

# NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025

## MONTHLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### MEETING DATES

|                           |                |        |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------|
| Executive Board Meeting   | April 9th      | 5:00pm |
| Finance Committee Meeting | None Scheduled |        |
| Union Meeting             | April 23       | 7:30pm |
| Pension & H/W             | None Scheduled |        |
| JATC Meeting              | None Scheduled |        |

### RETIREE LUNCHEON

Thursday, April 17, 2025 @ Noon

Ham & Baked Mostaccioli

Salad & Rolls

Cheesecake

### PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 101

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**NOTICES:**

**BENEFITS**

**401k Fund:**

If you wish to make changes to or start your 401(k), please submit your forms **by June 15<sup>th</sup>** to be effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you need a form for changing your hourly deduction or investment choice, contact the Hall or email Kelly at [kelly@local101.net](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

Normal Age of Retirement is age 62 for active/vested participants.

**CONGRATULATIONS:**

**YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS**

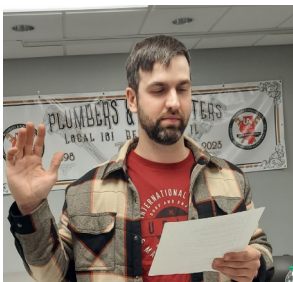


Congratulations to David Prost on 40 years of Service to Local 101 and the UA.



Congratulations to Tommy Simpson on 40 years of Service to Local 101 and the UA.

**SWEARING IN**



Local 101 swore in new member Brant Huff at the February Union Meeting. Brant works for Bel-O Sales and Service.



Local 101 swore in new member Cody Frieman at the March Union Meeting. Cody works for T.M Weir.



## Members-Only Benefits Through the National Coalition of Labor

As a member Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 101, you and your family are eligible to take advantage of additional members-only benefits offered by your union through the [National Coalition of Labor](http://National Coalition of Labor) | [coalitionoflabor.org](http://coalitionoflabor.org)

### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE MEMBERS-ONLY BENEFITS:



- **FREE** \$10,000 in Life Insurance\*
- **FREE** \$5,000 in AD& D Insurance\*
- **FREE** Allstate Roadside Assistance
- **FREE** Financial Planning
- **FREE** Union Legal Services
- **FREE** Discount Perk Program
- **FREE** Credit Union
- **DISCOUNTED** Short-Term Disability\*
- **DISCOUNTED** Costco Membership
- **DISCOUNTED** Hearing Protection

#### Additional cost-saving benefits:

- Critical Illness Insurance\*
- Accident Insurance\*
- Up to \$350,000 in Additional Life & AD&D Insurance\*
- College Tuition Programs
- Social Security Disability
- Tax Preparation
- Nationwide Lodging Discounts
- And More!**

\*Active Members Only

You can learn more about all of the NCL's benefits at [www.coalitionoflabor.org](http://www.coalitionoflabor.org) and clicking the "Benefits" link at the top of the page.

The National Coalition of Labor is a non-profit coalition of unions dedicated to providing benefits to nearly 300,000 members. By working together to purchase benefits, we are able to achieve cost savings that allow unions to provide these benefits to members at either no cost or at heavily discounted rates.

[WWW.COALITIONOFLABOR.ORG](http://WWW.COALITIONOFLABOR.ORG)  
(800) 433-2099



## New Insurance and Benefits for UA Local 101 Members

Check out the new benefits and insurance to Local 101 members on our [website](#). The enrollment period for members will be from May 1st until June 30th. After those dates our annual enrollment will be in October. Please make sure to visit the [NCL Local 101 page](#).

**TRAINING NEWS:**

**EXPIRED CERTIFICATIONS**

|                  |               |           |
|------------------|---------------|-----------|
| PAT COLEMAN      | SMAW/GTAW     | 2/28/2025 |
| GAVIN MODESITT   | UA 50/51      | 3/1/2025  |
| MICHAEL PLUNKETT | SMAW          | 12/3/2025 |
| DAVID BODEN      | MED GAS BRAZE | 3/15/2025 |
| LUKE GRUCHALA    | MED GAS BRAZE | 2/7/2025  |

**CERTIFICATIONS COMING DUE**

|                   |               |           |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|
| STEVE BUETTNER    | MED GAS BRAZE | 5/30/2025 |
| BRIAN POIROT      | MED GAS BRAZE | 4/25/2025 |
| JUSTIN SAMPSON    | MED GAS BRAZE | 5/7/2025  |
| JUSTIN ANDRACSEK  | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| ADAM FISH         | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| NICK GRUCHALA     | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| SPENCER KOHRMANN  | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| MIKE SCHRAND, JR. | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| NICK STRUBHART    | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| AARON VON BOKEL   | FOREMAN       | 5/13/2025 |
| MICHAEL PETREA    | SMAW/GTAW     | 4/3/2025  |
| DONALD STITZEL    | SMAW/GTAW     | 4/3/2025  |
| CONNOR JEFFERSON  | SMAW/GTAW     | 4/4/2025  |
| KYLE SIGMAN       | SMAW          | 4/4/2025  |
| MIKE THOMPSON     | UA 50/51      | 4/9/2025  |
| ADAM FISH         | SMAW          | 4/18/2025 |
| AMY EHRET         | UA 50/51      | 4/22/2025 |
| JOSH WINTERMANN   | UA50/51       | 4/30/2025 |
| RON STARK         | SMAW          | 5/8/2025  |
| WES BUEHNE        | SMAW/GTAW     | 5/23/2025 |

# APRIL 2025

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

## March 2025

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| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |

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|--------|-----------------------------|----|-----------------------------|--|----|----|
| 6      | 7                           | 8  | 9                           | 10   | 11 | 12 |
|        |                             |    | Executive Board Meeting 5pm |  |    |    |
| 13     | 14                          | 15 | 16                          | 17   | 18 | 19 |
|        | Backflow Classes Start 5pm. |    |                             | Retiree Lunch<br>Baked Ham<br>Mostaccioli<br>Salad & Rolls |    |    |
| 20     | 21                          | 22 | 23                          | 24   | 25 | 26 |
| Easter |                             |    | Union Meeting 7:30pm        |  |    |    |
| 27     | 28                          | 29 | 30                          |  |    |    |

## May 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 27     | 28     | 29      | 30        | 1        | 2      | 3        |
| 4      | 5      | 6       | 7         | 8        | 9      | 10       |
| 11     | 12     | 13      | 14        | 15       | 16     | 17       |
| 18     | 19     | 20      | 21        | 22       | 23     | 24       |
| 25     | 26     | 27      | 28        | 29       | 30     | 31       |