



PLUMBERS

LOCAL 130 UA

SUMMER 2024



Business Manager's Letter

From James F. Coyne

2024 Union Election Secures Continued & Future Success For Local 130

Greetings Brothers and Sisters:

This busy summer season was highlighted by the Installation of Local 130 Officers at the Union Hall on July 9th. My personal thanks to Retired UA General President Bill Hite for officiating the oath of office. On behalf of myself and all the officers of Local 130, I want to thank all of the members who came out to vote on June 11th. We can only continue to build this Local Union with the support and confidence of our members!

It is my honor and privilege to serve the membership of Local 130 for the past 37 years including as a full-time Officer since 2000 and as your Business Manager for the past 12 years. With your continuing support, we will succeed and thrive at Local 130. I am focused on providing our membership with steady leadership that includes integrity and determination in all that we do, that ultimately benefits our members and their families. Thank you for placing your confidence in me as your Business Manager.

The year 2024 is progressing on a positive trajectory. The Local 130 Collective Bargaining Team has negotiated a four-year deal for the Plumbers and the result was a fair and equitable wage and benefit package. I'd like to thank the Local 130 Collective Bargaining Team John Hosty, Patrick McCarthy, Mike Shea and Pat Brooks for their tireless efforts. Please see the wage and benefit information on (page 2) of this newsletter.

(See Business Manager continued on Page 8)



Newly Installed Officers - July 9, 2024

Business Manager

James F. Coyne

Financial Secretary-Treasurer

John P. Hosty

Recording Secretary

Patrick F. McCarthy

Political Director

John C. D'Amico

Director of Codes and Standards

James M. Majerowicz

President

James W. Brooks

Vice President

Paul B. Tucker

Inside Guard

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Business Representative

Jones L. Richmond

James A. Mansfield

Michael E. Shea

Paul J. Hinterlong

Peter C. Olson

William A. Wilkens III

Patrick C. Brooks

Jennifer A. MacDonald

Bart F. Holzhauser

Organizers

Paul M. Rodriguez

Joseph B. Mondia

Ryan D. Brown

Executive Board

Anthony M. Rottman

Stephen F. Geraghty

Christopher S. Anish

Alberto Garcia

Examining Board

Ciro J. Gaimari

Ryan P. Kelly

Robin M. Roccasalva

Christopher M. Heneghan

Sean F. Hopkins

Miguel A. Estrada

Finance Committee

Patrick E. Gross

Kevin P. Chambers

Patrick W. Carey

Trustees

Hamaas Ibrahim

Jason T. Rogers

Tech Advisory Board

Paul T. Tran

Michael R. Brenz

June 1, 2024 Wage & Benefit Allocations

PLUMBERS

Local 130 UA members have received their annual wage and benefit increase on June 1, 2024. The amount of the increase depends on which signatory contractor association represents your employer (see tables below). For the plumbers, the amounts were negotiated as part of a four-year agreement between Local 130 and three associations. The Journeyman Plumber's wage rate (on the check) is \$58.55 per hour if working for a PCA or WSA employer and \$53.70 if working in Kankakee/Iroquois Counties (KICPPA).

| <u>PCA and WSA Agreement</u> | | <u>K&ICPPA Agreement</u> | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.75 | Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.75 |
| Welfare Fund | \$0.75 | Welfare Fund | \$0.75 |
| Pension-DC Fund | \$0.45 | Pension-DC Fund | \$0.25 |
| JAC Training Fund | \$0.10 | JAC Training Fund | \$0.10 |
| Total Hourly Increase | \$3.05 | Total Hourly Increase | \$2.85 |

SCHEDULE A & RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS

For the plumbers working under the Schedule A or Residential Service Agreements, the amounts were negotiated as part of a four-year agreement between Local 130 and three associations. The Journeymen Plumbers wage rate (on the check) is \$52.00 per hour if working under the Schedule A Agreement and \$48.70 if working under the Residential Service Agreement.

| <u>SCHEDULE A Agreement</u> | | <u>RESIDENTIAL SERVICE Agreement</u> | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---|---------------|
| Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.75 | Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.25 |
| Welfare Fund | \$1.00 | Welfare Fund | \$0.50 |
| Pension-DC Fund | \$0.45 | Pension-DC Fund | \$0.45 |
| JAC Training Fund | \$0.10 | JAC Training Fund | \$0.10 |
| Total Hourly Increase | \$3.30 | Total Hourly Increase | \$2.30 |

