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The Newsletter of the Amalgamated Lithographers of America  
GCC/IBT Local One-L Winter 2020

*The Officers and Staff of Local One-L  
Wish All Our Members, Friends and Families  
A Joyous Holiday Season and a  
Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!*

**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE  
COUNCIL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES CERTIFIED ELECTED:**

**PATRICK LOPRESTI** President  
**JAMES SANTANGELO** Secretary-Treasurer  
**GENE KREIS** Executive Vice President

**DAVID BARTLETT** Pressman Representative/Trustee  
**MARK SZCZYGIEL** Operator Representative/Trustee  
**ED ARONSKY** Pre-Press Representative/Trustee  
**JOHN ZOCCALI** Journeyman Representative  
**MARTIN PHILLIP** Press Tender Representative  
General Worker/Floor Help Representative (To Be Appointed)

Thank you to the Referendum Board:  
Chairman: Christopher Sclafani Secretary: Bill Korines

Ramon Ruiz, III, John Yoffredo, Francis Quinn  
Alternates: Ralph Broccoli and Ruslan Glukhoy

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Let's start with the front cover of our newsletter. First of all, I'd like to personally extend my best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season and a prosperous 2020! In the new year, I hope we are all afforded the opportunity to give our time and attention to our most important priorities – each other, as members of this great organization, our friends, and of course most importantly, our families.

Next, I'd like to address the outcome of our elections. I am truly humbled and honored by your trust and confidence in me as your President. I would also like to thank you for supporting Secretary-Treasurer James Santangelo, Executive Vice President Gene Kreis and our executive council board. I assure you that we will continue to work tirelessly to do the right thing for the good of our members. We were all raised learning the lessons of right from wrong. All of us in our administration must take a stand in choosing the correct path. The choice is not always the easy solution, yet it is the only one. Basic tenets of right and wrong are becoming increasingly blurred. We must constantly search for the most

responsible course of action when faced with difficult choices and challenges to ensure our union's success and have the temerity to stand up for what is best for all of us.

Lastly, I am also very happy to see that we can continue to prudently distribute some of our surplus and give back to our members. It is historical that a union can accomplish this and it makes us very proud to be able to do it. You'll be hearing from us more often next year. Please continue to check the website for updates. Again, enjoy all the happiness that the holiday season can bring to each and every one of us.

Fraternally,

Patrick LoPresti, President

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## MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE BENEFIT CONTINUES

For the second consecutive year, the Local One-L administration will continue the Membership Assistance Program, which was established last year to help defray the burden of day to day expenses for our eligible long-term retired members and active members. These benefits do not vest, are not transferrable, and will be deemed void and forfeited six months after date of issue. The Local One-L Council Board may amend, suspend or terminate the program beginning in 2020. All disputes regarding this benefit will be finally resolved by the Council Board. This fund has been approved by the IBT and GCC.

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE 2020

Members are required to attend three membership meetings per year to remain in good standing.

New York	Jan. 28	New Jersey	Sept. 22
New Jersey	Mar. 24	New York	Oct. 27
New York	June 23	New Jersey	Nov. 24

All meetings will begin at 6:00pm.

New York Meetings:  
113 University Place, New York, NY 10003

New Jersey Meetings  
Quality Inn Meadowlands/Lyndhurst  
10 Polito Avenue, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

## DAVID BARTLETT WINS GOMPERS AWARD

Business Agent David Bartlett was honored by the Central New York Labor Council in October when he received the Samuel Gompers Distinguished Service Award. The event took place at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro, NY, during the Council's twelfth annual Distinguished Service Award Dinner.

"I've carried the sense of solidarity since I was 18 years old. My dedication to community, unionism, and responsibility has defined my entire career, and it's an honor to be recognized for it," says Bartlett. Local One-L President Patrick LoPresti and Executive Vice President Gene Kreis are among past recipients of the award.

"Dave is someone totally devoted to the union movement. He embodies what it means to be a leader who cares about his Brothers and Sisters, he is a terrific negotiator and, above all, a good friend," says President LoPresti.

Bartlett is in his sixteenth year serving as a successful officer/business agent with the Graphic Communications Union. He began his printing career in 1978, at age 17, working for Vicks Lithograph and Printing in Yorkville, New York. Dave, as he is better known, became a union

member shortly after his 18th birthday. He started in the bindery as a folder operator and quickly moved to the pressroom as an apprentice press operator. Upon completing the two-year apprenticeship, Dave became a journeyman operator, followed by a four-year position as an apprentice pressman. He moved from a one-color press to a two-color press and finished his thirty-plus year printing career as a multi-color pressman running a six-color press.

