

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Graphic Communications International Union Local 285
6210 N. Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20011

Report of the President

A happy, peaceful, and prosperous New Year to all.

In February 2021, when I began serving as the president of CTU 101-12, our Local was facing many unresolved issues in need of immediate attention. We have made very good progress; however, we are not yet finished. For the Local to resolve some of these important issues as quickly as possible, we have employed the services of a new accounting firm that has been working on filing our annual LM2 report with the Department of Labor. They are also currently working on issues concerning our previous years taxes not being filed properly. We are also currently working with the law firm of O'Donoghue & O'Donoghue to resolve an issue involving the local and the Negotiated Pension Plan (NPP).

2021 BYLAWS REFERENDUM

I want to thank the Bylaws Committee members for their services in carrying out our November 2021 bylaws referendum. I would like to also thank the membership for voting in favor of every proposed bylaw change. The new bylaw changes will become effective on January 1, 2022. The committee will now start on updating our bylaws to incorporate the new changes. Again, thanks to the committee members for their work in conducting the



bylaws referendum and the membership for supporting the proposed changes.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE WAGE AGREEMENT

In November 2021, members at the Government Publishing Office (GPO) approved a new four-year wage agreement (2022–2025). I want to congratulate Chairman of the Chairmen's Chapel Lawrence Sibiski on the successful negotiations and thank him, the scale committee, along with several retired members from the GPO for their valuable input during these negotiations.

Fraternally,
Michael M. Maher
Michael Maher,
President

PLEASE NOTE

Our Next Regular Union Meeting

Saturday, May 21, 2022, 10 a.m.

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Vice President's Report

The Local was deeply saddened by the passing of Mike Cullen.

Mike was a devoted family man and a devoted Union man, who served the Local in many capacities. He was third shift proof room chairman at the GPO for many years and also served as chairman of the chairmen's chapel. He served as a board member of the Typographic Federal Credit Union and served on several GPO scale committees in which he and the other members of the committee would not present any proposals to the members unless the committee was sure the proposal was fair and equitable and would benefit the members.

Mike also served as vice president of the Local until December 2020, when he decided not to run for another term.

As a chairman, Mike was the official you wanted in your corner for any grievances or disciplinary actions that management may have had against any Union member. He would attack with a vengeance to defend that member even when Union officials, who outranked him, would tell him we have done all that could be done for that member. Mike would still fight to the best of his ability. He was not one to give up.

Mike retired from GPO in 2019 and made himself available to Larry Sibiski, chairman of the chairmen's chapel, and to Mike Maher, president of the Local, for any situations that might occur at GPO that would require his expertise and it would be greatly appreciated. He was advising Chairman Sibiski, as well as President Maher, on the recent wage negotiations before his passing.

Mike was always available day or night for the members. He would stay way past his shift to attend a grievance or disciplinary meeting with little or no complaint and very little sleep. He always answered his telephone and would answer any and all of his voicemails in a timely manner.

There is more I could say about Mike on how he helped members and friends with their personal situations, but I really do not have to do that for those folks know this about him.

Columbia Typographical Union 101-12 lost a great champion and friend in Mike Cullen's passing and he will be sorely missed.

Fraternally,

John Mogavero

John Mogavero, Vice President

GPO Chairmen's Chapel Report

First, I want to wish everyone a healthy and prosperous New Year!

Second, we passed, by a unanimous vote, the next contract at GPO for the calendar years of 2022-2025. We had some issues, but when it was all said and done, it received former Chairman of the Chairmen's Chapel Mike Cullen's blessing and the unanimous rank and file support.

And lastly, I want to pay tribute to my mentor, Mike Cullen. As most of you already know, Mike passed in November 2021. If I could see Mike today, I would say to him the following:

Mike Cullen, you are a champion of the rank and file, you are a true giant among men.

We at the GPO will benefit for decades, in wage and work environment, from all your hard work leading us down this Union Local's path and its investment into our collective futures. You mentored a few of us before your retirement. Thank you.

I had so much more to learn from you, before you were taken away so suddenly, but in this moment I wish you peace and prayers for your family.

Rest assured, my friend, your legacy will continue to survive through me, doing my duties, as you trained me and all the other Union faithful you influenced and blessed everyday through your work as our Union counselor and chairman of the chairmen's chapel.

*In unity and brotherhood,
Larry Sibiski*

In Memory of Michael T. Cullen

Our members at the Government Publishing Office owe a great deal to Mike Cullen. Their current wage rate is a direct result of efforts put forth by Mike on the various scale committees he served on over his years at the GPO. Mike knew what the GPO representatives were thinking and always had an answer ready for their latest argument on why the committee was asking for too great a raise. He knew what the past raises had been and, more importantly, what the new raise should be to keep up with the rising cost of living. Mike did an outstanding job representing and serving the Local and its members and will be missed.

Columbia Typographical Union 101-12

Union Shops & Chapel Chairmen

BCP Digital Printing	SyDar Printing of D.C., LLC
Chadick & Kimball	—————
Chesapeake Typesetting	Government Publishing Office
Chuck's Printing and Blueline Services	Chairman of Chairman's Chapel
Creative Print Group	Lawrence Sibiski
CWA Print Shop	Secretary of Chairman's Chapel
Doyle Printing Co.	Reggie Scott
Evans Design	Capitol Hill
Free State Printing	(Vacant)
GO! Creative	EPD Keyboard I: Kevin McGill
Kenefick Communications	EPD Keyboard II: Gwen Prailow
Lord Industries	EPD Keyboard III: Debra Hill
Precision Printing & Embroidery, LLC	EPD Proof I: Shawn Moore
	EPD Proof II: Nate Sample
	EPD Proof III: Latoya Foster

ATTENTION RETIREES

It's that time for 2022 Union dues

Every year the Local has the tedious task of collecting Union dues from our retired members in order to keep their membership in good standing. Every retiree is required to pay Union dues in order to remain a member in good standing.

