

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

Would like to thank all those that
have and those that continue to serve!

May we never forget the
price for Freedom!



LOCAL 157 HISTORY SHADOW BOXES

54 year member, Local 157 Retiree Max Harrison stands next to the solid cherry and walnut shadow boxes he crafted to display some of Local 157's historical pieces of memorabilia at the Terre Haute and Lafayette facilities. You did an outstanding job Max!



Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

It is now the first part of September and it is time to congratulate all of our new Journeyman for completing their five years of classroom instruction and on the job training. This is a good start to what we hope is a long, safe and prosperous career. We would also like to congratulate and welcome all our new incoming apprentices as they start their new journey of five years of the best free education ever available.

With hard work you all will be able to have a prosperous career with very good benefits and retire comfortably. With the start of the new school year it brings a whole new set of challenges in the middle of this 2020 pandemic. For the start of our new school year we will be working from home for at least the first four months. At the end of that four months Shane and the JATC Trustees will decide if we can open "in-person" school. This pandemic has shut down almost all gatherings like the Covered Bridge Festival, the Labor Day parades, Labor Day at the park in Lafayette and unfortunately we also had to cancel our Local 157 Plumbers & Steamfitters Annual Picnic.

Now November is just around the corner we all need to **VOTE**, this is probably the most controversial election ever. We need to take a breath and think about issues that are brought out of the bag that have been around for nearly 50 years that both sides could have changed but only choose to pull out at election time to cloud the issues that are on the table. Your General President Mark McManus has an ad describing our plight and has sent you a letter. Please take the time to read this and pay attention. To make a point, they have said for forty years that I know of, and I have owned multiple guns that the Dem's would come and take them....well I still have them.

In closing I hope everyone enjoyed labors holiday and that we and our family's stay healthy through these trying times.



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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III



As of this publication there are 102 Journeymen and 77 Apprentices actively seeking employment with 161 Journeymen and 24 Apprentices on travel jobs. For the month of July, we dispatched 46 Journeymen and 22 Apprentices with 6 call backs and 20 members to travel jobs. For the month of August, we dispatched 49 Journeymen and 11 Apprentices with 7 call backs and 36 members to travel jobs. We are starting to see work open back up a little.

There will be fall outages at Sugar Creek and Dupont that should employ around 30 people. The Danville Casino has a new investor by the name of Wilmorite and expect a ruling on their license by spring. We recently received a request for wage and fringe package information from Thyssen Krupp concerning the Cronus Project. I will keep you posted when more information is available. The VA Clinic in Terre Haute had all union contractors bid the project but no awards have been made yet. Travel work is starting to take off so if you are interested watch your phone for robo texts.

I would like to congratulate all of our new Journeymen and wish them good luck.

Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.

Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report



I just can't hardly sugarcoat it, this is probably been one of the worst summers in my life. On top of almost everything I enjoyed being either postponed or canceled, I have spent most of my time cutting grass.

I was never really comfortable going anywhere or being around any crowds so needless to say I am ready for a return to normalcy. As I am sure you all are as well.

Luckily our work has remained good. Thanks to our sister locals Evansville and Indianapolis who have put a lot of our people to work. We have been extremely lucky to assist Local Union 440 and Local Union 136 with "essential" work in their areas.

Our campaign to revamp our Gas Distributin division is going very well. Tom (Tom Gofourth - Gas Distribution Organizer) and I are going through a major time of discovery. Having Indiana and Kentucky we are becoming familiar with all our utility companies and who is doing their work. We also are becoming more familing with who is doing the house piping work.

Our goal will be to gather all our contractors under the 157 umbrella, helping any way we can. Once we undestand where we are, we can then start helping educate, train and organize a better workforce. And of course gain more market share. We also realize while change is way over do, some don't want change.

We will do our very best to convince them we can make a positive difference. So far I believe people in this industry are welcome to our help and effort.

I do want to take a moment to congratulate those apprentices who have obtained journeyman or journeyperson status. We all are in your corner. If you have not yet met all the requirements, please stay after it. We will help you meet this important goal, whatever it takes.



Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder

Work in the Northern part of our jurisdiction is starting to show signs of stress and fatigue due to several outstanding factors. Of course, one of those main factors is the massive effects of Covid-19 which has slowed capital work through-out our industry. The uncertainty of tax revenue to State and Municipal governments is starting a trend of fiscal prudence that directly impacts our livelihood. This fiscal cliff is something that our Federal Government can and should help State and Local governments with however the Federal Government has been slow to act or address this issue. Until that happens, I fully expect work to remain tight through-out the winter. If you are currently employed, I urge you to stay at your job. If you are not employed, I urge

you to use our training centers to hone your skills and call our office. Gainful employment is out there however it will not be in your back yard. Help us help you, get your Indiana Plumbing License, welding certification, medical gas qualifications, rigging and crane signal certifications and OSHA 30 training.

