

RAISE YOUR SLEEVE.



BLOOD DRIVE

TUESDAY, APRIL 3rd from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**The Bloodmobile will be in front of the
Terre Haute Training Center**

All Members and their Families are encouraged to donate!

I just wanted to send a sincere thank you for a great blood drive on January 30th. We collected 12 whole blood, 3 double red cells and deferred only 1 donor. A total of 16 donors participating, Fantastic.

Please know that those products impacted, or even saved, up to 54 lives in the hospitals we serve. If you really stop and think about how powerful that is, it's pretty amazing for only a three hour blood drive. You never know when you or a family member will need products such as these. Plumbers and Steamfitters is contributing to the public supply of blood. Be proud.

Sincerely,

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Indiana Blood Center

Field Representative

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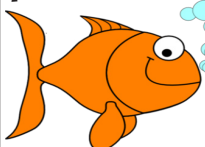


Be ONE More.

**Registration at 8:00 am
Tournament From 8:30 am to Noon
Pond east of the Main Office Building**

**THIS event is open to ALL
Local 157 Member's children
and grandchildren.**

**Prizes Will be given
in each age group!
LUNCH Will be
provided.**



Kid's Fishing Rodeo

Saturday, June 9th, 2018



Children must be accompanied by an adult!



Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

Well it is starting to warm up a little outside and we are in the last month of the first quarter, March.

Our UA International Representative David Posey announced his retirement a couple of months ago and his last month was February. David as some of our members will remember, served as Apprentice Coordinator for years for Local 440 in Indianapolis, then became their Business Manager and was later brought up to the United Association as a Representative for Kentucky and Tennessee until 2017. He was then moved from Tennessee to Indiana. We would like to congratulate Dave on his distinguished career and now his retirement.

This is the first of March and we just had our monthly union meeting where there was a lot of discussion that I would like to recap. Remember this is contract year so the next few months will be fast and furious with a lot of issues to cover. Therefore we need to stay cool when we talk in the union meetings, because everyone will be heard. We will then take a vote going with majority rules.

The membership was in favor of getting verbiage in our CBA to accommodate a health reimbursement account for our members to accumulate monies which could be used for deductibles, copays and self pays if necessary.

We are also looking at a possible Local 157 Commercial Agreement, this was the subject of a most heated discussion and this is my best description. In just West Lafayette there has been over 340,000 man-hours that was all nonunion (we did try but was unsuccessful) and they will have over 500,000 man-hours in the next year in apartment buildings alone, not to mention the light commercial going on that is outside of our target fund, or should I say out of reach of the target fund, what else can we do. The Local 157 Commercial Agreement will give us a chance to regain some of our market share. Commercial journeymen under this agreement shall not perform on any projects under the Davis-Bacon Act, City or State of Indiana Common Wage Law, State or Federally tax subsidized projects, industrial manufacturing buildings, hospitals, 5 story or taller medical office buildings requiring medical gas systems or 4 story or shorter medical office buildings requiring medical gas systems for which employer receives target money from Local 157. The Local 157 Business Manager has discretion as to whether such 4 story or shorter medical office buildings will be worked under this agreement or target funds. To be competitive we wanted to remove \$10.00. At the moment we are at a reduction of \$9.27 an hour. This is with \$4.00 to the National Pension Fund, \$1.30 to our IPT, \$0.70 to the Ed Trust, \$8.85 to the Health & Welfare, \$0.10 to the ISPT/MCAA drug testing, \$0.10 to the International Training Fund, and \$29.54 which is 80% journeyman scale with a total package of \$44.59. Working Assessments would be at \$0.75 which is 2%. This is tentative and subject to change, we are still in the early stages.

In closing there is a lot of work to do before July, we will try to keep every one informed.

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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III



As of this publication there are 258 journeymen and 78 apprentices actively seeking employment with 94 members working on travel jobs. For the month of January we dispatched 37 journeymen and 11 apprentices with 24 call backs and 19 members to travel jobs. For the month of February we dispatched 78 journeymen and 11 apprentices with 25 call backs and 48 members to travel jobs.

