

2018 Kid's Fishing Rodeo



Thank you to all who came out and volunteered and participated in this year's event. It was another successful year with lots of fish caught and lots of smiles!



TELEPHONE ISSUES

Thank you all for your patience and understanding while the phone issues are being resolved. Unfortunately over time our lines running under the parking lot and into our office have become damaged, allowing water to get into the lines and disrupt our service. We have a temporary fix but are on Frontier's schedule to have the lines re-run underneath the parking lot. Not a minor task. It will involve a temporary disruption of our service again while they splice the new phone cables. Hopefully it can be done quickly.



Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

Well it is July and summer is finally here. The beginning of the third quarter.

First thing I want to do is congratulate Jake Clark for his outstanding performance at the District 2 Regional Apprentice contest held in Charleston, WV. This was a grueling four day event with just a few points separating all welding contestants. At the end of the week our Jake Clark was not chosen to move on to the final but represented Local 157 to a proud high standard and we appreciate his hard work and dedication.

On June 29th the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union No. 157 ratified a three year contract with the Wabash Valley Mechanical Contractors Association. This agreement has an increase of \$4.30 over three years and additional language to accommodate the monthly assessment to feed our new HRA program.

The money breakdown looks like this:

07/01/2018 = \$1.20

01/01/2019 = \$0.40

07/01/2019 = \$1.10

01/01/2020 = \$0.30

07/01/2020 = \$1.00

01/01/2021 = \$0.30

With the \$1.20 that we have \$0.40 will be going into the Health & Welfare, \$0.25 into the I.P.T. Pension and the remaining \$0.55 going on the check. When we get our HRA finalized we will have to remove the funding from the \$37.48 that is now currently on our check.

On Friday the 29th we had a lot of discussion about Residential and Light Commercial Agreements with the United Association having a National Agreement for Residential & Light Commercial Construction. The membership decided to have Troy Bennett set up a committee made up of two from the north side of our jurisdiction and two from the south side. The first meeting of this agreement committee will meet on July 18th.

Have a safe and happy summer!

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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III

As of this publication we have 218 Journeymen and 50 Apprentices actively seeking employment with 125 members on travel jobs. For the month of May we dispatched 133 Journeymen and 31 Apprentices with 35 call backs and 51 members to travel jobs. For the month of June we dispatched 146 Journeymen and 49 Apprentices with 20 call backs and 103 members to travel jobs.

Work remains slow in the Terre Haute, Robinson, and Danville areas and probably won't improve until fall. Cronus and Thyssen Krupp are still in contract negotiations regarding the Tuscola Fertilizer Plant.

Quasar currently has personnel at the S&G Plant trying to get an estimate on what it would take to re-fire the plant. I will keep you informed as more information comes available on these two projects.

I have been able to get quite a few members out on travel card and I am working to get anyone else out that wants to travel. If there is a particular place you would like to go, give me a call and I will do my best to get you to work.

I recently attended the Region 2 Apprentice Competition in Charleston, WV. I can't express enough how proud I am of our contestant Jake Clark. Jake worked extremely hard and represented Local 157 with pride.

This year's fishing rodeo was a big success with 31 fisherman and 108 fish caught. A big thank you to all who helped measure fish, set up and clean up. Also thank you to Larry Drake for all the great pictures.



Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson

Brothers & Sisters I am more optimistic than ever that "Local 157" is on the cusp of some "Great News" in several of our areas. I realize we all want some kind of announcement, so we can start making plans for ourselves and our families. Hopefully it comes soon.

Quite a few of our members are now on the road. They are spread out from coast to coast. A first for me personally, we just recently had a member go to work in Hawaii.

I want to again "Thank" every local union, contractor and agent who has helped in getting our members to work. Mark, Webb, Steve and I know getting a member a job is our #1 priority.