DA Dodd was successful in bidding the plumbing package for \$108 million Vet Path building at Purdue. This is one of the largest projects at Purdue University and should keep several of our members busy in the months ahead. The next demo phase for the Purdue Memorial Union has been awarded to Quality Plumbing and Heating. This is a continuation of a multi-phase plan to remodel the entire complex. As you know QPH just finished and turned over the \$80 million renovation phase 1 of this project. The \$40 million dollar Data Science Building that was bid and awarded to FA Wilhelm has been delayed due to COVID-19. This project will be reassessed by the board of trustees this coming fall. Several other construction projects continue at Purdue across all of Campus and have kept dozens of our skilled members busy.

Capital work for the City of Lafayette has been a consistent. The Loeb Stadium project is shaping up very nicely and remains on schedule. Kettelhut and Wilhelm Construction have launched a joint venture and have been chosen as the Construction Manager as Constructor (CMC) for Lafayette's new \$40 million Police Station. Design is still pending with ground breaking scheduled for this spring. I will keep everyone updated on the progress and bid awards.

Our institutional work across this region has slowed due to the start of the new school year. We have had members working at Jefferson High School, West Lafayette High School, Wea Ridge Middle School, Crawfordsville High School, Covington Schools, Frontier Schools, Harrison Schools and Monticello Schools. Many of these projects are completed and back online for the classes to begin. Benchmark Mechanical was awarded the next phase of the Career Academy for Lafayette School Corp with under ground plumbing starting this fall.

The manufacturing sector has been especially hit hard in the recent months with productions halting and plants put on idle. We have witnessed a downturn in the demand for maintenance and capital improvement projects across the entire spectrum. While some aspects of manufacturing has returned, we still have not witnessed a full recovery from the economic downturn.

I am happy to report at this time we have made a full recovery in our Service Industry. The demand for our service techs. has sky rocketed once again. With the restaurant and bars opening back up coupled with 90-degree day's business is booming once again for the HVAC service. This important field has been a mainstay for dozens of our trained technicians and has routinely demonstrated the largest area of growth in our Local.

In closing I am happy to report that I was nominated by the IVY Tech Board of Trustees to serve on the Board of Directors for Lafayette Campus. The nomination was accepted and the voting was unanimous. Once again Local 157 will have a seat at the table. I look forward to representing our agenda for Local 157.

Please be safe and enjoy the remaining days of summer. If one good thing has come from our current pandemic status it is the reevaluation of how we have been using our family time. I encourage everyone to hug the ones you love and love the ones you hug. Better times are on the horizon.



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Shane Alumbaugh
Training Coordinator

TRAINING NEWS

From the Educational Trust Department of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

Brad Robertson
Welding Coordinator

As you all know, we decided to postpone the opening of school until January 2021 in hopes of Covid cases going down or a proven vaccine being developed.

Although we have the doors closed, the Weld Shop is open 8:00- 4:30pm EST for anyone wanting to improve their skills. The Weld Shop at Lafayette will be open on Monday 8:00am- 4:30pm EST for anyone in that area to practice and get ready for a weld test. You must call Brad Robertson at 812-201-8845 to schedule a time for you to come into either Weld Shop to weld. NO UNANNOUNCED SHOP VISITS. According to our Covid-19 protocol; your temperature will be checked upon arrival and a face mask and clear safety glasses are to be worn at all times upon entry to any Local 157 training facility - NO EXCEPTIONS.

The ILL Plumbing Continuing Education classes were originally scheduled for October 21st in Danville and October 24th in Hutsonville. Both of these classes will now be held together on Saturday, October 24th in Terre Haute. The class will be in the Meeting Hall at 8707 East Milner Avenue.

We will be having some Re-certification classes available to keep our members from losing certifications. The classes will be posted on the website. Please check out the website www.157trainingcenter.org often.

Just a reminder it is very important for us all to get out and vote on November 3rd or by October 5th if voting by mail. Our local unions are in jeopardy every day that this Trump administration is in office. They are doing everything they can to be rid of unions. We have to stand together and VOTE.

Please be Safe and Healthy!



Dienhart's Refrigerated Specialties

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 would like to welcome newly signed contractor Dienhart's Refrigerated Specialties in our Lafayette Jurisdiction. We wish them many years of success!