The S&G Quasar Fertilizer project is still moving forward. Currently Quasar has an engineering firm reviewing the bids for this project. We are hopeful that they will have a contract signed soon.

The Cronus Fertilizer project is also getting close to a signed contract. I am being told that Thyssen Krupp and Cronus are in the final stages of working out the details with their respective legal counsels. I will keep you informed as more information comes available.

As this PIN edition reaches you the Merom spring outage has started and should complete by May 16th. The Edwardsport outage is still tentatively scheduled to start April 7th and run until May 5th. Skanska still does not have a full scope of work so manpower needs are not available at this time.

The Marathon outage is scheduled to start April 10th and will employ approximately 80 people. Morris will be working 6-10's plus on this outage for 16 to 18 days.

After our outages are complete the rest of this year looks to be slow in our jurisdiction with the exception of Lafayette.

There will be opportunities for travel work across the country this year so I will be reaching out to sister locals for work. If there are any particular locals you would like to work out of give me a call at the office and I will do my best to get you to work.

I would like to remind everyone about the Local 157 Kids Fishing Rodeo on Saturday, June 9th. Fishing starts at 8:30 am and bait, food and drinks will be provided. Please bring your children and grandchildren for a day of fellowship, fishing and fun.

Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson



We are beginning the 3rd month of 2018 and not much has changed. We remain optimistic and believe things are moving forward in reference to our proposed larger jobs. For me personally, an announcement or announcements can not get here quick enough. We all realize there are a ton of things to be looked at before a job gets to the actual building stage. So hopefully it will all line up and we can all start making plans.

On the financial side, we have successfully completed our yearly audit of our general fund finances. Again this year the audit was completed by Legacy LLC. I am happy to report no discrepancies were found. Legacy LLC annually audits our books and files our LM-2 form which is required by the Department of Labor, Office of Labor Management Standards. This is for labor organizations with \$250,000 or more in total receipts. Legacy LLC also files an IRS Form 990 which allows us annually to file for a "Not for Profit" status. I certainly want to thank our Office Manager Patti Szymanski and our Fringe Benefits Manager Sandy Reece for not only preparing all our records for Legacy, but for doing such a flawless job year end and year out.

Gas Distribution continues to do well. This past month I signed 2 new members for Miller Pipeline. I also signed a new contractor, Michel's Pipeline. They were awarded a blanket contract with NIPSCO in northern Indiana. Presently they are setting up in Valparaiso, Indiana and will get going soon. We all certainly wish them good luck.

At our recent Illinois State Pipe Trades meeting we were able to meet and greet with several of our representatives. All we talked with were excited about the potential of the Cronus Chemical Plant coming to Tuscola.

The front runner for Governor appears to be J.B. Pritzker. Primary's will be here soon. Please register if you are not, and make sure everyone you know is. This is our year. Make a difference.

I want to congratulate all our Apprentices who competed recently in the Local 157 Apprentice Contest. I look forward to seeing how they do in Hobart, Local 210 in Merrillville, Indiana. It will be held March 20, 21 and 22. Go 157!

I want to take a minute to thank International Representative Dave Posey for his leadership and friendship to me personally and to Local 157. I also want to welcome Robbie Johnson from Local 452 in Lexington, Kentucky as our new International Representative for Indiana and Kentucky. I know you will do a fine job.

Congratulations to the 20 Local 157 members who obtained their UA Rigging Certification in February. Thank you Troy Bennett for what is normally a several Saturday's in a row class, that was done in a weeks time. Rich and Jeff tell me with the assistance of all our instructors we might be able to make some of these classes available to obtain in a weeks time rather than 5 Saturdays. So please talk to Rich if you are interested in a particular class or certification.



Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder

The work outlook is starting to improve quite a bit for the weeks ahead in our northern area. The last few weeks have been very busy to say the least for the estimating departments of our signatory contractors.

