



Weekly Digest

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In The Spotlight this week!

Identity Theft Notice



Secure Processing Center
P.O. Box 3826
Suwanee, GA 30024

December 31, 2025

Re: Notice of Data Breach

Dear :

On behalf of our clients, Conduent Business Services, LLC ("Conduent") provides third-party printing/mailroom services, document processing services, payment integrity services, and other back-office support services. We are writing to inform you about a recent incident experienced by Conduent that may have involved some of your personal information, which came into our possession due to the services that we provide to your current or former health plan. While we are unaware of any attempted or actual misuse of any information involved in this incident, we are providing you with information about the incident and steps you can take to protect yourself, should you feel it necessary.

What Happened? On January 13, 2025, we discovered that we were the victim of a cyber incident that impacted a limited portion of our network. We immediately secured our networks and initiated an investigation with the assistance of third-party forensic experts. Our investigation determined that an unauthorized third party had access to our environment from October 21, 2024, to January 13, 2025, and obtained some files associated with your current or former health plan. Given the nature and complexity of the data involved, Conduent has been working diligently with a dedicated review team, including internal and external experts, to conduct a detailed analysis of the affected files to identify the personal information contained therein. We are providing you with this notice upon the recent conclusion of this time-intensive data analysis as your personal information was contained in the affected files.

What Information Was Involved. The affected files contained your name and the following: Address and Date of Birth and Health Insurance Information and Social Security number. Presently, we have no evidence or indication of actual or attempted misuse of your personal information. -

What We Are Doing. Upon discovery of the incident, we safely restored our systems and operations and notified law enforcement. We are also notifying you in case you decide to take further steps to protect your information should you feel it appropriate to do so. In addition, we are providing you with access to 12 months of credit monitoring and identity restoration services through Epiq at no charge to you. You must enroll by May 31, 2026.

Many of us have received this correspondence from Conduent regarding a data leak. It is legitimate. MPI is aware that Conduent, a vendor of Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, was the victim of a cyber incident which exposed certain participant data. Every affected participant has or will receive a letter from Conduent explaining what types of their information was involved. Participants that receive the letter can call the number or use the resources offered in the letter as it is coming from a valid source. Please reach out to me with any questions.

In solidarity,



Greg Reeves
Business Representative - Secretary
Lighting Technicians, IATSE Local 728

March Production List



March Production List
now available
on the Local 728 website
Dashboard! (log-in required)

The banner features a background image of a camera crane in a studio setting, overlaid with a semi-transparent orange and brown gradient. The text is centered and written in a white, sans-serif font.

The updated production list is now available on the website. You must log-in to the website and click on [Dashboard](#) to view.



Save the Date

Cine Gear Expo LA

June 5-6, 2026

Reminder-Spring Forward

Reminder
“Spring Forward” Sunday, March 8!



