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With so many members on the road traveling it is important to either early vote or request an absentee ballot by mail from your county clerks office in the county with which you reside. EITHER WAY, EDUCATE YOURSELF ON THE CANDIDATES AND WHERE THEY STAND ON ALL ISSUES THEN PLEASE GET OUT AND VOTE!!!

Indiana

- **October 10, 2018:** First day that a voter may vote an absentee ballot for the 2018 general election in the office of the county election board or a satellite facility.
- **October 29, 2018:** Deadline for absentee-by-mail applications to be received by the county office for the 2018 general election.

www.indianavoters.in.gov

Illinois

- **September 27, 2018:** First day for early voting at the office of the election authority & temporary locations.
- **November 1, 2018:** Last day for the election authority to receive application by mail from any registered voter.

www.elections.il.gov



www.indianaworkersvote.com

www.vote.org

www.vote.org/state/illinois



Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

September is already here and the last month of the third quarter. Summer is almost over and our 2018/2019 apprenticeship classes are just beginning. We would like to welcome all our new and welcome back all our returning apprentices as they progress towards journeyman status. The five year program is very challenging and difficult to complete but we hope all of our young men and women realize the true worth, opportunity and education they will receive from going through our school here at Local 157.

We would like to thank all our members and their families that participated in the Labor Day Parades, Bean Dinner and Labor Day in the Park in Lafayette. There was a very nice turnout in spite of the hot day and all the members that were working out of town and were unable to attend.

On September 8th we held our Local 157 Annual Picnic, this was a day of over five inches of rain. This was a challenging day from food preparation to parking but thanks to Ron Gibson, Mike Clements, Tom Gofourth, our apprentices, our elected officers, Educational Trust staff, your business office staff (and everyone I have forgotten to mention) the picnic was as successful as possible. We are blessed to have a huge pavilion and meeting hall to be able to accommodate a large group. We thank all members and family for enduring the weather and attending the picnic. There were two new additions this year; one was Silly Safari an animal show that was in the meeting hall and the Kona Ice truck under the pavilion. We would like to hear some response to the new additions so we can make plans for next year.

In wrapping this up, we need to remind everyone that Election Day is **November 6th** and all union members need to get to the polls and **vote** for all of our futures. If you are going to be out of town remember everyone can vote early and if that doesn't work you can vote absentee, the information for both are in this newsletter.

**YOUR VOTE
IS
YOUR VOICE**

Piping Industry News

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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III

As of this publication we have 162 journeymen and 45 apprentices actively seeking employment with 165 journeymen and 25 apprentices on travel jobs. For the month of July we dispatched 127 journeymen and 19 apprentices with 24 call backs and 98 members to travel jobs. For the month of August we dispatched 91 journeymen and 27 apprentices with 22 call backs and 65 members to travel jobs.

Work in the Terre Haute, Danville and Robinson areas has been slow throughout the summer but should improve this fall.

There is nothing new at press time concerning the S&G Fertilizer project or the Tuscola Fertilizer project. All parties involved in these projects are telling us that they are moving forward.

Morris should start hiring anytime now for the fall outage at Marathon. It will officially start November 6th and run for 18 days of 6-10's for around 60 to 70 members.

Currently there is a tremendous amount of travel work available across the country. If there is a particular job you would like to go to give me a call and I will try to get you there. Keep in mind that just because a local is hiring heavily doesn't mean they will take all 157 members.

All of you should have received a letter concerning a change to the out of work rules. The only change was to make the short call 21 days instead of 14. This change was industry driven due to the fact that most outages over the past few years, locally or travel have been 20 days or less.

I would like to remind everyone that the TWIC card is now mandatory at all IPL plants and will be mandatory at all Marathon sites January 1st of 2019. From what I am hearing Duke Energy will soon follow suit. The TWIC card requirement is being pushed by homeland security. If you are an apprentice, the Educational Trust will reimburse you for the cost of the card.

It was great to see everyone at the steamy Labor Day Parade and the rainy picnic. Everyone seemed to enjoy the picnic despite the wind and rain.

In closing, I would like to congratulate our new incoming apprentices and wish them good luck in their endeavors.



Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson

Hope all our members and their families had a chance to visit one of the Local 157's many activities in the month of September.

The month of August is spent preparing for all these many events. Ordering, arranging, cleaning and planning.

It started Saturday September 1st at "Labor Day in the Park" in Lafayette. Steve Snyder and volunteers did a fantastic job. The food was great and Columbian Park where it was held, is just a fantastic place. Zoo, water park, car show....it's got it all.

Monday September 3rd we had our Labor Day Parades in Terre Haute, Indiana, Danville and Palestine, Illinois. As you might imagine, were it not for our members stepping up and taking care of every detail we would never be able to pull it off.

It was reported that every parade was well attended and a good time was had by all. Immediately following our Terre Haute Parade we again for the second year in a row sponsored "Pack the Park" at Fairbanks Park in Terre Haute. This event is a collective effort through the Central Wabash Valley Building & Construction Trades Council. We cook the beans, operators cook hot dogs and the laborers take care of the drinks. It was a great turnout and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We had an Ice Cream Truck, Bounce House and Pony Rides. The kids really loved it. Thank you to everyone who helped!

Now switching gears. The most important thing you can do the remainder of 2018 is to VOTE! I spent some time at the county clerks office here in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana. I was told in order to vote "Absentee" you will need to call your county clerk in whatever county you reside, request an application for an "Absentee Ballot" for the General Election, and they will send you one. From what I understand as long as your application is filled out and returned within 10 days after you receive it, with a drop dead date of October 29, 2018, you will then receive through the mail a ballot form to vote. You will need to do each of these things as quickly as possible using regular mail. Email is exclusively for military voters. Last I spoke with Webb we had 185 members traveling. We need to account for every vote we have. Please make sure you don't procrastinate, get this done. It will take every one of us to make the changes we need. Do your part, let's get this "Blue Wave" started.



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Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder



Work in the Northern Area has stabilized for the immediate future while skilled labor demands transition from institutional work to heavy industrial.

The last several weeks have been very busy to say the least.

The institutional work has cooled off for the time being as class rooms fill to capacity. Several Area School Corporations have multi-phase multi-year projects currently underway. With the rapid expansion of housing either directly related or indirectly related to the massive expansion of Purdue, West Lafayette and Lafayette this trend for area School Corporations will continue for the foreseeable future.

Purdue continues to make significant investments into campus. Several large building additions and stand-alone structures are in the bidding or design phase. Work has started on the Jischke Hall addition. This has been awarded to DA Dodd. The 60 million dollar STEM building is currently in the bidding phase and I would hope by the time you are reading this article the bids will have been awarded. I will keep everyone informed as we go forward.

Industrial work still remains a staple as several projects are starting to gain traction. Evoniks Tippecanoe Labs is starting to show more promise as manpower request for pipefitters and welders have been more and more frequent. One of the reasons for the most recent hiring is the decision to bring one of the "mothballed" cancer drug lines back into production. This new development plus the end of the year maintenance budget will make Evoniks a robust area of work for several dozen of our members. I am assured that the two new structures are still on the books for this year as well.

I had a chance to visit HM White Construction at Subaru Industrial Automotive recently to conduct a pre-job for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for Paint # 2. Peak manpower will top out at 18 pipefitters and 2 welders working 2 shifts. The length and hours will be determined by the onsite shell and core contractor as construction is off to a slow start. Fabrication piping for the tank farm has started as well as the underground utilities. This plant is scheduled to be up in operation by December of this year. Overtime is not scheduled but will be unavoidable.

I want to thank everyone who attended and helped with the 37th Annual Labor Day at the Park event in Lafayette. We had a great turn out of Local 157 members both active and retired. I believe that's one of the many things that separates us and makes us a better labor organization is the active participation during these kinds of events. I personally want to thank Shawn Martin for handing out shirts and master griller Zeb Bickett for their hard work throughout the day.

As time goes on I continually receive volunteer request for various nonprofit agencies. Sometimes its little more than servicing a furnace or replacing a hose bid at the local homeless shelter. While I am able to take care of most I would like to start a volunteer "sign up" board at the Lafayette Union hall to assist with some of these tasks. If you are interested please call me to get registered.

