

# Local 728

## Weekly Digest

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## In The Spotlight this week!

### Basic Agreement Negotiations 2023 Recap

While it's been a tough and challenging year on the work front, I hope you are all surviving and preparing for work soon. Know that the time was utilized very well by your Negotiations Committee, and those of the 13 West Coast Locals, to plan for Basic Agreement Bargaining.

Please use the dedicated email address to submit questions or feedback to the bargaining committee.

[negotiations@iatse728.org](mailto:negotiations@iatse728.org)

Wishing you all a safe holiday season, and much success in the New Year!

In solidarity,

Greg Reeves  
Business Representative-Secretary

\*The graphic at the right can be found at the link below. **(Log-in required before viewing content)**

[2024 Hollywood Basic & Local Negotiations | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)

### Basic Agreement Negotiations 2023 Recap

*Here are some of the highlights from this past year:*

#### MARCH

- The largest L728 Negotiations Committee (NegComm) formed with new and returning members representing experience, new crafts, on and off production, and all ages. Monthly meetings begin.
- NegComm members attend Samework Negotiations Skills seminar at Local 80 with reps of L705 and others.
- IATSE President Loeb holds a 2024 Basic Agreement Negotiations prep and planning session with the Heads of Locals.

#### APRIL

- Document sharing and collaboration resources set up for the committee to continue research and ideas for proposals.
- NegComm members attend IATSE Negotiations Training.
- Negotiations subcommittees form including both Leadership and rank & file members, meeting regularly.

#### JUNE

- NegComm begins survey development.
- Meeting at the West Coast office with the Hollywood Young Workers Committee to discuss messaging for 2024 Bargaining.

#### JULY

- NegComm attends training sessions with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS).
- First IATSE Census conducted. Data collected is expected to influence development of bargaining plans.
- Business Representative & Safety & Training Director produce Negotiations and Bargaining Training Videos and post to [www.iatse728.org/](http://www.iatse728.org/).
- West Coast Office meeting to discuss Local 728 issues with the Basic Agreement.

#### AUGUST

- Heads of Locals begin weekly negotiations meetings.
- Local 728 Basic Agreement Negotiations Town Hall #1 at Local 80.
- Meetings with the L728 Business Rep and Heads of other Locals to discuss Local issues that may come to the bargaining table in 2024.

#### SEPTEMBER

- Local 728 Basic Agreement Negotiations Town Hall #2 Hybrid.
- IATSE Local 728 forms Contract Action Team (CAT).

#### OCTOBER

- IATSE Basic Agreement Negotiations Survey is conducted.
- Local 728 Basic Agreement Negotiations Town Hall #3 Hybrid.
- IATSE Subcommittees form with ongoing meetings to explore proposal concepts and vet proposals being submitted by the locals against survey data. They are classified as: New Media Side Letters, AI, Working Conditions, Wages and Economics, Communications, Logistics.

#### NOVEMBER

- IATSE Local 728 Basic Agreement Negotiations Survey is conducted.
- Multi Local Town Halls for On and Off Productions.
- Heads of Locals commit to sharing of membership educational materials. Also, on the L728 Website.
- Local 728 Basic Agreement Negotiations Town Hall #4 online.

#### DECEMBER

- Multi Local Basic Agreement Negotiations Town Hall - Videotape.

*From out of all of these events and the input we received from you the membership throughout the year, proposals are drafted and submitted to the IATSE. More to come in 2024!*

Local 728 wishes you a Happy New Year!  
2024

## The Local 728 Food Pantry

The Local 728 Food Pantry continues to be open during office hours.

\$25.00 Target and Kroger Gift Cards are available for pick up at the hall while supplies last.

**The Local 728 Food Pantry**



**Current Pantry Items:**

- Rice
- Pasta
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Salsa
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Tuna
- Peanut Butter
- Jam
- Cereal
- Apple Sauce
- Juice Box
- Laundry Detergent
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Soap(Bar)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Toiletries
- More...