Recently I was fortunate enough to attend the UA's District 2 Apprentice Contest held in Charleston, West Virginia. Local 157 member Jake Clark was there to represent the State of Indiana in welding. Even though Jake did not advance, he did a great job and made us all proud. Jake did say "he was thankful for the experience and for all the people along the way who had helped him." We believe Jake has a bright future. I also want to thank and recognize Rich Cheever and Jeff Ehrlich for all their hard work at the contest. They both represent the local well.

Gas Distribution remains busy. I recently conducted a phone survey asking both gas division journeymen and helpers their preferences for our scheduled raises. Overwhelmingly our members chose to "put it on the check". While that is good, always remember to put some of it away.

I do want to take a moment to thank your negotiations committee for what I believe to be a very good Building Trades Contract. Mark Swaner, Webb Crouch, Troy Bennett and I feel along with our good union contractors that we were able to come to a mutual agreement benefiting all involved.

During these contract negotiations and scheduled raises, one thing that always comes up is our "Health and Welfare Insurance". Some of our Metal Trades Division members sometimes see a very modest increase on their checks or actually have to cut into their present hourly rate to meet the new increases. Due to the never ending rise of health care and what seems like a lack of doing anything about it. Those are items we need to talk to our politicians about. Especially with elections right around the corner. We need to make them accountable.

In closing I want to give hope to those younger guys who are second guessing themselves. This trade is up and down, and hard on it's best day. But once it gets in your blood, you couldn't do anything else. Help yourself, save some of your money when you are working. Then when you are not working educate yourself in something that will get you a job. Know that you have the skills and knowledge from Local 157 Apprenticeship to go anywhere in this country and be successful. Our members prove it everyday.





Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder

Work in the Greater Lafayette Area continues to move forward.

Several projects have hired licensed plumbers and apprentices as the projects have reached their targeted manpower loading.

The institutional work is leading the charge as summer is in full swing. Lafayette School Corporation has released bid packages for its Career Center just this week. Results indicate that DA Dodd is the apparent low bid. Several projects for LSC are currently underway and are manned up at this time. The West Lafayette School Corporation Natatorium project was awarded to Quality Plumbing and Heating as well as Cumberland Elementary School. Delphi Community

Schools have several Energy Savings projects that should keep our members busy all summer.

Our industrial work still remains steady throughout the community. Work continues at Arconic on Press number 3. Freitag-Weinhardt has been working overtime getting this press online. Plant maintenance continues throughout the facility which is keeping our workforce busy. I do not see a slowdown anytime soon at this plant. Evonics is still a bee hive of activity with plant maintenance and the make ready package for the phosphate Waste Water Treatment Plant making up the bulk of the work.

Subaru Industrial Automotive has plans in the works for a multi-million dollar waste water treatment holding facility. Scheduled start date has yet to be determined but I am told by my sources that SIA is pushing hard to get this going for the 2nd quarter of this year. Plant maintenance continues through the facility which in turn is keeping many of our members working. This July shutdown was very minimal for our scope of work and required very little manpower from Local 157 compared to previous outages.

Purdue University is another place that has abundance of work this summer and beyond. Several of our contractors have been successful in picking up projects throughout campus. The large 70 million dollar Vet building is still in flux at this time due to steel tariffs blowing construction budgets out of the water. Jischke Hall addition as well is unfortunately grossly over budget as the price of steel has left the University going back to the drawing board for a revised value engineered designed. I am told utility packages for both these projects are being let this month. I will keep everyone informed as things develop.

It has been a busy couple of months. As the Tippecanoe Building Trades President we completed construction of the Habitat for Humanity's 300th house in Greater Lafayette. The partnership between Habitat and the Tippecanoe Building Trades goes back decades. The skilled trades were publicly thanked with a luncheon and recognition by several area leaders for our work. I look forward to continuing this relationship. I also had the opportunity to chair yet another successful Golf outing for the United Way of Greater Lafayette. This was our 26th year raising funds for the community. I am proud to say we reached our goal of \$10,000 with the support of several area contractors and vendors.

