

PAINTERS DISTRICT COUNCIL



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UNIONS - THE PEOPLE WHO BROUGHT YOU WEEKENDS

FALL

2016



HILLARY TAKES ROUND 1

It's been over a week since the first Presidential debate and the results are saying that IUPAT Backed Presidential nominee Hillary Clinton received a post-debate bounce. Leading by only 1-1.5% bouncing to 3-5%-point lead, nationally. Not only do the polls say she won the debate, they also say Presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton is swinging ahead in the swing states. When she was leading by only 1%, that meant she would have to win every state, now with a larger margin she only needs to win a couple swing states. That's a few more paths on her way to victory. According to the polls in New Hampshire, Clinton is up by 7%. Polls in Michigan have Clinton up by 7%. The polls in Florida have Clinton and Trump in a virtual tie, Clinton up by .03%. In Nevada she's up by 6%.

So Mr. Donald Trump, keep telling yourself that the housing collapse was good for business, and that not paying your fair share of taxes makes you smart. According to the New York Times, Mr. Trump declared a \$916 million loss on his 1995 income tax returns and the large tax deduction may have allowed him to avoid paying federal income taxes for up to 18 years. How does this make you qualified to run our country? We need a leader who will fight for all not just the top 1%.

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Young Lions Annual Food Drive

Food will be collected at all the Painters Local Unions from now until November 19th. Winner of the "Golden Can" will be Announced on November 20th at the Young Lions Football Event.

LETTER FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER/ SECRETARY TREASURER

Well we are now into the beginning of fall and the final weeks of this year's election season. After a long primary season the candidates are Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump for president of the United States. You should have recently received your IUPAT journal which focuses on that election. Painters District Council Stands United with our international union in endorsing "Hillary Clinton for President". Let me say that I understand that some of our members may disagree. To that I say look past the bar room chatter about making America great again (In my opinion America was always great, is great, and always will be great) and look at the facts of past performance. Mr. Trump has never worried about making his mortgage payment, car payment, feeding his family, nor has he lived pay check to pay check. He has always had his rich father to bail him out of tough finances, and has Paid high priced accountants and lawyers to manipulate his way through multiple bankruptcies at some one else's expense. He has forced numerous companies into bankruptcies because he went back on not only his word but against written contracts with smaller businesses because he knew they could not afford to fight him and his high priced lawyers in court. He has fought unionization in some of his properties because he can "save money" by not giving employees a decent wage and benefits. Donald has manipulated the system and current laws to benefit one person HIMSELF. Look, This guy may be a lot of fun to sit and have a few beers with in a bar or to crack stupid jokes with, but he is far from presidential material.

Now ask yourself do you truly believe he is going to change those same laws and systems that made him millions, while paying little or no taxes himself, to stop benefiting himself and other billionaires! Now with him saying he is looking out for your best interests is Ludacris. His past history says different.

Here in the state of Illinois. This is the first election since Bruce Rauner launched his union busting "Right to Work" - turn around agenda. As of this publication he has poured over \$14 million dollars into the state elections to try to buy your vote. In one state representative race here in the Chicago land area Rauner has contributed so much money to keep his candidate in office, that race is now the highest funded state official race in the nation.

To these rich politicians money is no object. They know if they can buy a race they can make more money in return when they are elected. They will weaken unions, labor laws, environmental and safety regulations. All while paying taxes at a lower tax rate than you and me. We must not let this happen in our state. The only great equalizer to all that money is to vote and encourage your neighbors, your family and your friends to do the same.

Please take a minute to look over the list of candidates we have included in this newsletter and vote for the candidates endorsed for their family / labor voting record and in so doing VOTE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES FUTURE.

NOTE; Next month's newsletter will include articles on our scholarship fun, young lions food drive, upcoming Local Christmas festivities, female painters initiative and much more.

John Spiros Jr.

Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Painters District Council #14



President of the United States

Hillary Clinton Statewide Democrat

U.S. Senate

Tammy Duckworth Statewide Democrat

Illinois Comptroller

Susana Mendoza Statewide Democrat

U.S. House of Representatives

Bobby Rush 1st District Democrat
 Robin Kelly 2nd District Democrat
 Dan Lipinski 3rd District Democrat
 Luis Gutierrez 4th District Democrat
 Mike Quigley 5th District Democrat
 Danny Davis 7th District Democrat
 Raja Krishnamoorthi 8th District Democrat
 Jan Schakowsky 9th District Democrat
 Brad Schneider 10th District Democrat
 Bill Foster 11th District Democrat

Illinois Senate

Tony Munoz 1st District Democrat
 Omar Aquino 2nd District Democrat
 Kimberly Lightford 4th District Democrat
 Patricia Van Pelt 5th District Democrat
 Heather Steans 7th District Democrat
 Ira Silverstein 8th District Democrat
 John Mulroe 10th District Democrat
 Martin Sandoval 11th District Democrat
 Kwame Raoul 13th District Democrat
 Emil Jones III 14th District Democrat
 Jacqueline Collins 16th District Democrat
 Donne Trotter 17th District Democrat
 Michael Hastings 19th District Democrat
 Iris Martinez 20th District Democrat
 Cristina Castro 22th District Democrat
 Tom Cullerton 23th District Democrat
 Laura Murphy 28th District Democrat
 Julie Morrison 29th District Democrat
 Toi Hutchinson 40th District Democrat

Illinois House of Representatives

Dan Burke 1st District Democrat
 Theresa Mah 2nd District Democrat
 Luis Arroyo 3rd District Democrat
 Cynthia Soto 4th District Democrat
 Juliana Stratton 5th District Democrat
 Sonya Harper 6th District Democrat
 Emanuel "Chris" Welch 7th District Democrat
 La Shawn Ford 8th District Democrat
 Art Turner Jr. 9th District Democrat
 Melissa Conyears 10th District Democrat
 Ann Williams 11th District Democrat
 Sara Feigenholtz 12th District Democrat
 Gregory Harris 13th District Democrat
 Kelly Cassidy 14th District Democrat
 John D'Amico 15th District Democrat
 Lou Lang 16th District Democrat
 Laura Fine 17th District Democrat
 Robyn Gabel 18th District Democrat
 Rob Martwick 19th District Democrat
 Merry Marwig 20th District Democrat
 Silvana Tabares 21st District Democrat
 Michael Madigan 22nd District Democrat
 Michael J. Zalewski 23rd District Democrat
 Elizabeth Hernandez 24th District Democrat
 Barbara Flynn Currie 25th District Democrat

Christian Mitchell 26th District Democrat
 Monique Davis 27th District Democrat
 Robert Rita 28th District Democrat
 Thaddeus Jones 29th District Democrat
 Will Davis 30th District Democrat
 Mary Flowers 31st District Democrat
 Andre Thapedi 32nd District Democrat
 Marcus Evans Jr. 33rd District Democrat
 Elgie Sims Jr. 34th District Democrat
 Fran Hurley 35th District Democrat
 Kelly Burke 36th District Democrat
 Al Riley 38th District Democrat
 Will Guzzardi 39th District Democrat
 Jaime Andrade Jr. 40th District Democrat
 Fred Crespo 44th District Democrat
 Deb Conroy 46th District Democrat
 Martin Moylan 55th District Democrat
 Michelle Mussman 56th District Democrat
 Elaine Nekritz 57th District Democrat
 Kathleen Willis 77th District Democrat
 Camille Lilly 78th District Democrat
 Anthony DeLuca 80th District Democrat

Appellate Court

Eileen O'Neill Burke 1st District Epstein Vacancy
 Bertina E. Lampkin 1st District Quinn Vacancy

Cook County State's Attorney

Kim Foxx Countrywide Democrat

Cook County Clerk of Circuit Court

Dorothy Brown Countrywide Democrat

Cook County Recorder of Deeds

Karen A. Yarbrough Countrywide Democrat

Cook County Board of Review Commissioner

Michael Cabonargi 2nd District Democrat

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District – Six Year Term

Mariyana T. Spyropoulos Countywide Democrat
 Barbara McGowan Countywide Democrat
 Josina Morita Countywide Democrat