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**Stephanie Morgan
Administrative Manager**

During the months of June and July 2020, your Health & Welfare Plan staff processed 13,372 claims, totaling \$6,170,305.55.

We hope you and your family have weathered this pandemic as safely and healthy as possible.

In this article, I would like to take a moment to highlight a couple of the changes in the eligibility from quarterly to monthly. To make it easier and quicker to gain eligibility and retain coverage, the trustees have modified the eligibility rules of the Plan effective with the August 2020 Benefit month. Instead of requiring 300 hours at the applicable rate in a worked quarter for coverage in a covered quarter, the eligibility period has been changed to requiring 100 hours at the applicable rate in a "worked" month for coverage in the corresponding "eligible" month upon receipt of the report and monies from the employer. 100 hours=1 month of coverage.

<u>WORKED:</u>	<u>ELIGIBLE:</u>	<u>WORKED:</u>	<u>ELIGIBLE:</u>
AUGUST	OCTOBER	FEBRUARY	APRIL
SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER	MARCH	MAY
OCTOBER	DECEMBER	APRIL	JUNE
NOVEMBER	JANUARY	MAY	JULY
DECEMBER	FEBRUARY	JUNE	AUGUST
JANUARY	MARCH	JULY	SEPTEMBER

Hours worked at the applicable rate over 100 in each "worked" month shall be used to continue eligibility during periods of unemployment or under-employment. The maximum amount of Reserve Credit that can be banked **has not changed** and is equal to 3 months of "eligible" coverage.

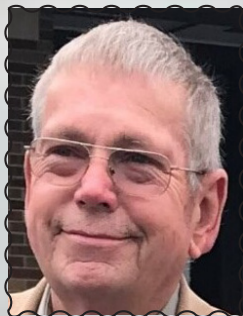
Please refer to the Summary of Material Modification sent out in May of 2020 for full details on the changes and always feel free to contact the fund office for additional questions.

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In Memoriam

Carl P. Holst, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Danville, Illinois passed away on July 17th, 2020. Carl was born on August 7th, 1946 and was initiated into the United Association on January 10th, 1969.



Ronnie G. Short, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Hillsdale, Indiana passed away on July 22nd, 2020. Ronnie was born on September 12th, 1942 and was initiated into the United Association on November 16th, 1972.



Stanley L. Miller, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on July 26th, 2020. Stanley was born on September 16th, 1936 and was initiated into the United Association on September 4th, 1959.



Richard N. Osborn, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Robinson, Illinois passed away on August 6th, 2020. Richard was born on December 25th, 1952 and was initiated into the United Association on September 15th, 1972.



IBAT 117 LOCAL 157 UAW 2020

The United Association has done the research on the candidates. Please visit uagetinvolved.org and take the time to read the information they have provided so that you may make an educated decision on November 3rd, 2020!

UAGETINVOLVED.ORG

2020 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 13th and those who are approved to receive a basket will be notified by phone.

Baskets will be distributed on November 23rd and 24th.

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

More Cancellations

2020 has certainly handed us some challenges to deal with, but together I know we can manage through them. Having to cancel all the Union Events has been very difficult.

However in light of the current situation it's the right thing to do.

The following events will also be canceled for this year:

*Service Pin Ceremony
All Retiree Functions*

We pray that everyone stays safe and healthy!

September 2020 IU Health EAP Employee

Benefits of Brisk Walking



“Walk faster and live longer” is a popular health tip. Now, research seems to support it. A three-year study of 92,000 people found that those who walked briskly for seven minutes daily within a 12-minute walk had a 30% lower likelihood of death. A two-minute brisk walk within a 35-minute stroll lowered risk of early death by 21%! If you don't have an easy exercise program, it's likely not a problem of capability. Instead, it is a problem of motivation. Overpower your resistance by identifying something you truly enjoy, and combine it with the exercise routine—music, books on tape, or mind-blowing educational content you've always wanted to hear or study. Let your doctor approve any exercise program, but find one that makes an impact like this one!

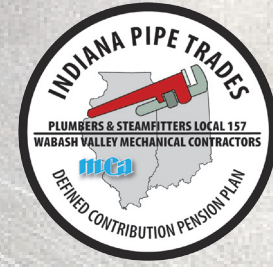
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Morgan Stanley

The Trustees of your Indiana Pipe Trades Defined Contribution Pension Plan are proud to announce that in the 3rd Quarter of 2020 the assets of the Plan exceeded \$60 million in participant assets. As Investment Consultant of the Plan, it has been requested by the Trustees that we write a letter periodically to explain the options available to the participants.

