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The President's Letter

Summer is gone and Fall is creeping in slowly here on Long Island. Like the rest of the country, the weather is unpredictable. Our thoughts and prayers are with all our brothers and sisters that have been affected by the terrible hurricanes throughout the country. Again this year we joined our Local 282 Brothers and rode on a flatbed lowboy trailer in the NY Labor Day parade; it is always a nice day to be with so many Union Sisters and Brothers.

Upstate Breakfast: 2nd Tuesday of each month at Stewart Airport Diner, 9am, Maybrook, NY. On October 18 we are going to Atlantic City. We still have seats available, \$40 per person. Call me if you want to go. 516- 721- 0034.

We will meet on October 25 at the American Legion Hall in Valley Stream at 11am for our quarterly lunch meeting. Come and have lunch and enjoy talking with some friends.

We will be having our annual Christmas party on December 18 at the American Legion Hall in Valley Stream. Members may bring a guest. Please come and enjoy seeing some old friends and having a good meal. Please send your reservation in with \$5 per person by December 1.

Look at your name and address on the envelope this letter came in and if you see a DD (Dues are Due) after your name, your dues for 2017 are not currently paid. Please send your payment of \$15 so our Club may remain vibrant.

I have a correction: Justin Morris, grandson of Richard Rivera, was one of the two winners of the \$1000 computer gift certificates at the 707 Scholarship Fund Golf Outing.

This is the last letter for 2017. I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Blessed Christmas, a Happy Chanukah and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Fraternally yours,
Bob King, President

PENSION FUND UPDATE

The Fund continues to work to be included in the pension reform Legislation. Through the Fund's lobbying efforts and our actives and retirees contacting their representatives, the UPS proposal includes substantial relief for actives and retirees. The IBT (International Brotherhood of Teamsters) and the NCCMP (National Coordinating Council of Multi-Employer Pension Funds) also have proposed Legislative solutions. As of this writing the Local 707 Fund can only confirm the UPS Legislative Proposal provides relief to Local 707 pension participants.

The UPS proposal which you should support is not a handout or a bailout. It makes direct low interest federal loans to plans who face imminent insolvency, provided the plans implement benefit reductions of up to 20 percent for all participants with larger cuts for insolvent plans like ours. Loans would only be available to those plans which are able to demonstrate, through joint labor-management support, an ability to fully repay the loans. This combination allows these plans to stop selling assets to pay benefits and to grow their core assets. Over time, this allows the plans to make benefit payments and repay the loan in full. Plans would need to qualify for the loans by demonstrating that full repayment is assured so that taxpayers would not be burdened. Keeping these plans solvent also reduces the risk that PBGC becomes insolvent.

The UPS plan has the most realistic chance of passing and helping Local 707. The other plans call for a larger government bailout which cannot be depended upon. The UPS plan also may also offer assistance faster than the other plans which is so important to our retirees and beneficiaries who need assistance now. Please continue to contact your Senators and Congress people. You can access sample lobbying letters and contact information for your representatives on our website: www.roadcarriers707.com.

EQUIFAX ANNOUNCED DATA BREACH

Learn how to determine if you are potentially affected by the Equifax data breach and steps you can take to protect your identity.

OVERVIEW

Equifax announcement

On September 7, 2017, Equifax announced that it suffered a data breach. There was no breach of AT&T systems or the data we maintain, but we have been working with Equifax to learn more about this event and understand there is a possibility that your personal information might have been exposed.

We encourage you to take the following steps to help protect your identity:

1. Visit www.equifaxsecurity2017.com/consumer-notice to determine if you are potentially affected and to sign up for credit file monitoring and identity theft protection.
2. Contact major credit reporting agencies to place a fraud alert and/or credit freeze on your credit report, and to learn about identity theft programs offered by the Federal Trade Commission. Details on how to contact the credit reporting agencies and FTC can also be found at <http://www.consumer.ftc.gov>.

If you believe you were the victim of identity theft, here are some steps you can consider for additional protection:

1. Close the accounts that you believe may have been tampered with or opened fraudulently. Use the Identity Theft Report, which can be found at <http://www.identitytheft.gov>.
2. File a police report and get a copy to submit to your creditors and others who may require proof of the crime.
3. File your complaint with the FTC. The FTC maintains an identity theft database that law enforcement agencies use for investigations. Filing a complaint also helps the FTC better assist you, as the commission learns more about identity theft and the problems it creates.

Your privacy and data security are paramount to us. If you have any questions about this issue we strongly encourage you to visit <http://www.equifaxsecurity2017.com/consumer-notice>.

You can also call Trans Union, 1-800-909-8872, Experian, 1-800-397-3742 and Equifax, 1-800-349-9960, to request a credit freeze on your credit card accounts to protect yourself against identity theft.

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Meeting Announcements for 2017

**Wednesday, October 25
Wednesday, December 13**

11am

**Place: American Legion Hall
51 Roosevelt Ave, Valley Stream, N.Y.**

Please Attend

Christmas/Holiday Luncheon (Dec.13) Reservation Form

Please respond by December 1, 2017

\$5.00 per person. Each member is allowed one guest.

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1-800-366-3707 Ext # 140**

Name: _____

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PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER OR ADDRESS. THANK YOU.

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In Memoriam

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

**Philip Bartus—Scott Davis
Wallace Carlock—P&G
Robert Darling--Yellow
William Donovan--Carolina
Martin Falk-----Arrow
John Fitzgerald--YRC**

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