

**Executive Board  
Local 707 Retirees Club**

President.....Robert King  
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 Trustee.....Louis Ammirati  
 Trustee.....John Matera  
 Trustee.....Edward Shult

**Meeting Announcement for 2016**  
 Wednesday, April 27  
 Wednesday, July 27  
 Wednesday, October 26  
 11am  
 Place: American Legion Hall  
 51 Roosevelt Ave  
 Valley Stream, N.Y.  
 Please Attend

**Upstate Breakfast: 2nd Tuesday of each month at  
 Stewart Airport Diner, 9am, Maybrook, NY**

**PAYABLE TO:  
 LOCAL 707 RETIREES CLUB  
 14 FRONT STREET  
 HEMPSTEAD, NY 11550 SUITE 300  
 1-800-366-3707 Ext # 140**

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 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Job: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Four of SS #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER OR ADDRESS*  
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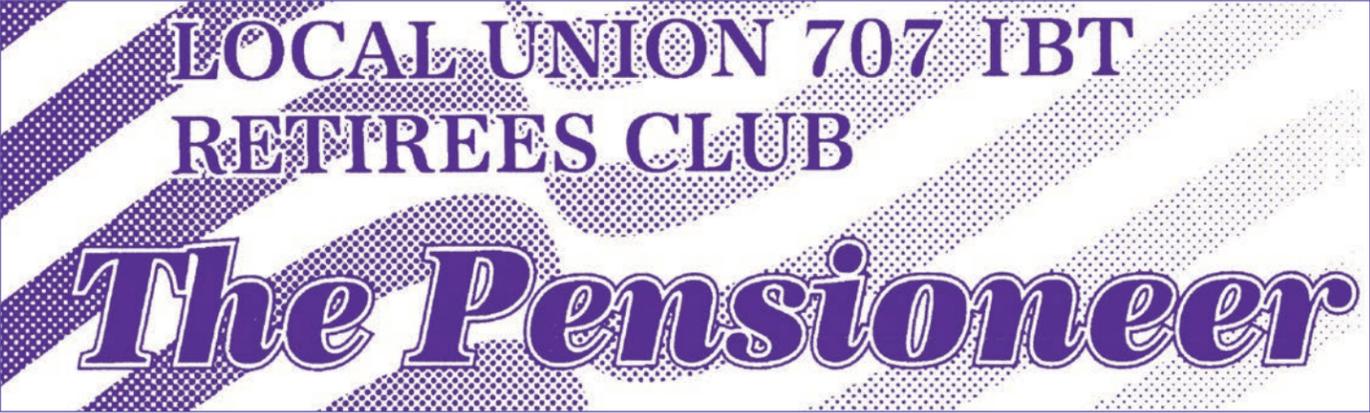
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**In Memoriam**

Local 707 Retirees Club extends its sincerest condolences  
 to the families and friends of our deceased members

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| Nicholas De Mauro—Howard's | Charles Deluca—Roadway |
| Lambert Faber—Preston      | William McBrown—Wilson |
| Steven Moody—ABF           | Robert Ritter—Howard's |



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*The President's Letter*

**W**e are half-way through January and waiting for our first snow storm to arrive on Long Island. The weather people are telling us it will be a big one; hopefully, they are wrong. The October bus trip to the Sands Casino in Bethlehem, Pa., was a success. We are planning to go to Atlantic City on April 13; you must send your check in by March 16th for \$35 per person. If I have received enough reservations to cover the cost of the bus, I will cash your checks and hire the bus.

The Christmas party too was a success. We had 62 members and guests attend. The food was good, as well as the entertainment provided by Brother Irving and the great music he plays on his magic saw.

The Executive Board and Trustees visited our upstate Brothers and Sisters on January 13th for a great breakfast meeting with 42 members attending. It is always a nice get-together; we were lucky this year it didn't snow. Thanks to Trustees Lou Ammirati and John Matera for all they do to keep our Club active upstate. The Club meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Stewart Airport Diner, 9am, Maybrook, NY .

The Board and Trustees voted to change the Club's fiscal year to begin on January 1st of each year. \$15 dues are now due for

2016. Please help Treasurer Andy Dreier and pay them on time, and update your information on the form on the back page.

Local 707 held an election for officers, and President Kevin McCaffrey lost the election by 6 votes. He filed an appeal with Joint Council 16 for a new election due to the fact that approximately 100 members did not receive ballots. It seems their employer did not submit their names to the Local as qualified to vote. A new election was granted and ballots were sent out to all the active members. The ballots had to be returned by January 19, 2016. The newly elected President of Local 707, John Kelder, filed an appeal with IBT President Hoffa to not sanction the new vote. At this time, the returned ballots for the revote have been impounded and will not be opened and counted until President Hoffa makes a decision.

We all have received the bad news letter concerning the cut in our Pension due to the insolvency of the Pension Fund. The three amounts listed in the letter are: #1-the amount you receive now; #2-the amount you will receive for the next 12 months starting February, 2016; and #3-the amount you will permanently receive when the PBGC takes over the Fund. This is devastating to all of us who worked for so many years and were promised our pensions would be there for the rest of our lives. Because so many multi-employer pension funds are in financial trouble, the law was changed in 2014 allowing the Pension Fund Trustees to cut pensions and also to apply to the PBGC for financial help to keep from being taken over by the PBGC. President McCaffrey and the Pension Fund Trustees were the first to apply to the PBGC. The law was so new and not completely understood by the PBGC and the Government agencies involved. The PBGC told President McCaffrey to try to find another fund that was

interested in merging with 707's Fund and the PBGC would be helping the two funds. President McCaffrey found a pension fund that was willing to merge with our fund and was filing the application with the PBGC. When President McCaffrey lost the 707 election, the other fund decided not to file for a merger with 707's Pension Fund without McCaffrey as President. There are bills in Congress that are backed by the IBT to help the troubled pension funds. They have been tabled and we need help now.

I have been removed as the Retiree Representative on the Road Carriers Local 707 Pension Fund Board as of January 1, 2016, by Local 707 President John Kelder.

I have received many phone calls from members and their families regarding our pension. I am at the Hall every Wednesday from 9am until 12pm.

**DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW**

Fraternally yours,  
Bob King, President