Time sets forward 1 hour at 2am

Women’s History Month

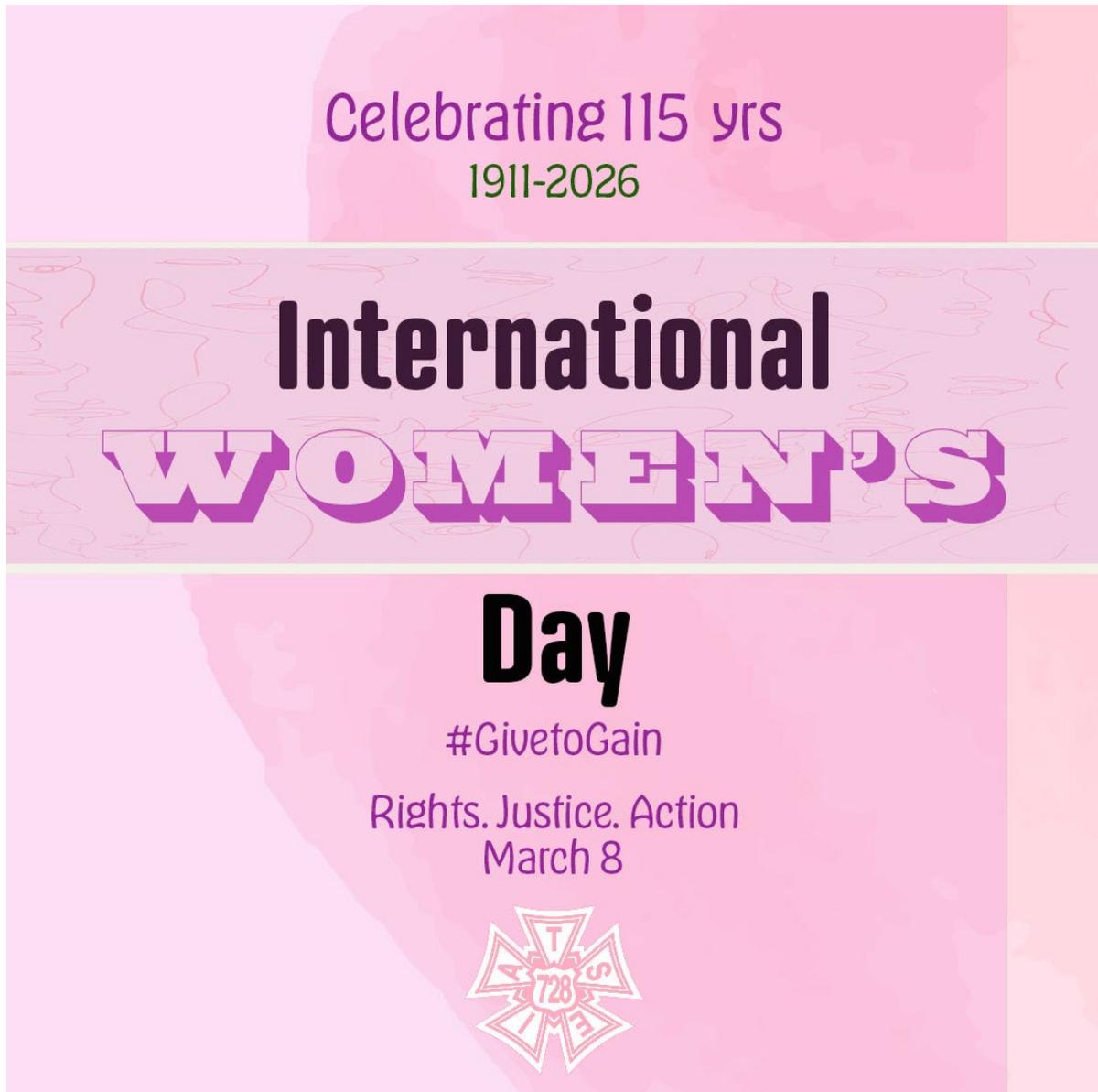
Women of Local 728 celebrate 50 years

Women’s History Month

Leading the Change:
Women Shaping a Sustainable Future

Local 728 is celebrating Women's History Month. This year the spotlight is on the first women to become members of Local 728, celebrating 50 years!

International Women's Day-March 8



Let's shout out, post pics and tag your incredible, creative and dedicated co-workers #50yrsWomenofLocal728

#50yearpins #womenofLocal728 #womenwednesday #IATSELocal728
#IAwomenup #womenshistorymonth

The Local 728 Bulletin



THE BULLETIN
Lighting Technicians IATSE Local 728
The only IATSE Local Dedicated to Set Lighting
www.iatse728.org

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Celebrating a Milestone

Congratulations to the Local 728 crew on NCIS who recently celebrated filming the 500th episode of the long-running series. Members photographed at Disney Ranch include (L-R) Brandon Crawford, Phil Marlett, Caffer James M. Cox, Best Boy John Fine, Bret Scott, George Lozano, Jr., Reid Andersson and Nicholas Aiello.

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The Bulletin is now available on the website!

