



# PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 34 • ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter: July – August – September 2024

## SPECIAL ELECTION

One (1) Executive Board Member

Nominations: July 9, 2024, Union Meeting

Election: August 13, 2024, Union Meeting

Polls open 11:00 am to 7:00 pm,  
St. Paul Labor Center, 353 7<sup>th</sup> St W,  
Main Hall.

## ANNUAL PICNIC

Sat, August 24, 2024

Battle Creek Pavillon @ McKnight  
and Upper Afton Rds

12-4 pm

## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

I hope everyone is having a great summer.

Since we ratified our new Zone 1 Contract, work has picked up significantly. We are optimistic that as we move through the year, our hours will continue to improve. We have had a chance to book some members through Local 455 and other Locals around the Midwest. The \$5B Mayo expansion should take off next year, and med gas licenses will be in high demand. There are significant hospital projects happening in the Twin Cities over the next several years that will also require med gas certification.

At the June meeting, we initiated our new Apprentice class, recognized our 25-year members, and honored the new 50-year members. We continue to grow the Local year after year since the recession, putting our current total membership at 995. This is a testament to the strength and commitment of the Local.

We will continue to grill hot dogs before membership meetings this summer through September. Be sure to show up early for food and fellowship.

Have a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration.

In Solidarity,

Dean W. Gale  
Business Manager/Financial Secretary-Treasurer

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**MN BUILDING TRADES CONVENTION:** July 17-19, in Rochester, MN.

**CAR SHOW:** July 26, 2024, 5-8 pm at Plumbers Local 34 Hall.

**ANNUAL PICNIC:** The annual picnic will be held at Battle Creek Park on Saturday, August 24, 2024. Matt Giles is looking for volunteers to help with this fun event!

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:** September 7, 2024, at Lost Spur Golf and Event Center. Watch your email and our website for registration information. Call the hall for more information.

**CHRISTMAS RETIREE LUNCHEON:** Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at Mancini's Char House.



*Honorable Mention Apprentice of the Year, Stephanie Mullin, at the Women Building Success awards ceremony on June 6, 2024.*

# ZONE 1 CONTRACT SETTLEMENT & ALLOCATION

EFFECTIVE 5/20/2024

## LANGUAGE CHANGES:

3-Year Contract

<b>HOURLY BASE</b>	<b>\$47.93</b>
Credit Union Savings	\$ 3.20
General Fund	4.12
Building Fund	0.25
Organizing	0.25
UA Issues	0.05
<b>TAXABLE FRINGE</b>	<b>\$7.87</b>
<b>TAXABLE HOURLY</b>	<b>\$55.80</b>

Drug Testing: Update CBA language to reflect law changes, retain current worker protections

Double-time on Saturday: Starting May 1, 2025 (except Residential and Multi-family, 4-stories and under). No change to Service and Emergency.

Double-time on Sunday for emergency work (Commercial and Residential).

General Foreman Increase \$0.35 each year

Foreman Increase \$0.25 each year

We rejected waivers for ESST or PFMLA. Your employer must follow these laws.

<b>NON-TAXABLE FRINGES</b>	
Health & Welfare	\$12.31
Retiree Health Trust	1.55
Pension	12.67
Supplemental	4.30
Apprentice Training Fund	1.52
Industry Fund	0.21
Int'l Training Fund	0.10
<b>NON-TAXABLE FRINGE</b>	<b>\$32.66</b>

**TOTAL HOURLY PACKAGE** **\$88.46**

<b>Foreman</b>	<b>+ \$4.20</b>
<b>General Foreman</b>	<b>+ \$5.70</b>
<b>Parking</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>

## SYMPATHIES

Local 34 extends its deepest sympathies to the families of:

**David Abel   Robert Grabowski   Martin Lowe   William Rhode**

## CHRISTMAS RETIREE LUNCHEON

Our Annual Retiree Christmas Luncheon will be hosted by Local 34 at Mancini's Char House on Tuesday, December 3, 2024. Information will be sent out to Retirees in November.

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### **CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW RETIREES**

Gerald Keating   Katherine Rohrbacher   Daniel Smith

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## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

We look forward to awarding scholarships through the Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation. Check our website for more information on how and when to apply: [www.plumberslocal34.org](http://www.plumberslocal34.org). Several other scholarships are available, through the MN AFL-CIO, Building Trades Credit Union, and MN Pipe Trades Association. For more scholarships, you may also check with other banks with whom you do business, your spouse's employer, and even city and community programs.

# Continuing Education Class offered through the JATC

Plumbers Local 34 Union Hall  
 St. Paul Labor Center  
 353 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
 St. Paul, MN 55102

Gentleman 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 change to 4:30 – 8:30pm

**Email the completed form** to: [heather@plumbers34training.com](mailto:heather@plumbers34training.com)

Indicate the courses you would like to register for:

X	Date	Course Name	Code Credit	Tech. Credit	Location	Time
	Sept. 12,2024	Water Management & ICRA	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Sept. 17,2024	MN UPC Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Sept. 19,2024	2020 MN Plumbing Chapter 4	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Oct. 10,2024	Water Heaters & Scalding	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Oct. 15, 2024	2020 Code Changes Part 1	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Oct. 17,2024	2020 Code Changes Part 2	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Oct. 29,2024	Medical Gas NFPA 99,2021	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Nov. 14,2024	MN UPC Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	Nov. 18,2024	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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*Congratulations on 50-Years of Local 34 membership! Pictured: Alvaro Sarzoza, Business Manager Dean Gale, Mark Sager.*

## APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING

The Training Department is looking for instructors for all classes. With the changes at Saint Paul College, we now have flexibility and can offer shorter training segments. Contact the Training Office: [info@plumbers34training.com](mailto:info@plumbers34training.com) or 651-315-6154.

Congratulations to Apprentice Jeffrey Zuehlsdorff for placing third in the District 4 Apprenticeship Contest, going against apprentices in 11 states. Nice work!

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“We are seeing historic wins resulting in more work and better wages for UA members. President Biden promised to be the most pro-union and pro-UA president in history – and he’s delivering.”

- UA General President Mark McManus