*\*items may vary based on inventory\**

## Contract Services-The HUB

Have you set up your portal account with Contract Services?

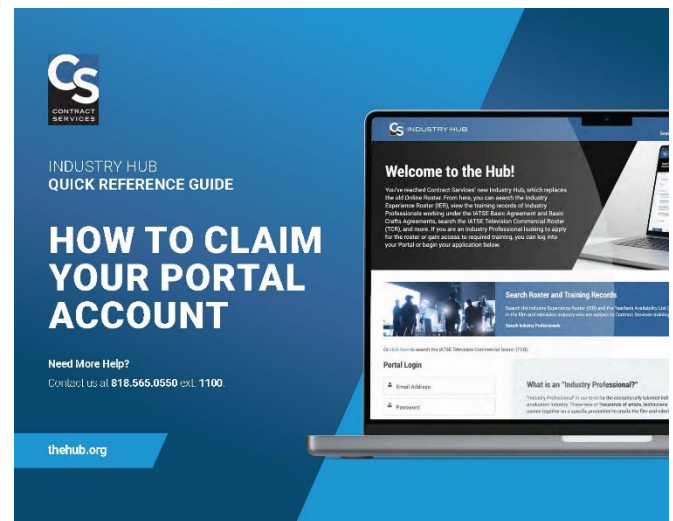
You will be able to check your compliance status, sign up for training and keep up with other requirements.

If you still need to sign up for your personalized Portal Account, please visit the link below.

<https://www.csatf.org/>

To learn more about the HUB (the hub replaces the online roster and is the gateway to your portal) [Learn More About the Hub \(NEW!\) – Contract Services \(csatf.org\)](https://www.csatf.org/)

You can call (818) 565-0550 x1100 if you need assistance claiming your account.



First Quarter 2024 Dues can be paid by check, ach or debit/credit card, or on the website.

Website payments can be made by logging in to your account at [www.iatse728.org](http://www.iatse728.org)

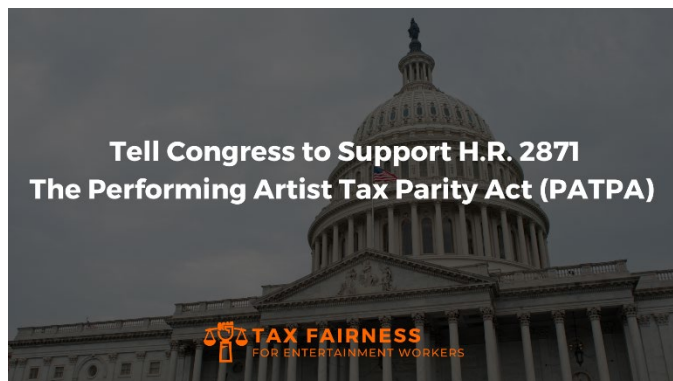
Quarterly Due Dates: January 1, April 1, July 1, October 1



## Tell Congress to Support H.R. 2871 The Performing Artist Tax Parity Act (PATPA)

The IATSE Political/Legislative Department recently launched a new letter writing campaign for the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress in coordination with our sibling entertainment unions to “Tell Congress to Restore Tax Fairness for Entertainment Workers by supporting the Performing Artists Tax Parity Act (PATPA), H.R. 2871.” If passed, PATPA would allow middle class arts and entertainment workers to deduct business expenses once again.

To continue building support, we encourage you to visit [IATSE.co/PATPA2023](https://IATSE.co/PATPA2023) and write to your Member of Congress urging them to cosponsor or thanking them for supporting this important legislature.



## Upcoming Events

### Sir Roger Deakins and James Deakins “In Conversation” Event

Sir Roger Deakins and partner James Deakins will be joining Local 80 Executive Board Officer and grip Philip Collins for an In Conversation event.