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- Building a Strong Industry is a Shared Responsibility

Read More [Here](#) (log-in required)

IATSE Local 728 Membership Meeting



RSVP now open

IATSE Local 728 Membership Meeting

Saturday, March 14 at 9AM

Topics to be covered

- Entertainment Community Fund Guest Speaker, Keith McNutt, CEO
- Service pin presentation for 50yr, 55yr, 60yr, 65yr & 70yr

 Scan for
RSVP details

 IATSE Local 728
This meeting is for Local 728 members only

[Women & Kin Committee BBQ Reception following the meeting \(all are welcome\)](#)

The next general membership meeting is March 14 with guest speaker Keith McNutt, CEO from Entertainment Community Fund and service pin presentation for the following years: 50, 55, 60, 65, and 70.

This meeting will also recognize the incredible women to first join Local 728, celebrating 50 years!

There will be a Women & Kin Committee BBQ Reception following the meeting, all are welcome.

When: Saturday, March 14

Time: 9AM

Location: Local 728 and via Zoom **RSVP by 3PM on Friday 3/13/26** (include your full name and union card #)

[Click here](#) for **In-person RSVP**

[Click here](#) for **Zoom RSVP**

Special General Membership Meeting on March 21

SPECIAL

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING**



**SOLIDARITY
MEANS
POWER**

**Internal
Organizing for
Motion Pictures
& TV Production**

Presented by
International Vice President
Michael Miller

**SAVE THE
DATE**

**SATURDAY,
MARCH 21,
2026**

1:00-3:00 P.M.

**SOLIDARITY
SECURITY
PROSPERITY**

Save the Date for a Special General Membership Meeting on Internal Organizing for Motion Pictures & TV Production.

When: Saturday, March 21

Time: 1PM-3PM

Location: IATSE Local 728

CSATF-V3 and V6 Online Courses



Visit the [Industry Hub.org](https://www.thehub.org)
to log into your Portal

V3-Shock/Arc Flash Awareness **V6-Overhead Electrical Rigging Safety**

Now available in you Portal!

V3-Shock and Arc Flash Awareness- 3 hour self paced online course
Covers topics to help identify, evaluate, and avoid shock and arc flash hazards related to using a portable power distribution system.

V6-Overhead Electrical Rigging Safety- 2 hour self paced online course
Covers rigging concepts and methods that lighting technicians use to safely lift and support lighting equipment overhead.

Visit Contract Services at <https://www.thehub.org> to take the V3 and V6 self-paced online courses. These new requirements are available in your CSATF Portal.

IATSE LOCAL 728 SOLIDARITY FRIDAYS!



**WEAR YOUR IATSE LOCAL 728
UNION SWAG ON FRIDAYS**

Upcoming Events

Webinar- Medicare 101 for MPI Covered Participants



Join MPTF and MPI staff for an important and timely discussion on Medicare enrollment for entertainment industry professionals covered under the Motion Picture Industry Health Plan.

When: Tuesday, March 10

Time: 6PM-7PM PT

Location: Zoom workshop

[Register Here](#) (RSVP by March 9th)

Retiree Luncheon on March 18



Join us for on March 18th for the Retiree Luncheon at the hall. Let us know if you can join us, RSVP today!

When: Wednesday, March 18

Time: 12PM

Location: IATSE Local 728 membership hall, 1001 West Magnolia Blvd, Burbank, CA 91506

RSVP

Online: [Retiree Luncheon | IATSE Local 728](#)

Email: community@iatse728.org

Call: 818.954.0728

2nd Annual Rosie the Riveter Mixer



Motion Picture Costumers Local 705



2nd Annual ROSIE THE RIVETER MIXER

IATSE MEMBERS & GUESTS WELCOME!

Local 705's Political Action Team invites you to our annual Rosie Mixer! Wear your best Rosie-inspired looks, enjoy themed food, drinks, activities, and interlocal solidarity.