TECHNICAL ENGINEERS

For the Technical Engineers who work in Illinois, this is the fifth year of a five year agreement that was negotiated with Mid-America Regional Bargaining Association (MARBA) and Plumbers Local 130. Technical Engineers did receive their wage and benefit increase on June 1, 2024. The Journeyman's rate for those members working in Illinois has increased to \$56.50 per hour. For the Technical Engineers who work in Indiana, this is the fifth year of a five year agreement with Northwest Indiana Contractors Association (NWICA) which began on June 1, 2024. The Journeyman's rate for those members working in Indiana has increased to \$48.70 per hour. Listed below please find the allocation of the hourly increase for 2024.

| <u>MARBA Agreement</u> | | <u>NWICA Agreement</u> | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.50 | Wages (Journeyman) | \$1.50 |
| Welfare Fund | \$0.75 | Welfare Fund | \$0.40 |
| Pension-DC Fund | \$0.80 | Pension-DC Fund | \$0.80 |
| Total Hourly Increase | \$3.05 | Total Hourly Increase | \$2.70 |

Pension Benefit Update:

The Trustees of the Plumbers' Pension Fund, Local 130, U.A. (Pension Fund) are pleased to announce the following new benefit improvements to the Plan.

These improvements are effective for retirement dates on or after June 1, 2024:

Increase in the Benefit Accrual Rate

A Participant whose Retirement Date begins on or after June 1, 2024, and who completes at least one(1.00) hour of service in Covered Employment on or after June 1, 2024, will receive a Pension Benefit Accrual Rate of \$180.00 for each full Pension Credit earned on or after June 1, 2024. This is an increase of \$20.00 from the current Pension Benefit Accrual Rate of \$160.00.

Increase in Bonus Credit Rate

Currently, an Active Participant receives a full Bonus Credit by working at least 1,500 hours in Covered Employment during a Fiscal Year. A Participant earns additional full Bonus Credits by working in Covered Employment up to 1,800 hours, 2,100 hours and 2,200 hours – for a maximum of 4 Bonus Credits in a Fiscal Year. Each Bonus Credit is worth \$10.00.

Effective June 1, 2024, any full Bonus Credits you earn working in Covered Employment after that date will be worth \$20.00 each.

BONUS CHECK

All Pension Fund participants who received a pension benefit as of June 1, 2024 should have received an additional one-time bonus check in the amount of \$1,778.00 on or about July 15, 2024.

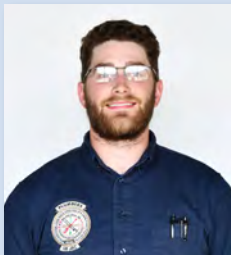
United Association Apprentices Contest

The 32nd Annual Plumbers Local 130 UA JAC 3rd Year Apprentices Contest took place in June 2024. Eighteen apprentices took part in this year's contest.

A special thank you to our instructors and apprentice volunteers that made this all possible.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS:



1st Place - Hayden Nielsen
John's Service & Sales, Inc.



2nd Place - Nicholas Moses
Green Tech Plumbing Co.



3rd Place - Stephen Severson
Norman Mechanical, Inc.

69th Annual Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade Serves Up Exciting Festivities

The 69th Annual Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade took place on Sat., March 16 in downtown Chicago! The exciting festivities were enjoyed by locals and visitors from across the country and around the world. Parade goers enjoyed the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade, sponsored by Plumbers Local 130. This year's parade theme was "Mental Health Is Essential." The 2024 Parade Queen is Grace O'Connor, who works as a Corporate lawyer in Chicago.

General Chairman of the Parade James F. Coyne, kicked off the festivities along with Grand Marshal Peter O'Brien, President and CEO of MADO Management and representing the Guest of Honor of the Parade, The Kennedy Forum was the organization's Founder, the Honorable Patrick J. Kennedy.

This year's Parade highlighted well known Irish traditions and fun for all to enjoy. This included the very popular dyeing the Chicago River "green", done each year by a team of Local 130 Plumbers on the morning of the Parade! ABC 7 also featured a two-hour telecast of the Parade that included more than 100 entries that included such favorites as the Shannon Rovers, Irish Step Dancers, a multitude of floats, including 16 high school marching bands from 10 states including Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas and Wisconsin as well as local and state officials and candidates.

Thank you to the 250+ members who volunteered their time as a Parade Marshal or on the Security Detail as well as to the members and their families who marched in the Parade. We could not have done it without you!