Twenty years after first joining the union, in 1998, Dave became Vicks' shop steward. One year later he was asked by Local 259M President Joe Belleville to join the Executive Council Board, which Dave gladly accepted. By 2003, Dave won the first of two uncontested elections for local vice president, both of which he served under President James Quick. In 2009, Dave secured the top position at Local 259M when he won the presidency in yet another unopposed election.

As soon as he took office, Dave faced an industry landscape of declining membership, shop closings, and a Teamsters' mandate to integrate every local into the TITAN computer system, which would have been cost prohibitive for Local 259M. In order to comply with the Teamsters' directive,

Dave took the financially prudent step of seeking out a merger under the guidance of past presidents Emery Miller and Joe Belleville, along with the Local 259M Executive Board. In 2011, a vote was passed to merge the local with the oldest printing union in the country, The Amalgamated Lithographers of America Local One-L. Dave became one of Local One-L's three vice presidents, and in 2014 was made a business agent. It is the title he currently holds, in addition to that of pressman representative on Local One-L's Council Board.

Dave spends much of his free time volunteering for the Central New York Labor Council where he holds the dual roles of sergeant at arms and trustee on the Central New York Labor Agency Board. He is also an honorary member of the Cassville Fire Department where he has been an active member for thirty years. Dave is married to his lovely wife, Debbie, and together they enjoy spending time with their seven children. Debbie and Dave are excited to expand their family this winter with the arrival of their first two grandbabies.



James Santangelo, Patrick LoPresti, Dave Bartlett, Gene Kreis, John Zoccali, John Wagoneer, Joe Belleville.

## UPSTATE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE 2020

Upstate members are required to attend membership meetings.

All Schenectady General Membership Meetings will begin at 10:00am.

Jan. 4th	E-Board & General Membership Meeting
July 18th	E-Board
Oct 3rd	E-Board & General Membership Meeting

Schenectady Meetings

American Legion Post 1092, 1809 Union Street, Schenectady, NY

Utica Meetings

American Legion Post 229, 409 Herkimer Road, Utica, NY

(NO UTICA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS  
UNLESS A MEETING IS REQUESTED)

## HOWARD SAVLICK ON THE REWARDS OF HIS RETIREMENT



When I was contemplating retirement, it was critical to have a plan on all future endeavors. For me it was very simple. My life experience that changed the way I look at the world would be the key.

In April 1964 I was seriously burned in a house fire. Over a period of 10 years, I endured 23 major plastic surgical operations in order to fully recover from my serious injuries. Burn injuries are not only confined to physical abnormalities. Quite often the emotional scars are more debilitating than the physical. Complete acceptance of one's appearance is a major step in recovery. That is the number one reason I have decided to give back, to help with the emotional recovery from significant burn injuries. I try to help whomever is going through the pain of suffering burn injuries.

Upon my retirement from ALA Local One in October 2016 after having proudly served for 20 years, I decided that one of the areas I would concentrate my efforts would be to give back to the burn community. The question remained how to go about getting involved. I arranged to visit the Long Island Plastic Surgical Group (doctors who treated me for my burn injuries) to discuss the issue. I was made aware of an organization called the Phoenix Society for Burn Survivors and a program known as SOAR (Survivors Offering Assistance in Recovery). After completing the training program and background information questions, I started the Peer Support Volunteer program at Nassau County Medical Center burn unit.

The Burn Unit at NUMC is one of the finest burn care centers in the country. It offers the best chance for burn survivors to thrive after undergoing medical treatment. As a Peer Support Volunteer, I provide an emotional side of recovery avenue for the burn survivors. Each and every time I visit the burn unit, I witness an immediate reaction to the comfort I am trying to convey. The recovery time for burn survivors vary depending on the extent of the injuries. If I can enhance the process by providing my experience, then my visit is successful.

If I can be successful in helping just one burn survivor recover, then my job is complete. I am very proud to be a SOAR Volunteer. The Phoenix Society provides a multitude of helping avenues for burn survivors and should be commended for the service they provide. It matters to me that I am helping others recover. Serious burn survival is not an easy task and with the expert care provided by the nurses at NUMC and the support of the Phoenix Society the path to a successful recovery is greatly enhanced.

My retirement from ALA Local One was not easy. I enjoyed my 20+ years serving the membership. But by providing a rewarding service to burn survivors and helping them cope with the horrific effects of their injuries, I am Giving Back and that is a feeling that is indescribable.

