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A big **thank you** goes out to Instructors Shaun Coomey and Jason Breymeyer for volunteering their time on a Saturday to go above and beyond course requirements for Local 157's EPRI Certified Rigging Program. This additional day of hands on instruction for the 2nd year Apprentices was completely on a volunteer basis. Every 2nd year Apprentice attended this non-mandatory class. We would also like to thank Local 103 IUOE Apprentice for operating the Carry Deck Crane as well as Mark Burns with One Source for providing the rental equipment free of charge.



Pictured left to right, Local 157 Members working for DA Dodd Shane Hoagland, Derek Oldham and Foreman Rob Robbins using the Trimble System to install underground plumbing at Purdue Dorns.



Business Agent Webb Crouch III recently met with Illinois State Senator Scott Bennett to discuss proposed legislation that would benefit Illinois Labor Unions.



Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

Since my last article in April our Health & Welfare has remained stable with 8.7 months in reserve. With the additional \$0.25 cents added on July 1 we will hopefully be able to sustain the fund and grow our months of reserve.

Also starting July 1st you will notice a new fringe benefit contribution of \$0.25 cents per hour worked for our new HRA on your pay stubs. We have talked about this fund a lot over the last year but since the fund has started we should recap. First in the month of May you should have received a letter from the Pipe Trades Industry Health & Welfare for the notice of the addition and description of the new Health Reimbursement Account starting in July. This letter also informed us this fund would take one year to grow in funding and would be useable after July of 2020. The next thing I would like to remind everyone of is this is a tax exempt fund with nothing taken out in any tax or assessment and can be spent also in this tax free manor.

I am sure if anybody has been on the job line you are aware that the northern part of our jurisdiction is booming and in need of any level apprentices, journeymen pipefitters and licensed plumbers. There have been open calls for a few weeks now so if any apprentice needs work hours to get to their next pay raise or to graduate as a journeyman this is a great opportunity. We may need to car pool or share an apartment but Local 157 needs to man this work.

Local 157 has regained the responsibility of the Labor Day Parade, this is an honor and a lot of work. WE WILL NEED HELP in setting up of road blocks and removing them afterwards. We are also responsible for with The Bean Dinner in Fairbanks Park after the parade. So if you would like to help us make this Labor Day Parade a success we would appreciate it. There are also parades in Danville IL and Palestine IL that will also need helpers.

We hope all friends and family of the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 had a safe and joyful 4th of July.

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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III



As of this publication there are 125 journeymen and 29 apprentices actively seeking employment with 108 journeymen and 7 apprentices on travel jobs. For the month of May we dispatched 99 journeymen and 33 apprentices with 5 call backs and 64 members to travel jobs. For the month of June we dispatched 116 journeymen and 35 apprentices with 20 call backs and 42 members to travel jobs.

Work in the Terre Haute and Danville areas remains slow but is picking up a little in Robinson. Morris will be hiring a few each week through July and August for fab work and preparation for a part of the expansion. Cronus is still searching for a few investors for the last part of the funding for the fertilizer project in Tuscola, IL.

Wabash Valley Resources at the old S&G site say that they will be clearing ground and drilling test wells soon for CO2 sequestration. To date this will be the largest sequestration project in the country capable of storing 1.75 million tons of CO2 annually.

The proposed casino for Terre Haute will have an approval by referendum vote. It will be on your ballot in November so be sure to vote and support this project. In reality the casino would be at least a year and a half away before we have boots on the ground but we do need to be looking ahead and support future work for our local.

Travel work is booming across the country right now and Pittsburgh, PA and Lima, OH currently have standing calls. In June alone we dispatched members to locals 136, 440, 597, 149, 776, 50, 449, 159 and 342. If you hear of a particular job you would like to go to contact me at the hall and I will try to get you to work.

On a side note, when you receive your checks on pay day, be sure to look at your deductions of state and federal withholding and your fringe deductions and assessments. Make sure they are correct and if they are not, get with your steward immediately to have it corrected and have the steward contact our office.

