



JANUARY * FEBRUARY *** MARCH**

2009

ELECTION RESULTS

Executive Board: STEVE FERNLUND Finance Committee: **MATT GILES**

Inside Guard: MIKE CRAVENS

NEW DUES RATES FOR 2009

Journeyman \$130.00 Apprentice 5thyr. \$102.00 Apprentice 3rd & 4thyr. \$85.00 Apprentice 1st & 2nd yr. \$69.00 Metal Trades \$102.00 Retirees no change. Dues relief no change. If you are interested in **Auto Payment**, please call 651-224-3828.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

HEALTH & BENEFITS FAIR:

The Fair will be held on **April 4, 2009** @ the **Convention Center in Minneapolis**. As Trustees and Local Union Officers, we highly recommend your attendance. Further information will be mailed. **WATERS OFF:**

Waters Off will be held on March 21, 2009, we will be looking for volunteers.

PIPE TRADES CONVENTION:

There will be nominations & elections at our May 12th Union Meeting, the convention will be held in **June 17-19, 2009 in Tower, Minnesota.**

BLDG. TRADES CONVENTION:

There will be nominations and elections at our June 9th Union Meeting for the convention **July 29-31, 2009 in Rochester.**

CHRISTMAS RETIREE LUNCHEON

The Retiree Club and Officers John Dzik, Howard Hanson and Roger Pollok would like to thank the Membership of Local 34 for hosting the Retirees Christmas luncheon that was well attended by 140 members and guests at Mancini's Char House.

Ongratulations! NEW RETIREES

Neal Schafer

Merlin Schindeldecker

There is no substitute for a skilled Local 34 craftsman!



STAG 2008



^S to the following **Contractors and Suppliers** for their **generous** donations to the Stag 2008:

- Accent Berg Plumbing Egan Companies Klamm MN Credit Union PHCC RSC Equipment Rental State Mechanical TEAM
- Albers Century Plumbing Harris MEDICA MN Mechanical Contractors Pipeline Supply Ryan Mechanical State Supply Company US Mechanical
- Beaupre Commercial Plumbing J H Larson Miller, O'Brien, Cummins Oxygen Service Rascher Plumbing Spriggs Sunray Plumbing SPS

Thanks to all the members of Local 34 who volunteered and helped to make the Stag a great success!

JATC NEWS

Attention Apprentices

Spring Semester start the week of January 12, 2009 and Spring Break will be March 16- 20, 2009. Please check your registration for class dates. Any information or questions on journeyman training please call the JATC @ 651-846-1461.

WORK OUTLOOK

Work is slow in Local 34 jurisdiction. Many of the Local's members are working less than 40 hours per week. It is important to remember, that it is highly beneficial to pay as much money in your health benefits as possible. The cost for a member's health coverage at this time is \$1,017.00 dollars per month, which is approximately 139 hours per month -1,674 hours per year.

PLUMBERS 34 WEBSITE

Local Union and training information may be obtained from our Local website at **plumberslocal34.org** you may email us directly from the site. Scroll down left side to the bottom where it says "Contact Local" click on and scroll down to the bottom where you may type your message to be sent.

Have a safe and Happy Holiday Season!

Stanley Theis Business Manager

Thomas McCarthy Business Rep/Financial Secretary Dave Cormier Field Representative



PLEASE remember to contact the office with any address and phone changes.