



PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 34 • ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

4th Quarter: October – November – December 2025

ELECTION DAY

Tuesday,

November 4, 2025

Be sure to support
candidates that
support YOUR job!

We will email
endorsed candidate
list – make sure we
have your correct
email!



*Be sure to show up to vote on Election Day
on Tuesday, November 4, 2025.*

LOCAL 34 NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for office will be held on November 11, 2025, regular Union meeting night at the St. Paul Labor Center, 353 W. 7th St, St. Paul, MN 55102. Nominations will be open for the following offices: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, two (2) Business Agents, Business Manager-Financial Secretary/Treasurer, Inside Guard, four (4) members of the Executive Board, and three (3) members of the Finance Committee.

ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICE: UA Constitution Section 121: No member shall be eligible to be nominated for office in any Local Union unless they shall be a Journey Level member and shall have been a member of the United Association and the Local Union in good standing for at least a period of two (2) years immediately prior to the election. Any Journey Level member who owes or has paid a reinstatement fee within a period of two (2) years immediately prior to the date of the election shall not be eligible to be nominated for office in any Local Union.

ELECTION: Elections will be held on December 9, 2025, at the St. Paul Labor Center, 353 W 7th Street, St. Paul, MN, polls open from 11:00AM to 7:00PM and at Mankato Local 34 offices at 310 McKinzie St, Mankato, MN 56001, polls open from 2:00 – 6:00PM, or until all eligible present have voted. In the event of a tie vote for any position listed above, the run-off election will be at the January Union Meeting.

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE AT LOCAL ELECTION: UA Constitution Section 124A: No member shall nominate candidates for or vote in any election of any description unless they have been a member in good standing in the Local Union where the vote is being taken for a period of one (1) year immediately prior to the date of election. Any member who owes or has paid a reinstatement fee within a period of one (1) year immediately prior to the date of election shall not be eligible to nominate candidates for or vote in any Local Union election. (In accordance with UA Constitution, Section 148B, 4th and 5th Year Apprentices are entitled to vote).

LOCAL 34 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation awarded 6 scholarships in August 2025. The \$500 Trade School scholarship winners were Kyle Benolken, Nicholas Gambeski and Naomi Rigelsky, and the \$1250 College scholarship winners were Natalie Fernlund, Jett Strub and Tabitha Valenzuela.

Former Business Manager, Frank Horak, donated money to start the Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation. To continue providing scholarships for as many applicants as possible, we raise funds through prize raffles at the Picnic, the Golf Tournament and at the June and December Union meetings.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ELECTION DAY: Tuesday, November 4, 2025. Be sure to get out and vote. Vote your JOB!

CHRISTMAS RETIREE LUNCHEON: Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at Mancini's Char House. Invitations will be mailed to all retirees in November.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Premise Health will have 2 nurses available from 5-6 pm, before the October 14, 2025, union meeting, to give flu shots and check blood pressure.

DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING: The December membership meeting on Tue, Dec 9, 2025, will be catered by Mancini's Char House. Be sure to come to the meeting, enjoy some good food and enter drawings to raise money for the Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW RETIREES

David Tsia Lo Thomas Schweitzer Randall Weiser

BUILDING CORPORATION MEETING

Annual Building Corporation Membership Meeting: November 11, 2025, 5:30 pm, at St. Paul Labor Center, 353 W 7th St, St. Paul, MN 55102

SYMPATHIES

Local 34 extends its deepest sympathies to the family of:

Robert Nicklay Loren Peterson Richard Robinson Gary Schaub Schlager

2025 ANNUAL PICNIC

This year we want to thank Mike and Jessica Carlson and family for their work orchestrating the fun events at the picnic. The new location required some changes, but what a great day!

Thanks to all who participated in the fundraising raffle - we raised \$1,121!

A big THANK YOU to the following Contractors for their generous donations:

Associated Mechanical	Berg Plumbing & Htg	Bill Rascher Mech	Bredahl Plumbing
Building Trades Credit Union	Century Plumbing	Cities One Plumbing	Climate Makers
Commercial Plbg & Htg	Corporate Mechanical	Corval Group	Cummins & Cummins
Egan Company	Gilbert Mechanical	GR Mechanical	Harris Mechanical
Horwitz Mechanical	Jayhawk Mechanical	Kraft Mechanical	Major Mechanical
Modern Htg & Air	Northland Mechanical	Rascher Plbg & Htg	Red Wing Plbg & Htg
Schadegg Mechanical	Spriggs Plbg & Htg	Stewart Plumbing	Sun Ray Plbg & Htg
Total Mechanical	Union Bank & Trust	Woodbury Mechanical	

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

I hope you had a great summer and enjoyed the Labor Day weekend.

Work hours have been very good over the summer, and we are optimistic about some projects starting this fall. There continues to be hospital work on the horizon. I encourage you to obtain a Med Gas certification to make yourself as employable as possible. Also necessary are City licenses and RPZ certifications. Reach out to the Training Department to inquire about these classes.

This year is mainly a local election year, I urge you to use your power to vote. I encourage you to support candidates that support our work, licensing, Prevailing Wage, and Collective Bargaining rights. School Boards, City Councils and County government can have a big influence on our work. Watch your email for endorsed candidates and ballot initiatives.

In Solidarity,

Dean W. Gale, Business Manager/Financial Secretary-Treasurer

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
	Oct. 27,2025	2020 MN Plumbing Chapter 4	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Oct. 29,2025	Water Management & ICRA	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Nov. 17,2025	Drainage Review & Venting	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Nov. 19,2025	Wet Venting & other Venting	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Nov. 24,2025	Sizing Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Dec. 15,2025	Medical Gas NFPA 99,2024	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Dec. 16,2025	Water Heaters & Scalding	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Dec. 17,2025	Basic Plumbing & Regulations	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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So much fun for the whole family at the annual picnic!!

PLUMBERS LOCAL 34 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Plumbers Local 34 Golf Tournament was a success once again. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Local 34 Scholarship Foundation. Many thanks to everyone who participated.

CAR SHOW

Plumbers Local 34 held the 2nd annual Car Show on July 25th at the new Training Center, organized by Brian Myers. It was another great event with cool cars and motorcycles. Congratulations to winners Steve Wilson, John Heddle, Mitch Schaber, John Sherman and Brian Myers. We look forward to seeing you there next year!

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"Our movement is of the working people, for the working people, by the working people...There is not a right too long denied to which we do not aspire in order to achieve; there is not a wrong too long endured that we are not determined to abolish."

Samuel Gompers