Please stay hydrated and be safe. Someone is counting on you to come home.

Labor's Family Day Picnic

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st
Columbian Park, Lafayette, Indiana

Blue Shelter's #1 and #2

11:00 am - 4:00 pm



Rich Cheever
Training Coordinator

TRAINING NEWS

From the Educational Trust Department of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

Jeff Ehrlich
Welding Coordinator

www.157trainingcenter.org

Shane Alumbaugh
Accelerated Welding Instructor

Hard to believe that July is upon us. We have a three year agreement and apprentice classes start in a month or so. We have been busy this summer with more work to do before classes begin. We have also had two Industrial Rigging, 1 Tube Bending, 1 Instrumentation II, and a Backflow class.

The Lafayette Project (Phase 1) has been completed. J.R. Kelley Construction has installed permanent walls to make a corridor in order to add classrooms to the facility with the use of retractable sections. By doing this, we have the flexibility for an additional 1-3 classrooms. LED light fixtures have replaced older florescent fixtures to help out our electrical bills. Phase 2 will add 8 weld booths in the shop. We are hoping to have completion by the time school starts in late August.

Transportation Workers Identification Cards have been a hot topic lately as more companies are requiring them for employment at their facilities. So far, Marathon & IPL have the TWIC as a prerequisite. If you have or plan on obtaining the card, please take a picture of the front and back of the card and email it to the training department. We can add it to your skills for job procurement, when required.

The Training Department would like to thank Jacob Clark for his efforts and professionalism in representing Local 157 at the UA District 2 apprentice contest. The D2 contest was held in Charleston, West Virginia in June. Jeff and I were privileged to attend and witness some very talented UA apprentices in the welding, pipefitting, HVAC, plumbing and sprinkler fitting disciplines. Great job Jake!

The Weld Shop is open daily from 8:00 to 4:30 EST Monday thru Friday. Weld Testing is on the 3rd Saturday of every month. A reminder about keeping your continuity up to date, as this will depend upon getting you out on a job (it is your responsibility to take care of keeping up on your continuity reports)! Printable Continuity Forms are on the Training Center website www.157trainingcenter.org

AUGUST 21ST	FIRST YEAR ORIENTATION MEETING 6:00 PM EST AT TERRE HAUTE MEETING HALL
AUGUST 22ND	INSTRUCTOR MEETING 6:00 PM EST AT TERRE HAUTE MEETING HALL
AUGUST 23RD	RETURNING APPRENTICE ORIENTATION MEETING 6:00 PM EST TERRE HAUTE MEETING HALL
AUGUST 27TH	APPRENTICE CLASSES RESUME
AUGUST 27TH	OSHA 30 CLASS 5 WEEKS MON & TUES (CALL TRAINING CENTER FOR TIMES)
AUGUST 29TH	INSTRUMENTATION LEVEL 1 - 7 WEEKS WED & THURS (CALL TRAINING CENTER FOR TIMES)
SEPTEMBER 21ST	5TH YEAR APPRENTICE GRADUATION DINNER 6:00 PM EST TERRE HAUTE MEETING HALL



OCTOBER 17TH
OCTOBER 20TH

ILL CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS 6-10PM CST DANVILLE TRAINING CENTER
ILL CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS 8AM-12PM CST HUTSONVILLE TRAINING CENTER

WELD TESTS AT THE TERRE HAUTE TRAINING CENTER

Saturday, August 18th, 2018 at 8:00 am
Saturday, September 15th, 2018 at 8:00 am
Saturday, October 20th, 2018 at 8:00 am

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



**Pipe Trades Industry
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Tim Thacker
Administrative Manager

During the months of April and May 2018 your Health & Welfare Plan staff processed 14,461 claims, totaling \$5,355,260.51.

In this article, I would like to state the Plan's Reinstatement of Eligibility Rules.

