



PLUMBERS

LOCAL 130 UA

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Business Manager's Letter

From James F. Coyne

What a year!

As the holidays approach, let us take a look back recapping our accomplishments in 2021

January 2021 –

- Pandemic seriously considered, Local 130's JAC developed an online application process to keep the ranks filled with new apprentices starting classes – over 2,400 applications received

February 2021 –

- The 7-Story, 500 car parking garage schedule and construction moves forward

March 2021 –

- Team Coyne's Progressive Party re-elected for another successive three-year term
- 60 Local 130 Members are elected to attend the UA's 40th General Convention as Delegates

- Done under the darkness of night, and in conjunction with Mayor Lori Lightfoot's Office, Local 130 surprises the City of Chicago with the traditional Dyeing the River Green followed by a condensed version of the St. Patrick's Day Parade live-streamed on WTTW. This was a success for Local 130 and the City of Chicago -- much to everyone's delight and a hope to begin the return to normalcy, with cautions in place

April 2021 –

- UWC (Union Wellness Centers) Coalition established
- Though limited, the 29th Year of Rebuilding Together focused on helping the communities of Chicago Heights and Englewood by replacing hot water heaters

May 2021 –

- The UWC Coalition welcomes its 7th Member -- IBEW Local 701

June 2021 –

- UA Director Tom Bigley swears in Local 130's Officers
- A new class of 85 Plumbing and Technical Engineers was started
- Union meeting returns to a live status along with the ability to watch the meeting

archived and available online – Members enjoy a socially distanced Patio Party while celebrating the Local 130 Parking Garage's Groundbreaking

- Stephen M. Bailey Scholarship Awards presented to Recipients at the Union Hall
- American Backflow & Fire Prevention victory!
 - ABFP employees granted the ability to become Union Members
 - Sprinklerfitters Local 281 and Plumbers Local 130 succeed in their joint effort to organize a non-union shop

July 2021 –

- Mulligan Club Golf Outing – 18 holes of golf, dinner, fun and unlimited comradery

August 2021 –

- The UA's 40th General Convention convenes in San Diego with 130's 60 Members as Delegates – Local 130 continues to be the largest straight-line Plumbers Local in the UA
- General President Mark McManus's message delivered at the 40th General Convention is

- 1) Training
 - 2) Organizing
 - 3) Political Involvement and
 - 4) Contractor Partnerships
- these goals are echoed by Local 130

- The UA appoints:
 - Jim Coyne to serve as Chairman of the Rules & Order Committee
 - Ken Turnquist to serve as a member of the Convention Expense Committee
 - Pat McCarthy, Jones Richmond and Jim Mansfield as members of the Sergeant-at-Arms Committee
- Plumbers 911 holds their first Contractor meeting during the Pandemic

September 2021 --

- Joliet's new state-of-the art Training Center's Grand Opening celebrates with a roster of dignitaries speaking from the stage, the ASSE Product Show, tours and the monthly Union Meeting capped with a Patio Party
- Union Wellness Centers and Union Eyes LLC celebrate three Grand Opening Events (Warrenville, Rosemont and Crystal Lake)

ALWAYS ON THE MOVE AND EVER EVOLVING

and open their doors for patients between late September and early October 2021 – flu shots, vaccines and boosters always available

October 2021 –

- A 2nd new class of 28 Plumbing Apprentices was started
- Football Smoker returns with strict pandemic protocols

- Thank You Reception for Senator Melinda Bush and Representative Lamont Robinson, Jr.'s support in passing House Bill 3739 – huge victory for Local 130's Union Plumbers

November 2021 –

- THE event of the Century-and-a-Quarter – Local 130 celebrates its 125th Plus One Anniversary at a Gala Event at the Rosemont Horizon's Donald E. Stephens Convention Center continuing to make more history with 2,000 invited to attend

- Jim Coyne is the Keynote Speaker at the PCA's Annual Meeting

December 2021 –

- Wellness Center #5 of 7 opens in Crestwood
- Start preparing for involvement in President's Biden's Build Back Better – Congress delivers for working families like ours – on to the Senate!

