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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

The NWPA ALF's jurisdiction covers 19 Pennsylvania Counties: Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Indiana, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Venango, Warren and Westmoreland. We produce this newsletter for the members of our affiliates.

Any comments or questions about this newsletters or its contents should be sent to the NWPA ALF is located at 1276 Liberty St. Ste. 2 in Franklin, PA 16323.

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MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING

MONTH'S EDITION, PLEASE.

PENNDOT WINTER DRIVING TIPS

PennDOT is advising motorists to avoid traveling during winter weather events whenever possible. However, if drivers do need to travel, they are urged to practice the following winter driving tips:

- Use low beams in snowy weather.
- Keep the gas tank at least half full.
- Slow down your speed.
- Increase the following distance from the vehicle in front of you.
- Use extra caution on bridges and ramps, where ice can form without warning.

All vehicles must be fully clear of ice and snow before winter travel. Failing to clear the windshield alone is a \$25 fine but could exceed \$100 with fees. If snow or ice is dislodged or falls from a moving vehicle and strikes another vehicle or pedestrian causing death or serious bodily injury, the operator of that vehicle could receive a \$200 to \$1,000 fine.

To prepare for the risk of becoming stranded or encountering a crisis situation on the roadway, motorists are urged to carry an emergency kit in their vehicles. Supplies may include nonperishable food, water, first-aid supplies, warm clothes, a blanket, cell phone charger, and a small snow shovel. Kits can be tailored to the specific needs of the individuals in the vehicle, with items such as baby supplies, extra medication, pet supplies, or even children's games.

For more information on safe winter travel, an emergency kit checklist and information on PennDOT's winter operations, visit www. PennDOT.gov/winter. Other highway safety information is available at www.PennDOT.gov/ safety.

Motorists can check road conditions by visiting www.511PA.com. 511PA, which is free and available 24/7.

NWPA ALF MEETING

E-Board at 6:00 PM & Delegates Meeting 7:00 PM Wednesdays, March 29th, June 28th, Sept. 27, and Dec. 14th.

Join us in person at AFSCME DC 85 HALL 1276 LIBERTY ST. FRANKLIN, PA 16323 or via ZOOM: <u>https://aflcio.zoom.us/j/87570678098?p-</u> wd=aUJwS3QxVWFWMEV1TWU2Z0Nqb05oZz09

Special speakers: TBD RSVP to 814-360-8336 or nwpaalf@gmail.com

CLC Meetings in NWPA ALF:

Beaver-Lawrence CLC: Meeting 7:00 PM on Monday, Jan. 16th IBEW 712 Hall 217 Sassafras Lane Beaver 15009 For more information call 724-971-7473.

Butler County CLC: Meeting 7:30 PM on Wednesday, Feb. 1st UAW 3303 Hall 112 Hollywood Rd. Butler, PA 16003 For more information call 724-285-4883, 233

Clearfield-Elk-Cameron-Jefferson CLC Meeting 7:30 PM on Thursday, Feb. 2nd IBEW LU5 1400 Leonard Rd. Clearfield 16830 For more information call 814-937-2208.

Erie-Crawford CLC: Meeting 7:30 PM on Wednesday, Feb. 1st USW 3199 Hall 703 French St. Erie 16501 For more information call 814-823-9940.

Greater Westmoreland CLC: Meeting 7:00 PM on Monday, Jan. 23rd Hemfield VFD #2, 421 Thornton Rd. Greensburg 15601 For more information call 724-600-6266.

Indiana-Armstrong CLC: Meeting 7:30 PM on Thursday, Jan. 26th UMWA 1412 51 Eleventh St., Lucernemines 15754 For more information call 724-479-0923.

Mercer County CLC: Meeting 7:30 PM on Thursday, Jan. 19th USW 1660 Hall, 1028 Roemer Blvd. Farrell 16121 For more information call 724-854-0605.

