

Local 344

UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES
OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPE FITTING INDUSTRY

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To All Members of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 344

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Member Deaths

Brother **Charles A. Bridges**, Membership Number 977053, died 9/24/2024. He was a Retired Life Member Journeyman Plumber.

Health & Welfare BLUE FORMS:

***Open enrollment for all "Active" members on the Local 344 Health Insurance begins September 15th and will end on December 15th.

You must turn in your blue form to the Benefit Office

→ on or before December 15, 2024 ←

in order to receive health insurance for you and/or your dependents for the 2025 plan year.

**Online enrollments are available through the PP344 website at
pp344.com in the "Login for benefits" tab.**

<https://ecommerce.issisystems.com/isite208/eremit.dll/20801/loginm.asp>

Your sign on is:

USERNAME: last 4 digits of SSN + 1st initial of first name + Full last name in ALL CAPS

PASSWORD: your UHC Member ID # (enter the numbers **after** the 374)

this password is good as long as you haven't changed in the past, if you don't remember the password, click on forgot password and the system will send you an e-mail to reset the password.

Members can fill out all the information, change address, and update any other information required on the "Blue Form" and can be submitted online. Once completed, you will receive a confirmation number, keep this number for your records.

Retirees are NOT required to fill out the Blue form.

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"Unionism has helped to give to everyone who toils the position of dignity which is his due"

Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 344 Scholarship Fund

Local 344 will be awarding ten \$1,000 college scholarships for the 2024 Fall Semester. Members, their spouses, and children who are full-time students (12 hours or more) are eligible. Applications must be requested in writing and postmarked by Tuesday, December 31, 2024. Eligibility rules and application copies are available at the Union Hall.

No Membership Meeting in November

Our November 5th meeting has been cancelled due to election day. In accordance with the Local 344 By-Laws, Article 5.1. We encourage our membership to get out and vote. ✎✓

Save the Date: Children's Christmas Party

Plumbers & Pipefitters Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 14th. More information will be provided in November's Newsletter.

2024-25 School Year

Apprentice classes begin October 7. As a Journeyman, you are welcome to sit in on any class you would like. Our classes are filling up for this year, if you are interested call one of the staff at the Training Center (405-632-5629) as soon as possible.

You can always access our previous newsletters at pp344.com

Fraternally,



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