



GRANDFATHER YOUR CURRENT NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE

Do not miss the opportunity to retain your current normal retirement age.

Who is eligible for this election: All current, active Tier II and Tier IIA members who were employed prior to July 1, 2011

Time period for election: Employees must make their irrevocable election by July 1, 2013

Where can I get more information: The Union website www.ceui.org / Union office at 860-343-8700 or the Office of the State Comptroller website www.osc.ct.gov / 860-702-3480

Where do I sign up: Your Agency's Human Resources Office

This opportunity should only be considered if you anticipate retiring on or after July 1, 2022 and want to retain the current Normal Retirement Age of 60 with 25 years of service, or Age 62 with 10 years of service. From July 1, 2022 forward, the Normal Retirement Age will increase to age 63 with 25 years of service and age 65 with 10 years of service. **Note: Because this is a one-time election that can't be reversed, make sure you have all the information and understand the rules that apply to this election before you sign the form. Do not miss the deadline of July 1, 2013.**

WORK ZONE SAFETY

The efforts of CEUI members coming to the State Capitol have already had an impact! House Bill 5250 has made it out of committee by consensus (without any opposition).

We will need members to contact their legislators to urge them to support this important legislation. This bill improves work zone safety in the following ways: Establishes a special transportation fund where half of the revenue from tickets issued for work zone violations will fund future enforcement within our work zones; mandatory driver retraining for driving over 75 mph in a work zone while in a passenger vehicle, over 65 mph in a work zone while in a commercial vehicle; assessments of points for violations; and improvements in driver education in regard to work zone awareness.

Please contact your legislators and ask them to support House Bill 5250, An Act Concerning the Safety of Workers in Roadway Work Zones:

House Democrats 860-240-8500 / 800-842-1902 House Republicans 860-240-8700 / 800-842-1423
Senate Democrats 860-240-8600 / 800-842-1420 Senate Republicans 860-240-8800 / 800-842-1421

If you need any assistance in identifying your legislators, please call Political Director Jim Vigue at 860-343-7636.

OPEN ENROLLMENT REMINDER

May 13th thru June 14th is open enrollment for healthcare

Changes go into effect July 1st, 2013

1. Do you have a POS or POE plan? The major difference is that the POS has out of network benefits and POE has NO out of network benefits. If you anticipate that any family member will need medical services outside of the network for your plan we urge you to enroll in a POS plan. If you enroll in a POE-G plan you will need a referral for all medical services and there is a limited network.
2. Dependents that need to be added to your health plan or removed should be done at this time. (The exception is the birth of a child; this must be done within 30 days of birth). Review the dependent eligibility requirement document to ensure everyone on your plan is eligible. Having a non-eligible dependent on your plan could subject you to full payment for medical services and disciplinary action. Members with former spouses on your plan should pay attention to this notice.
3. Changing carriers? Although the plan coverage for Anthem and United Healthcare/Oxford are identical, the networks are not. If you plan to change from one carrier to another it is advisable to make sure that the doctors for you & your family members are in that carrier's network before making the change.

Open enrollment documents will be available soon on the Comptroller's website (www.osc.ct.gov, click on "employee resources"). If you do not have web access, go to your Human Resources office, attend an Open Enrollment Fair, or call the Union office: 860-343-8722 or 800-622-3359 ext. 722

WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY: State Capitol, North Steps, Hartford. **Sunday, April 28th, 12:00pm.** Join us in honoring the men and women who were killed or injured on the job. Following the ceremony at the Capitol, wreathes will be laid at the Workers Memorial in Hartford's Bushnell Park. If you plan on attending, please let Tracy at the Union know (860-343-8712).

UPCOMING DATES: Pursuant to the SEBAC 2011 Agreement and the NP-2 Contract, the following are the important upcoming dates:

General Wage Increases: 3% GWI will be effective 8/26/2013 and will be in the paycheck dated 9/20/2013 [NOTE: The GWI is delayed due to the receipt of the 2.5% GWI in 2011 prior to the Agreement being approved]

Annual Increments: Increments or Top Step Bonuses will be paid in January 2014

Safety Shoe Payment: \$135 payment in check dated 7/12/2013

Contributions to Retiree Healthcare:

- Individuals who are NOT already contributing towards retiree healthcare will begin contributing 1/2% starting July 1, 2013
- Individuals who are already contributing 3% towards retiree healthcare will continue to do so until they have paid for 10 years.

MAY 2013 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS: The seven statewide membership meetings have been scheduled. We encourage active members as well as retired CEUI members to attend these important meetings. Remember, your attendance at these meetings guarantees you the most up-to-date information on issues that affect you and your family.

Monday, May 6: Oliver Wolcott Tech, Torrington 4:30pm

Naugatuck Valley Community College, Waterbury 7:00pm

Tuesday, May 7: Public Works Garage, 309 Buckingham Street, Hartford Noon

UConn / Storrs, St. Thomas Aquinas Church 4:00pm

Yantic Firehouse, Norwich 7:00pm

Wednesday, May 8: Operating Engineers Local 478, 1965 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden 7:00pm

Thursday, May 9: CEUI office, 110 Randolph Road, Middletown 7:00pm

UNION PICNICS: Union picnics begin at 12:00pm and will be held in 2013 as follows:

Friday, May 31 -- Franco-American Club, 116 Club Road, North Windham (Willimantic)

Friday, June 14 -- Quassy Amusement Park, Lakeside Pavilion, 2132 Middlebury Road, Middlebury

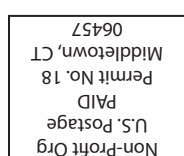
Friday, June 21 -- Fort Hale Park Main Pavilion, off Woodward Avenue, New Haven

Friday, June 28 -- Falcons Grove, 144 Prout Hill Road, Middletown

SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT: The 26th Annual Salvatore J. Perruccio Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, **June 27th** at the Portland Golf Course. This tournament funds the scholarships given annually to four deserving children of CEUI members. Please consider forming a foursome and playing in the tournament, sponsoring a hole or donating a raffle prize. Contact Tracy at the Union (860-343-8712)..

DO YOU KNOW A MEMBER DESERVING OF A HUMANITARIAN AWARD?: The Salvatore J. Perruccio Humanitarian Award is presented to a member for outstanding recognition of his/her time spent serving the community by volunteering and/or providing his/her leadership and lending a helping hand whenever needed. If you would like to nominate a "special" CEUI member whose efforts are deserving of this award, please submit his or her name and a brief description as to why this person is deserving of the award **by May 17th**, to Tracy Deegan at the Union office or email it to: tdeegan@ceui.org. The Humanitarian Award will be presented at the 26th Annual Salvatore J. Perruccio Golf Tournament.

NEW BRITAIN ROCK CATS ORGANIZED LABOR NIGHT: The Rock Cats will be hosting their 5th Annual Organized Labor Recognition Night on Saturday, **June 29th at 6:35pm.** CEUI will be distributing free tickets to this game beginning in May. Please call Tracy at the Union (860-343-8712) to request tickets. If you leave a voicemail, please include the number of tickets you would like. Once the tickets are received from the Rock Cats, they will be mailed to those who have requested them.



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