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District – Two Year Term

Martin J. Durkan Countywide Democrat

Circuit Court

Rossana Patricia Fernandez Countywide Elrod Vacancy
 Alison C. Conlon Countywide Hogan Vacancy
 Aleksandra Gillespie Countywide Howlett, Jr. Vacancy
 Carolyn J. Gallagher Countywide Johnson Vacancy
 Mary Kathleen McHugh Countywide Karnezis Vacancy
 Brendan A. O'Brien Countywide Love Vacancy
 Maureen O'Donoghue Countywide O'Brien Vacancy
 Hannon
 Daniel Patrick Duffy Countywide Ruscitti-Grussel Vacancy

Subcircuit Court

Eulalia "Evie" DeLaRosa 6th Subcircuit Ponce De Leon Vacancy
 Richard C. Cooke 6th Subcircuit Santiago Vacancy
 Jerry Esrig 9th Subcircuit Berman Vacancy
 Eve Marie Reilly 10th Subcircuit Howard Vacancy
 William B. Sullivan 11th Subcircuit Zwick Vacancy
 Janet Cronin Mahoney 12th Subcircuit Mathein Vacancy
 Carrie Hamilton 12th Subcircuit Tristano Vacancy
 James Edward Hanlon, Jr. 12th Subcircuit A Vacancy
 Ketki "Kay" Steffen 13th Subcircuit Fecarotta, Jr. Vacancy

Note: Voters are allowed to bring this page into the polling booth.

LOCAL UNION SPOTLIGHT



Each newsletter, Painters District Council #14 will highlight one of its affiliated locals. This will give the opportunity for each local to show their dedication to the union movement. Spotlights will include various articles of each locals history, current objectives, upcoming events and news and more. Be sure to watch for your local in future newsletters.

Painters Local #33

An important milestone for labor was reached on May 22, Painters Local #33 was not always a part of Painters District Council #14. Painters Local #33 was an independent Local that has been in existence for over a 100 years. Local #33 was chartered on June 4, 1898 and has been a strong force in representing Painters and Drywall Finishers in the Will and Grundy County area ever since. Painters Local # 33 currently is part of Painters District Council #14 and merged with the Council as of April of 1998. Local # 33 is located on the West side of Joliet in the heart of Will County with the address being 100 N. Republic Joliet, IL 60435 and is currently 370 members strong.

Painters Local #33 members take great pride in owning their own building that construction started in April of 1977. A decision by the proud members of Local #33 to build their building was made and have some of the building partly financed by the members themselves. The building still serves as offices for The Business Representatives as well as having Meetings, Quarterly dues parties, Trainings and any general purpose that the members can use the building for.

Painters Local #33 along with District Council #14 represents the following types of Painters and their perspective markets:

1. Painters (residential, commercial)

- Various types of Surface Prep
- Brush and Roll for Aesthetics
- All types of spray applications
- Epoxy Flooring
- Installation of Vinyl wallcoverings
- Faux Finishing
- Lead Abatement

These are just some of the functions painters perform in locations such as housing, store fronts, malls, schools, colleges precast buildings, assisted living facilities, sky rises, apartment complexes and much more.

2. Painters (Industrial)

- Sandblasting
- Water jetting
- Fireproofing
- Rigging
- Lead abatement
- Operation of heavy duty equipment
- Epoxy floors
- Tank lining
- Infrastructure maintenance
- Corrosion Preventive Engineering
- Fiber Glass Tank Linings
- Plural Component Spray
- Thermal Linings
- Metalizing

These are some, not all of the task that Industrial Painter perform in places like refineries, nuclear power plants, chemical plants, food manufacturing plants and infrastructures including bridges, water towers, wastewater treatment facilities and much more.