As election season moves forward it is your duty as a registered voter to become educated on the local issues that impact our wages. All politics is local. Get educated and vote November 6th !

Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson

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Again, just a reminder the TWIC card will soon be a requirement about everywhere we work. Don't let not having this card keep you from getting a job!

In closing I want to thank our membership. The people who get up every day, here at home as well as those traveling the country representing Local 157 every day. Because of all of you, we keep rolling forward.

A large, bold, red 3D-style word 'vote' centered on the page.

Rich Cheever
Training Coordinator

Jeff Ehrlich
Welding Coordinator

TRAINING NEWS

From the Educational Trust Department of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

www.157trainingcenter.org

Shane Alumbaugh
Accelerated Welding Instructor

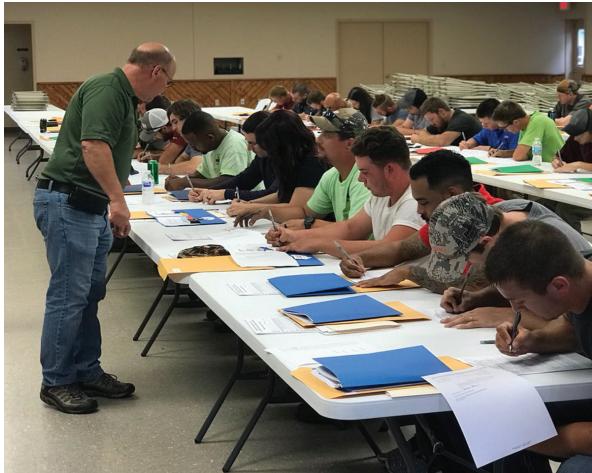
It is hard to believe summer (without apprentice classes) is over. We had 37 new apprentices show up for their initial Orientation Meeting on August 21st. On that night they were introduced to the Administrators of the Apprenticeship and the Ivy Tech representative. Each apprentice filled out the appropriate paperwork and received information about procuring employment. On August 23rd, we held the incumbent apprentice Orientation Meeting where 120 showed up to receive and sign their appropriate documents pertaining to the apprenticeship. At both of these meetings our Business Manager-Mark Swaner, Business Agent-Webb Crouch, Financial Secretary Treasurer-Paul Atterson and the Training Department staff of Jeff Ehrlich, Shane Alumbaugh and myself spoke to the apprentices as well as answered their questions.

In August 2018, we sent 16 of our Instructional Staff to Instructional Training in Ann Arbor, Michigan. These instructors received 40 hours of information on topics related to the Piping Industry, Welding, Rigging, Safety, Technology and such.

With the approval of the JATC, we applied and were approved of a grant to receive the following items from the U.A. 2-Story Rigging Structure, 208B Tri Tool Bevel Master, Hydraulic Wrap Bender, 2 Pipework Welding Systems, 20 CAD Capable Computers and 9 Laptops.

A Rigging Class will be scheduled in late fall. This information; once confirmed will be posted on the Training Center Website www.157trainingcenter.org.

FROM INCOMING



All new apprentices and returning apprentices were required to attend a meeting in August to go over all of this year's paperwork and schedules.

TO ONGOING

WELD TESTS TERRE HAUTE TRAINING CENTER

Saturday, October 20th, 2018 at 8:00 am
Saturday, November 17th, 2018 at 8:00 am
Saturday, December 15th, 2018 at 8:00 am

Please call the Training Center to sign-up.

Illinois Plumbing Continuing Education Classes



OCTOBER 17TH-6 TO 10PM (CST)
DANVILLE TRAINING CENTER



OCTOBER 20TH-8AM TO 12PM (CST)
HUTSONVILLE TRAINING CENTER



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Phone: (812) 877-2581
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During the months of June and July 2018 your Health & Welfare Plan staff processed 13,340 claims, totaling \$5,885,626.39.

