Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you and your family are well, and looking forward to the holiday season.

Plumbers Local 130 was formed in 1895, and today it surpasses 6,000 members. Our success is due in part to the partnership formed with our contractor employers. The Plumbing Industry has shared a vision, which is water conservation. This concept prompted our campaign to build a “state-of-the-art building” to prepare our future apprentices and journeymen for the 21st Century’s plumbing needs. The new three-story JAC Training Center is up and running, once again due to the collaboration between labor and management led by Craig Thomas, JAC Management Co-chairman and Matt Erikson, JAC Treasurer.

On September 12th, our Joint Apprentice Committee’s Board of Trustees, along with Local 130 Officers, Instructors and Apprentices welcomed over 350 dignitaries and guests at the Plumbers UA Local Union 130 member John D’ Amico; Chicago Department of Buildings Commissioner Judy Frydland; Chicago’s 27th Ward Alderman Walter Burnett, Jr.; and W.E. O’Neil Construction Company President John Russell.

In the evening, a brief membership meeting was held with over 800 members in attendance. Following the meeting, the members toured the new Training Center and enjoyed a Patio Party hosted by the Local 130 officers. UA General President Mark McManus and UA Local 130 officers. UA General President Mark McManus spoke to the members and was passionate about the UA’s future. He stated, “I’ve been all over the country, and bar none, this is the finest facility in the UA. The standards have been raised!” The members responded with a standing ovation.

The Training Center was built in just 16 months beginning in April 2016. This project was successful due to the team collaboration between the JAC Building Committee, Gensler Architects, and General Contractor W.E. O’Neil Construction Company. Our main sub-contractors were Chas. F. Bruckner & Son (Plumbing), Edwards Engineering (HVAC), Nova Fire Protection (Sprinkler Fitters), and Sharlen Electrical Company. I would like to say a sincere thank you to all our union sub-contractors and building trades workers for their outstanding craftsmanship.

Guests and members were impressed with the water conservation methods showcased throughout the center. From the main lobby you can see the large rainwater harvesting tank system. The classrooms have opened a new era of hands on education. Apprentices will learn how to design energy efficient systems; install, repair and service high-end plumbing systems; solve customer problems; and most importantly protect the health of the nation.

In May, as the final stage of the new Training Center was in progress, Cody Albergo was named Chicago’s #1 Local 130 Apprentice at our annual in-house competition. I wish Cody good luck as he moves on to the UA State Apprentice Plumber Competition in March 2018. In June, three new instructors were hired. They are Brian Anderson and John Majerowicz teaching in Chicago, and Scott Poole is teaching at the Volo School.

Please continue to read through the newsletter for more news and information. As always, I wish you good health and prosperity, steady employment and happiness. Best wishes to you and your families as 2017 comes to an end. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

In Solidarity,

James F. Coyne
“After viewing this school, it is clear that this world-class facility will match the world-class City of Chicago, and most certainly the world-class members of Local 130. The new Training Center was built because of a vision and the leadership’s guts to do what was right for Local 130 and this honorable craft. ‘To Jim Coyne - a job well done!’”

Mark McManus

“This facility is a ‘champion’ and my congratulations go to Jim Coyne for overseeing this construction. Plumbers Local 130 is staying ahead of the curve preparing their Apprentices as a skilled workforce for modern day America.”

Michael J. Madigan

“Local 130 is forever changed! A new era for Local 130 Apprentices is beginning. It was an honor and a privilege to welcome dignitaries, contractors, guests, plumbers, and apprentices at the Training Center’s Open House. I was proud to have my parents, Jim and Gerry Coyne, stand with me at this event, as well as my wife Michele. My father is a 70-year member of Local 130.”

Jim Coyne
“The Apprentice Committee would like to thank everyone involved in all phases of the project. There is a commitment to provide the “Best of the Best” facility, and the Grand Opening on September 12th was just the start. Members are encouraged to use the facility to increase their knowledge. This knowledge will help you be a better Plumber, Contractor and Instructor. If you think you have done everything, please come out and see the Solar Water Heating System and the Rain and Grey Water Systems. These are not new in the states and other countries, but Illinois is behind the times and you need to know how to install and how these systems operate. Our industry needs everyone to promote our skills. Get on board. Everyone’s future depends on it.”

Craig Thomas

“Clean water is our most basic necessity - dating back to Roman times when the aqueducts were built. Local 130’s Plumbers maintain the integrity of the profession through strict licensing and state of the art training, along with continuing education.”

Judy Frydland

“This facility is a milestone for Plumbers Local 130 and the City of Chicago. Chicago is a Union City and this building lays the foundation for higher education and new opportunities for plumbers.”

Amy Rule

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Judy Frydland

“The design process, under the leadership of Jim Coyne and Craig Thomas, is incredible. They “nailed it.” All the components are here in this facility. The bar has been raised!”

