



2nd Quarter: April – May – June 2020

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

To the Members of Plumbers Local 34:

During this global pandemic, the Union Office would like to provide updates and resources to be used in this unprecedented situation. This global pandemic may cause hardships for Local 34 Members. As Officers of Local 34, we are doing everything in our power to keep members and their families safe.

List of Updates and Resources:

- Expect limited access to the union office. Please call the office before coming to the hall.
- If you are laid off, please contact Jeff or Heidi @ 651-224-3828. You do not need to fill out a lay-off card. Once you call, we will fill it out.
- Use email whenever possible - email addresses are on the web site.
www.plumberslocal34.org
- Go to Plumbers Local 34 website and sign up for our newsletter or news signup, to receive email updates directly to your inbox.
- The Mankato March Membership meeting is canceled.
- The April Union meeting is canceled. Allocation will occur at tentatively scheduled May Meeting.
- All contract negotiations are suspended, including Mankato, St. Paul Schools, and MAC.
- All negotiated increases will be retroactive to May 1st.

- All classes scheduled by the JATC are canceled for St. Paul and Mankato, including Apprenticeship and Continuing Education.
- Check the Pipe Trades Services of MN website for information on the clinics. www.ptsmn.org
- Download the Plumbers and Gasfitters Local 34 app on your phone for updates.
- Check the MN State Building Trades web site for information on unemployment and the construction industry statewide. www.mntrades.org
- The Building Trades Credit Union locations have changed their availability. See their website for more information. www.buildingtradescu.com
- The Spring Retiree Luncheon has been canceled. If you paid dues this year, that amount will be applied to 2021.

On a Positive Note:

- Congratulations to the 5th year Apprentices who recently completed the program. Welcome to our new Journey Level Workers!
- Congratulations go out to our new retirees:
Marlin Arends, Joseph Carlson, Steven Horak, and John Rockenback.
- Congratulations to our 50-Year Honorary Members in 2020:
Bruce Bernhjelm, Ronald Brothen, Dennis Dionisopoulos, Richard Greene, Dennis Hoppe, William Loesch, William Luskey, Jerry Maanum, William Nohava, Melvin Novak and Steven Steele.

Our Deepest Sympathies to the families of:
Willard Halweg and Howard Hanson

Our hope is to keep the Members of Local 34 as informed as possible on this ever-changing situation. We thank you for your support and the hard work you perform every day. Please keep us informed as per job site situations.

Thank you.

In Solidarity,

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Business Manager

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