This year also marks the 115th anniversary of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire. Join us to remember and honor the victims as we recommit to the fight for workers' rights!



Join us to mark the anniversary of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire.

WEAR YOUR BEST ROSIE-INSPIRED LOOK!

WHEN & WHERE

Saturday,
March 21, 2026
5pm-8pm

MPC 705 Member Hall
5127 Laurel Canyon Blvd
Valley Village, CA 91607

DONATE RATIONS & LIBATIONS

Email
MPC705PAT@gmail.com
to donate food, drinks etc.
for the mixer.

All Efforts are
appreciated!

COMMUNITY

The PAT will also be
accepting non-perishable
donations at the mixer to
bring to Hollywood Food
Coalition as a community-
supporting effort.



RSVP: bit.ly/2NDRR2026



When: Saturday, March 21

Time: 5PM-8PM

Location: MPC 705 Member Hall, 5127 Laurel Canyon Blvd, Valley Village, CA 91607

RSVP: bit.ly/2NDRR2026

To donate food, drinks, etc. for the mixer, email: mpc705pat@gmail.com

MPC 705, A Spring Vintage Bazaar

*Shop vintage & hand-made pieces from the
EXCLUSIVE collections of Hollywood's elite film
and television Costumers!*



A SPRING
VINTAGE
Bazaar
VINTAGE & HANDMADE

MARCH 29, 2026
9AM-5PM

5127 Laurel Canyon Blvd
Valley Village, CA 91607



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO SHOP

When: Sunday, March 29

Time: 9AM-5PM

Location: MPC 705 Member Hall, 5127 Laurel Canyon Blvd, Valley Village, CA 91607

Open to the public to shop

Union Resources



Information and tools for financial, mental health and wellness, assistance, food banks, alternative health insurance, discounts and more can be found at the following:

[Financial Assistance and Resources](#)
[Resources | Assistance](#)
[Mental Health Tools and Resources](#)

Are You on the Fence with Life in the Industry?



**Entertainment
Community Fund**
Formerly The Actors Fund

Do you find yourself asking these questions:

- Is my work in the industry as fulfilling as it once was?

- Are economic challenges making me curious about other work opportunities?
- Does my current industry work support my lifestyle needs and goals?

Join your peers for an eight-week group to explore emotional, spiritual, and practical issues of continuing your career in the entertainment industry.

Please register or log in to the [Entertainment Community Fund Portal](#) to access workshops, programs and services.

When: Tuesdays, February 17- April 7

Time: 10AM PT

Free Tax Prep Services

provided by Entertainment Community Fund's Financial Wellness Program



- Assisted self-prep
 - In-person Tax prep sites
- Drop-off service
- Virtual Tax Prep

Learn more



Unsure of how to get started with tax prep? The Entertainment Community Fund has resources to assist you. Go to [The Entertainment Community Fund's Tax Prep for Creative Professionals](https://entertainmentcommunity.org/free-tax-preparation-services)

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IATSE PAC

Support a Federal Incentive by Becoming a Monthly Contributor to the IATSE PAC



By becoming a monthly contributor, you're supporting [IATSE's federal agenda](#), including priorities that will directly impact all workers in the industry.

IATSE Local 728 Fundraiser to support IATSE PAC

Local 728 now has its own personalized PAC Donation Landing Page.

[Please give today!](#)



IATSE PAC

The IATSE PAC is about access to politicians regardless of platform on behalf of ALL members.