For my first article, I would like to remind you of a couple benefits offered by your plan. The flu season is right around the corner so remember that influenza and pneumonia vaccinations are covered at 100% as part of your Wellness Benefits. Should the flu happen to find you, do not forget about the **FREE** and easy to use LiveHealth Online service your plan offers all eligible members and dependents not entitled to Medicare or other primary group coverage. The service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year and can be accessed from any smartphone or computer with webcam capabilities. For more information, please refer to the pamphlet sent out in July or contact the fund office today.



Stephanie Morgan
Administrative Manager

I have had the privilege of serving you over the past 27 years as a claims processor of this plan and look forward to continuing to serve you in a new capacity as Administrative Manager.
Have a safe and healthy Fall.

LiveHealth Online

livehealthonline.com



In Memoriam

Samuel V. Black, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Rosedale, Indiana passed away on July 13th, 2018. Samuel was born on July 12th, 1924 and was initiated into the United Association on October 30th, 1950.



Richard D. Brown, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Remington, Indiana passed away on August 16th, 2018. Richard was born on January 9th, 1949 and was initiated into the United Association on November 20th, 1967.



Jimmie L. Furrer, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Brazil, Indiana passed away on July 27th, 2018. Jimmie was born on September 7th, 1956 and was initiated into the United Association on September 6th, 1974.



*Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us everyday.
Unseen, unheard but always near,
Still loved, still missed, and held so dear.*

2018 Holiday Gift Baskets

With work being slow this year, we anticipate a lot of members needing assistance. Therefore this year requests for food baskets must be made by a Local 157 Member, each member is limited to 2 Requests Only. They may request one either for themselves, another Local 157 Member, or for their immediate family member only. However, Union Members will be given first priority. Please use the attached form to submit your request and return it to Local 157-Basket Fund Request~8801 E Milner Avenue~Terre Haute, IN 47803 or call the main office at (812) 877-1531 or toll-free at (866) 373-3157

Requests must be received in the main office by November 9th and those

who are approved to receive a basket will be notified by phone.

Baskets will be distributed on November 19th and 20th.

Basket Requested For:

Name _____ City/State _____ Number of Household Members _____

Local 157 Member who is making the request

Name _____ Phone # _____

(This section must be completed)

All donations and requests can be mailed to

Local 157 ~ Basket Fund Request ~ 8801 E Milner Ave ~ Terre Haute, IN 47803

RAISE YOUR SLEEVE.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 2018

5:00 PM TO 8:00 PM - TERRE HAUTE TRAINING CENTER



ON THE JOB

Local 157 Members (L to R) Foreman Jared Ashby, Steward Steve Casto and 3rd year Apprentice Cole Bell working for North Mechanical at Rossville Consolidated Schools.



Rossville Consolidated Schools





ON THE JOB AT PURDUE STEWART CENTER

Local 157 members working for Shambaugh & Son at Purdue's Stewart Center installing 18 " HP Steam.

Pictured back row (L to R) Matt Melin, Landon Zadai and Jerry Shoemaker, front row (L to R) Trevor Hill and Matt Delbridge .





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PALESTINE PARADE



At the time of publication we did not have any pictures from the Danville Parade. Anyone with pictures can submit them to the main office.

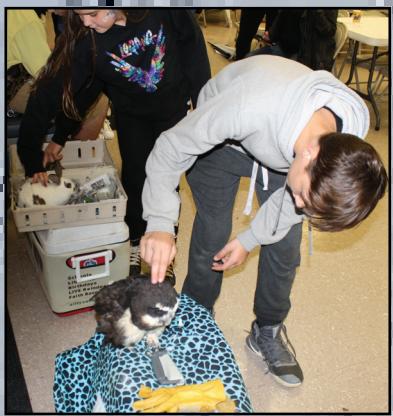
Into everyone's life, some rain must fall.....I think it is safe to say that we all had our fair share at this year's picnic.

However, in spite of all the rain, we still had a great turnout and we were able to enjoy the good food, fellowship along with a couple of new items added this year.





New this year.....





Hmmmm....how do I apply for Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 Apprenticeship Program???

Well here's how.....