- Sunday, January 14, 2024
- 2PM
- Local 80 soundstage | 2520 W. Olive Ave | Burbank, CA 91505
- Live stream via Zoom

Details at the link below:

[Team Deakins Event Registration – IATSE Local 80](https://IATSE.co/PATPA2023)

**TEAM DEAKINS**   
Academy Award-winning Cinematographer Sir Roger Deakins  
and partner James Deakins

### In Conversation At IATSE Local 80

2pm Sunday, January 14th  
IATSE Local 80 Stage  
2520 W Olive Ave  
Burbank, CA  
And Streamed Live via Zoom



Scan to REGISTER



Registration Required - [iatselocal80.org/deakins](https://IATSE.co/PATPA2023)

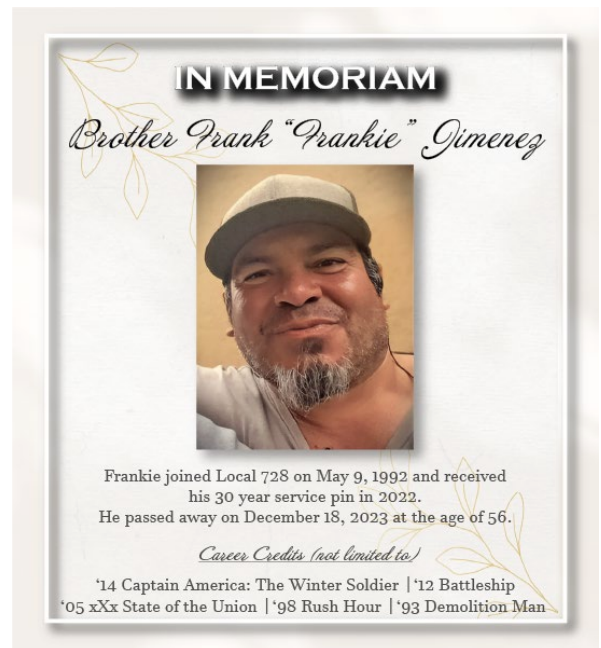


# *In Memoriam*

## **Brother Frank “Frankie” Jimenez**

A 31-year member of Local 728. Brother Frankie passed away on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

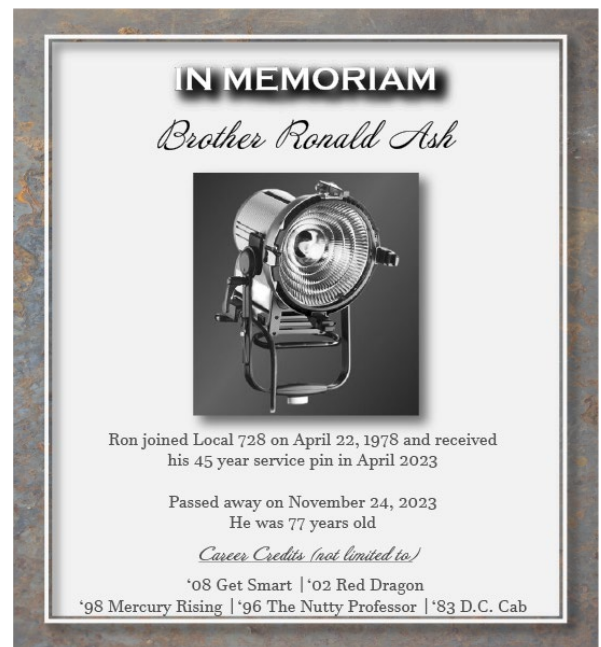
[Notice of Member Passing: Brother Frank "Frankie" Jimenez | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



## **Brother Ronald Ash**

A 45-year member of Local 728. Brother Ron passed away on November 24<sup>th</sup>.

[Notice of Member Passing: Brother Ronald Ash | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



*Local 728 will be closed on Monday, January 1st  
in observance of the New Year.*