Venango-Clarion Chapter: Meeting 6:30 PM on Thursday, Jan. 12th IAM 1842 Hall 24 Front St. Franklin 16323 For more information call 814-671-4420.

Warren-Forest CLC: Meeting 6:00 PM on Thursday, Feb 2nd IUOE 95 Hall, 116 Dobson Ave. Warren 16365 For more information call 814-730-7558



The Pittsburgh Union Press By Bob Batz Jr.

For a lot of union members, what they do for a living is more than just a job.

So it is for the workers in the Newspaper Guild of Pittsburgh, who joined fellow members striking the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette this October over health care and other issues.

For these journalists, being on strike didn't mean not doing what they do.

That's because when the Guild joined the strike on Oct. 18, it quickly fired up plans to start a strike "paper," the first newspaper strike publication of the digital age.

The Pittsburgh Union Progress -- <u>www.unionprogress.com</u> -published its first stories on Oct. 20, got some national attention and has only gotten bigger and better every day since.

As I told other outlets as we launched, these professionals are like thoroughbred horses -- they need to run. And if our employer isn't going to do what it needs to do to have us run for them, we'll do it for ourselves. And we will win.

And that's what the Union Progress is all about -- covering stories that matter to our members as well as to our readers and the broader community that is Western Pennsylvania.

"The PUP," as it is nicknamed, still is a relative puppy, only about two months old, but it's providing great coverage of local politics and government, high school sports, arts & entertainment and other news and features.

Having relied for its launch on Twitter, where in late December it surpassed 5,000 followers, the website aimed to have by year's end more than 1,000 subscribers (achieved on Dec. 21), who just that week started getting a newsletter twice a week. The newsletter includes advertising, which is being acquired by our fellow strikers in the Typos union, who are just getting started with ads from local pizza and jewelry stores, contractors and yes, unions, including the Association of Flight Attendants-CWA and, coming soon, the United Steelworkers. We welcome ads from all comers, starting based on donations to the Pittsburgh Striker Fund (https:// www.unionprogress.com/donate/).

The public is warmly invited to subscribe at <u>www.unionprogress.</u> <u>com/subscribe</u> and to read and share our content, which we're planning to continue to grow. On Dec. 21, the publication had a package of three stories about the death of Pittsburgh legend Franco Harris, a package of two stories about the opening of the Fern Hollow Bridge, and other stories that matter to our readers, including one, for this holiday week, about Pittsburgh's gingerbread houses.

The publication welcomes story pitches and other input or questions via <u>contact@</u><u>unionprogress.com</u>.

INJURED ON THE CLOCK BUT NOT ENTITLED TO WORKERS COMP?

By Barb Holmes, Attorney

A recent UNPUBLISHED opinion of the Commonwealth Court clarified that just because a person may still be "on the clock" they may be considered to be outside the course of employment. (Unpublished opinions of the Court are not binding but can be cited as persuasive authority, that is, can support an employee's/ employer's arguments in a case.)

Mr. Blackmon suffered a work-related elbow injury which did not result in his being off work. However, he did need to attend physical therapy, which his employer allowed him to do during work hours. Mr. Blackmon came to work earlier on those physical therapy days, worked for some hours, and then left for his therapy appointment. He was "free to do as he pleased" after those physical therapy appointments, the Court noted, until his employer clocked him out at the end of the workday. Again, he was not at work when he was clocked out by the employer.

On September 20, 2019 (yes our cases take some time to get through the litigation system and all the way to the Commonwealth Court for a decision) Mr. Blackmon was driving home from his therapy appointment for his work-relate elbow injury. He took a brief detour to pick up his dog from a friend's home. After leaving his friend's house, he was involved in a significant motor vehicle accident which caused serious and disabling injuries. At the time of his injury, the Court notes, "he was still on the clock at his job but free from further work responsibilities."

