

2021 Volunteer of the Year



Field Representative Steve Snyder presenting to Local 157 Member Kevin "Mo" McHenry the
"2021 Volunteer of the Year"



On behalf of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157 I was honored to present the "2021 Volunteer of the Year" Award to Local 157 member Kevin "Mo" McHenry for his outstanding community service and his unwavering commitment to help others doing good work to achieve success.

"Mo is a real class act and I can't thank him enough!"

***"Life's most persistent and urgent question is,
what are you doing for others?" – Martin Luther King, Jr.***

*Wishing you a beautiful Memorial Day Weekend!
On honor of all the veterans as well as the active
service members.....Thank you for all you do!*

MEMORIAL DAY

WE HONOR OUR HEROES





Business Manager's Report

Mark W. Swaner

Well, it is May and the grass is green and the trees have leaves again and now it looks like spring has finely arrived.

To all that may not have heard, last month we did restart our monthly Union Meetings with a mask mandate until inside restrictions are removed. It does look like our area and the rest of the country is starting to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. At this point most people 16 years of age or older have or will shortly have an opportunity to become vaccinated. We are encouraging all apprentices to get vaccinated because now that we have our schools finally open the last thing we need is a COVID outbreak.

I need to let everyone know we have made an amendment to the Health & Welfare plan in reference to our HRA. We can now pay for common procedures like a heart cath or a CT scan without prepay, the paperwork can be filled out ahead of time with no out-of-pocket to the member.

To let everyone know we discovered that local unions were illegible to apply for PPP moneys from the government due to the latest stimulus package, so we applied and was accepted. Never thought it would amount to much but Local Union 157 received \$265,900.00.

On May 15th we held a Retirement Workshop in the Lafayette Meeting hall at 9:00 am and on May 22nd at the Terre Haute Meeting Hall also at 9:00 am. These workshop were designed for members who are 35 and over. We hope everyone was able to attend and gain valuable retirement information.

In closing I would like to congratulate all Fifth year Apprentices that received there Associates Degree and technical certificates.

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Business Agent's Report

Wilbur E. "Webb" Crouch III



As of this publication there are 179 Journeymen and 36 Apprentices actively seeking employment with 96 Journeymen and 20 Apprentices working travel jobs. For the month of March, we dispatched 110 Journeymen and 26 Apprentices, with 22 callbacks and 44 members to travel jobs. For the month of April, we dispatched 101 Journeymen and 17 Apprentices with 20 callbacks and 58 members to travel jobs.

I have nothing new to report on the casinos or the fertilizer projects. There are smaller jobs across the jurisdiction that are mostly short term that has a few members employed.

The Danville Carle Clinic Project was awarded to Davis-Houk and will start the first part of June. I will be holding a pre-job conference with them in the coming weeks and will have more to report on at that time.

I was recently elected to the ISPTA/MCAI drug policy committee. The committee has decided to part ways with DISA Global and we will be under contract with ITI, Indiana Testing Incorporated starting June 1st. There will be a few small changes made to the program but for the most part it will remain the same. ITI will utilize texts and emails as a form of notification for testing. This should drastically improve the process by making it more convenient for members to test. All test sites will remain the same and checks will be sent out as soon as your test results come back negative as opposed to monthly.

If anyone is needing to go to work right away, Local 172 is in dire need of welders and fitters on the gas burner in Niles, Michigan. Also, Local 440 will be needing some help this summer in the way of plumbers, med gas people and possibly welders and fitters.

Congratulations to all the duly elected delegates to the U.A. Convention! Local 157 will be well represented. Stay safe and healthy

Financial Secretary Treasurer's Report

Paul "P.A." Atterson



Spring is finally here. Like most everyone, I have already cut my grass several times. I have enjoyed a couple of messes of morel mushrooms and I am looking forward to camping soon.

I continue to choose a glass half full approach to my daily life. Believing we will experience a much better year in 2021 than we did in 2020. That being said, we all need to take a minute and think about where we are in our work life. Have we maintained our certifications and licenses this past year. If not you need to talk to Shane and Brad to find out what it takes to get things back up to date. Cover yourself and you shouldn't be disappointed. We live in a world where certain things are required to go work, please take care of it.

We hope the coming year brings prosperity for all our members and contractors. We always have rumors of possibilities. We just need some of them to get started.

