



PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 34 • ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

1st Quarter: January – February – March 2025

WATER'S OFF

Water's Off is scheduled for Saturday, March 15, 2025. Please stay tuned for more information.

This event means a great deal to our community members who need a little help, and it provides you with a great way to share your expertise with those in need.

Call now to volunteer for this worthy event.



Hope 2025 brings you peace and happiness!

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Hope everyone had a great Holiday Season!

Looking back, Local 34 had an eventful year. Last January the membership approved going forward with obtaining a training center. Since that, we created a Building Corporation made up of the Local 34 leadership to handle the business of a new building and hold title for any property acquired by the Local.

We brought in a real estate advisor and general contractor. We have been visiting prospective properties and running through a budget process. As I write this letter, we are in talks with a building owner over a potential offer.

Along with the usual events, it has been an exciting and productive year. In May we worked through a new 3-year contract for the Metro area. And we held an inaugural car show in July.

I would also like to thank Matt Giles for his service to the Local as the Picnic Chairman for many years, and as President for the last 3 years. Matt retired effective January 1st, and we wish him well!

Brian Brown will be finishing out the next year as our President, and Tony Mitshulis will fill out the Executive Board vacancy.

I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

In Solidarity,

Dean W. Gale
Business Manager/Financial Secretary-Treasurer

TRAINING CENTER

The New Year is a good time to get additional licenses and certifications. Call now to get on the waiting list for Medical Gas and RPZ licenses, as well as CPR/1st Aid classes. Preparation classes for City of St. Paul, Journeyman, and Master's licenses will also be available upon demand. CPR classes qualify for 8 hours Continuing Education tech credits. Call Jonathan Lemke at the Training Center, (651)315-4831, to get on the wait list for all these classes.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MN PIPE TRADES CONVENTION: The MN Pipe Trades Convention will be June 18th-20th, 2025 at the Omni Viking Lakes Hotel in Eagan, MN. Nominations will be at the February Union Meeting, with the Election in March.

ANNUAL PICNIC: The annual Picnic date and location is yet to be determined. Our usual location is unavailable due to planned construction. Look for date and location in the next newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW RETIREES

Matthew Giles and Ronald Rose

RETIREE LUNCHEONS

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON: The Retiree Club and Officers Stan Theis, Dan Doyle, and Rick Klein would like to thank the Membership of Local 34 for hosting the Retirees Holiday Luncheon at Mancini's Char House on December 3, 2024. The 2025 Holiday Luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, December 2, 2025. Add to your calendar now!

SPRING LUNCHEON: The Plumbers Retiree Club Spring Luncheon is hosted by the Retiree Club. Invitations will be sent to all paid members in April. The Spring Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, May 1, 2025, at Mancini's Char House. Dues are \$35 for 2025. If you would like to join, or have not yet paid, please mail your club dues to Rick Klein, 2754 Voyageur Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW 50-YEAR HONORARY MEMBERS in 2025

Thomas Auger, Norman Fedun, Rafael Fuentes, Sr., and Michael Malon

INCOME TAX DEDUCTION ON HOURS WORKED

January 2024 – April 2024 \$4.20
May 2024 – December 2024 \$4.67

Journey Level – Zone 1
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Call for Apprentice and Zone 2 Rates

2024 SALVATION ARMY TOY DRIVE

Thanks so much for your contributions to the 2024 Salvation Army Toy Drive. Due to the generosity of the St. Paul Labor Center tenants and our membership, we collected a pickup load of toys that will make the holidays a little brighter for many families. If you did not get a chance to contribute directly this year, be sure to contribute next year!

SYMPATHIES

Local 34 extends its deepest sympathies to the families of:
Thomas Capuzzi **Ron Parry**

Continuing Education Class offered through the JATC

Plumbers Local 34 Union Hall
 St. Paul Labor Center
 353 West 7th Street
 St. Paul, MN 55102

Gentlemen and Ladies, Please note the following:

Class size is limited to 75. You **Must register** for the class and receive a confirmation email.

There will be no drop-ins allowed. Class time has changed to 4:30 – 8:30pm

Email the completed form to: heather@plumbers34training.com

Indicate the courses you would like to register for:

X	Date	Course Name	Code Credit	Tech. Credit	Location	Time
	Jan. 23, 2025	2020 Code Changes Part 1	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Jan. 29, 2025	2020 Code Changes Part 2	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Feb. 10, 2025	MN UPC Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Feb. 19, 2025	Backflow Prevention Vol. 1	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Feb. 27, 2025	Backflow Prevention Vol. 2	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	March 10, 2025	Water Management & ICRA	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	March 24, 2025	Basic Plumbing & Regulations	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	April 21, 2025	Water Heaters & Scalding	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	April 28, 2025	2020 MN Plumbing Chapter 4	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm

*******There will be no charge to Local 34 Members for these classes*******

Name: _____ Local Member 34 Contractor
 (Check one Box)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Plumbing License Number (PJ or PM number): _____

Confirmation notices will only be sent via email. **Contact information update:**

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Jonathan Lemke	Assistant Coordinator	jonathan@plumbers34training.com	651-315-4831
Heather Sanderson	Administrative assistant	heather@plumbers34training.com	651-315-5446



TECHNOLOGY

Scan QR Code for App and useful links:



Another successful Toy Drive! Thanks for your contributions!

Be sure to sign up for electronic newsletter.

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Business Agent

“The story of the labor movement needs to be taught in every school in this land...America is a living testimonial to what free men and women, organized in free democratic trade unions, can do to make a better life. We ought to be proud of it.”

- **Hubert Humphrey**



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