The institutional work still appears to be leading the charge with the construction upturn. The largest is still Lafayette School Corporation which is leading the regional school corporations with several capital improvement projects. I received recent notification that Jefferson High Schools new Natatorium was awarded to DA Dodd and the Boiler Replacement work has been awarded to Quality Plumbing and Heating. Rossville School Corporations multi-million

dollar addition and renovation is also scheduled to start around the same time. As reported earlier North Mechanical was successful picking up this project. All these projects are scheduled to start mid-March. Bids are out for South Montgomery School Corporations 5 million dollar district wide facility upgrades. North Montgomery School's 35 million dollar facility wide improvements have yet to hit the bidding phase. Both of these school corporations have pledged to start 2018 school year.

Evonics remains a hub of activity with Freitag-Weinhardt working on several maintenance projects plant wide. Freitag-Weinhardt was also successful in picking up the Phosphate Water Treatment Plant renovations. Construction has started at the WWTP with hiring expected to start around March 15th. The projected manpower should peak at 25 pipefitters and welders. Shambaugh and Son has also landed some work as well in the tank farm. This work is in addition to the contract work that was awarded last month. I expect hiring for this project to hit the jobline soon for welders. The new buildings that have been proposed are still very viable at Evonics. Talks at this point have boiled down to price between Evonics and the investing company. Expectations for work to start this year still remain. I will say it is good to see investments being made at this plant with future plans for expansions.

Our industrial work remains a constant. Arconic Press #3 is still on a slow boat from Germany and has not landed yet. Dates have not been shored up as logistics and construction are still very much a factor. The layout and fabrication has been completed for the mechanical and electrical systems. Once the press does arrive installation should be very smooth. In the meantime several plant maintenance projects have been awarded to the onsite contractor Freitag-Weinhardt. Chiller replacements, new pneumatic lines, chilled water lines, both small bore and large bore threaded and welded make up most of the additional work. I expect hiring for these projects to hit later this month. In addition I have been contacted by Sexson Mechanical who informed me that they have several projects at both Frito-Lay and Pepsi in Frankfort. Hiring for these locations will be slow as production takes priority over the maintenance work. Wagner Meinert is finishing up an addition at Ice Cream Specialties Plant in Lafayette. They are one of the largest refrigeration contractors in the United States with their home office based in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Subaru Automotive has plans for a 15 million dollar Waste Water Treatment Plant for Paint #2. The current scheduled start date is May of this year, however bidding documents have not been released by the owner for review. I was also informed that all Subaru engines going forward will be twin turbo design. Plans for the engine line to be extended to accommodate this are being made with work scheduled to happen over the July outage. I will keep everyone informed as we roll forward.

As the Tippecanoe Building Trades President I attended the Quarterly Development Series luncheon along with several other council reps last month. This forum is put on by Greater Lafayette Commerce and was well attended. We gained some insight into private investment dollars flowing into West Lafayette, Lafayette and the county currently and in the years ahead. The economic activity that is currently underway is just the start of a master plan that has considerable traction and backing to enhance the Greater Lafayette community. From this investment spin off businesses will rise, goods and services will be in high demand, advance manufacturing will take off and Purdue Research Foundation's Aero Space Park will move closer to becoming a reality, coupled with all this construction scheduled things are about to boom.

In closing I wish everyone a happy and safe spring, better and prosperous times are right around the corner. The future of our local needs not only your input but action.

The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any. — Alice Walker

TRAINING NEWS

Rich Cheever
Training Coordinator

From the Educational Trust Department
of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

Jeff Ehrlich
Welding Coordinator

www.157trainingcenter.org

Shane Alumbaugh
Accelerated Welding Instructor

The 2017-2018 apprentice class year is 2/3's of the way through. Planning has started for the 2018-2019 apprentice classes. Interviews have been scheduled for April 4 (first round), and May 2 (second round). WorkOne handles our applications through Indiana Career Connect. They reported that we had over 200 applications for our apprenticeship program. They held Work Keys tests in the month of February with 110 meeting our criteria for interviews. These 110 will be interviewed on April 4. Once we start the interview process, all communication is done by certified mail.