An Employee who loses his eligibility shall become eligible again on the first day of a Benefit Quarter following receipt of Employer contributions in the amount of three hundred (300) hours at the applicable rate for the applicable calendar quarter. If the Employee works at least two hundred (200) hours but less than three hundred (300) hours, the Employee may pay the difference in order to reinstate eligibility. Payment shall be in an amount equal to the difference in the hours reported and three hundred (300) multiplied by the applicable Employer contribution rate and may only be made at the beginning of the reinstated Benefit Quarter.

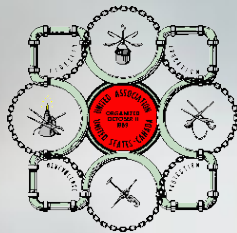
This will be my last article as I head into retirement. It has been an absolute honor and privilege to service the greatest and hardest working union members in the world.

Thank you all for the last 30 years.

God Bless You.

In Memoriam

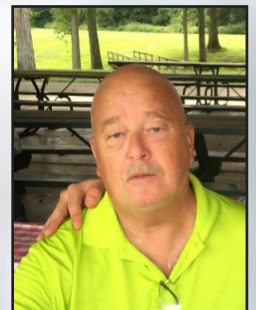
Roy A. Blackford, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Olney, Illinois passed away on May 17th, 2018. Roy was born on November 21st, 1928 and was initiated into the United Association on April 7th, 1967.



James D. Nuttall, a retired Building Trades Journeyman and Indiana State Pipe Trades Organizer from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on June 6th, 2018. James was born on July 12th, 1955 and was initiated into the United Association on January 1, 1982.



Kenneth W. Catt, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on July 3rd, 2018. Kenneth was born on November 8th, 1950 and was initiated into the United Association on March 16th, 1989.



*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.*

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Local 157 Benefit Club

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Adult T-Shirts

S - XL	\$17.00
2XL	\$19.00
3XL	\$21.00
4XL	\$23.00

Women's T-Shirts

ALL SIZES	\$13.00
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Hats

\$25.00

Long Sleeve Shirts

L - XL	\$18.00
2XL	\$20.00
3XL	\$22.00
4XL	\$24.00

Miscellaneous

LICENSE PLATE\$5.00
LICENSE PLATE HOLDER\$5.00

Kids T-Shirts

ALL SIZES	\$11.00
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Summer Retiree's Luncheons



Lafayette



Danville



Terre Haute

**Local 157 Golf Outing
Rocky Ridge Golf Course
Darlington, IN**

Sunday, August 19th, 2018

Registration - 6:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

Tee-off - 8:00 a.m. Sharp!

Format - Peoria Handicap

\$45.00 per person

(Includes Green fee/cart, lunch, drinks and raffle after the round)

Hole Sponsors - \$150.00

**Please send payment no later than August 4th, 2018 to Jeff Casto
1507 Central Street - Lafayette, Indiana 47905**

Thank you in advance for your Sponsorship and we look forward to seeing you there!

Golf Committee Members:

**Senior Chair, Jeff Casto
(765) 477-4795, work
(765) 479-4677, cell**

**Jon Wooten
(317)-605-0959**

**Corey Jackson
(765) 585-7794**

Donations are not tax deductible.

Labor Day Parades

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2018

Danville

**Line up at 9:00 am at
the Railroad Crossing
next to Big-4**

Terre Haute

**Line up at 10:00 am
at 11th & Wabash**

Palestine

**Line up at 9:00 am
Call for the location**

**Any Local 157 Member who participates in any of the Parades
or the Lafayette Labor's Family Day Picnic will receive their
Local 157 T-Shirt Free!!**

POSTLEWAIT-GRIFFIN OHS SCHOLARSHIP RIDE

Saturday, Aug. 25th, 2018

Oblong First Christian Church (North of 4-Way Stop)

SIGN-UP: 8:00 A.M. KICKSTANDS UP: 9:00 A.M.

