



PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 34 • ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

2nd Quarter: April – May – June 2024

OFFICIAL NOTICE

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

The Zone 1 Local 34 Collective Bargaining Agreement will expire on April 30, 2024.

Vote on the CBA and Wage Allocation, Wed, May 1, 2024, Aldrich Arena. Doors open at 7 am, and the meeting at 8 am.

Zone 2 Local 34 Wage Allocation meeting is April 8, 2024, 6 pm, at the Mankato Union Office.

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Our contract expires April 30, 2024. We have engaged the Contractors Association to start the negotiation process. Be sure to vote on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024, at Aldrich Arena in Maplewood. Doors open at 7:00 am, with the meeting starting promptly at 8 am. If the contract is ratified, we will vote on wage allocation immediately following. As part of the allocation, we will also consider a vote for a special assessment for the Building Fund. We are proud to say the documents creating the Building Corporation were executed at the last membership meeting, and are currently being filed with the state. It is imperative we recognize the importance of funding our training for the future of this Local.

If you are a winter sportsperson, you may have been let down this winter. The good news is that some projects are starting to move earlier than anticipated. The pickup in work is much needed after the last several months, with hours a bit lower than in recent years. We are optimistically looking forward to a more productive year ahead.

We also want to encourage folks to make sure they have their City Licenses, RPZ, and Med Gas certifications. Carrying these credentials will help you obtain optimal employment and opportunities for premier positions.

We wish to thank all members who volunteered for Waters Off. Year after year, this program continues to offer a meaningful contribution to our community by our membership by improving the lives of folks in need. It is also a great chance to share some fellowship with other members of our Local.

In Solidarity,

Dean W. Gale
Business Manager

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW RETIREES

Terence Danley and Willis Young



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Participate in your Union!

APPRENTICE NEWS

APPRENTICE CONTEST: Congratulations to **Jeff Zuehlsdorff** for winning this year's state Apprentice Contest, March 13-15, 2023, in Minneapolis, MN. Thanks for representing Local 34 so well! He will move on to the District 4 Contest in Iowa this June.

1st YEAR APPRENTICE SWEARING IN: New 2024 1st year Apprentices will be sworn in at the June 11, 2024, meeting. We will grill hot dogs prior to the meeting, so be sure to arrive early.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SPRING RETIREE LUNCHEON: The Retiree Spring Luncheon will be Thursday, May 2nd, 2024, at Mancini's, social hour at 11:00 am and lunch at noon. Invitations will be sent to *paid* Retiree Club members. Bring a guest for \$35. If you have not yet paid your 2024 dues, please send \$35, payable to Plumbers Retirees Club, care of Rick Klein, 2754 Voyageur Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125.

50-YEAR HONORARY MEMBERS: Special congratulations to members who have achieved 50-year membership status in 2024. Please join us for presentation of gold cards and 50-year pins at our Union Meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2024. In honor of our 50-year members, we will get out the grill and eat prior to our meeting. Congratulations to **William Eckert, Russell Lindberg, Thomas Roettger, Mark Sager, Alvaro Sarzoza and Joe Stangl!**

MN PIPE TRADES CONVENTION: MN Pipe Trades Convention will be in Tower, MN, June 19-21, 2024, at Fortune Bay Resort Casino. Delegate nominations were at the February Union Meeting, and Election in March.

MN BUILDING TRADES CONVENTION: The MN Building Trades Convention is scheduled for July 17-19, 2024, in Rochester, MN.

PLUMBERS LOCAL 34 CAR SHOW: Friday, July 26, 2024, at the Hall. Call if you would like to include your car in the show. Watch for more details.

ANNUAL PICNIC: The ANNUAL PICNIC WILL BE HELD at Battle Creek Park on Saturday, August 24, 2024, starting at 11 am. Hope you can join us for a fun day. Only \$5 for the whole family.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Saturday, September 7, 2024. More information about registration available soon.

SCHOLARSHIPS

PLUMBERS LOCAL 34 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION: The Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation will award up to 4 scholarships each year in honor of Brother Frank Horak, to attend College or University, Trade or Vocational school (including Local 34's apprenticeship program). Applications are open to members and their dependents, and must be received in the Plumbers Local 34 office no later than July 31, 2024. For details on how to apply, see our website at www.plumberslocal34.org.

MINNESOTA PIPE TRADES ELMER WALLS SCHOLARSHIP: For more information, please visit our website at www.plumberslocal34.org. The deadline is July 26th, 2024.

BUILDING TRADES CREDIT UNION: Each year, BTCU awards 25 education scholarships to members. You must have an account at BTCU to apply. The deadline to apply is June 30th, 2024.

Continuing Education Class offered through the JATC

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

Gentleman 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 change to 4:30 – 8:30pm

Email the completed form to: heather.sanderson@saintpaul.edu

Indicate the courses you would like to register for:

X	Date	Course Name	Code Credit	Tech. Credit	Location	Time
	May 15,2024	MN UPC Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 21, 2024	Water Heaters & Scalding Awareness: Part 1	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 23,2024	2020 Code Changes Part 1	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 28,2024	2020 Code Changes Part 2	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 30,2024	Medical Gas NFPA 99,2021	0	4	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.



WATER'S OFF

As we prepare this newsletter, we are gearing up for a full Water's Off event on March 23, 2024. We are pleased to get back into full swing with this important community event. Thank you to all those who participated.

5th Year Apprentice Jeffrey Zuehlsdorff on his way to a win in the 2024 Apprentice Contest.

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“Labor cannot stand still. It must not retreat. It must go on, or go under.”

- Harry Bridges



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