



PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 142

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☐	<u>MONTHLY CALENDAR</u>										☐	
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☐	Aug. 6, 2007	5:30 P.M	Executive Board								Meeting	☐
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☐	Aug. 9, 2007	5:00 P.M.	Finance Board								Meeting	☐
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☐	Aug. 13, 2007	5:30 P.M.	UNION MEETING								at Hermann Sons	☐
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☐	Aug. 15, 2007	12 Noon	Retired Members'								Luncheon	☐
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☐	Aug. 21, 2007	6:00 P.M.	JATC Meeting									☐
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UAPP 142 Health & Welfare Fund Benefit Modifications

Please note: At the Health & Welfare Committee meeting on March 6, 2007, it was reported to the committee by John Gandy of Segal Company that some changes needed to be made to the Health & Welfare plan. The committee had hoped to wait until July 2007, but unfortunately, the modifications cannot wait. Effective April 1, 2007, the modification to the plan will be as follows:

	Revised	Current
Lifetime Maximum	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Calendar year deductible	\$200	\$200
In patient hospital deductible	\$200	\$100
Accident benefit 100%	\$250	\$500
PPO reimbursement	80%	90%
Non-PPO reimbursement	60%	75%
Out of pocket limit	\$4,150	\$4,150

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

If you leave a message, please state your name, what 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.

RETIRED MEMBERS' CLUB

The next retiree dinner is set for
Wednesday, August 15th at noon. Walter Dill will be preparing pork steaks, so please call the union office to **RSVP** so we'll have an accurate head count.
As always, all retirees are welcome to join us.



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TRAINING COORDINATOR

****Please call the Apprenticeship School to sign up for a class. 226-2661**

Plb. Continuing Ed 2007-2008
Aug. 11 Jan. 19
Sept. 15 Feb. 16
Oct. 20 Mar. 15
Nov. 17 Apr. 19
No Dec. class May 17
Jun. 19

HVAC Continuing Ed
Oct. 20, 2007

Jan. 19, 2008
Apr. 19, 2008
July 19, 2008
Oct. 18, 2008

HELP

We recently found two young men working as helpers who had not signed up with us at the hall. We need everyone who is working with a helper to check their unindentured apprentice card. All helpers who sign up with us are required to carry this card. It's the size of a business card & yellow with the old pipe & tool UA logo on it. At the top it says UA Local 142 Unindentured Apprentice, along with the helper's name, file number, date, and signature. It is signed by either Eddie Moran or Jeanelle Tabor. If you find one who doesn't have one of these cards, please call us at the Apprentice School so we can check our records.

If anyone wants to take a journeyman class of any sort, call the school and get on a list. We will then inform you when one is scheduled.

~ ~ Eddie

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

Blanca—ext. 11-1235

Katie (pension)—ext. 11-1228

Carol (hour bank)—ext. 11-1239

All claims should be mailed to Zenith at the Houston address:

Zenith Administrators
P.O. Box 721941
Houston, TX 77272

If you have questions, please call Blanca at 1-866-777-0142 ext. 11 1235. This is also the number for your doctors to confirm eligibility.

If you have problems, you can also call Teri at the union hall at 226-1244 ext. 11.

401K

To access your 401 K information, the website address is:

www.metlife.gwrs.com

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:

1-877-713-4015



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FINANCIAL SECRETARY
REPORT

Dues payments can be made several different ways. You can pay at the union office, by mail, dropped off in the night deposit box, or paid on the night of the union meeting.

~Greg

Prescription Info

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

DID YOU KNOW...

The newsletter is posted each month on the Local 142 website.

www.local142.org



CREDIT UNION NEWS

Great News for those of you who take advantage of our ATM and Visa Debit Card program!

If you look at the back of your card you will see this symbol:



Any financial institutions and businesses who are a member of the CO-OP Network, as we are, offer surcharge-free ATM machines! They include:

- 7-Eleven stores
- Air Force Federal Credit Union
- Anheuser-Busch Employees Credit Union
- Motorola Employees Credit Union
- Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union
- Southeast Community Credit Union
- St Joseph's Credit Union
- Toyota Federal Credit Union
- Texhillco School Employees Federal Credit Union (in Kerrville)
- TRM Corporation (in New Braunfels)
- TruWest Credit Union (in Austin)
- United Heritage Credit Union (in Austin)
- Valley Credit Union (in San Jose, Ca)

There are 100 locations in a 100 mile radius of our office, so look for the CO-OP symbol!

It's back to school time again. The kids must have all the clothes and tools they need for a successful school year. Maybe you have all that covered and you need a break! We're offering a Back-To-School loan special:

\$1200 at 9% for 12 months. Your payment will be \$107.00 per month until paid.

We gave you the same offer for Christmas last winter and if you took advantage of it then, you can add \$1200 to it and pay it off at the same rate and the same payments by adding 12 months to the term.

Call us soon! 210-226-4536 or 800-687-5838.

Remember Pat, your Personal Automated Teller, extension 20 from the main number or call her direct at 299-0245.

**You can reach us at 226-4536
or 1-800-687-5838
Marcie— ext. 11
Hope— ext. 16**





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BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Work outlook: The work outlook is very good at the present, and all plumbers who want to work are employed. Many plumbers are on the road, and by choice, wish to remain on travel card. Pipefitters and welders are starting to move off the list, and at the present time Brandt is calling for most of the hands.

There is a big demand for welders across the country. We have a great demand for med gas plumbers as well, so if you've taken the med gas course, please go to Austin and take the test. We also need helpers, so if you know of anyone who would make a good helper please send them to us.

On the contract—at the time of this report, no progress has been made. Maybe by the time you receive this newsletter, something may be resolved. Both sides know that there is plenty of work for the next year or two. The contractors say that they need relief with working conditions so they can compete when times are not good. Your negotiation committee knows what our members want and need, and will work toward these needs. Many members who wanted to vote on the contract weren't able to because they had gone delinquent on their dues. Once you lose your benefits, rights, & privileges it takes a year to regain them. Please pay your

.dues on time. This is a bad time to lose your voting rights.

Again, we are having a hard time getting in touch with some members. Please check to see if we have your updated addresses and phone numbers.

~~Richard

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Union Hall E-mail

* Remember, you can e-mail any of us at the union hall office with changes of address, new phone numbers, general inquiries, or to check on your dues. *

* Richard: rweyel@local142.org *

* Teri: terih@local142.org *

* Jennifer: jfloyd@local142.org *

* For apprenticeship questions or to schedule a continuing education or med gas class: *

* Eddie: emoran@local142.org *

* Jeanelle: jtabor@local142.org *

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