IRISH FELLOWSHIP CLUB OF CHICAGO: 122nd ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP DINNER AT THE HILTON CHICAGO



Photo courtesy of Kardas Photography

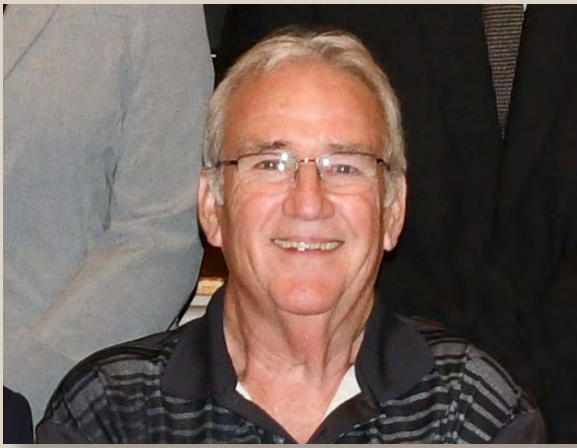
L-R Peter O'Brien 2024 Parade Grand Marshal; Pat Clair, Devon Bruce IFC Dinner Co-Chairmen; Jim Coyne, IFC President; Chris Kennedy, IFC Board Member and Hon. Patrick J. Kennedy representing the 2024 Parade Guest of Honor, The Kennedy Forum.

On March 15, 2024, the Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago hosted its 122nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner to a packed crowd at the Hilton Chicago. James F. Coyne, Local 130 Business Manager and President of the Irish Fellowship Club welcomed 1,400 guests and provided remarks for the largest IFC event to date! Parade Grand Marshal Peter O'Brien, President and CEO of MADO Management and also a former IFC President was also in attendance along with Parade Guest of Honor, The Kennedy Forum, represented by its Founder, the Honorable Patrick J. Kennedy.

Installation of Officers & Pat at Union Hall on July 9, 2

This special Union Meeting included the installation of Local 130's new officers. Retired UA General President Bill Hite conducted the installation of the new officers. Bill commented, "It was a nice evening! . . . a strong Union comes from strong members. Local 130 has been blessed!"

After the meeting, the Officers, members and guests turned their attention to the traditional on-site annual Patio Party that included lots of food, refreshments and a good time was had by all!



Retired UA General President Bill Hite



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Congratulations to our 2024 JAC Third Year Apprentice Contest Winners. This includes 1st Place - Hayden Nielsen of John's Service & Sales, 2nd Place - Nicholas Moses of Green Tech Plumbing Co., and 3rd Place - Stephen Severson of Norman Mechanical, Inc. Good luck to Brother Nielsen as he moves forward to represent Local 130 at the State Apprenticeship Contest!

The JAC Apprentice Program welcomed 158 new members to our Training Program this past May. We wish them great success on their way to becoming Local 130 Plumbers. In other training news, Congratulations and best wishes to James "Bill" Brooks in his new role as Instructor in Charge in Joliet and Brandon Harwell, our new Instructor in Charge in Chicago. We are also welcoming Sandro D'Andrea, as our new instructor at our Chicago Training Center.

Our partnerships for the Union Wellness Coalition keep growing by leaps and bounds! We now welcome Sheet Metal Local 73 to be part of the Union Wellness Centers with their 8,000 participants who

will be utilizing our eight UWC locations. I am happy to report that they are now the 10th Union to join the UWC!

Please join me in congratulating and thanking Ken Turnquist, our recently retired Financial Secretary-Treasurer for his years of service in a variety of roles including 43 years of Local 130 membership. Ken has been a valued member of our team who led the construction of our Parking Garage, the expanded BA offices and our eight Wellness Centers and also managed the Chicago and Volo properties. We wish him all the best with his retirement!

John Hosty has now assumed the role of Financial Secretary-Treasurer. John has been a member of our Local 130 for 27 years and has successfully worked in a number of roles including Business Representative and Trustee of the Welfare & Pension Funds. We offer our congratulations to John and know that he will have great success in his new role as the Financial Secretary-Treasurer for Local 130!

We offer our deepest condolences regarding the passing of our Local 130 Technical Engineer David P. O'Donnell, after a

tragic jobsite incident this past June. Our thoughts and prayers are with the O'Donnell family. Rest in peace, Brother.

Local 130 will continue as a team in the second half of 2024 to:

- Growing the Apprenticeship Program and instituting today's technology to best utilize and engage all apprentices
- Organizing efforts to increase our membership
- Remaining politically active in protecting the Plumbers License Law and Plumbing Codes
- Continuing to improve Healthcare and Pension Benefits for our members and their families
- Remaining dedicated to our retirees

TOGETHER WE WILL SUCCEED AND THRIVE!