The 2019 Kid's Fishing Rodeo had to be cancelled due to lightning but we still had 13 true fishermen show in the pouring rain. A big thanks to all who showed and all who helped out. A special thank you to Ron Gibson for all his help!

Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson



Well I believe we all can agree, this has been one of the wettest spring and summer in recent memory. Keeping up with the grass cutting alone has been a full time job. Hopefully the remainder of the summer will become more normal. A lot of jobs we thought would be in full swing at the time of this writing have not yet got going. However there are places to go. Lafayette has been booming now for weeks. You may have to get a car load and drive back and forth, or rent a house and have 4 or 5 guys stay and share expenses. These are things we have all done over the years. Year in and year out our main objective is to get the hours required to obtain 1 credit year for our National Pension (1500 Hours). Maintain a steady flow of money into our defined contribution and if we are financially able add to our 401(k) rider also. Making sure we stay active and our health and welfare remains up to date, with a future reserve.

Bottom line maintaining even 40 hours on the road beats unemployment. So please consider what you need to do. Sacrifice now and you won't have to later. Just food for thought.

Another point I wanted to bring up, right now we are short approximately 12 plumbers around Lafayette. If you have a plumbing license, but have never used it, right now would be a perfect opportunity to get some experience. Contractors need help. I think they would be happy to have you. If you maintained an apprentice plumbing license as an apprentice, you may still be able to test for a license. Check with our Training Department for specifics. Get the license.

On a separate issue I wanted to let our membership know we were asked and we accepted to take over planning and implementing the Terre Haute Labor Day Parade. As many of you know our local did this for years, somehow it left our control, but now again we will be in charge of one of the state's best parades.

In saying this we are going to need a lot of help, with the Bean Dinner at Fairbanks Park, the parades in Terre Haute, Danville Illinois and Palestine, Illinois, the Labor Day in the park in Lafayette, there will be plenty of help needed. So please make the time to help your local and your communities. Thank you!

Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder



Work in our Northern territories continues to forge ahead. We have multiple job openings requiring licensed plumbers, pipefitters and apprentices. In short, if you need or want a job please call the Lafayette office at (765) 477-7092.

Many of the high profile projects at Purdue are in full construct mode. The \$65 million dollar STEM building, the \$80 million dollar Agriculture Biological Engineering Building, the \$100 million plus P3 New Dormitory Buildings, the remodel of Hillenbrand Hall Dorm and the multi-million dollar Convergence Building are just a few projects that are currently in the peak of the construction phase. Many more projects are still in the design/bid phase including the \$80 million Purdue Memorial Union renovation and the \$37 million dollar SABB Manufacturing Facility in Purdue's Discovery Park.

The Industrial work in the area remains robust. We still have crews working throughout the region at various facilities. As the labor crunch starts to worsen for these facilities and with recent retirements and companies ridged "none replacement/training" policy our work in these areas will continue to increase in the months and years ahead. Evoniks Tippy Lab continues to schedule maintenance and turnaround work. We have one of the largest crews in recent history currently performing these tasks at the plant.

The \$25 million dollar Loeb Stadium renovation has been bid and awarded to D A Dodd. Construction is scheduled to start this August after the baseball season. We were also successful in picking up the new multi-million penguin exhibit as well. Shambaugh and Son was the apparent low bidder. This project is being funded 100% by the City of Lafayette and will revitalize the Park Avenue neighborhood in Lafayette. West Lafayette has released plans for a multi-million dollar City Hall renovation at their existing location of the Morton Center. This project and a new multi-million dollar indoor recreational facility will keep the bid docket full in the weeks ahead.

The Tippecanoe Building Trades Construction Council has been making the concrete effort to be on the forefront of educating teachers, counselors, students and parents what our skilled trade association apprenticeship programs can offer. With that goal in mind we put together and completed the first ever Tippecanoe Building Trades Summer Camp for 2019. The amount of buzz and participation in the community far exceeded our expectations. The skilled trades received a large amount of local press. We had not only young high school students attend these classes but also had several HS Building Trades teachers and counselors attend as well. The feedback we received was very positive and we look forward to building on this going forward into next year. To all those that volunteered, donated your time and labor and those who donated monies; on behalf of the Tippecanoe Building Trades Construction Council I want to express our deepest gratitude.

