

## From the Local 835 Office: Tracking your Pension and Annuity **Benefits**

Do you know if the companies you are working for are paying your benefits and submitting the days worked correctly to the National Benefits Fund? No? Then here's some helpful suggestions that you should be doing weekly, monthly, or at the very least, yearly.

### Step 1

#### 1. **SAVE YOUR PAYROLL RECEIPTS!**

Put a manila envelope in your car or a folder on your kitchen counter, but put your payroll receipts somewhere that you can access them **EASILY**.

Why? This is proof of the hours you worked and the pay you received. Sometimes, you accept work that is not called into the call stewards so we would not have a record of you working that call.

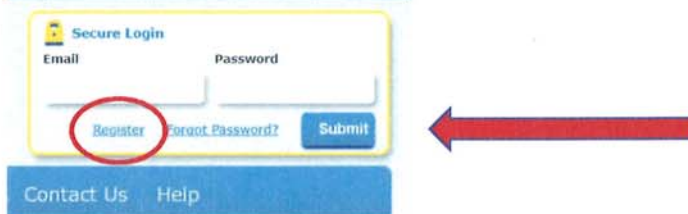
Remember: The number of days you work in a calendar year affects your pension! To be fully vested, you must have five (5) years of work with at least 75 days worked in a calendar year.

Keeping a calendar of the days you worked and what company you worked for is even better. Keep it in your tool bag, your car, at home or on your phone ... somewhere easy to log in your days.

### Step 2

#### **CREATE AN ACCOUNT WITH: [IATSEBNBF.ORG](http://IATSEBNBF.ORG)**

- a. Need help creating an account? We have a computer in the Union lobby and staff that would be happy to show you how to do it. (We won't create it for you due to privacy issues, but we will show you how to log on and answer your questions.)



- b. Once you create your account, you can look at your contributions weekly, monthly, quarterly, or yearly. Keep in mind that some companies pay your benefits at the end of the following month. This is where your PAY RECEIPTS or work calendar will come in handy.
- c. Calling the National Benefits Fund is fine (1-800-456-3863), but it is not always easy to reach someone right away. In addition, seeing 🙄🙄 your money in black and white on a computer screen and being able to take your time reviewing the contributions makes it easier to track your money!