

# International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers: Local 494 member Saves Life

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**SHEBOYGAN** – Last month at the July Kettle Moraine IBEW International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 494 Union meeting, retired member Phil Kissinger (Elkhart Lake resident in Sheboygan County) experienced the early signs of a stroke. Thanks to the quick response from member and registered paramedic Christopher Burgin (Howards Grove resident in Sheboygan County) quick response, Phil is here and on the way to recovery.

Burgin was honored Wednesday evening in front his peers, recognized for his quick thinking and his efforts that saved his Phil Kissinger's life. IBEW Local 494 Business Manager Dean Warsh presented Burgin with a challenge coin at the August Kettle Moraine Union meeting. A challenge coin is presented to members for their outstanding contributions.

Warsh said, "Christopher's actions were instrumental in making sure Phil survived. I know that he did something that everyone sees as a courageous act; the kind of courage that I hope everyone would demonstrate if faced with the same situation."

*International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 494 was formed in June of 1906 and chartered on May 11, 1911. IBEW Local 494 is a labor union representing*

*approximately 2400 members. It represents workers in construction, manufacturing, municipal, and maintenance workers. IBEW Local 494 conducts apprenticeship programs. It also offers continuing education classes for its members. IBEW Local 494 promotes better wages, working conditions and safety for its members and non-members working in the electrical industry.*

*IBEW Local 494 will be there as the demand for highly skilled and qualified electrical workers rises in our area, to lead the way providing a work force with livable wages and benefits. IBEW Local 494 and its members have been a part of many notable projects such as Miller Park, The Moderne, Northwestern Mutual and many others.*

*IBEW Local 494 serves: Milwaukee, Waukesha, Washington, Ozaukee, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan Counties.*

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