So far, it looks like the Convention is good. We are planning on a Local Picnic, our 125th Year Celebration and Labor Day events. Just about everything looks like a go right now. Time will tell.

Illinois Licensed Plumbers look as though they will be in high demand. Especially in the Danville, Illinois area. I know several have taken an upgrade class but have yet to be able to test with the state. If you can take the test, this license always seems to be in demand.

I hope all our members were able to attend one of the "Retirement Planning Workshops". Members 35 year and up and their spouses were invited to attend. Plan now for your future!

As always if we can be of any help, don't hesitate to call. Be Safe!



Field Representative's Report

Stephen Snyder

Although the work outlook for our Northern Region continues to be positive we have been plagued by the massive disruption of the supply chain due to COVID-19. A well executed supply chain is crucial for investments in capital projects from the public to the private sector. We have witnessed the cost of construction material double and some cases triple in certain sectors of the construction markets. This new reality I hope will be short lived but the impact on construction dollars spent and overall investments will be felt across all spectrums of the market. You couple together the supply chain issue with the massive budget shortfalls of the State, County and Cities due to the loss of tax revenues from last year's shut down and you will get a clear picture of how fragile we are at this stage.

We still have several projects at Purdue University that are ongoing that should last throughout the spring and into summer with several other projects finally being released to bid for this coming summer as well. These projects include the Veterinarian Pathology Building, Hagel Hall (Band and Orchestra) Building, Airport renovations, Meredith hall renovations and several lab renovations. Several of these projects are back logged from last year's construction plans. The proposed new Data Science building which was bid and awarded first quarter of 2020 along with a new Childcare Facility is still on hold with the fate of these projects in the hands of Purdue's Board of Trustees. As always, this area will have a high demand for License Plumbers, Med Gas Certified and Brazing qualified members to complete these projects. The 25 Mega Watt Combined Heat and Power House project was awarded to Wilhelm Construction. The physical structure of the supplement building along with the turbine have been set. Piping crews with Freitag-Weinhardt are currently onsite and have maxed out on skilled manpower for the time being. This of course will change once Duke Energy reviews and adjust the design during the project.

The City of West Lafayette and Lafayette continue to make progress on capital improvement projects through the City boundaries. Quality Plumbing and Heating has picked up the multi-million dollar West Lafayette library expansion with a summer 2021 start date. The \$55 million Lafayette Public Safety Building (police station) is still in the works with ground breaking ceremonies scheduled for May 4th. Underground plumbing and site excavation have been let for the bidding process. The MEP disciplines are scheduled to hit the street late fall with the lion share of our work starting spring of 2022. Excavation is scheduled to start 3rd quarter 2021 early fall. Harrison High School science wing is in full swing and is manned up until the end of the school year with AA Huber leading the charge on this project.

Our heavy industrial work still remains constant with several crews and contractors maintaining a presence at Subaru Industrial Automotive, Frito-Lay, Pace Dairy and Raybestos Manufacturing facilities. The disruption in the supply chain has really hit the manufactures hard with over 50% of the 5K employees at SIA on furlough do to lack of parts. You would think this would be the most opportune time to complete maintenance on their facilities however manufactures are skittish at the changing markets. We will see what happens when things start back up. The good thing about maintenance turn-arounds are the fact that maintenance only gets more intense and involved the longer it is put off. Equipment breakdowns and manufacture lines continue to show their age and the need for improvement. As I have always said "plan your maintenance or your maintenance will plan it for you."

Our service industry is starting to ramp up once again. With the reopening of restaurants and bars the service calls are starting to flood in. This is good news for all of our techs, some of which have been working only 4 days a week during the worst of this storm. This continues to be our fastest growing market that offers steady work routinely hitting 2k hours a year mark time and time again. So far, I have been able to organize 1-BTJ-PREF and place 3-1st year apprentices with a service background to work with our service contractors. The future is bright for this sector of work.

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Shane Alumbaugh
Training Coordinator

TRAINING NEWS

From the Educational Trust Department of Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 157

Brad Robertson
Welding Coordinator

First I would like to Congratulate this year's Graduating class. The Ivy Tech Graduation was held on Thursday, May, 6th.

We just finished up our new Apprentice selection for the upcoming year, we have 24 new 1st years coming in this fall. Our Classes will be ongoing throughout the summer to make up for lost time due to COVID. The Weld Shop is open during the week from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm for anyone wants to come in and work on their welding skills. We also have Welding Instructors here Monday through Thursday in the evenings from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm if you want to come in the evening and practice.