What a year 2021 has been and now looking forward to an even more successful and busy 2022 with each of you. Starting 2022, we look forward to opening Union Wellness Center #6 in Channahon during January and Union Wellness Center #7 in Bellwood during February. The Plumbers Local 130 Garage plans to open during the 2nd Quarter 2022

As you read this newsletter, know that I thank you for your support. My holiday wishes to you are keeping you and your family's health, well-being, prosperity and contentment as my primary goal for this great union as well as continuing to succeed and thrive. Wishing you only the best these holidays can bring to fill you with joy, peace and hope for the New Year to come.

Yours in solidarity

James F. Coyne

2022 Educational Scholarships



STEPHEN M. BAILEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

It is that time of year again when applications for the Stephen M. Bailey Memorial Scholarship Awards are available for the sons and daughters of Local 130 UA members graduating from high school in the spring of 2022.

If you would like to apply for the Stephen M. Bailey Scholarship, go to our website, www.ualocal130.org, click on ABOUT US, on the drop down box click on SCHOLARSHIP. The application is posted as a fill-in form. You can also download and when completed, mail the application form to:

Stephen M. Bailey Memorial Scholarship Committee
1340 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60607
Attn: Lisa Oakes

March 31, 2022 is the deadline date for this year's applications. They will not be accepted after this date. Should you have questions, please contact Lisa at (312) 421-1010, ext. 112 or via email at loakes@ualocal130.org.

Note: Each year, various union, plumbing and construction related organizations make educational scholarships available to union members and their families. Please go to our website, click on scholarships for detailed information.

Meet the Co-founder of Union Eyes Dr. Bob Steinmetz

- Phone: (312) 888-9999 -



Dr. Bob Steinmetz

Dr. Robert Steinmetz is the director and co-founder of Union Eyes LLC, the owner of SoLo Eye Care in Chicago, and the co-founder and principal of iCare Advisors, LLC which is a consulting firm dedicated to helping doctors around the country open cold start optometric private practices. Dr. Steinmetz graduated cum laude from the University of Notre Dame and earned his Doctorate of Optometry degree as a cum laude graduate of the Illinois College of Optometry. Dr. Bob is the 2006 Illinois Young Optometrist of the Year and the 2015 Illinois Optometrist of the Year.

Dr. Bob's great grandfather was a son of Irish immigrants and became a union plumber to help bring running water inside his home for the first time. Dr. Steinmetz is a former member of Local 134 and prides himself on having built his offices in Chicago with union labor. Dr. Steinmetz is one of only a few optometrists nationwide to be board certified by both the American Board of Optometry and the National Board of Optometric Examiners.

NO CO-PAYS! NO OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES!

Effective October 1, 2021 – Schedule your yearly eye examination and receive either a pair of Eye Glasses or Contact Lenses at no cost to you! This also applies to spouses and dependents.

PCA's Annual Meeting held on November 16, 2021

At this meeting, Business Manager of Plumbers Local 130 UA, James F. Coyne gave the "State of the Union" message. This was followed by Joe Ohm, Fund Administrator for Plumbers Local 130 giving the "State of Funds" report. Jim Majerowicz, Training Director and President of Plumbers Local 130 gave the date of January 23, 2022 as the date on-line applications will be taken for the next apprenticeship class. For more details, please visit the website at:

plumberslu130ua.com/apprenticeship.aspx.



Pictured, from left, front row/seated: Incoming PCA President & Pension Fund Trustee Brian Kennedy (Gehrett Plumbing); Plumbers' Local 130 UA Business Manager & Funds Co-Chair Jim Coyne; current PCA President & JAC Treasurer Matt Erickson (CJ Erickson Plumbing Co.); from left, back row: PCA Board member & Welfare Fund Co-Chair David Ariano (Ravinia Plumbing, Heating & Electric); Plumbing Council Chairman & Pension Fund Co-Chair Mike Kerrigan (FJ Kerrigan Plumbing Co.); Local 130 JAC Training Director & Local 130 President Jim Majerowicz; UA Intl. Director of Education & Training Jim Pavesic; and Local 130 Trust Fund Administrator Joe Ohm.

Parking Garage Update

The garage project is well underway. Each day brings the realization of this structure and what it will mean to our members and the surrounding community.

The anticipated completion date is 2nd quarter of 2022.

Due to safety concerns, the building at 1326 W. Washington Boulevard (corner of Ada and Washington) that used to house Minuteman Press was demolished. Short term it will be used for parking for the garage construction crew. Long term...who knows what we'll be able to do...stay tuned.