Mr. Blackmon filed a claim petition, which was denied by the Workers' Compensation Judge, who found that his injuries were not work-related. The Workers' Compensation Appeal Board affirmed. On appeal to the Commonwealth Court Mr. Blackmon framed his question, generally:

Should an employee, injured in an accident while driving home from therapy for a prior work injury be entitled to compensation, particularly where that employee changed his work schedule to come in early and work several hours to accommodate his therapy schedule and was paid for the time period when the accident occurred.

In workers' compensation, coming to and going home from work is not covered as part of the workday, unless the individual is a traveling employee or under other very specific circumstances. Rather, this is considered to be part of an employee's commute, and that the workday-and workers' compensation coveragedoes not start until that employee is on the employer's premises. There are exceptions to that of course, particularly in the case of traveling employees. We have discussed that before, in the context of a recent Pennsylvania Supreme Court case, where an employee was injured driving home from a company social event. In those cases, the traveling employee does not have a fixed place of employment and, as the social occasion is employment related, may be considered to be in the course of employment. The employee attending a social event under those circumstances is furthering the business affairs of the employer, and has not abandoned his or her job duties.

Similarly, an injury driving to a medical appointment related to a work injury can be considered to be "in the course of employment," because the employee would not be driving to that medical appointment if he or she had not been injured. Again, this is considered to be furthering the employer's business in many ways, as the injured employee is working to get back to baseline and return to full duty. Some Courts have considered driving to medical appointments a "special mission" or "special assignment" for the employer, again because that treatment is related to the work injury.

In Mr. Blackmon's case, however, he was going home from the physical therapy appointment. He was not scheduled to come back to the workplace, but was to continue on his way home. The Court noted that after his therapy appointment he was "free to do as he pleased for the rest of the workday until his employer clocked him out." This took Mr. Blackmon out of the "special mission" or "special circumstances" that would extend the course of his employment, and placed him back in the sphere of "coming and going" or commuting, outside the scope of workers' compensation coverage.

Mr. Blackmon argued that the fact that the employer was paying him for this time, and he had not clocked out—or been clocked out—supported his entitlement to benefits. However, the Court was quick to point out that his workday was "for all intents and purposes finished," and that when he was leaving therapy he had concluded any activities that could be considered to be a "special mission/assignment" for the employer or furthering his employer's affairs. Add to these facts that Mr. Blackmon had gone to perform a personal errand—he went to get his dog from a friend's house—and that moves him away from furthering the business affairs of his employer. The fact of being "on the clock" was simply not enough in this case to entitle Mr. Blackmon to workers' compensation coverage.

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RENEWED INTEREST IN A LEGISLATIVE BAN ON IMPORTS AND USE OF ASBESTOS IN THE U.S. By Susan A. Meredith

Asbestos, a naturally occurring mineral, was used in thousands of U.S. products before the dangers became fully known. Due to its heat-resistant quality, it was used in products such as insulation for pipes and factory equipment, as well as in floor tiles, building materials, vehicle brakes and clutches. It was extensively used in factories and plants in western Pennsylvania. Asbestos exposure causes mesothelioma, lung cancer and other cancers.

Mesothelioma and other cancers caused by asbestos exposure have a long latency period. It can take 20 to 60 years after exposure for an individual to develop an asbestos-related disease. Unfortunately, there is no cure for mesothelioma which often results in death within 12 months of a diagnosis.

The mining, import, use and sale of asbestos has been banned in 62 countries. In the U.S., asbestos use is highly regulated but not banned. In November 2022, a Congressional bill, the Ban Asbestos Now Act, was introduced in Congress. The bill would ban the importation and use of asbestos in the U.S. It is the most comprehensive asbestos ban legislation to appear before Congress in more than 30 years. The bill has not yet been passed, but proponents of the bill are hopeful that it will be addressed

in the next legislative session.

Although a ban on asbestos use in the United States would not end all asbestos exposure, it would be a starting point. Until asbestos is safely removed from all plants, factories, schools and homes, there will continue to be a risk of exposure that could lead to the development of an asbestos-related disease.