Painters Local #33 also Represents Drywall finishers also referred to as Tapers. Along with District Council #14, Local #33 represents Drywall Finishing type of work in the following markets;

1. Drywall Finishing (Residential, Commercial)

- Hand Taping
- Automated Tools
- Fire Taping
- Fire Stop
- Trim-Tex Systems
- Straight Flex Systems
- Level 5 Coating
- Textured Finishes
- Continuous Flow Systems

These various task can be performed in locations such as housing, mall stores, strip malls, sky rises, schools, colleges, assisted living facilities, office build-outs, remodels and much more.

Painters Local #33 has been serving the Will and Grundy County area for over 100 years. Will County can be considered the Midwest Hub for many different aspects which members perform work on a continuous basis. The Joliet area has a unique transportation system that includes mass intermodal trucking facilities were work is performed, Rail systems were work is performed and Barge lines that go up and down the Will Counties infamous Three Rivers waterway. Will County also seems to be the Precast capital of the Midwest with Union Painters and Tapers performing the work on these buildings as well. Will and Grundy County also host two refineries, two Nuclear Power Facilities, three Coal burning electric power plants and many chemical plants located throughout the counties. Local #33's area also includes a lot of open land for more infrastructures, Industrial, residential and commercial opportunities for construction to occur for future members to have work opportunities.

Outside of being the most productive, highly skilled trained workforce in the Will and Grundy County area, Painters Local #33 has a proud and rich tradition of being very active in the Community. Painters Local #33 is a member of the Will and Grundy County Building Trades and has partnered with them to participate in various charitable events throughout the Will and Grundy County communities including;

1. DADS Day (Dads against Diabetes)
2. Remodel of VFW Cantigny Post
3. Remodel of Park Forest Community Center
4. Repaint for St. Joes Baseball Diamonds
5. Repaint for Crest Hill Baseball Diamonds
6. Help Paint for Chaney- Monge Jr High School
7. And many more

These events plus Local #33 vigorous political activities throughout the Will and Grundy County area make Local 33 one of the most unique and active Locals in the District Council. A rich tradition and a humble pride have made Local #33 what is from the beginning holding true to what it is today!!! Local #33 core values have always been God First, Family Second and Painters and Tapers Local #33 Third!!!

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HEALTH/WELFARE CHANGE

Beginning January 1, 2017: **Cigna will be the new insurance provider for those currently enrolled in the PPO program.**

Blue Cross/Blue Shield will no longer be accepted. (HMO participants will not be affected by this change) Please check with your Doctor(s) and Provider(s) to see if they accept Cigna PPO. If they do not, please contact H/W Trustee Drew Perch at 312-421-0046 x184. Please note: there are no changes to benefit coverage, co-pays, deductibles: this is simply a provider network change. More information will be mailed to the membership in the coming weeks.



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Feet on the Street:

District Council 14 along with the Chicago Federation of Labor is in support of and campaigning for the following candidates.

Tammy Duckworth is running for the US Senate; she has proven herself to be IUPAT friendly. The Chicago Painters were very instrumental in her previous election. She is a decorated war hero and is a strong advocate for Unions.

Susan Mendoza is setting her sights on the Illinois Comptroller Office. Susan has shown herself not only to be union labor friendly, but to be a middle class advocate.

Laura Murphy is running for re-election in the 28th district Illinois senate race. She has proven herself to be a friend of our Seniors and Veterans, and is labor friendly.

Melinda Bush for 31st district senate is in a tight race in the northern suburbs and has fought tirelessly for the middle class.

Marty Moylan is running for re-election in the race for State Rep. of the 55th district. Mr. Moylan has over 40 years' experience with labor unions. He also served as a Business Rep. for IBEW Local 134.

A full list of labor endorsed candidates is included in this newsletter. Please review the list and consider casting your vote for these labor friendly candidates who will help us in our Fight against Anti-Labor Governor Bruce Rauner and his union busting agenda.

We are also phone banking and hitting the streets for these labor friendly candidates. Anyone interested in helping can contact Dennis Roach at 1 (312) 421-0046 extension 229.

Dennis Roach

Business Representative/Political Director