On January 20, we held our 5th Year Apprentice Contest. Our members competing in Plumbing was A.J. Biggs, Blake Neal, in Pipefitting we had Tyler Montague, Aaron Atterson and Nick Ekstrom and in Welding we had Jacob Clark, Matt Delbridge, Pat Burner, Landon Zadai and Wes Seger. Many thanks goes out to all the volunteers that made our contest a success.

The week of February 19 - 23 we held an Industrial Rigging class with Instructors Troy Bennett and Brent Taylor. 19 of our members took advantage of this class and are now certified in Industrial Rigging.

Illinois Plumbing Continuing Education Classes have been scheduled for the following dates:



Danville, IL - October 17 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm (CST)

Hutsonville, IL - October 20 from 8:00 am to Noon (CST)

2018 REGIONAL TRAINING COURSE CATALOG
IS NOW AVAILABLE
ANYONE INTERESTED SHOULD
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WELD TESTS AT THE TERRE HAUTE TRAINING CENTER

Saturday, April 21st, 2018 at 8:00 am

Saturday, May 19th, 2018 at 8:00 am

Saturday, June 16th, 2018 at 8:00 am

Please call the Training Center at (812) 877-1736 to sign-up.



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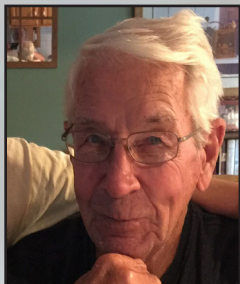
Tim Thacker
Administrative Manager

During the months of December 2017 and January 2018 your Health & Welfare Plan staff processed 16,329 claims, totaling \$6,696,441.28.

It is very important that you know who your beneficiary(s) are for the Death Benefit under the Plan. The Plan provides a Beneficiary Form that needs to be completed when you become covered under the Plan in order to name the Beneficiary(s) to receive your Death Benefit. The Beneficiary Form is also used to change your beneficiary(s). You may want to change your beneficiary(s) in the case of marriage, divorce, or the death of the named beneficiary(s). If you have not completed a Beneficiary Form or you need to make a change, please contact the Plan office and we will mail you a new Beneficiary Form. Please note that any change of beneficiary shall not be effective until received by the Plan provided such change is received prior to the death of the eligible participant.

In Memoriam

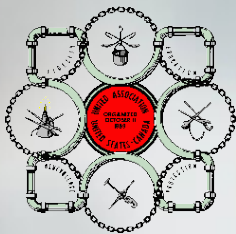
Donald J. Blum, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Mattoon, Illinois passed away on November 25th, 2017. Donald was born on September 26th, 1929 and was initiated into the United Association on April 1st, 1975.



Claude R. Lemay, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Marhsall, Illinois passed away on January 1st, 2018. Claude was born on March 25th, 1936 and was initiated into the United Association on October 18th, 1971.



Jack R. Fultz, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from New Tazewell, Tennessee passed away on January 31st, 2018. Jack was born on May 14th, 1937 and was initiated into the United Association on January 23rd, 1970.



William J. Dinkel, a Building Trades Journeyman from Brazil, Indiana passed away on February 5th, 2018. Bill was born on May 14th, 1959 and was initiated into the United Association on January 1, 1982.



Richard L. Watters, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Indianapolis, Indiana passed away on February 18th, 2018. Richard was born on October 27th, 1947 and was initiated into the United Association on June 22, 1966.