I want to thank all of our Instructors for the time you put in, I know it's been hard teaching this year with all the safety precautions put into place this year that has made your jobs much harder than normal.

Thank You for investing in our future!



2021 Ivy Tech Graduation was held on
Thursday, May 6th.

Congratulations to those Apprentices
who have completed all requirements
and have advanced to Journeyman status.

The learning never ends!

As President of the Tippecanoe Building Trades, we have been working overtime to put together the 2021 Summer Apprentice Expo for this year. This is a multi-week "camp" free to anyone 14 years and up who want to spend a day with 1 of 12 participating trade associations with hands on activity with respect to the trade they pick. No limit on number of trades to visit. This is picking up steam and community leaders as well as the area High Schools that are very excited about this event. So far, we have 363 interested individuals signed up to not only have fun but to learn about what building trades unions have to offer. To learn more, see the inset or go to our website and click on the hammer to sign up. www.unionsbuilditbetter.com Lunch and all PPE will be provided. If interested in volunteering for Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 157 day of activity or any other ones please feel free to reach out to me.

This quarter has been rough on our membership with respect to loss of life. This has really driven home the fragility of life and has reminded me to live to my fullest and hug the ones you love and even the ones you don't love. As an avid motorcyclist myself with 48 states, 2 provinces in Canada and over 100K miles on two wheels under my belt; *I urge everyone, please slow down and look twice to save a life.*



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Stephanie Morgan
Administrative Manager

During the months of February and March 2021, your Health and Welfare Plan staff processed 13,648 claims, totaling \$5,380,863.90.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the prescription benefits available under the Plan. Sav-Rx Prescription Services administers the prescription benefits on behalf of all primary insured members and their dependents. In addition to retail pharmacy coverage, they also provide a mail order service for long-term medications. Your SavRx card should be shown each time you fill a prescription at a retail pharmacy. Please refer to the Schedule of Benefits starting on page 16 of the Summary Plan Document for the current co-pay amounts. If your dependent(s) have other primary coverage through another group health plan and we are the secondary carrier, the SavRx card will not work for them. They will need to use their primary prescription card at the pharmacy but can submit their prescription receipts and the primary payor payment details to the plan for consideration as the secondary carrier. For those covered under Medicare, you have been enrolled in United Healthcare as your Medicare Part D primary prescription plan and SavRx as the wrap prescription plan. You will need to take both cards to your pharmacy with your prescription. You may continue to utilize the SavRx Mail Order pharmacy to fill your long-term medications. Please refer to the Prescription Drug section of the Schedule of Benefits starting on page 23 of the Summary Plan Document for your current co-pay amounts.

If you should have any questions, need mail order forms or new prescription cards, please contact the fund office.

Events to put on your calendar now!

Local 157 Family Picnic
Saturday, September 11th
PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS

LOCAL 157



Local 157's 125th Anniversary
Saturday, October 16th



Details to follow once available

In Memoriam



Robert L. Harvey, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Robinson, Illinois passed away on December 24th, 2020. Robert was born on January 22nd, 1932 and was initiated into the United Association on April 24th, 1959.



David L. Vorek, a retired Metal Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on March 14th, 2021. David was born on October 16th, 1933 and was initiated into the United Association on November 5th, 1971.

David H. LaGuire, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Lafayette, Indiana passed away on March 30th, 2021. David was born on December 9th, 1931 and was initiated into the United Association on October 3rd, 1966.



John L. Stringfellow, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Sullivan, Indiana passed away on April 17th, 2021. John was born on August 8th, 1930 and was initiated into the United Association on October 21st, 1952.



Thomas R. Rusin, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on April 30th, 2021. Thomas was born on March 10th, 1959 and was initiated into the United Association on August 15th, 1980.



Russell D. Tomblinson, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Noble, Illinois passed away on April 30th, 2021. Russell was born on July 10th, 1964 and was initiated into the United Association on September 15th, 1988.

Merrick A. Harris, a Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on May 2nd, 2021. Merrick was born on March 30th, 1973 and was initiated into the United Association on September 1st, 1991.



