Honoring and continuing the work of a devoted expert and instructor, SM Local 112 (Elmim, NY) in December dedicated its welding facility in the name of Robert (Bob) Sents.

Brother Sents has been a member of SM Local 112 since July 1971. His skill was evident from the start, and he took first place for the fourth year at the National Joint Apprentice Contest in 1975.

Dedicated to trade and union
As his career tracked upward, Sents went on to become an instructor, certified welding inspector, certified welding educator and mentor to many sheet metal members.

Giving back to his union was the norm for Sents, according to SM Local 112 Business Manager Donald Kraft, Sr. “Bob is what you would consider the ultimate union member, being there whenever needed and without question. Bob would say just tell me where and when.

“Bob was instrumental in getting our welding program to produce several contest winners and in ensuring our apprentices became productive, skilled journeymen,” Kraft added.

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“I had never been worried about our livelihood... now I fear that many will suffer and work harder for much less pay. I also fear that workers’ safety as well as the average American’s safety will be jeopardized if workers are not trained well.”

Go online and read the letter that a SM Local 36 family member wrote about the anti-union onslaught in Missouri.