John Russell

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Judy Frydland
The future of Local 130 is with the Apprentices. They must stay strong together, work together, and vote together.

John D’Amico

I am proud to have this building, Plumbers Local 130’s Training Center, in my Ward and in Chicago. It benefits all Chicagoans.

Walter Burnett, Jr.

I have always preached that our union apprentices/plumbers training is what separates union from private. No one has made a commitment like UA Local 150. This new facility is a testament to the City of Chicago. Remember, the name is Local 130 Chicago and Business Manager Jim Coyne can be proud of this fine Training Center.

William Hite

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John D’Amico
“Congratulations Business Manager Jim Coyne, Trustees, Contractors, Officers and Members. Our Apprentice Training Center is an incredible facility. We can now train our Apprentices with the most current, state-of-the-art technology and hands-on training rooms. It took foresight to do this!”

Brian Kennedy

Kurt Steenhoek, UA International Representative, UA General President Mark McManus, Business Manager Jim Coyne, Jim Pavesic, UA Assistant Director of Training.

“Congratulations Business Manager Jim Coyne, officers, and members! Your new state-of-the-art training facility is incredible. During my visit, in which I attended the grand opening event and Union meeting, it was a distinct honor to see your commitment to training the future plumbers in the great City of Chicago. Thank you so much for the invite. I look forward to working with you in the future.”

Kurt W. Steenhoek

Matt Erickson of C.J. Erickson Plumbing.

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Brian Kennedy

Patrnick McCarthy, Recording Secretary Local 130, Elder Kevin Ford Executive Director of St. Paul Church of God & Christ Community Development Ministries, Inc. and Jones Richmond, Business Agent Local 130.

“Congratulations Business Manager Jim Coyne and all the members of Plumber’s Local 130 on your new state of the art Training Center. It is a great accomplishment to all those who worked so hard to make this project a reality. Local 130 is now prepared to train future generations in the latest piping technologies. What a wonderful training opportunity for upcoming piping professionals.”

James Pavesic

Jim Mansfield, Business Agent Local 130, Kurt Steenhoek, UA Plumbing Representative, Bill Meyers, UA International Representative, and Rick Terven, Jr., Illinois Pipe Trades.

MEMBER’S PATIO PARTY & TRAINING CENTER’S TOUR

UA General President Mark McManus.

Business Manager Jim Coyne, UA Gen. President Mark McManus & 71 year member Dick Morin.

Business Agent Mike Shea and his father, Patrick Shea, Retired Business Agent.

Ladies of Local 130.
1ST FLOOR:
- Hot Works Lab (Soldering Brazing & Welding)
- Underground Piping
- Three-Story Indoor Training House (Commercial & Residential)
- Water Service & Pump Room
- Rainwater & Grey Water Harvesting
- Administrative Area
- Instructor Area

2ND FLOOR:
- Faucets Tub-Shower & Flush Valves Lab
- Backflow Prevention & Pressure Reducing Valve Lab
- Commercial Fixtures Lab
- Residential Fixtures Lab
- Wet Classroom
- Water Heater Lab

3RD FLOOR:
- Multipurpose Room 1
- Multipurpose Room 2
- Plumbing Code & Theory Classroom
- Computer Lab (Advanced Industry Technology)
- Drawing Classroom

ROOFTOP:
- Solar Technology
- Green Roof
Frequently Asked Questions Related to your Health Benefits with Plumbers’ Welfare Fund, Local 130 U.A.

1. What types of expenses are reimbursable under the Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) with TASC?

You can receive reimbursement from your HRA with TASC for numerous types of medical expenses such as:

- Your Deductible
- Self-Payments under the Active Plan or COBRA Payments
- Self-Payments under the Retiree Plan
- Co-Payments for Medical Expenses – including Co-Payments for Prescription Drugs
- Any amounts that exceed Plan limits for dental benefits, hearing benefits, or vision benefits (including LASIK surgery)
- Amounts charged by a Physician that exceed the Reasonable and Customary charge for a procedure or treatment

Fees for Health Club Memberships ARE NOT reimbursable from your HRA with TASC.

2. Do I receive any type of benefit from the Welfare Fund for joining a Health Club?

Yes. Although fees for Health Club Memberships ARE NOT reimbursable from your HRA, you and your spouse will receive credits to your HRA if either of you utilize a health club membership. If you or your spouse has 150 or more health club visits during a calendar year, you or your spouse will receive a $300 credit to the HRA. If you or your spouse has 100 to 149 health club visits, you or your spouse will receive a $200 credit to the HRA. If you or your spouse has 50 to 99 health club visits, your or your spouse will receive a $100 credit to the HRA. Visits by you and your spouse may not be combined to reach the required number to receive HRA credit. Credits to the HRA will be made once the Fund Office receives your health club membership invoice and proof of visits (visit log from the health club).