67th ANNUAL QUEEN CONTEST - SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022



Looking for the New Parade Queen

James F. Coyne, General Chairman of the 2022 St. Patrick's Day Parade, announced plans for a city wide search for Chicago's fairest *Colleen*. She will represent the Chicago Irish community as the Queen of the 2022 Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Entry Information

Any girl of Irish ancestry, never married, 18-29 years old, is eligible to enter the contest. (Because of the pandemic and the cancelling of the parade we are making a one-time exception to extend the age requirements this year to 18-29 years of age.)

Contest finals will be held Sunday, January 16, 2022, in the Chicago Journeymen Plumbers Hall, 1340 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60607. Deadline for entries is January 3, 2022.

For more information see our website: www.chicagostpatricksdaysparade.org



IW 63 member and family taking a tour of the new Crystal Lake Union Wellness Center



Warrenville Grand Opening September 22, 2021



Union Wellness Center Coalition

Left to right: Cement Mason's Local 502 Business Manager Kevin Farley, IW Local 63 Business Manager Paul Wende, IBEW Local 701 Business Manager Frank Furco, Plumbers Local 130 Business Manager James F. Coyne, SMART Local 265 Business Manager John Daniel, IBEW Local 176 Business Manager Mike Clemmons, IBEW Local 701 Assistant Business Manager Tony Giunti.

Not pictured, Riggers Local 136 Business Manager Robert Fulton.





Crystal Lake Grand Opening September 23, 2021



Left to right, Local 63 Business Agent David Murray, Local 63 Business Manager Paul Wende, Local 130 Business Manager James F. Coyne, Local 130 Management Trustee David Ariano, and Local 130 Financial Secretary/Treasurer Ken Turnquist.



Green Room for Motion Capture Screenings – this program can help identify, address and improve dysfunctions that may be causing your back pain.

Rosemont Grand Opening September 24, 2021



From left to right: Local 130 Financial Secretary-Treasurer Ken Turnquist, W.E. O'Neil Construction Senior Project Manager, Stephanie Cotey, IW 63 Management Trustee Mike Swanberg, Local 502 Financial Secretary-Treasurer Larry Picardi, Local 130 Business Manager James F. Coyne, Mayor of Rosemont Brad Stephens, President of the IW District Council of Chicago James Gardiner, Business Agent for Local 63 Fletcher Holmes, and Local 130 Political Director John D'Amico.



40TH UNITED ASSOCIATION

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA



THE 40TH UNITED ASSOCIATION GENERAL CONVENTION WAS HELD ON AUGUST 23-27, 2021 IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

By virtue of their office, James F. Coyne, Kenneth Turnquist, Patrick McCarthy, Jones Richmond, James Mansfield, Michael Shea, Paul Hinterlong and John Hosty had the honor of attending the convention as delegates representing the Members of Local 130.



There is a process that is followed to determine the remaining 52 delegates. Each member wishing to attend the convention as a delegate must be nominated. Once all the nominations have been received, there is a member vote with their votes deciding who will represent them at the convention. The member that received the most votes was James Majerowicz followed by John D'Amico.

In addressing the delegates, General President Mark McManus had four points that resonated throughout the week that all locals must participate in. They are Training, Organizing, Political Involvement and Contractor Partnership.

All delegates will agree it was a fast paced week and the message that was presented during that week made them realize how important unions are and how they make such a difference in the members and their families lives.

– DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION –

- James F. Coyne
- Paul B. Tucker
- Brian M. Andersen
- Patrick W. Carey
- Michael J. James
- Kenneth A. Turnquist
- Paul M. Rodriguez
- Bart F. Holzhauser
- Gary W. Howard
- Patrick F. McCarthy
- Anthony J. Albergo
- Steve R. James
- Juan Salazar
- Jones L. Richmond
- Peter C. Olson
- Ryan P. Kelly
- Patrick J. Cunningham
- Frank C. Romano
- Jim A. Mansfield
- Patrick C. Brooks
- Gary M. Anish Jr.
- Ronald J. Stewart
- Robin M. Roccasalva
- Michael E. Shea
- James W. Brooks
- Christopher S. Anish
- Luke R. Brennan
- Paul T. Tran
- Paul J. Hinterlong
- Anthony M. Rottman
- Sean F. Hopkins
- Timothy P. Tholl
- David B. Harrison
- John P. Hosty
- William Wilkens
- Dave A. Thompson
- Dennis M. Dalton
- Miguel A. Estrada
- James M. Majerowicz
- Patrick E. Gross
- Joseph B. Mondia
- Brendan M. Butler
- Mary E. Birmingham
- John C. D'Amico
- Kevin P. Chambers
- Alberto Garcia
- Anthony V. Gallo
- Kevin S. Kane
- Joseph W. Strong
- Stephen Geraghty
- Denis E. Riordan
- Thomas J. Chambers
- Carlos Quinones
- Charles A. Seibert
- Clifford J. Bruckner
- Christopher M. Heneghan
- Luke N. Fagan
- Pawel Morawski



