

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2025

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

MEETING DATES

Executive Board Meeting	January 8th	5:00pm
Finance Committee Meeting	None Scheduled	
Union Meeting	January 22nd	7:30pm
Pension & H/W	None Scheduled	
JATC Meeting	None Scheduled	

RETIREE LUNCHEON

No Retiree Lunch in January

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LOCAL 101'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS UNION MEETING AND DINNER

This years' Christmas dinner and Union Meeting was attended by over 100 members. As always the food provided Royel catering was great. Many of the members walked away with nice gifts donated by the vendors or gift cards.

**THE LOCAL 101 OFFICERS & STAFF WISH YOU & YOUR FAMILY THE
VERY BEST FOR THE NEW YEAR**

NOTICES:

2025 DATES TO REMEMBER

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| 1/22/25 - UNION MEETING | 2/26/2025 - UNION MEETING |
| 3/26/2025 - UNION MEETING | 4/1/2025 - ILLINOIS CONSOLIDATED ELECTION |
| 4/23/2025 - UNION MEETING | 5/28/2025 - UNION MEETING |
| 6/25/2025 - UNION MEETING | 7/23/2025 - UNION MEETING |
| 8/27/2025 - UNION MEETING | 9/1/2025 - LABOR DAY PARADE/PICNIC |
| 9/24/2025 - BBQ MEETING | 10/3/2025 - 101 GOLF OUTING |
| 10/22/2025 - UNION MEETING | 11/26/2025 - UNION MEETING |
| 12/17/2025 - CHRISTMAS PARTY | |

CONGRATULATIONS:

RETIREMENTS



Member David Kampwerth retired on 1/1/2025. David was a plumber with Gerstner Plumbing. He is a 35 year member.

NEW APPRENTICE



Cole Wiedwilt is a new 1st year plumbing apprentice with RMK Plumbing. Welcome to the Local.

REMINDERS:

TURN IN YOUR 2025 HEALTH INSURANCE ENROLLMENT FORMS ASAP!

When you have been laid off, it is your responsibility to inform the Hall. Please call to let us know your lay-off date. This includes members who have been traveling.

When working a job that is out of Local 101's jurisdiction, it is not only a courtesy, but also necessary that you call the Business Manager of that particular jurisdiction. Jurisdictional Maps & Local Contact Information are available at our Hall.

A locked Drop-Box is located adjacent to the Administrative Office Doors. Anyone needing to drop off union dues payments, confidential paperwork, etc. after hours is encouraged to use the box as it is checked every morning.

OTHER NEWS

~IN SYMPATHY~.

THOMAS JOLLEY (4/15/24)

DAVID VOSS (4/19/24)

ROBERT MATZENBACHER (5/17/24)

DONALD VOEGTLE (8/17/24)

KURT SPIES (9/21/24)

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE BROTHERS & SISTERS WE LOST THIS YEAR

Congratulations to the Officers Elected

BUSINESS MANAGER

DANIEL MCKENNA

PRESIDENT

MATT BIEKERT

VICE PRESIDENT

GABE PRANGE

RECORDING SECRETARY

SCOT LUCHTEFELD

INSIDE GUARD

RICH FUESS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

BRIAN POIROT (43 VOTES)

ZACH HAWTHORNE (40 VOTES)

LUKE GRUCHALA (36 VOTES)

COREY HAGARTY (35 VOTES)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

NICK GRUCHALA (46 VOTES)

DALE SCHREMP (42 VOTES)

BRIAN KREHER (33 VOTES)

EXAMINING BOARD

KYLE SIGMAN (44VOTES)

JEFF MITCHELL (41 VOTES)

JIM FORAN (28 VOTES)

FROM THE BENEFIT'S OFFICE

401k Fund:

If you wish to make changes to or start your 401(k), please submit your forms by March 15th to be effective April 1st. If you need a form for changing your hourly deduction or investment choice, contact the Hall or email Kelly at kelly@local101.net. You may also print the forms from the Local 101 website and mail or fax them to us.

PENSION:

If you are retiring, follow these steps:

Notify the Pension Fund a minimum of three months before your retirement date, which is always the 1st of the month. So, if you want to retire 12/1/2025, let us know by September 1, 2025.

You will be mailed an application, once you receive, complete, and return the application.

Then, you will get mailed your Election Forms from Ekon Benefits, this is where you select what monthly option/ amount you want to receive, these forms get returned to the Pension Fund so you can start receiving your direct deposit/check on the first of the month.

You can request an Estimate prior to retiring, just call Kelly in the Benefit Office at Local 101 and she will have Ekon Benefits mail you your ESTIMATED Election forms, which show you all options and amounts available for your retirement.

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TRAINING NEWS:

EXPIRED CERTIFICATIONS

JAMIE ATTERBERRY	SMAW/GTAW	12/30/24
DEVON BECKER	UA50/51	10/17/24
MICHAEL PLUNKETT	SMAW	12/3/24

CERTIFICATIONS COMING DUE

DAVID BODEN	MED GAS BRAZE	3/15/25
WAYNE DOWNING	MED GAS BRAZE	2/9/25
LUKE GRUCHALA	MED GAS BRAZE	2/7/25
ADAM JUENGER	MED GAS BRAZE	1/11/25
PAT COLEMAN	SMAW/GTAW	2/28/25
JUSTIN KOLLMAN	UA50/51	3/9/25
RACHEL LABLANCE	SMAW/GTAW	3/6/25
GAVIN MODESITT	UA 50/51	3/1/25
ALAN NOLL	SMAW	2/16/25
BRAD QUIRIN	SMAW/GTAW	2/2/253
DOUG VANHOOSE	SMAW	8/29/25

SPRING 2025 CLASSES

PLUMBING CONTINUE EDUCATION

- SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025 @ 8AM
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2025 @ 5PM

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- MONDAY NIGHTS 1/20/25 - 5/12/25

WELDING CLASS

- WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 1/22/25 - 5/14/25