*Death leaves a heartache
no one can heal,
Love leaves a memory
no one can steal.*



LAFAYETTE SPRING RETIREE'S LUNCHEON

TERRE HAUTE SPRING RETIREE'S LUNCHEON



DANVILLE SPRING RETIREE'S LUNCHEON



TERRE HAUTE - FRIDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2018
AT NOON (EST)

LAFAYETTE - TUESDAY, JUNE 5TH, 2018
AT NOON (EST)

DANVILLE - THURSDAY, JUNE 7TH, 2018
AT NOON (CST)

2018 5th Year Apprentice Contest

Plumbing:

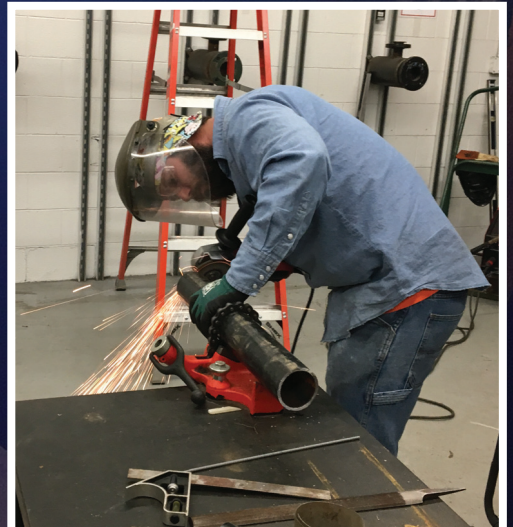
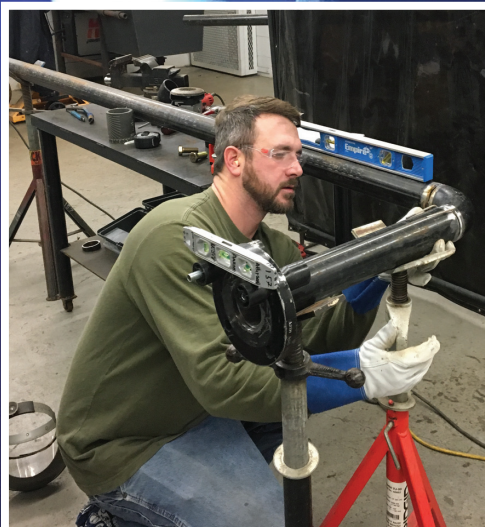
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Journeyman Evan Rayburn
working for North Mechanical at
CNG Systems in Frankfort, Indiana.



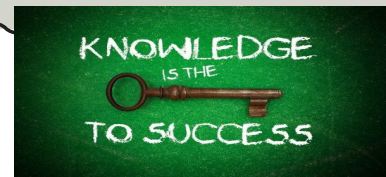
Foreman Ryan Heffley and Apprentice John Wratten working for Benchmark downtown Lafayette at the Greater Lafayette Commerce remodel project.



2nd Year HVAC Apprentice Willy Hurst working for North Mechanical at CNG Systems in Frankfort, Indiana.



20 of Local 157 Members took advantage of the week long Industrial Rigging Class instructed by Troy Bennett.



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Open Enrollment is currently closed.

Flu and the Workplace Don't Mix



The worst of the flu season is not over. If you get the flu, stay home. If you know others who are sick with the flu, urge them not to come to work. The flu is not like a "super cold." This year's strain has killed even some who were extremely physically fit. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends you see your doctor if you have difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, chest or severe abdominal pain, confusion, or sudden dizziness. Don't try to tough it out. Flu symptoms may be delayed for days after you are infected, but you can infect others before you know you are sick. To help avoid the flu, wash your hands; use disinfectant wipes; and avoid touching your mouth, nose, and eyes. Yes, the flu virus can enter your body through your eyes—for example, from rubbing your eye after touching an infected elevator button.

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April 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2	3  Blood Drive! 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm	4	5	6	7  Union Meeting TH Meeting Hall 10:00 am
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22 	23	24	25	26	27	28
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May 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	5  Union Meeting 8:00 pm	5
6	7	8  Indiana State Primary	9	10 Apprentice Grauation Hulman Center 	11	12  Stamp out Hunger USP Workers Food Drive
13  Mothers Day	14	15	16	17	1	19  ARMED FORCES DAY UA Weld Test 8:00 am (Subject to attendance) 
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Monthly Union Meeting
 Friday, June 1st, 2018
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