The attorneys at Caroselli Beachler & Coleman have handled asbestos litigation for 50 years. Caroselli Beachler & Coleman's founding partner, Bill Caroselli, tried the first asbestos case in Western Pennsylvania in the mid-1970s. Today, our team of lawyers, including senior partner Craig E. Coleman, continue to advocate for those injured as a result of exposure to asbestos. If you, a family member or friend have been diagnosed with mesothelioma, lung cancer or any asbestosrelated disease, please contact us at 1-800-222-8816.

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Message from President Liz Shuler

- A union member tries out virtual reality technology at the 2022 AFL-CIO Convention. Photo by Jay Mallin.
- Leaders from across the labor movement are gathering in Las Vegas this week at the 2023 Labor Innovation & Technology Summit to discuss the impact technology has on working people.
- While innovation and technology can be a boon for working people, it's important that change leads to progress. That change must center working people.
- In the coming years, policy choices will dictate whether technology displaces workers and erodes economic security or makes work better, safer and more equitable. A strong, engaged labor movement is the key to ensuring technological advancement improves the lives of workers and our families.



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BEAVER-LAWRENCE CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL	APPLICATIONS	UNCL VICE CONTRACTOR	THE CONTRACT OF	We are proud to sponsor (2) two scholarships essay contests for graduating Seniors; The Beaver-	Lawrence Central Labor Council Scholarship and the Donald McNutt Memorial Scholarship. Note: Students can apply for one or both scholarships
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Both Scholarships have the same award, eligibility, purpose and length of Essay, please note the topic is different for each scholarship make sure you write your essay on the appropriate topic. AWARD - \$1,000.00	BLIGIBILITY Student who will graduate from high school in 2023. Award recipient must be accepted or registered as a full-time student in a post- secondary program. The applicant must be a union member, or a dependent child of a union member, or grandchild residing in the home of a union member in good standing of a local union affiliated with the Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO.	URPOSE derstanding of the Lal contributions to this natio id political fabric. O ENTER d essay on the appropri	Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship topic is; WHAT IS THE AFL-CIO AND WHAT DO THEY DO? Donald McNutt Memorial Scholarship topic is; What impact does buying "American-Made Union-Made" products have on our economy?	Essays must be typewritten (in Blue or Black Ink), double spaced on 8½" x 11" white paper, and void of identification. Please attach this completed scholarship application form to your essay and mail to:	Attn: Rosann NWPA ALF Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship 1276 Liberty St Ste 2 Franklin, PA 16323 Submission deadline: Friday, May 20, 2023

The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council (CLC) is one of nearly 500 state and local labor councils of the AFL-CIO and are the heart of the labor movement. Our officers and Executive Board are democratically elected. The Delegates and Alternates of our affiliates who serve on our Central Labor Council are dedicated to represent the interests of all working people at the state and local level. We have 49 affiliated locals unions in the Beaver and Lawrence Counties of Pennsylvania. We mobilize our members and community partners to advocate for social and economic justice and we strive daily to vanquish oppression and make our communities better for all people— regardless of race, color, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, or ethnic or national origin. Our members have not only worked to help the workers in our region with many community projects but have looked toward the future. One way to help improve the lives and opportunities for anyone is through continued education. They began efforts to establish a scholarship fund at our council in early 1980's We have awarded more than 60 scholarships to-date. We currently offer two scholarships and look forward to reading the essays every year.. We want all the students applying for our scholarships to know how proud we are of them. We congratulate you for demonstrating how determined you are to obtain the necessary funding to further your education. You have shown more initiative than most of your peers, and we wish you well.