Joliet Training Center Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting

- September 14, 2021 -

The grand opening for the Joliet Training Center was held on September 14, 2021. This training center mirrors the Chicago Training Center that was opened on September 12, 2017. This state-of-the-art building was built using Rain Water and Grey Water Harvesting Systems. The Education

labs and the dedicated instructors give each apprentice the best training possible in the field of plumbing.

Plumbers Local 130 always on the move and ever evolving to give the apprentices that enter these doors the tools and education needed to be the best.



*Craig Thomas
JAC Co-Chairman*



*John D'Amico
Local 130 Political Director*



*Jim Pavesic
UA Director of Education and Training*



*James F. Coyne
Business Manager Local 130*



*Sam Wyke
Mayor of the Village of Rockdale*



Senator John Connor



Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant



Pictured Left to right: Local 130 Political Director John D'Amico, President of W.E O'Neil John Russell, Local 130 Business Manager James F. Coyne, Co-Chairman Craig Thomas, Local 130 President Jim Majerowicz, Mayor of the Village of Rockdale Sam Wyke, Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant, UA Director of Education and Training James Pavesic, Illinois Representative Jay Williams and Senator John Connor.



Hot Works Lab where we do welding, blazing, torch cutting and soldering.



Faucet Lab.



Computer equipment provided by International Training Fund from monies paid on behalf of union labor and signatory Contractors.



Rain Water and Grey Water Harvesting Systems.

WHAT'S NEW AT THE WELLNESS CENTERS



Effective January 1, 2022, a \$200.00 contribution will be made to a participant's HRA account for members and their spouses upon completion of an annual physical exam at any of the Wellness Center locations. If you and your spouse both receive an annual physical at a Wellness Center location during the same calendar year, you will receive a \$400.00 contribution to the participant's HRA account (\$200.00 each). The HRA contribution is limited to one physical exam per calendar year.

Please remember the Wellness Center covers annual physicals at no cost to you or your spouse.

To call to make your 2022 appointment at any one of the locations listed below, please call **312-421-1016**.

Addresses of the Union Wellness Centers

- Lemont – 15900 West 127th Street – Suite 221A
- Warrenville – 28600 Bella Vista Parkway – Suite 2010A
- Crystal Lake – 360 Station Drive – Suite 260A
- Rosemont – 6300 North River Road – Suite 100A

New Location

- Crestwood – 4742 Cal Sag Road – Now taking appointments.

Slated to Open the First Quarter of 2022

- Bellwood – 2300 Madison Street – Suite 102A
- Channahon – 25407 South Bell Road

Flu Shots

Get One Today
Be Strong Tomorrow

Haven't found time
to get your flu shot?

The Union Wellness Centers are offering flu shots at all open UWC locations. **Call for your appointment today!**



UWC - Lemont 15900 W. 127th St. Suite 221A Lemont, IL 60439	UWC - Warrenville 28600 Bella Vista Pkwy Suite 2010A Warrenville, IL 60555	UWC - Crystal Lake 360 Station Drive Suite 260A Crystal Lake, IL 60014	UWC - Rosemont 6300 N River Road Suite 100A Rosemont, IL 60018
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Get your flu shot at no charge!

For questions or to schedule an appointment contact the Union Wellness Centers at 312.421.1016 or visit unionwellnesscenters.com for more information.



COVID-19 Vaccines Are Now Available



Johnson & Johnson/Janssen COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are now available at all Union Wellness Centers for all members and eligible dependents (ages 18 & over).

Vaccines are by appointment only.
Please bring your vaccine card if you are receiving a booster.

**Call 312.421.1016 to schedule your
COVID-19 vaccine appointment today!**

Please follow the most recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and recommendations when it comes to receiving the correct vaccination/booster for you.