In Solidarity,

James F. Coyne

Congratulations to Ken Turnquist on His Years of Service to Local 130

We offer a special congratulations to Ken Turnquist on his retirement from Local 130 after 43 years of membership and 23+ years of service to our Local. In 2000, Ken was elected a Trustee position and then worked his way up to the Examining Board and then to the Executive Board before he was appointed a Business Agent in 2007 and then elected to a Business Agent position in 2009. Then in 2012, Ken was elected to the position of Financial Secretary-Treasurer. Ken led the construction of the Parking Garage, the expanded BA offices and for our Union Wellness Centers. He also managed the Chicago and Volo properties. We thank Ken for his hard work and dedication to Local 130!

"It was the job of a lifetime for me to be part of Local 130 including the last 12 years in my role as the Financial Secretary-Treasurer," said Ken Turnquist. "I will cherish all my Local 130 memories over the past 43 years, as it has been a huge part of my life."



L-R Pat McCarthy, Ken Turnquist, Jim Coyne



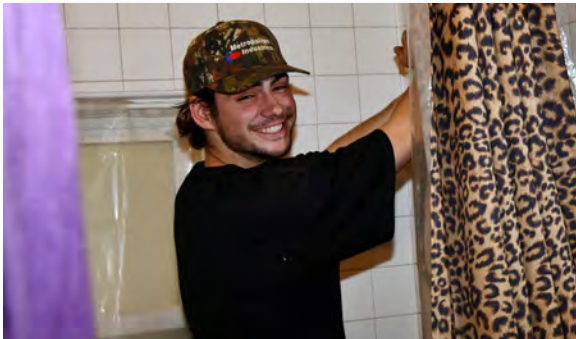
Ken Turnquist



32nd Annual Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago

Repairs at 42 Houses in Chicagoland Area

Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago took place this past April 27th. Our crew of approximately 165 volunteers eagerly assisted with essential home repairs for 42 homes in the Chicagoland area. A special thank you goes out to Business Agent Michael Shea and Examining Board Member Alberto Garcia for all their efforts on that day as well. Thank you to the Project Foreman – Bill Wilkens, Ryan Kelly, Jason Rogers, Pat Carey, Eric Lussenhop Jon Mayer, Pat Gross, Jen MacDonald, Chris Heneghan, Pat Brooks, Robin Roccasalva, Joe Mondia, Paul Tucker, Stephen Geraghty, James Brooks, Paul Rodriguez, Dave Thompson, Miguel Estrada, James Mansfield and to all the members of Local 130 who participated in this important annual community outreach event. We also thank our signatory contractors for their participation and for generously supplying vans, trucks and materials for the event.





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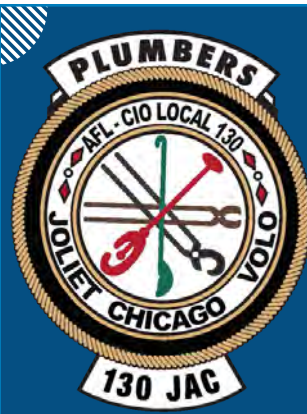
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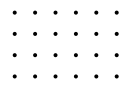
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2024 Scholarship Recipients

We are pleased to once again provide scholarships to the children of our Local 130 membership! We offer our congratulations to the four recent high school graduates who are the recipients of this year's Stephen M. Bailey Memorial Scholarships. These scholarship recipients were announced at our Local 130 July 2024 meeting. Their parents were also proudly in attendance for this special recognition. Best wishes from Local 130 to Nicole, Nolan, Emma and John!



L-R Jim Coyne, John Zambetti, Nolan Redican, Nicole Wasmund and Emma Carlson.

NICOLE WASMUND 1st Place

- Daughter of Matthew Wasmund (RJ Kielion Plumbing)

NOLAN REDICAN 1st Place

- Son of Daniel Redican (Aleck Plumbing)

EMMA CARLSON 2nd Place

- Daughter of Matthew Carlson (DW Mechanical)

JOHN ZAMBETTI 2nd Place

- Son of Guy Zambetti (Alpha Sigma Kappa Plumbing)

Complete a free school/sports physical for your chance to win a prize!

If your child needs a physical exam for school or sports, schedule an appointment at Union Wellness Centers. Our friendly healthcare team will offer a complete check-up and put you and your child at ease. Please be sure to bring along any forms needed.

Win a Patagonia Backpack!

Dependents who complete a free sports physical will be entered into a drawing to win a Patagonia backpack (each location will have its own drawing). The physical must be completed between July 1 and September 30, 2024.



Schedule an Appointment

Call 312-421-1016
or visit my.marathon-health.com.



