MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE PIPING INDUSTRY'S FIRST CHOICE BY FOSTERING AND PROMOTING PROFESSIONALISM THROUGH EXCELLENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY.

May & June 2019

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

The meetings listed below will be the only scheduled meetings for the period indicated. All United Association members must present their UNION CARD to attend the General Meetings listed below. ***NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.***

MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT 34 HIGGINS AVENUE

FINANCE COMMITTEE:	**TUESDAY, May 7 AT 4:00 PM** **TUESDAY, June 11 AT 4:00 PM**
EXECUTIVE BOARD:	**WEDNESDAY, May 8 AT 4:00 PM** **WEDNESDAY, June 12 AT 4:00 PM**
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP:	**THURSDAY, May 9 AT 8:00 PM** **THURSDAY, June 13 AT 8:00 PM**
SPRINKLER FITTERS:	**TUESDAY, APRIL 30 AT 5:30 PM**

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS #511, #512

With our deepest sympathy we inform you of the passing away of the following UA Local 254 Member:

Brother Cyril Brazeau – A Journeyperson Plumber and 49 year Member, passed away on February 22, 2019 at the age of 89.
Brother David Witt - A Journeyperson Sprinkler Fitter and 29 year Member, passed away on March 16, 2019 at the age of 63.

DEATH BENEFIT DUE

This assessment is overdue! **We have several members who still owe the $30 Death Benefit for 2019**. Please contact our office immediately if you have not yet paid. This due is self-paid and not taken from dues.

WORK SITUATION

- Work at Simplot is ongoing in Portage La Prairie with ABCO, Cimco and DMS.
- We are still waiting for more information to come regarding the Voith sub contract up at Keeyask.
- DMS is still working at the Paste Plant in Snow Lake.
- Our contractors have secured work at HSC, U of M and Ralph Maybank School, with the assistance of our Market Recovery Fund.

GENERAL NEWS

- On May 25th Manitoba's Unions will celebrate the Solidarity Forever Parade, starting at 10 AM. The parade will begin at Market & Lily Street, in the Exchange District, and finish at Memorial Park in front of the Manitoba Legislature. We encourage all Members to come show their union pride. If you are interested in walking with us, please call Local 254 Union office by Monday April 29th to sign up.

- Local 254 has a new Instagram page, (UA_254). Please find us and follow us! Anyone wanting to share their "Big catch", important events, safety awards, or a proud UA member accomplishment, please forward items to the union office so we can have them posted.

- We are pleased to announce the launch of our NEW WEBSITE! Head over to ualocal254.ca to view and keep up to date on information.

- Have you downloaded the **UA254 TAP System App?** It is an easy way to store all your certificates in one location, request course registration, view out of work lists, make payments online, read the newsletter and find important forms & agreements. **This is a free download from your App store.**

  Once downloaded, create a password.
  Go to *"forgot my password"* and follow the instructions.
  Username is your member number found on your union card.
  The App will send push notifications to tell you 30 days prior of expiry of certificates.

MEMBERSHIP

Coughlin has a Pre-Authorized Deposit (PAD) form that can be found on their website, using the portal login area and selecting Member Portal. Visit www.coughlin.ca for details.

- **Did you know our website is capable of taking On-line Payments? Follow these simple steps to pay monthly dues and/or your death benefit:**

1. Open Google Chrome as your search engine tool.
2. Log on to www.ualocal254.ca
3. Click Payments Portal (top right corner)
4. Your username is your 9 digit membership card number. If you do not have 9 digits, add 2 zeros at the beginning.
5. Your initial password is your birthday MMDDYYYY
6. Once logged in, you will be able to select outstanding payments you wish to pay.

- The following members have been expelled in the past six months;

Craig Bates	Travis Hiebert	Rorie Magnusson	Travis Shabaga
Derrick Birch	Terrence Hunter	Branden McLaughlin	Thomas Sinclair
Liam Brooker	Terry Huska	Robert McLean	Michael Strymbiski
Bryant Brooks	Christine Icban	Dalton Miller	Alexander Troia
Timothy Butler	Blair Johnson	Mitchell Moskal	Kevin Wantzing
Blair Decock	Jarrod King	Paul Neufeld	Wyatt Wilson
Ryan Denby	Adam Krawetz	Mark Panteluk	Jeffrey Zawislak
Marcus Driedger	Jeffrey Kreviazuk	Lanny Perlin	
Brandon Gray	Robert Kreviazuk	Nicholas Pirottin	
Anders Hanson	Jeremy Legall	Derek Queskekapow	
Brett Harris	Matthew Lorentz	Jonathan Schneider	

GOOD AND WELFARE

We would like to say thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Tri-Annual Awards Ceremony! It was great to see everyone. We appreciate your continuous membership over the years. Pictures can be seen on our website, under the "News" section.

Good Luck to our Apprentices; Adam Lefko SPRFT, Robert Maxwell PFREF and Josh Unrau SF, who are travelling with Training Director Steve Ducharme to this year's Western Regional Apprentice Competition in Regina. Pictures will be posted to Instagram, Facebook and our website.

With Best Wishes, I Remain,

Fraternally yours,

Kyle Kalcsics

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Business Manager and
Financial Secretary

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Online Courses

- Pipeline Safety Course
- SCOT (Saskatchewan)
- Rights & Responsibilities (Saskatchewan)
- Aerial Work Platform (Scissor Lift)
- Fall Protection (Harness)
- WHMIS 2015
- Confined Space Awareness
- CSTS/09 (Alberta and DMS)
- Arc Flash Awareness
- Asbestos Awareness
- Fire Extinguisher Safety
- Ground Disturbance
- Hand Tool Safety
- Hoist and Rigging Safety Basics
- Ladder Safety
- Lifting Loads Safely
- Transportation of Dangerous Goods
- Lift Truck Refresher (Forklift)
- Lockout
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Propane Safety Program
- Safe Operations of Tele Handlers (Refresher)
- Scaffold Safety
- Slips, Trips and falls
- Working Safely with Compressed Gases

Ongoing Courses

- CPR/AED Level C is ongoing offering, run on an as needed basis, call to get on list
- AWWA Backflow Testers License is an ongoing offering, run as needed. Call to get on list
- Confined Space Entry is an ongoing offering, run as needed, call to get on list

Upcoming Courses

- McElroy Pipe Fusion Certification
- AWWA Backflow full and recertification class please call to register
- Advanced Electrical for Service Workers

Future Courses in development

- Viega Pro-Press
- Trimble and Matterport (Site Layout)
- Leica and BIM 360 (Site Layout)

** Apprentices, please remember to sign the **OUT OF WORK** list when going to school. **

Please contact PITC to register for any classes 204-956-7365