BEAVER- LAWRENCE CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP Chartered on March 27, 1961, the Labor Council of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, AFL -CIO began serving both its membership and the local community. After nearly 45 years as a stand-alone CLC, the AFL-CIO asked the council to expand their jurisdiction to include Lawrence County. At that time, the council formally changed their name to The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council.

wins the essay contest. This scholarship is are designed to educate the applicants about unions through their research. The pendent of an affiliated local union who Education was a major concern of leadership of this council and they began by educating their officers, delegates and the affiliated local union members. Always having an eye on the future and realizing our children are our future the leadership here decided to create a scholarship program. The program is used two-fold; the questions chosen scholarship offers additional funding to assist with the continued education of a deawarded to a senior beginning their journey nto the system of higher education.

DONALD E. MCNUTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Donald F McNutt began his service to his community and nation when he enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. This veteran returned home and his passion to serve continued as he worked far into retirement. Don was a union activist and caring individual. He was a member of the International Association of Machinists Potomac Air Lodge Local 1976 for 35 years. While living in Washington County, he was inducted into the Washington County CLC Labor Hall of Fame for his many years of union service. He later moved to Beaver County.

Don understood the importance of Solidarity and Education. For many years he was on the Executive Board of the Beaver-Lawrence CLC and each month provided information on the "Union Label". Don understood that looking for the union label and the Made-In-USA label was something all members of organized labor should do. He knew this would assure we bought quality products, preserved good paying family sustaining jobs and our economy. He always discussed what union households should or should not buy. Don was also one of the founders of the "The Union Bug", a monthly newsletter that the Beaver-Lawrence CLC published. Don McNutt was excited when we offered our first scholarship and he was a part of the decision to make sure we developed a two-fold program. In honor of his dedication and service the Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council has decided to name this scholarship in his memory. This scholarship is awarded to a senior beginning their journey into the system of higher education.

Financial Secretary- Gary Anderson **Memorial Scholarship** Vice President - Lonnie McFall 2023 Anna J. Rickert Secretary - Gerald Steen **President - Andy Harkulich** Treasurer- Todd Clary **Mercer County PA** Labor Council, Central Labor Council sponsored by Mercer County, PA AFL-CIO Central **Officers:** A scholarship check will be forwarded The recipient must remain a student in secondary school in the name of the recipient. good standing for a period of one (1) year, or refuse to award the scholarship in any given received by the Recording Secretary no later Three (3) letters of recommendation than April 30th of each year for the applicant conduct the screening and evaluation. It will curricular activities, and any other pertinent from teachers, pastors, coaches, employers, Memorial Scholarship. The recipient of the The President of the MCCLC shall appoint a "Committee" of at least three (3) The Mercer County Central Labor year. The decision of the Delegates of the be the responsibility of the Committee to scholarship will be announced at the June Council reserves the right to adjust or to select the winner of the Anna J. Rickert etc. must be received by the Recording delegates to review all applications and to the college, university, or accredited No checks will be given directly to the All required materials must be the scholarship must be returned to the Secretary by the application deadline. applicant's grade point average, extra MCCLC is final. to be eligible. information. MCCLC. recipient. meeting. 8.) ('9 6.) 5.) planning to extend his or her education at a scholarship each year to a High School Senior college, university or accredited secondary school. The applicant must be the child or step child of a Union Member in good standing Labor Council's participating Unions. The participating Union must be in good standing Applicant must request the high school recommendation to the Recording Secretary of The Mercer County Central Labor Council (MCCLC) of PA will provide one \$1,000.00 from one of the Mercer County, PA Central on 8 1/2" x 111" white paper. The essay must be The essay must be based on : "What black or blue ink and must be double spaced with the MCCLC at the time of application. Mercer County Central Those applying for the scholarship must 2023 Memorial Scholarship" complete the attached application and must Applicant must fill out the attached Secretary along with an essay as described at least 500 words in length and should be the MCCLC. The letter should include the application and submit it to the Recording Members?". The essay must be typed in comply with the application process. The do you think a Union should do for its Labor Council "Anna J. Rickert guidance counselor send a letter of application process is as follows: void of any identification. below by April 30th.

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Memorial Scholarship, President of Local 101 of the International Association of Machinists (IAM) - which is Tom Wagner, served as now part of IAM 1968. Award-\$500

and publisher of the Erie-Crawford CLC newsletter. His A "kid at heart" Wagner's favorite Community Service communications, Wagner served capably as the editor Service, Wagner served as that committee's Co-Chair. children, which included the distribution of dozens of Wagner, shortly after becoming a delegate to the Erie Crawford Central Labor Council (CLC), demonstrated death, after a short illness in March 2010, was a sad his willingness to advocate on behalf of all labor by hours of effort to perfect the publication (including activities were the annual Christmas Programs for important role labor plays in the region. Wagner's Secretary. Passionate in his support of Community attracted readership beyond CLC membership and members of the CLC. However, his skillful writing many late nights) were not known beyond a few loss for the Erie-Crawford CLC and the region. wrapped presents. Due to his college study in serving as Erle-Crawford CLC's Corresponding helped the wider community understand the



Memorial Scholarship Theo Sabin Meyer Award-\$750 1890-1986)

after her marriage to Ludwig G. began organizing. Her success Educator Theo Sabin Meyer, Meyer, left teaching and

attracted the attention of leaders in the AFL and the CIO. Meyer was recruited to use her skills to advocate chapter of the Women's International League, in founding the Erie, PA for labor beyond northwestern Pennsylvania.

United States through the great depression and World President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, while he led the champion the rights of workers, women and children speaker. It is reported that she delivered remarks to Meyer helped coal miners organize in Aliquippa, PA practice of sending children to jobs, instead of to War II (1933-45). Meyer's 20th century efforts to and fought for women's rights. She challenged the school. She was also a spirited and courageousnspires social justice reform today



Memorial Scholarship, John "David" Dever 1942-1981) Award-\$500

Cathedral Prep, Dever attended In 1960, after graduating from Gannon, then joined Fenestra Corporation and USWA 3872.

served as delegate to both the Central Labor Union and abor's growing struggles during the latter part of the United Labor Leaders, Dever served on the executive President before becoming Staff Representative- & Industrial Union Council, AFL-CIO. A member of the Organizer. Willing to collaborate with others, Dever Dever's photographic memory, love of debate and board of the United Way Labor Leaders. Aware of 20th century, Dever encourage- aged community steward. Dever served for 12 years as USWA 3872 commitment to labor led him to serve as a union support through public service.

Police of Erie and Crawford County for 27 years, served found the Erie Community Credit Union - and symbolic Community Service Committee with both his local and died at 39, Dever never saw the monument dedicated Leading by example, Dever served as a member of the - Dever advocated for a labor monument- Because he the council organizations; he worked with the State volunteered with the PA Public Interest Coalition. Dever's efforts were both pragmatic he helped to in Perry Square. Though his life was short, Dever as a National Guard Reservist for 14 years and 'made a difference."

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Essay Contests for 2023	NWPA Area Labor Federation Scholarships	The NWPA ALF offers three (3) different	surviver s	their dependents and grandchildren of	a scholarship by winning one of the essay	contests. Our questions are designed to make the applicants learn more about the labor	movement and plan for their place in society	after completion of their continued education.	What Are The Fligibility	Requirements?		All award recinients must he a union	member, dependent of a union member	or grandchild of a union member in good standing of a local union affiliated and in	good standing with the NWPA ALF. Award recipients must he enrolled in an	accredited degreed program at a system	of higher education for the 2023 school year.	NWDA ALE Scholarshin andicants must	be a Graduating High School Senior	furthering their education.	David A. Bielski Educational Scholarship	applicants must be a full-time <u>Post-</u> Secondent Student		Dr. David Ferster Educational Scholarship annihants muct ha a Graduate Student		
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PREMISES LIABILITY: SLIP AND FALL By Signe O'Brien Rudberg, Esquire

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Property owners have a duty to maintain safe conditions on their premises. Owners are responsible to all that come onto their property ranging from guests at a dinner party to patrons at their place of business. Slip and fall injuries due to unsafe conditions are extremely common, but the frequency with which they occur does not make the injury any less devastating to the victim.

<u>Common Slip and Fall Cases</u> Examples of common slip and fall cases:

- Falls due to broken steps, stairs, or railings
- Falls due to crumbled, cracked, or uneven sidewalks or parking lots
- Slips due to a spill in a store
- Falls due to poor lighting on a walkway
- Falls due to poorly maintained rugs or carpeting either in a home or business
- Slips and falls due to snow or ice, which accumulated to the extent to invoke the Hills and Ridges Doctrine

The Hills and Ridges Doctrine In our region, snow and ice are constants in our lives from late fall to early spring. Buildups of snow and ice often lead to slippery sidewalks and perilous parking lots that can cause falls resulting in serious injuries. Property owners in Pennsylvania have a duty to remove snow and ice from their sidewalks, walkways, driveways and parking lots in a reasonable amount of time after snow or ice accumulates. However, the property owner's liability is not absolute. Pennsylvania has adopted what is known as the "Hills and Ridges Doctrine" to help limit property owners' duty to travelers upon their property by allowing owners a grace period to remove ice and snow from their premises.

The "Hills and Ridges Doctrine"

protects property owners from being sued for generally slippery conditions such as freshly fallen snow or thin layers of black ice that may be hard to detect or remedy quickly. If property owners were to be held liable for these general conditions, then owners would be forced to anticipate the storm or ensure that their property was immediately cleared of ice and snow. "Hills and Ridges" allows for actions to be brought for slips and falls due to snow and ice only after the snow or ice has accumulated to the point of creating ridges in the snow. Ridges in the snow are proof that the property owner let the dangerous accumulation go untouched long enough for the top layer to melt and refreeze.

To establish a case for a slip and fall under the "Hills and Ridges Doctrine" there are three essential elements that must be proven before the property owner can be held liable for your slip and fall injuries:

• The accumulation of snow and ice must have been the actual cause of the fall.

• The snow or ice must have accumulated to the point of creating ridges of such proportion as to unreasonably obstruct travel and cause a danger to pedestrians.

• The property owner must have either known about the accumulation or a reasonable amount of time must have passed so that the owner should have known that the accumulation needed to be cleared.

The "Hills and Ridges Doctrine" does not pertain to all snow or ice slip and fall injuries, only those that are naturally occurring. The "Doctrine" was adopted in Pennsylvania to help property owners deal with the constant inclement weather in our region, not to absolve owners from all liability. "Hills and Ridges" only applies to the natural accumulation of snowstorms and ice storms, but will not create a grace period for property owners who allow artificial conditions, such as water leaks or damaged sidewalks, to become dangerous with ice or snow.

Making a Claim Due to a Slip and

Fall The above property problems can lead to serious injuries for innocent people of all ages from infants to the elderly. Your child could suffer a broken arm, collarbone or leg. Your parent could suffer a fractured hip or leg resulting in surgery and the potential that they will no longer be able to care for themselves. You could hurt your back or sustain an injury that would cause you to miss extended periods of work, which could unnecessarily lead to tight monetary situations. Let our law firm help you recoup medical expenses, lost wages, and damages for pain and suffering.

If a property owner knew of the dangerous condition or that the dangerous condition existed for a long enough period of time that the owner should have known about it, then the owner was on notice of the problem and will likely be held liable for the injuries that the dangerous condition caused to you.

If you or a family member is a victim of a slip or fall due to an unsafe condition, please call Edgar Snyder & amp; Associates, LLC for a free consultation.