ALL BIKES & VEHICLES WELCOME! RIDING RAIN OR SHINE!

ROUTE: Hutson cabins; Merom Bluff; Hickory Holler
Campground Prizes will be given at each stop.

RAFFLE: Limited Edition Ruger 10/22/ 22LR Walnut American Eagle,
(2) half hogs (winners must pay processing fee)
Tickets are \$1 each or 6/\$5.

FOOD & AUCTION: Following Ride at Oblong First Christian Church
at 206 N. Range at approximately 12:30 - 1 P.M.

T-SHIRTS: Limited numbers will be available for \$12 at sign-up.
Please pre-order by August 5th to ensure availability.

Freewill Donations Appreciated

Scholarship donations can be made at First National Bank in Oblong or Robinson.

In Loving Memory Of



\$45,000.00 in scholarships have been awarded to OHS graduates since 2010.

**For info, tickets,
or t-shirts, contact:**

**Rachel Snider
618.562.1297**

**Steve or Lisa Postlewait
618.455.3664**

Saturday—

September 8, 2018

Gates Open at 10:00 am

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 Family Picnic

Schedule

10:30 am	BINGO Starts
11:00 am	Horseshoe Tourney Starts
11:00 am	Cornhole Tourney Starts (Adults & Youth)
11:00 – 1:00 pm	Clowns
11:30 am	Lunch Served
1:00 pm	Children's Field Games

GUEST TICKET ORDER FORM

Ticket Request Forms must be returned by

Friday, August 31st.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE GATE.

Ticket Prices: \$10 Adult (18 yrs & Up)

 \$5 Child (6 yrs to 17 yrs)

Number of Adult Tickets : _____

Number of Children Tickets : _____

Please make checks payable to:

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

All this and MORE!

On behalf of all the Local 157 Officers,

We would like to cordially invite
you and your family to this year's

Annual Family Picnic!

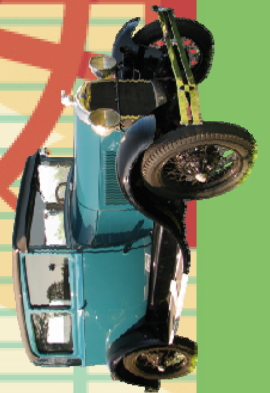
NEW THIS YEAR

Car & Motorcycle Show

Call the hall and register
your vehicle. Deadline to
register is August 24th.

BENEFIT CLUB RAFFLE—Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 Your ticket could win one of the following:

\$500, \$300 or \$200 or a 12 Gauge Tri-Star over and under
shotgun, Flat Screen TV, Gift Cards and more!!!



August 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3  Union Meeting 8:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 UA Instructor Training Ann Arbor, MI -----
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 UA Weld Test 8:00 am 
-----UA Instructor Training-----						
19  Local 157 Golf Outing Reg. 6:45 am Tee off 8:00 am Sharp!	20	21 Incoming Apprentice Orientation 6:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	22 Instructor Meeting 6:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	23 Returning Apprentice Orientation 6:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	24	25  Postlewait - Griffin OHS Scholarship Ride 8:00 am
26	27  Apprentice Classes Resume	28	29	30	31	

September 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Labor's Day in the Park - 11:00 am Lafayette 
2	3  LABOR DAY Parades in Terre Haute, Danville & Palestine	4	5	6	7  Union Meeting 8:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	8  Local 157 Family Picnic Gates open at 10:00 am
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 UA Weld Test 8:00 am 
16	17	18	19	20	21  Apprentice Graduation Dinner TH Mtg Hall 6:00 pm	22
23	24 	25 Basket Fund Donations Being Accepted	26	27	28	29
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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

Quarterly Union Meeting &
 Service Pin Ceremony
 Saturday, October 6th, 2018
 10:00 am in the
 Terre Haute Meeting Hall

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

Dated Material Do Not Delay

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