Union Eyes: A Message From Dr. Lisha Patel, Optometrist

Eye injuries in the workplace are extremely common. An estimated 2,000 work related eye injuries occur every day. These can range from mild eye strain to severe trauma which can cause permanent eye damage or vision loss. As a health-care professional, my hope is that workers and employers will prioritize the protection of vision, the most important of the body's senses.

Recently, I had a Local 130 member present to my office because he felt like there was something in his eye. He had gone to the immediate care center a week earlier and they sent him home with some eyedrops saying everything was fine. He came in saying his vision was blurry and that he still felt something in his eyes. I then examined his eyes with my microscope and saw a piece of fiberglass embedded in his cornea, which is the front surface of the eye. After numbing his eyes, I was able to remove that piece of fiberglass. If a foreign body is not removed promptly, it can be pushed progressively deeper into the cornea causing more damage and potential scar formation. As a result

of the patient coming in that day, he avoided further complications and more importantly received immediate relief.

I cannot stress enough the importance of maintaining healthy eyesight in the workplace. Please come in the next time you need emergency eye care. Our dedicated team is available for you at one of our eight Union Eyes locations 24/7.

You can call our number even after hours, and someone will be able to assist you. After all, your vision matters around the clock. Save yourself the hassle and come see us first for your eyecare needs.

Choosing the proper protective eyewear can also greatly reduce your risk of eye injuries in the workplace. At Union Eyes we offer a free pair of safety glasses for active union members in the field. Book your annual eye exam so that we can maintain your healthy eyesight and help you see better for years to come. Call 312-888-9999 or go to our website www.unioneyes.com to schedule your appointment online.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UNION MEETINGS

- Sept - No Meeting
- Oct 10th at 6 pm (Plumbers & Tech Engineers) *New Date*
- Nov 19th at 6 pm (**Turkey Raffle**, Plumbers & Tech Engineers) *New Date*
- Dec 10th at 6 pm (Plumbers)
- Dec 12th at 6 pm (Tech Engineers)

RETIREES EVENTS

- Sept 11th at 11:15 am - **Architectural Boat Tour**
- Dec 12th at 11:30 am - **Holiday Luncheon**
RSVP to Marilyn Noel at 312-421-1010 ext. 122

ANNUAL EVENTS

- Oct 27th at Noon **Annual Football Raffle**
Doors open at 11 am

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| Exam Title | Exam Date | Sign-up Deadline | Exam Title | Exam Date | Sign-up Deadline |
|------------|------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| WRITTEN | October 9, 2024* | September 6, 2024 | PRACTICAL | September 7, 2024* | August 28, 2024 |
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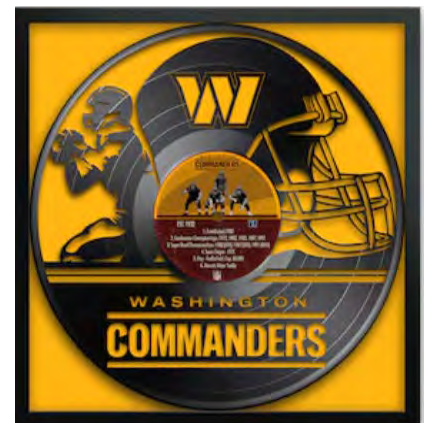
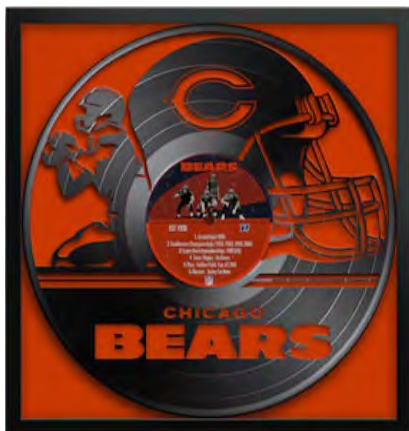
Note: See additional information on Plumbers Local 130 website: www.plumberslu130ua.org under "Training."

Plumbers Local 130 Political Fund 31st Annual PAC Fundraiser Sunday, October 27, 2024

Kick-off at Noon
Doors open at 11am
Plumbers Hall
1340 W. Washington Blvd.
Chicago

Tickets on Sale
Starting 7/9/24

Price: \$150.00 per ticket
(INCLUDES 2 ADMISSIONS
PER TICKET)
Purchase at Plumbers Hall
2nd floor window or from a
Local 130 Officer



PRIZES

GRAND PRIZE - \$15,000 🏈 **2nd PRIZE - \$5,000** 🏈 **3rd PRIZE - \$2,500** 🏈 **Ten 4th PRIZES - \$150**

FOOD & BEVERAGES WILL BE SERVED