



**PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTERS
LOCAL #142
JOURNEYMEN & APPRENTICES UAPP
AUGUST**



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August 2008

MONTHLY CALENDAR

Aug. 4, 2008 5:30 P.M	Executive Board Meeting
Aug. 5 2008 6:00 PM	JATC Meeting
Aug. 7 2008 5:00 P.M.	Finance Board Meeting
Aug. 11, 2008 5:30 P.M.	Union Meeting @ Hermann Sons
Aug. 20, 2008 12 Noon	Retired Members' Luncheon

Office E-Mail

If you'd like to communicate with the union office via e-mail, please use the following addresses:

*Richard Weyel
rweyel@local142.org*

*To check your dues balance or if you have insurance or pension questions — Teri
terih@local142.org*

*For changes of address and new phone numbers, missed meeting excuses, and general inquiries — Jennifer
jfloyd@local142.org*

*For continuing education/med gas classes or any question pertaining to the Apprenticeship or Helpers —
Jeanelle — jtabor@local142.org*

Eddie Moran - emoran@local142.org















































































 * RETIRED MEMBERS' CLUB *
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 * Thank you to Sharon & Wayne Wootan *
 * for sponsoring the July lunch. *
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 * The next Retirees Lunch is set for *
 * Wednesday, August 20th. *
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 * As always, all retirees are welcome *
 * to join us! *
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

**AS PER THE LOCAL 142
CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS,
UNION MEETING
ATTENDANCE CARDS WILL
NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED
UNTIL THE MEETING IS
CONCLUDED.**

**CARDS MAY NOT BE LEFT ON
THE TABLES OR HANDED IN
PRIOR TO THE END OF THE
MEETING.**

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- TRAINING COORDINATOR**
- *PLEASE CALL THE APPRENTICESHIP SCHOOL TO SIGN UP FOR A CLASS.* 226-2661**
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- School begins Tuesday September 2, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. ALL APPRENTICES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND.**
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- Bids on the Lincoln IDEALARC 250 welding machines will be taken until the August 12, 2008 regular union meeting.**
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- Plumbing Continuing Ed**
- Aug. 2, 2008 Jan. 17, 2009**
- Sept. 20, 2008 Feb. 21, 2009**
- Oct. 18, 2008 Mar. 21, 2009**
- Nov. 15, 2008 Apr. 18, 2009**
- Dec. NO CLASS May 16, 2009**
- Jun. 20, 2009**
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- HVAC Continuing Ed**
- Oct. 18, 2008 Jul. 18, 2009**
- Jan. 17, 2009 Oct. 17, 2009**
- Apr. 18, 2009**
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- Med Gas Continuing Ed**
- Oct. 8, 2009 Jul. 8, 2009**
- Jan. 14, 2009 Oct. 14, 2009**
- Apr. 8, 2009**
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- 42 Hour Med Gas Course**
- Jan. 14, 2009**
- July 8, 2009**
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-  **ZENITH NEWS** 
-  **To log onto the Zenith website to check eligibility or pension information go to www.zenithadm.com** 
-  **The user name is your last name and the password will be your social security number without the dashes. To contact Zenith concerning your hour bank, pension, or any other general questions please call: 1-866-777-0142** 
-  **Marissa—Insurance ext. 11-1247** 
-  **Carol (hour bank)—ext. 11-1239** 
-  **Lily—Pension Office ext. 11-1225** 
-  **All BC/BS claims as well as eye care expense receipts should be mailed to Zenith at their Houston address by your BC/BS provider:** 
-  **Zenith Administrators** 
-  **P.O. Box 721941** 
-  **Houston, TX 77272** 
-  **If you have questions on your insurance, please call 1-866-777-0142.** 
-  **This is also the number for your doctors to confirm eligibility.** 
-  **If you are seeing a non BC/BS provider, please send your claims to:** 
-  **BCBS of Texas** 
-  **P.O. Box 660044** 
-  **Dallas, TX 75266** 
-  **If you have problems, you can also call Teri at the union hall at 226-1244, ext. 11.** 
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Prescription Info

IF YOU ARE HAVING
 PROBLEMS WITH YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS,
 PLEASE CALL NMHC CUSTOMER SERVICE
 AT
 1-866-510-2866.

CREDIT UNION NEWS

Congratulations Students!!!!

We congratulate Marriah Miranda who won our first annual "A" Club drawing for \$100.00 cash. All of our student members were eligible to submit an entry to the drawing for each A on their year end report card and Marriah won the drawing. We honor all of our student members for all of their hard work during the year.

Congratulations to our new Journeymen!!!

If you are turning out as journeyman this year through July your name will automatically be put our first annual Journeyman drawing for \$250.00 cash to be given away August 1st. All the unions with eligible members will be entered. We will call the winner just as soon as the drawing is over on Friday. If you turn out later in the year your name will be entered next summer.

Our summer loan special is still going on. \$1200.00 at 9% APR for 12 months at \$107.00 per month until paid. If you got one last year and made all your payments on time you are automatically approved this year.

LU 142 Credit Union Contact Numbers:

210 - 226 - 4536

1 - 800 - 687 - 5838

Marcie — ext. 11

Hope — ext. 16 Lisa — ext. 13

PLEASE CALL MISSED MEETING EXCUSES IN TO JENNIFER AT 226-1244 EXT. 12

If you leave a message, please state your full name, which company you work for, the job you're working on, and the REASON you will have to miss the meeting.

A valid reason must be given in order to request an excuse.

Congratulations to Mike Romo who has retired from the City of San Antonio

401K

To access your 401 K information, the web-site address is:

www.gwrs.com/metlife

You will need your SS# and pin #. If you do not have a pin established, you will have to request one and it will be mailed to you.

Great West customer service number is: 1-877-732-4015

FINANCIAL SECRETARY - TREASURER

Dues payments can be made at the union hall office, by mail, dropped off in the mail slot at the union hall, or paid on the night of the union meeting.

RICHARD'S REPORT

Plumbers OOW: 7

Fitters OOW: 28

HVAC OOW: 3

At the present time, work has slowed down. Before dragging up, always call the hall to see what the work situation looks like. AJ Monier has work at Ft. Sam and will be manning up soon. Also, DSI should be picking up hands for the TCC jobs by late September or early October. We are waiting to hear about other jobs out there.

Brothers, I have no reason to explain why we are our worst enemy. We have a small percentage of brothers who regularly either miss work, are late to work, or will not stay at work all day. That group of brothers will not call in to work to let the foreman know that he won't be there. They also use cell phones excessively during working hours. L.C. Mosel has had such a problem with absences and tardies for the first time since they have been in business, they have now had to write new company rules on this issue. Brothers & sisters, this is a grave insult to the members of Local 142. Members of Local 142 were not insulted by L.C. Mosel Co. but by the actions of the small percentage of brothers who do not or will not comply with the Collective Bargaining Agreement. As members of Local 142, we are obligated to follow the contract. My job as Business Manager is to follow the contract. When the contractors go astray from the contract, I will call them on it. So in turn, it is reasonable for the contractors to expect me to make the members uphold the contract. It is up to the members to police themselves. When a member misses work or is always late, not only does it cost the contractor money but it costs our members money as well. The MCA thinks that we make too much money now, and this is why the brothers can afford to miss work! We all miss work now and then and are late sometimes, but please don't make a habit of it. You are hurting them members of Local 142.

We will be needing med gas plumbers for upcoming jobs. Please think about obtaining your certification for med gas.

~~~Richard Weyel

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