3. Does the Welfare Plan have a Substance Abuse Benefit?

Yes. The Welfare Plan utilizes the Blue Cross Blue Shield network of providers. For In-Patient services, the Substance Abuse Benefit covers 100% of the first $2,000 of eligible expenses, and then 90% of all amounts exceeding $2,000 for in-network providers. For Out-Patient services, the Substance Abuse Benefit covers 100% of the first $1,000 of eligible expenses, and then 80% of all amounts exceeding $1,000. You will always pay less money out of pocket if you use an in-network provider. Always ask your provider if they participate in the Blue Cross Blue Shield network so that you can maximize the savings available to you. To determine if a provider is in-network, please visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield web site at www.bcbsil.com or call 1-800-810-BLUE (2583) for a list of in-network providers. You can also contact the Funds’ Member Assistance Program (MAP) for assistance with selecting an appropriate provider for substance abuse counseling. The MAP will ensure that you receive a professional assessment of your situation by a licensed clinician and offer referrals to an in-network provider. Before you seek treatment, please contact the MAP at 1-800-292-2780.

4. Can I use an Out-of-Network Provider?

Yes. The Welfare Plan covers medical procedures offered by Out of Network providers. However, as of December 1, 2016, all out-of-network claims must be submitted to the Fund Office for pre-authorization which will then be reviewed by the Fund’s Peer Reviewer, Hines and Associates. Out of Network claims that are NOT pre-authorized prior to treatment are subject to denial with no benefits paid from the Welfare Fund. Once again, you should ALWAYS use an in-network provider for ALL your medical needs. The Welfare Plan will pay 70% of the Reasonable and Customary fees or charges of an Out-of-Network Provider.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL ACTIVE CHICAGO AREA PLUMBERS

City of Chicago Plumbing License Test

Upcoming City of Chicago Plumbing License and Plumbing Practical Tests:

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Looking for the New Parade Queen

James F. Coyne, General Chairman of the 2018 St. Patrick’s Day Parade, announced plans for a city wide search for Chicago’s fairest Colleen. She will represent the Chicago Irish community as the Queen of the 2018 Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

Entry Information

Any girl of Irish ancestry, never married, 18-28 years old, is eligible to enter the contest.


For more information see our website:
www.chicagostpatricksdayparade.org

10th Ward Labor Day Parade

On Saturday, September 2, Local 130 participated in the 10th Ward Alderwoman Susan Sadlowski Garza’s Labor Day Parade. We marched with many friends from Labor Organizations as a tribute to Chicago’s past, present and future. This day honored Union brothers and sisters who gave their blood, sweat, tears, and sometimes their lives to make an honest wage to support their families. The Parade kicked off at 103rd and Ewing Avenue and ended at 104th Street. Local 130 proudly walked along with many Building Trades Unions and community organizations. The Labor Day Festival was held at Steelworkers Park located at 87th and Lakeshore Drive and offered a weekend filled with activities, good music, food and drink.
A “Plumber” You Should Know

If you know a plumber who should be recognized for something or has an interesting story to tell, please contact Carol Giesler, Executive Assistant to Business Manager Jim Coyne at cgiesler@ualocal130.org or (312) 421-1010 ex. 112.

Edward F. Goldacker, a retired 71-year member of UA Local 130, worked for several plumbing companies throughout his career, which included Great Lakes Plumbing & Heating and Fette's, Love & Sieben. Ed stated, “I turned 92 years old and can honestly say that I live like a king because of Plumbers Local 130’s union contracts that secured my benefits.

Ed’s father, Edward H. Goldecker, Sr. was a Local 130 union forerunner, and little did he know that his skills and integrity would be used in the creation of a new energy source. An era of scientific and technological advances was in progress at the University of Chicago.

Edward, Sr. left grammar school to help his brother Louis, who was a plumber. They hauled lead water pipe and supplies by horse and cart around the Ravenswood and Belmont area. Edward, Sr.’s job was to take care of the horses. As Edward, Sr. was turning 16 years old, World War I broke out and he served in the United States Navy. After returning to Chicago, he joined Local 130. There were hard times again when the depression hit, but then in 1939, Edward, Sr. started working for O’Callaghan Plumbing. He received a phone call from Mr. O’Callaghan asking him to come to the office for a meeting. Mr. O’Callaghan explained that due to the younger men getting drafted, a maintenance worker was needed at the University of Chicago. My father was told emphatically, “Do not call the shop; the university will have all the tools and materials needed, and your paycheck will be mailed.” Since gas was rationed, he was allotted extra gas stamps, which guaranteed his arrival on the job.