- Step 1) Log on to our website www.157trainingcenter.org
- Step 2) At the top right click on "Application Info"
- Step 3) Click on the website <http://tinyurl.com/ycuz2aml>
- Step 4) This will take you to the Indiana Career Connect website
- Step 5) Scroll down and click on the button "How to apply for this job"
- Step 6) You will need to **Register** to get a User Name (which is your email address) and a password. A confirmation will be sent to you, then **Sign In** with your User Name and password.
- Step 7) Once you are signed in; fill out the requested information.
Be sure to include your email address.
- Step 8) Indiana Career Connect will contact you to let you know when to come in and take the required Work Keys test. All communication is done via email, so you will have to have a valid email address and update it as soon as you have any changes.
- Step 9) Check email for Work Keys test date. Meet the required scores.
- Step 10) Check mail, as a certified letter will be sent to you in March for your first interview date. First interviews will be in April and you must show up with High School or GED transcripts and a valid driver's license.
- Step 11) Check mail for results of first interview and possible offer of interview #2. Offers for the second interview; to be held in May, will be mailed certified.
- Step 12) Check mail for results of second interview and possible offer to the Apprenticeship Program. If offered, a certified letter will be sent in May.
- Step 13) A certified letter will be sent in August regarding the Orientation Meeting.



Applications for the Apprenticeship Program
are taken online from
May 1st through December 31st





If you should have any questions,
or require any assistance please contact
Sandy Reece at (812) 877-3588.



Dear Participant or Beneficiary,

We are pleased to announce updates to our participant website that will keep your account more secure. When you log onto https://401k.nyhart.com; **USER ID = SSN (no dashes) / PASSWORD = MMDDYYYY (date of birth)**, you will be prompted to comply with these new security measures. Please follow the instructions below, and contact our customer service center at (888)-715-4015 if you need assistance.

USER ID UPDATE

- Change from your SSN to any combination of letters and numbers between 5-30 characters

User ID

Logon Method

Creating a User ID will allow you to access your retirement account using your User ID and PIN instead of your Social Security Number and PIN. Your User ID may consist of any combination of letters and numbers and must be between 5-30 characters. Changes made to your User ID will be applied to all of your plans on this system.

[View/Modify User ID](#)

User ID	<input type="text"/>
Enter Id.	
<input type="button" value="Submit"/>	

PASSWORD UPDATE

- Update your password

CUSTOMIZE YOUR SECRET QUESTION AND ANSWER

- To provide additional security for your account, please customize a Secret Question and Answer. You may use the example shown below; however, to maximize this security feature, we encourage you to create a unique question.

Secret Question and Answer

Create/Modify your Secret Question and Answer

If you forget your Password, you can gain access to your account(s) by correctly answering the secret question you provide below.

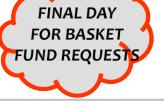
Enter Secret Question and Answer

Secret Question	<input type="text" value="What is the middle name of my oldest niece?"/>
Example : What was my first pet's name?	
Secret Answer	<input type="text" value="Lauren"/>
Example : Spencer	
Repeat Secret Answer	<input type="text" value="Lauren"/>
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>	

October 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Fall Retirees Luncheon Terre Haute Noon 	6 Union Meeting 10:00 am Service Pin Ceremony 
7	8  Columbus Day	9 Fall Retirees Luncheon Lafayette Noon 	10	11 Fall Retirees Luncheon Danville Noon 	12	13
14	15	16 Indiana Blood Drive TH Training Center from 5 - 8 pm 	17 Illinois Plumbing Continuing Ed Danville Training Center 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm 	18	19	20 UA Weld Test 8:00 am - TH Illinois Plumbing Continuing Ed Hutsonville Training Center 8:00 am to Noon 
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Happy Halloween! 		Basket Fund Donations Being Accepted	

November 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 	3
4 	5	6 VOTE!! 	7	8	9 FINAL DAY FOR BASKET FUND REQUESTS 	10
	Veteran's Day Observed 	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 HOLIDAY BASKETS DISTRIBUTED 	20	21	22 Happy Thanksgiving 	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

MARK YOUR

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, November 2nd, 2018
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, December 7th, 2018
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Quarterly Union Meeting
Saturday, January 5th, 2019
10:00 am in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

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 Lafayette, IN 47909
 Phone.....(765) 477-7092
 Fax.....(765) 477-6587

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