out for 297 days, with the top 100 out for 226 days. There are currently 6080 AJ employed. The furlough program is still 10 weeks.

The election is finally over, and the results are not what the IBEW and LU#3 were looking for. In the past Trump has not been the friend of Labor that Joe Biden has been. Hopefully our union leaders can sit down with the Trump administration and negotiate a compromise that will benefit the members of the IBEW and LU#3 for the next 4 years and beyond.

We had another new retiree and a great turnout for our November meeting and I am hoping to see a few more after the holidays.

Dues for 2024/25 are still only \$15.00. Anyone who has not paid, please see Paul Dietrich at our next meeting or mail your dues to the address at the top of this page. The new dues year begins every September.

I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and safe travels for those who are traveling to see family and friends.

Fraternally yours, Michael Manfredi

Website: www.lu3cf-retirees.com

Notes from November "A" meeting

NYC Report

	Calls	Unemployed	Employed	Most Slot Days	Top 100 Avg Days	Top 200 Avg Days
A-JOURNEYPERSONS		1014	6080	297	226	213
A-TELEPHONE		7	69	216	164	
MIJ'S	9	0	379			
M-JOURNEYPERSONS	3	0	399			
M-HELPERS	5	0	131			
M-TELEPHONE		4	20			
TEL-HELPERS		0	4			
APPRENTICES	155	0	752			
RE		21	155			
RW	6	1	22			
TDT		17	102			
TDH		1	29			
EXPEDITORS		4	80			
EXPEDITOR HELPERS		1	18			
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Close of business November 4	th, 2024					
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A-Journeypersons	Calls	50	522	14	Days 7 69	Days
A-Telephone		0	322	14	/ 03	
M-Journeypersons		1				
M-Helpers		1				
Apprentices	2	0				
MIJ's		1				
M-Telephone		0				
Tel Helpers		0				

Until further notice, please do not use MD Live if you are on Medicare. The administrator is trying to resolve this matter with Magnacare.

Remember, as of January 1, Medicare-eligible members and their spouses eligible for Medicare will have a \$750 deductible.

You can no longer opt out of the EGWP (Employer Group Waiver Plan) program for prescriptions. As of January 1, 2025 this will be the only prescription drug coverage provided by the plan.

Why Is This Being Done?

After extensive research and review, The Trustees of the Plan have decided that the EGWP is the best choice to continue to provide the most comprehensive, cost-effective prescription drug plan for Medicare-eligible retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents.

The Trustees carefully considered many factors in making this decision, including but not limited to:

- The ever-increasing high cost of prescription medications and its impact on the Plan reserves over the past several years;
- The ability to provide high-quality prescription medications at the lowest possible cost to Medicare-eligible retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents.