

**A Need For Change**  
**Elect**  
**Larry Wells**  
**“President”**

RE: Retirees Meeting

Election Day, May 19th

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**Dear Sisters and Brothers,**

Our Union has long understood the potential harm and hardship targeting our members by the company.

Our Leadership today has begun to accept the Corporate Agenda and has wandered away from representing both our active and retiree memberships.

Leadership requires something far more responsible than delivering the latest Bad News!!! A very real crack in our Solidarity with our Retired Members has opened this past year. A crack that surely widens given more of the same Status-quo Leadership of both our National and Local Union.

Co-pay's and tearing at YOUR pension income through healthcare costs is the 'Nose of the Camel into our Tent'!!! In order to push back against this objective of the company, we will require the kind of Leadership we haven't seen for quite some time!!!

My activism, within our Local Union, has shown support and I have drawn inspiration from our retired members. Serving on the Retirees Honour Roll and on our Local Union Executive for many years helped me further understand our past, while we grapple with the present.

Our Local Union along with the National Union have a real obligation to our retirees. Not just 'lip-service' but, real support!!! We have great pride in our history. That pride is meaningless if we continue to allow our members, retired, to loose their coverage's. For us in the active membership and Leadership, we owe a debt of gratitude to those who came before us. And that is the debt to be paid, not in passing the companies expectations, onto the shoulders of YOU!!!

Seeking the position as President of Local 707 is such an exciting opportunity for me to attempt to put my beliefs to the greatest test!!! The need for us to be far more determined and learn from our past to build a brighter future depends on True Leadership!!! With my greatest personal respect for each and everyone of you, that make our Local Union such a proud loyal working-class institution, I humbly ask for your support on May 19th.

We can, and we must do a hell of a lot better by You, and for those that next will join You in the ranks of our Retirees Chapter!!!

In Solidarity,

Larry Wells