*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!*



Joseph H. Sebrey, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Lafayette, Indiana passed away on May 3rd, 2021. Joe was born on February 9th, 1937 and was initiated into the United Association on October 17th, 1955.



William E. Unger, a retired Building Trades Journeyman from Terre Haute, Indiana passed away on May 9th, 2021. William was born on May 26th, 1943 and was initiated into the United Association on January 21st, 1981.

Do you know who your Beneficiary is.....?

Has your situation changed and needs updating.....?

When in doubt, call and confirm and update if needed.

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Services

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- Grief and loss
- Assistance with sudden events that disrupt life
- Job or career concerns
- Dealing with marriage and family issues
- Dependent care assistance for children and elderly dependents
- Conflict and communication skills
- Drug and alcohol problems
- Financial and legal resource website, free phone or face-to face consults and reduced rates

Work-site Issues

- Conflict resolution with co-workers or supervisors
- Consultation for managers
- In-service training and education at your work-site
- Support after a traumatic event

To make an EAP appointment, call 317.962.8001 or 800.745.4838, ext. 2 from 8 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday. 24 hour crisis access by phone.



Indiana University Health

Local 157 Golf Outing Rocky Ridge Golf Course Darlington, IN Saturday, August 7, 2021

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

Tee-off – 8:00 a.m. Sharp!

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\$45.00 per person

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

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

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FREE Summer Construction EXPO 2021



TIPPECANOE BUILDING TRADES SUMMER CONSTRUCTION EXPO

All hands-on instruction from skilled tradespersons from the trade of your choice.

Are you interested in a career in the trades?

Join us this summer to explore all the trades in Greater Lafayette. Check out some of the activities you can experience this summer and get a glimpse of the day in the life of a skilled journeyman.



June 8th	Operating Engineers: Operate mini excavators and learn about earth moving and excavation fundamentals. Also receive an introduction to GPS and Trimble systems.
June 8th	Teamsters: Learn the controls and operations of dump trucks and transport equipment.
June 15th	Plaster & Cement Masons: Build a rock wall with plaster and cement. Learn how to apply proper epoxy flooring and different finishes.
June 15th	Bricklayers: Learn about mortar and material manipulation. Build hands on a brick and block wall.
June 22nd	Carpenters: Learn how to read engineering rod, build scaffold and build birdhouse out of pine materials.
June 22nd	Electricians: Learn to size wire, bend metal conduits and mount motor equipment. Use electrical meters and devices with low voltage applications.
June 29th	Roofers & Water Proofer: Learn how to apply different waterproofing systems including shingles & rubber roofs.
June 29th	Painting/Finishing/Glaizers: Learn how to finish drywall and properly apply interior and exterior painting systems. Learn how glass and storefront window systems are made and installed.
July 13th	Ironworkers: Learn how structural steel is erected and fabricated. Operate cutting torches and welding equipment. Experience hands on installation of I-beam structure.
July 13th	Sheet Metal Workers: Layout and build several projects out of galvanize sheet metal including barn star, pencil holders and tool box. Learn proper tool usage and identification.
July 20th	Heat Frost Insulators: Cut and fabricate equipment and pipe covering out of several insulation materials.
July 20th	Plumbers/Pipefitters: Learn to solder copper, braze and weld carbon steel piping along with hands on piping projects ranging from metal material to plastics.
July 27th	On-site Visits: Tour active, high profile construction sites to observe skilled trades in action.





- Register at www.unionsbuilditbetter.com
- Must be 14 years of age or older.
- Each trade will have both morning and afternoon classes available.
- Catered lunch will be provided each day, plus free swag!
- Camp locations at Professional Training Facilities located in Lafayette.



JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4  Union Meeting 8:00 pm TH Meeting Hall	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14  FLAG DAY	15	16	17	18	19  UA Weld Test 8:00 am
20 Happy Father's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

July

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3  Union Meeting 10:00 am TH Hall May move to the 10th
4 Happy 4th of July	5	6	7	8	9	10 Possible Union Meeting
11	12	13	14	15	16	17  UA Weld Test 8:00 am
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, June 4th, 2021 at
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Quarterly Union Meeting
Saturday, July 3rd, 2021 at
10:00 am in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

(May be moved to the 10th, so keep your calendar open)

Monthly Union Meeting
Friday, August 6th, 2021 at
8:00 pm in the
Terre Haute Meeting Hall

Dated Material Do Not Delay

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