After three weeks, Edward, Sr. was instructed to report at the old Stagg Football Stadium. He had an assigned helper who would do no work, only keep him company. There wasn’t much to see under the stadium. It was filled with small rooms, and the walls and ceilings were covered in canvas. The lead pipes, solder, furnace, tools and other materials to mount the pipes were stored in one of the canvas rooms. Edward, Sr. received written instructions with tasks such as: run 3/8” pipe six inches past the hole marked “A,” solder ½” branch pipe to ¾” pipe and extend it one foot past canvas in the hole marked “B,” etc. The helper stayed all day, even during their brown bag lunch break.

When Edward, Sr. asked, “What’s going on? I know I’m being followed.” The helper stated, “A cure for trench foot disease is being developed, which would give our soldiers a big edge over the Japanese.” The helper asked that my father continue to be silent about his work. No one should be told anything! My father never found out if other Local 130 Plumbers were involved in the project.

Scientists split the “Atom” under Stagg Stadium. This atomic energy created a chain reaction for mankind. The development of the “Atomic” bomb ended World War II earlier than predicted, which saved hundreds of thousands of lives. It also produced atomic powered naval ships, as well as clean atomic energy for our country.

Ed stated, “I just didn’t want this story forgotten. I’m proud that a Local 130 member participated in this historical project.”

Edward Goldacker
Plumbers’ JAC Local 130 UA APPRENTICESHIP APPLICATIONS

The Joint Apprenticeship Committee for Local 130 will accept applications for admission to the Plumbing Apprenticeship Program starting TUESDAY, January 23, 2018 through THURSDAY, February 22, 2018:

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN PERSON ONLY AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES AND LOCATIONS:

TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.;
AND THURSDAYS FROM 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. AT BOTH OUR CHICAGO AND JOLIET OFFICES:

1400 W. Washington Blvd. 2114 S. I-80 Frontage Rd.
Chicago, IL 60607 Joliet, IL 60436
(312) 421-1028 (312) 421-1028

JANUARY 23RD & 25TH, 2018, FEBRUARY 6TH, 8TH, 20TH & 22ND, 2018:
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.;
AND THURSDAYS FROM 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. AT OUR VOLO OFFICE:

31855 N. U.S. Hwy 12
Volo, IL 60073
(312) 421-1028

*REGISTRATION FEE: $25.00 Money Order or Cashier’s Check payable to: Plumbers’ JAC Local 130

**Optional, if you wish to purchase the Test Taking Tip book for $10.00, your money order or cashier’s check should be in the amount of $35.00 (no cash, credit cards or personal checks will be accepted)

*REQUIREMENTS: You must apply in person.
You must bring the following items:
• Your valid driver’s license,
• Your Birth Certificate or U.S. Passport,
• Your original High School Diploma OR G.E.D. equivalent OR Sealed High School Transcripts OR College Diploma WITH Transcripts
• $25.00 non-refundable application fee

*QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Must be able to read, write, and speak English.
2. Must have a High School Diploma or G.E.D. equivalent.
3. Pass an aptitude test, a drug screen, a physical exam and an agility test
4. Applicants must possess a valid driver’s license
5. Must be at least 18 years of age. (Applicants who are 17 years of age may be placed on the eligibility list if proof is provided he or she will be 18 years of age prior to being registered by the JAC).

*SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE

THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS TO THESE REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Applicants submitting the required documents will be given all the information where and when to appear for the aptitude test (See **above to purchase Test Taking Tips book for $10.00), drug screen, physical, and physical agility test.

At the time of indenture you must:
• Have a valid Driver’s license
• Have a reliable form of transportation
• Pass a drug test

PLEDGE OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN APPRENTICESHIP

The Trust Fund for Apprentice and Journeymen Education and Training, Local 130, U.A. will not discriminate against apprenticeship applicants or apprentices based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), sexual orientation, genetic information, or because they are an individual with a disability or a person 40 years old or older. The Trust Fund for Apprentice and Journeymen Education and Training, Local 130, U.A. will take affirmative action to provide equal opportunity in apprenticeship and will operate the apprenticeship program as required under Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 30.

JAMES F. COYNE
CHAIRMAN

JAMES M MAJEROWICZ
TRAINING DIRECTOR

CRAIG W. THOMAS
CO-CHAIRMAN

FOR MORE INFO: www.jac130.org
Retiree Luncheons

All Retired Members and their spouses are invited to join us for a Retiree Luncheon to meet old and new friends. We will be holding a luncheon at three of our facilities in December and January. The luncheons will include information on your Pension, Health & Welfare benefits. A representative from Chicago Honor Flight will address the group about their wonderful program and we will have a short presentation from the Silver Sneakers representatives.

If you wish to attend a luncheon, please contact the Union Office at the (312) 421-1010, ext. 300 by the RSVP deadline given below and specify which location you will be attending. Or you may email your response to MNoel@ualocal130.org.

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