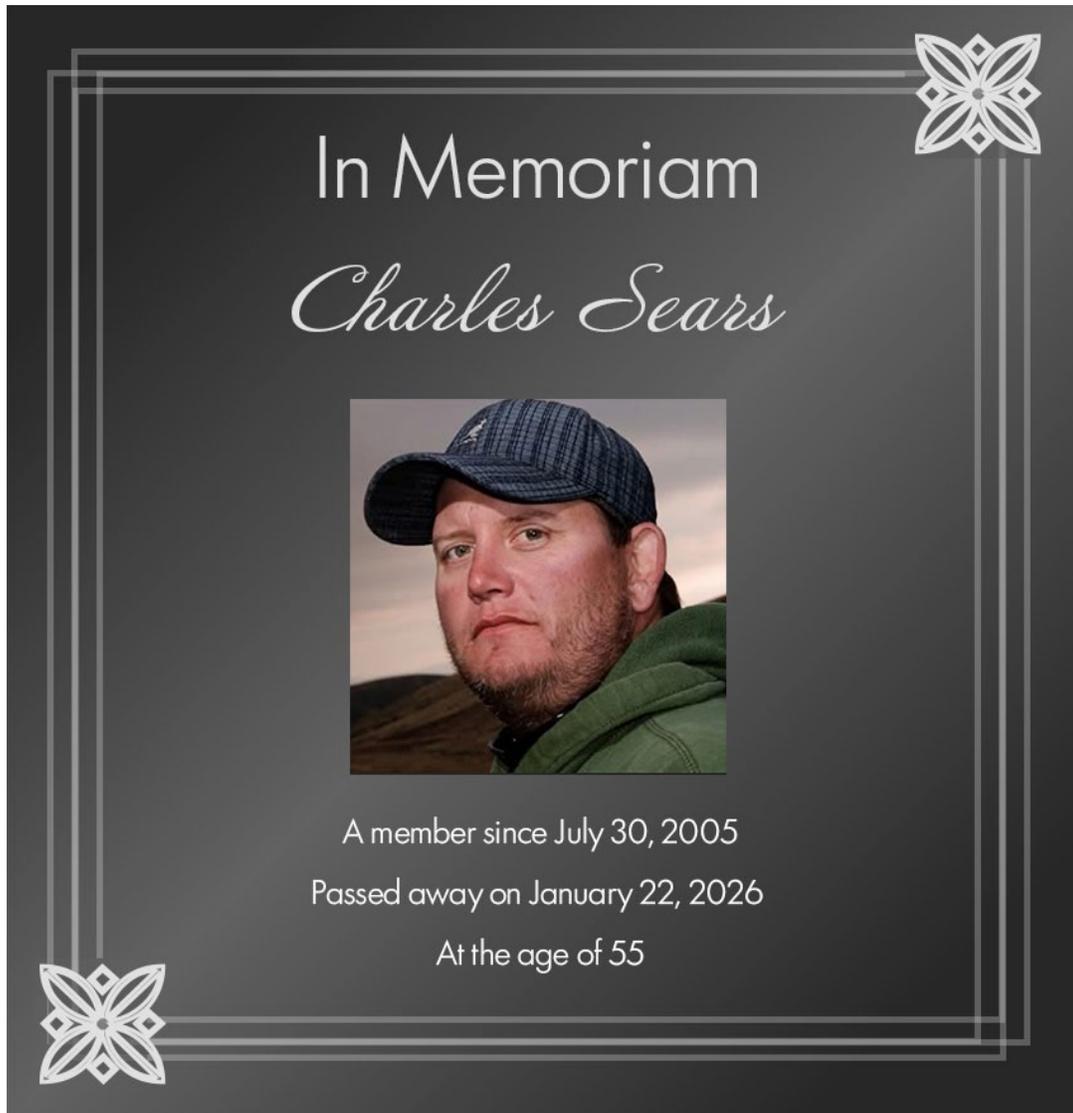
The fights we take on with PAC resources continue for our industry, benefiting ALL U.S. members and Local Unions whether they contribute or not.

Donate today!

[What is the IATSE PAC? Play Video](#)

In Memoriam

Celebration of Life for Charles Sears on March 7



A Celebration of Life for Charlie will be held on Saturday, March 7 at the Navy Golf Course in Cypress, CA from 11AM-3PM.

Funeral Mass at [All Souls Cemetery](#) in Long Beach, CA at 9AM.

Additional details and to RSVP, [click here](#).

[Notice of member passing: Charles Sears](#)