*Howard Savlick was Fund Administrator for Local-One-L from 1997-2016*

## BELINDA WILDER, ONE OF OUR OWN, PASSES

We are truly grieved about the passing of our beloved Belinda Wilder on March 7. Belinda will be truly missed at our office. Our hearts are broken into a million pieces. Not only was Belinda a hard-working employee and friend to all, she had a heart of gold. She joined the Local One-L family in 1998 as a pension analyst, and barely missed a day's work until she became ill.

Belinda possessed the kindest of hearts which drew you in. She was so giving of herself and she embraced everyone. She will be thoroughly missed. We don't believe Belinda would want us to cry for her, but to remember her great spirit and kind, giving heart. She spent her life doing anything and everything for others big or small. If it made you happy, Belinda thought nothing of assisting, giving or

helping you. She was always a happy woman, no matter the circumstances. Her talkativeness and big hugs are what we will remember with joy in our hearts.

Belinda, sleep in peace as you have fought a good fight. You finished the race. Now rest from your labor, beautiful woman. We will miss you. God only takes the best and you were exactly that.



## RECENT RETIREES

Patrick Cusanelli	Pressman
Robert Pierro	Press Tender
Brian Sweeney	Pressman
James Aquino	Pressman
Carl Leidig	Paginator
Peter Russo	Operator
John Flanagan	Flexo Folder Gluer
Shirley Bates	General Worker
Timothy Murphy	Pressman
Michael Capraro	Press Tender
Kenneth Lasofsky	General Worker
Keith Bradley	Operator
Craig Boyajian	Photographer
Kenneth Prinz	Pressman
Thomas Deis	Bindery
Raymond Fyfe	Pressman

## CONTRACT UPDATES

### 2019 Renewed Contracts:

Sandy Alexander	Bridge Communications	Rome Sentinel
Ideal Printing	Eveready Graphics	Oneonta Daily Star
Triboro Printing	Capitol Newspapers	Vicks Printing
Official Offset Corp.	Benchmark	Fort Orange Press
Playbill, Inc	MDR Printers	T.C. Peters
New York Daily News		(imminent renewal)

### New Shops (First Time Contracts):

Allied Printing Solutions	
Minuteman Press Of Hewlett	Alltrade Apparel
Wrapguru	GMPC Printing
Secure Print Service	GBV Printing Services

## GEORGE TEDESCHI RETIRES



*Wishing Tedeschi well are (left to right): Local One-L Secretary-Treasurer James Santangelo, President Patrick LoPresti, George Tedeschi and Organizer John Zoccali*

George Tedeschi, president of the IBT's Graphic Communications Conference,

officially retired in June. A grand celebration of his 60-year union career took place the following month at the Hilton Long Island hotel, with Local One-L representatives in attendance, including President Patrick LoPresti. Tedeschi was instrumental in the 2005 merger of the former Graphic Communications International Union with the Teamsters. Tedeschi will retain his position as an IBT international vice president-at large and is GCC/IBT's first president emeritus. Thanks, George, for your years of service both as a labor leader and as a Marine. Semper Fi.

## STAN ASLANIAN, 93, FORMER PHOTOENGRAVERS UNION PRESIDENT

It is with regret that we announce the loss of our friend and Brother, Stan Aslanian. Stan was president of the New York Photoengravers Union Local 1-P when it merged with ALA Local 1L, now GCC/IBT Local One-L in 1998, and he served as President Emeritus after the merger. He was a General Board member from 1975 until his retirement in 2000. Stan Aslanian is a household name nationwide in the printing industry. He is a legacy who always brought his "A-game" and determination when fighting for his members. He will be missed.

## LOCAL ONE-L PROUDLY MARCHED IN THE NYC LABOR DAY PARADE



*Clockwise from top left: Local One-L Secretary-Treasurer James Santangelo, President Patrick LoPresti, Bill Korines and Organizer John Zoccali. Center: Gianna LoPresti (photobombing), Patrick LoPresti, John Zoccali, James Santangelo. Top right: James Santangelo, Patrick LoPresti, John Zoccali, Senator Chuck Schumer. Bottom right: The Santangelo family. Bottom left: Gianna LoPresti.*



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**Save the Date:**

**General  
Membership  
Meeting**

**Jan 28 – NY**

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## TOGETHER- 190 YEARS OLD!

It's wonderful having you guys around! Red Malmid, 92, and Ike Savitt, 98, have devoted 75 years of their lives to our industry. President LoPresti recently had the pleasure of spending time with these two great Brothers and listening to the history they helped form. "After speaking with these two, in my mind, there is no doubt that history does repeat itself and there's quite a bit we can all learn from it."



Red Malmid 92, and Ike Savitt 98