Please remember that adults only have two (2) years from the date of the slip or fall in which to file a lawsuit and children have two (2) years from their 18th birthday to file a lawsuit for their injuries, but it is always best to pursue a claim as soon as possible, as it can become more difficult as time passes. It always helps to take pictures of the unsafe condition after you have been injured.

If you have any questions about any type of injury, please feel free to contact Attorney Signe Rudberg at Edgar Snyder & Associates, LLC, toll free at 1.866.306.2667 or email at rudberg@edgarsnyder.com

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PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

You are cordially invited to Attend Wednesday, February 8th, 2023 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Harrisburg Hilton & Towers One Second Street

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Enjoy this wonderful opportunity to meet Labor Leaders from across Pennsylvania and discuss labor priorities in an informal setting at our Biennial Legislative Conference.

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Please RSVP to Monica Virgilio at percapita@paaflcio.org or (717) 238-2853

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Registration	Please complete the form below for each attendee. Registration deadline is	Friday January 27, 2023.	NAME:	ADDRESS 1: ADDRESS 2:	PHONE:	EMAIL: UNION/ORGANIZATION:	***A VALID EMAIL ADDRESS IS REQUIRED.	YOU WILL RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION EMAIL ONCE YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED***	PLEASE MAIL TO: Pennsylvania AFL-CIO ATTN: George Dissecki III	600 N. 2nd Street Harrisburg, PA 17101-1092	Registration fee is \$150 per person. Please make checks payable to the PA AFL-CIO
Hotel Information	Make your hotel reservations by SUNDAY JANUARY 22, 2023 Call the Hilton Harrisburg at	800-445-8667 or 717-233-6000 The room block code is "PAAFL"	Room Rate is \$159.00 per night + tax	Hotel guest parking is \$10.00 / day Daily guest parking is \$5.00 / day Valet Parking Available for \$24 / day	Important Notice	Affiliates who desire support for	special tegistation, not atteauy considered during our 45th Constitutional Convention, should notify the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO in	writing, no later than January 27, 2023, for the issue to be discussed during the general	session of the conference.	If you have any questions, please	contact Paola Lott at 717-231-2851 or plott@paaficio.org
Conference Agenda	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023 Registration 4:00pm - 7:00pm Reception 6:00pm - 8:00pm	The reception is an excellent opportunity for you to meet with	THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023	Breakfast 7:30am - 9:00 am	Welcome & General Session 9:00am - 12:30pm	Lunch 12:00pm - 1:30pm	Breakout Sessions 1:30pm - 3:00pm	Concluding Remarks 3:00pm - 3:30pm		A CONTRACTOR OF	

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Look what we accomplished by working together in Solidarity, since 2009. Because of the generosity of our affiliates and friends, we raised enough funds to award the scholarships to the winners listed above. This banner is proudly displayed on the wall of the NWPA ALF office. As you can see some years we have not awarded it because we have not had any applicants. We just mailed out the applications for this year, included them in the newsletter, posted them on our website, and Facebook Page for your convenience. Please help spread the word and encourage those who meet the eligibility to apply.

A total of \$17,600 has been awarded to-date. All of the funds were raised through sponsorships, donations, and purchases of glass, and silent auctions. Please plan on attending our March 29th meeting, One of the reports is always the education fund, Learn where we are at today and have a voice in the discussion about the fund.

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SHEETMETAL WORKERS LOCAL 12 APPRENTICE TRAINING

Chuck DeMore is the Coordinator of Apprenticeship and Training at Sheet Metal Workers Local Union #12. He is reaching out to you about their upcoming entrance exam and application process. The entrance exam is the ASVAB test. It's the test applicants take to get into the military, a standard aptitude tests.

The test will be administered on <u>Saturday March 25, 2023 @ 8:00 am.</u>



The Application is available on our website (<u>http://Sheetmetalapprenticetraining.com</u>) which can be filled out online and sent directly to us. If you have any questions call 412-828-1386 or email: <u>cdemore@smlocal12.org</u>. Thank you and have a great day!