Throughout the last 24 years the Plan has grown from zero (\$0) in 1996 to this latest milestone of \$60 million. It offers nearly 1500 members in Local 157 a choice of fifteen mutual funds (including a fixed rate option) from which to choose. There are five target maturity funds that can be utilized by those members who choose not to balance their own accounts. The principle behind these fund is to choose the Target Fund closest to your retirement date. Currently the plan offers funds for 2015, 2025, 2035, 2045 and 2055.

In picking funds for the Plan, the Trustees strive to offer funds representing several different investment asset groups including:

- * Large Cap Growth Funds (2 choices)
- * Large Cap Value Funds
- * Large Cap Blend Fund (Standard & Poors)
- * Mid Cap Growth Funds
- * Mid Cap Value Funds
- * Small Cap Funds
- * Balanced Funds
- * World Stock Funds
- * Intermediate Bond Fund
- * Fixed Rate Option

The Plan is widely respected through the Midwest for its ease, variety of choices for the participants, transparency of all fees and costs associated with the use of the Plan as well as ongoing monitoring of the funds held in the Plan by the Trustees. Indeed the Plan is often used as a model for other Locals in all sectors of the building trades who are establishing plans of their own.

The Plan is jointly administered by two Contractor Trustees - John Rayburn and Mark Unger and two Union Trustees - Mark Swaner and Paul Atterson.

Please feel free to call Patti Szymanski at the Plan office at (812) 877-1531 x206 for a copy of the "Retirement Plan Participant Kit" or log on to the participant website at <https://401k.nyhart.com> for more information and Fund Prospectuses.

LOCAL 157

125 YEAR LOGO CONTEST

Last year there were 280 United Association Chartered Local Unions in the United States and Canada. 2021 will mark 125 years of solidarity for Local 157. The History Committee is in the preliminary stages of planning all the various activities to mark this momentous occasion. Momentous is no overstatement. I am sure members will be surprised to learn that there were approximately 162 Local Unions chartered from 1889 (the year the UA was chartered) to 1896. Of those 162 Local Unions only 45 remain active today. That means Local #157 is one of 45 United Association Local Unions in the United States and Canada which has reached the milestone of 125 years of continuous activity. *(UA Research Dept. Annapolis, MD)*

From this point on leading up to and including all activities planned for our 125-year anniversary our Local Union will require a "logo" to identify and associate with the advertisements, pamphlets, prizes, and all other memorabilia affiliated with our anniversary. With that in mind, The Local 157 History Committee has decided to have a contest open to all Local 157 members including apprentices, retired, and active members, and all family members of the aforementioned. The logo will be printed, embroidered, painted, stenciled, embossed, or drawn on everything having to do with our upcoming anniversary.

Rules:

- Any media may be used from hand drawn to using graphic arts software. Go Online for examples of other Local's Logo's Plumbers #60 Local New Orleans, Plumbers Local #58 Colorado Springs, Colorado, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #7 Albany, NY and many more.
- Applicant must mention the words *125 Years of Solidarity, Local 157 Plumbers and Steamfitters, Terre Haute Indiana, September 1, 1896 – September 1, 2021, Old and New UA Logos*

Entries must be submitted to the Terre Haute Union Hall no later than December 1, 2020 either digitally, hand delivered, or by regular mail. Contestants' entries will be placed in the *Piping Industry News* and on the Local 157 web page for viewing by the members of Local 157. Instructions for voting for best logo will be given at that time. The winner will be decided by the members of the 157 History Committee.

Mitch Poynter
157 Historian

OCTOBER, 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3  Union Meeting 10:00 am TH Hall No Service Pin Ceremony
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12  Happy Columbus Day	13	14	15	16	17  UA Weld Test 8:00 am You must call for appt.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Terre Haute TC Illinois Plumbing Continuing Education 8:00 am
25	26	27	28	29	30	31  HAPPY HALLOWEEN

NOVEMBER, 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  FALL BACK	2	3  YOUR VOTE ★ 2020 ★	4	5	6  Union Meeting 8:00 pm	7
8	9	10	11  THANK YOU veterans NOVEMBER 11TH	12	13 FINAL DAY FOR BASKET FUND REQUESTS	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 UA Weld Test 8:00 am - TH You must call for appt. 
22	23  HOLIDAY BASKETS DISTRIBUTED	24	25	26  Happy Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30					

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Quarterly Union Meeting
Saturday, October 3rd, 2020
10:00 am in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall
There will be NO
Service Pin Award Ceremony

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, November 6th, 2020
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, December 4th, 2020
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Dated Material Do Not Delay

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