



# IBEW 2213 NEWSBEAT

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**For those celebrating Passover or Easter this coming weekend, we wish all of you and your families a very healthy and happy holiday!**



## Steward Spotlight!!

**My name is Laura Petricca. I am a Steward and the Treasurer for the Local. I have been a Customer Service Representative in the Buffalo CSSC for 23 years. Ironically, I will be married 23 years, and my husband, Lou was the Treasurer of his union before retiring after 30 years as a Correctional Officer. I grew up in a union household, my mother, a retiree, was a union steward for the Local most of her career with “The Phone Company” before retiring after 41 years of service. Seeing her make countless calls, dealing with many crises during some of the longest strikes made me want to make a difference and help people. Becoming a steward was not easy – I showed interest many years before being appointed in the the summer of 2013. I was told that I needed to learn the Contract, attend Unit Meetings and stay informed. Now, I find myself giving the same advice to anyone that shows interest about being a steward; it’s not just about helping yourself-it’s doing the right thing for everyone. Over the years, I’ve learned there are many things you cannot change and that you always need to look at the “big picture”. Thank you to Barb Carson for teaching me that!**



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