"Give a man a fish and he eats for the day. Teach a man to fish and he eats for a lifetime."



Summer Camp 2019



Tippecanoe Building Trades



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. All apprentice classes will be starting in a month or so. We have been busy this summer with more work to do before classes begin. We have also started a new Accelerated Welding class and hosted a summer camp in Lafayette that introduced a few skills of our trade to area youth and teachers. If anyone is interested in Rigging, OSHA 30, or any other class contact the Training Center. If you have updated a plumbing license or any other certification on the website call us so we can get that information in our system updated as well.

Transportation Workers Identification Cards (TWIC) are required at Marathon and IPL and quite possibly other sites that we don't know about. If you have obtained the TWIC card please call us so we can get that added to your skills.

The weld shop is open daily from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm EST Monday thru Friday. Weld test is on the 3rd Saturday of every month. As a reminder, it is your responsibility to keep up on your continuity, a job could depend upon it. Printable forms are on the Training Center website (www.157trainingcenter.org) as well as class schedules for apprentices and upgrade information for journeymen. Use this website to sign up for classes as well.



Dates of interest:

Tuesday, August 20	Incoming Apprentice Orientation	6:00 pm EST
Wednesday, August 21	Instructors Meeting	6:00 pm EST
Thursday, August 22	Returning Apprentices Orientation	6:00 pm EST
Tuesday, August 27	Apprentice Classes Resume	
Friday, September 20	Graduation Banquet @ Terre Haute Meeting Hall	6:00 pm EST
Saturday, September 21	Industrial Recertification @ Terre Haute Training	8 – 12 EST
Wednesday, October 16	IL Plumbing Continuing Education @ Danville TC	6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Saturday, October 19	IL Plumbing Continuing Education @ Hutsonville TC	8:00 am to noon
Saturday, October 26	Industrial Recertification @ Lafayette Training Center	8 – 12 EST

Don't forget to check the Training Centers website for upcoming certification classes.

WELD TESTS AT THE TERRE HAUTE TRAINING CENTER

Saturday, August 17th, 2019 at 8:00 am
Saturday, September 21st, 2019 at 8:00 am
Saturday, October 19th, 2019 at 8:00 am

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



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Terre Haute, IN 47803-0040
Toll Free: (800) 837-5678
Phone: (812) 877-2581
Fax: (812) 877-4542



Stephanie Morgan
Administrative Manager

During the months of April and May 2019 your Health & Welfare Plan staff processed 16,304 claims, totaling \$5,959,921.69.

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.

Please contact the fund office should you have any questions.

Enjoy your Summer!



In Memoriam

Robert W. Revello, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Westville, Illinois passed away on May 7th, 2019. Robert was born on August 30, 1941 and was initiated into the United Association on November 14th, 1969.



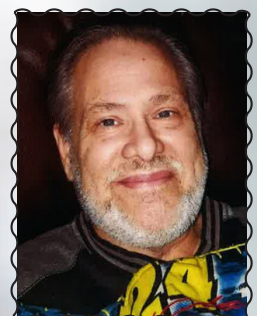
Lonnie E. Wiram, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on May 13th, 2019. Lonnie was born on July 3rd, 1956 and was initiated into the United Association on February 1st, 1979.



Louis Stein Jr, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Newport, Indiana passed away on May 30th, 2019. Louis was born on August 22nd, 1944 and was initiated into the United Association on April 18th, 1977.



John L. Williams, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from West Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on June 3rd, 2019. John was born on August 9th, 1954 and was initiated into the United Association on September 15th, 1972.