Upon retirement, a member must select between maintaining a full CWA membership or a Local/Sector membership. Retirees are not permitted to change their membership status after their initial selection. Depending on what type of membership you selected at retirement, your 2022 Union dues are:

\$12.00-----Local Membership

or

\$24.00-----Full CWA Membership

Please detach below and mail with your check payable to:

Columbia Typographical Union 101-12 or CTU 101-12
4626 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20016-4625

All voluntary contributions will be listed in the Local Bulletin each month.

If you desire ***not*** to be listed please let us know.

NOTICE

The Local wants to remind members to update their contact information. Please take a couple minutes and send your current USPS mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number to the Local.

IN MEMORIAM

We extend sincere condolences to the families and friends of the recently departed members of the union.

Michael Cullen (71)
November 8, 2021
Sunderland, Maryland

Richard A. Grasso (87)
December 18, 2021
Berlin, Maryland

<input type="checkbox"/> \$12.00 Local Membership	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> \$24.00 Full CWA Membership	\$
<u>Additional Contributions</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> General Fund.....	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation (Building Fund)	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Donation.....	\$
Total	\$
Name	
Address	
Phone Number	
E-mail Address	

Contributions to the General Fund since last Bulletin

James Abner.....	\$8.00	Sue Goldenberg	76.00	Danny Owens.....	12.00
Richard Anderson.....	25.00	George Hairsine	8.00	Doris Newdeck.....	13.00
James Anthony	13.00	Howard Hollard	8.00	Warren Oxford	50.00
Thurman Arnold	10.00	Howard Hollard	8.00	Robert Petersen	100.00
Arthur Augustin	38.00	Richard Jedlicka	8.00	Richard Price	38.00
Ronald Bailey.....	8.00	Reginald Kalinowski.....	75.00	Kenneth Puzey	26.00
Douglas Barrett.....	8.00	Richard Krauk.....	26.00	Joseph Ratino.....	28.00
Larry Boarman.....	50.00	Jeanneane Kutsukos	13.00	Thomas Richardson	
Raymond Boehmlein	28.00	William LaChance		<i>In memory of Pat Nicholson ..</i>	100.00
Richard Bowman.....	28.00	<i>In memory of Mike Cullen,</i>		James Robertson.....	13.00
Robert Brayton	100.00	<i>DeMatha, deceased members</i>		William Sager	20.00
Patricia Bridges		<i>of Local 329 & 101-12</i>	476.00	Amrut Shirodkar.....	8.00
<i>In memory of Jeff Bridges....</i>	50.00	James Lawrence	101.00	Eileen Smith.....	100.00
Rena Butt	13.00	James Lawrence		Jacob Spencer.....	76.00
Bernard Cauchon	8.00	<i>In memory of Bill Boarman ...</i>	100.00	Daniel Stamboni, Jr	100.00
Michael Childs.....	8.00	Michael Lore.....	76.00	James Storey	26.00
Leonard Cicero	10.00	Charles Mason	36.00	Richard Sugden.....	8.00
Quentin Cleveland.....	13.00	Margaret McKinley	26.00	Robert Swartz	8.00
Terry Collins, <i>In memory of</i>		Paul McDonald	38.00	Virgil Swope	76.00
<i>Howard Sargent.....</i>	26.00	Barry McVicker.....	6.00	Timothy Terrell	50.00
Robert Contee	25.00	John Mogavero		Richard Threlfall	38.00
Thomas Coulston, Jr	30.00	<i>In memory of</i>		Andrew Trilli.....	8.00
Gary Craft	50.00	<i>Anthony (Tony) and</i>		Francis Votta.....	18.00
George Echino	26.00	<i>Lawrence (Larry) Mogavero....</i>	100.00	James Wainwright	8.00
Donald Finch	12.00	Robert Moore	10.00	Samuel Wells, Jr	38.00
Harold Friend.....	12.00	Joe Neri		Margaret Williams.....	37.00
Kenneth Gaddy	6.00	<i>For The Boys From Scranton</i>	50.00	Ellsworth Wolff.....	13.00
				David Yunger	24.00

CONTINUOUS UNION MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

In years past, the Baltimore Local 101-12 Union Printers Retiree's Club would host their annual Union awards luncheon at the Baltimore Museum of Industry. At the luncheon, members would receive a certificate along with a lapel pin indicating their years of continuous membership in the Union.

The Local has recently received inquiries asking if the awards luncheon would be held this year. Unfortunately, the luncheon will not be held in September 2022.

However, the Local would like to award members with 25, 40, 50, 60, 70, or more years of continuous Union membership their certificates. At this time, we are unable to award any lapel pins as we are still in the process of locating where the lapel pins were made, so the pins will be issued later.

To speed up the process of issuing members their certificates, members should send their Union membership information to the Local. The Local would like to request this information be sent by U.S. mail or by e-mail.