James E. Hughes, a retired Division Trades Journeyman from Russellville, Kentucky passed away on June 8th, 2019. James was born on August 20th, 1929 and was initiated into the United Association on October 31st, 1977.



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

LOCAL 157 GOLF OUTING ROCKY RIDGE GOLF COURSE DARLINGTON, IN SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH, 2019

REGISTRATION - 6:30 A.M. TO 7:45 A.M.

TEE-OFF - 8:00 A.M. SHARP!

BOGEY IS YOUR FRIEND

\$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 8/04/19 TO

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THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SPONSORSHIP
AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

JON WOOTEN

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DONATIONS ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Labor Day Parades

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 2nd, 2019

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!!



If you plan to attend college next year, you still have time to apply for scholarships ranging from \$100 to full tuition, administered through Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc. for the benefit of residents of Clay, Sullivan and Vigo Counties.

Up to four full-time, four-year scholarships will be awarded to graduates of accredited high schools in, or resident of Clay, Sullivan or Vigo Counties who will enter college for the first time in the fall of 2020.

Other scholarships for students throughout the Wabash Valley are also available, including several multi-year awards.

To determine your eligibility for the various scholarship opportunities, you may review the criteria prior to completing an application via the following link: **wvcf.com**

It is anticipated the online application will go live on or about July 10th, at which time it can be accessed via the following link: **wvcf.com/apply-online**



Students affiliated with Plumbers & Steamfitters Local #157 are also encouraged to apply for the following scholarships (see criteria below):

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL #157 SCHOLARSHIP (WVCF)

A current high school senior or current college student who is

- A Member or the spouse, child, step-child, grandchild or step-grandchild of a Member Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union #157, and
- A resident of one of the following counties in Indiana: Benton, Carroll, Clay, Clinton, Fountain, Greene, Montgomery, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Tippecanoe, Vermillion, Vigo, Warren and White counties or one of following counties in Illinois: Clark, Crawford, Douglas, Edgar, Richland and Vermilion counties, which are all of the counties currently under the jurisdiction of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union #157.

WILLIAM FENTON SCHOLARSHIP (WVCF)

- You must be a child, grandchild, brother, sister, niece or nephew of a member of Plumbers and Steamfitters Union Local #157. Such family members shall include step-relatives.
- You are pursuing a degree in a construction or engineering-related field.
- You must have a GPA of 3.0 or above.

Labor's Family Day Picnic

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31st
Columbian Park, Lafayette, Indiana
Yellow Shelters #1 and #2
11:00 am - 4:00 pm



10th ANNUAL POSTLEWAIT-GRIFFIN **OHS** SCHOLARSHIP RIDE

Saturday, Aug. 24th, 2019

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
Prizes will be given at each stop.

RAFFLE: Glock 43X 9mm
Two raffles for 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 1st to ensure availability.

Freewill Donations Appreciated

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

In Loving Memory Of



\$57,500.00 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**

The families of Stephen Cole Postlewait and John (Corndog) Griffin would like to thank Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 and all their members for their past and continued support.

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 Annual Family Picnic Saturday, September 7th, 2019

*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!*

**GATES OPEN AT
10:00 AM**

Schedule

10:30 am	BINGO Starts
11:00 am	Horseshoe Tourney Starts
11:00 am	Cornhole Tourney Starts
11:00 – 1:00 pm	Clowns
11:30 am	Lunch Served
12:00 – 3:00 pm	Band
1:00 pm	Children's Field Games

GUEST TICKET ORDER FORM

**Ticket Request Forms need returned by
Friday, August 30th.**

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**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____



August 2019



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



September 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 LABOR DAY Parades in Terre Haute, Danville & Palestine	3	4	5	6 Union Meeting 8:00 pm	7 LOCAL 157 FAMILY PICNIC 10:00 am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Apprentice Graduation Dinner 6:00 pm	21 UA Weld Test 8:00 am
22	23	24	25	26 Basket Fund Donations Being Accepted	27	28
29	30					

MARK YOUR

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, August 2nd, 2019
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, September 6th, 2019
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

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



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