Questions?
Contact the Union Wellness Centers at 312.421.1016 or visit unionwellnesscenters.com for more information and to find a location near you.



Press Conference to Celebrate the Passing of House Bill 3739

On August 30, 2021 a press conference was held at the hall to celebrate the passing of the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act also known as House Bill 3739. This legislation passed both chambers of the Illinois General Assembly with strong bipartisan support.

This bill requires all communities statewide to replace all lead service lines and establishes a state grant program to support utilities for this work.

This bill will generate thousands of jobs in the skilled trades enabling Illinoisans continued work. It is estimated that this bill could possibly create up to 11,225 jobs per year over a span of 20 years.

For more information, please read the newspaper article below written by Senior attorney for the Safe Water Initiative at the Natural Resources Defense Council, Jeremy Orr and Business Manager for Plumbers Local 130 UA, James F. Coyne.

Reception for Senator Melinda Bush and Representative Lamont Robinson, Jr.

On October 13, 2021, Plumbers Local 130 UA held a reception for Senator Melinda Bush and Representative Lamont Robinson, Jr. as a thank you for supporting the passing of House Bill 3739. This bill known as the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act requires that all communities in the State of Illinois replace all lead service lines. This is a huge victory for Local 130 and our union plumbers.



Left to right – Senator Melinda Bush, Representative Lamont Robinson, Jr., Business Manager James F. Coyne and Alderman Walter Burnett, Jr.

Now is time to protect against invisible threat of lead service lines

By Jeremy Orr and James Coyne

The tragedies that unfolded in the Michigan cities of Flint and Benton Harbor should serve as a wake-up call for Chicago to replace the over 400,000 lead service lines that bring drinking water to homes every day. If Chicago continues at its current pace, it'll take us over 600 years to get those lead pipes out of the ground. We can't afford to have one more generation of Chicagoans threatened by toxic lead in their drinking water.

These service lines deliver water to our homes, child care facilities and parks. They also have the potential to cause serious health problems. Despite the banning of lead additives in paint and gasoline in the 1970s, millions of lead pipes still lie underground in all 50 states, including right here in Illinois. In fact, Illinois has more lead service lines than any state in the country.

Currently, as many as 400,000 homes in Chicago have water delivered through lead pipes in the ground – largely because Chicago mandated the use of lead pipes until 1986 when they were banned by federal law. If consumed, lead can interfere with a developing brain, resulting in irreversible brain damage, learning disabilities, behavioral problems and more, making it especially dangerous for children and pregnant women.

And we have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to right this decadeslong wrong with the passage of the federal Build Back Better Agenda, scheduled for a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives this month. It also has the potential to create tens of thousands of good-paying union jobs, including licensed plumbers, throughout Illinois.

The Illinois plumbing license is key to providing peace of mind in this process



Old lead piping can be seen after removal from a home in Galesburg, Illinois, on March 4. JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

— the union women and men working on your water systems are professionals who have thousands of hours of instruction in state-of-the-art training centers and on the job before they become journey workers. This training and expertise allows union plumbers to provide the highest quality craftsmanship.

Passage of this bill will also significantly benefit Chicago's Black and brown communities. A 2020 study from E2, or Environmental Entrepreneurs, showed that Black and Latino residents in Illinois are twice as likely to live in communities with the most lead service lines – yet another addition to the array of disproportionate threats to their health and liveli-

hoods. We've known about the dangers of lead pipes for years, but cost can prohibit many communities and states from replacing them with safer alternatives such as copper. We desperately need to replace these pipes so we can protect our children, expectant mothers and all vulnerable populations from the possibility of drinking toxic water.

That's why we were glad to see Gov. J.B. Pritzker sign legislation last month that makes Illinois only the third state in the nation to mandate the full replacement of all lead service lines in the state. While this commitment is an important step toward protecting families in our state who are

currently drinking unsafe water, such a massive undertaking won't be possible without the necessary resources to fund this crucial project.

President Joe Biden's Build Back Better Agenda will give us the funds we need to replace these pipes and protect our health. While the bipartisan infrastructure bill included \$15 billion for lead service line replacement, \$30 billion in additional funding is necessary to replace 100% of the lead pipe and service lines in the country.

The House version of the Build Back Better Act would provide the full \$45 billion, but more work is necessary to ensure the Senate version includes the same promise. With these funds, we can modernize the nation's drinking water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure and keep our families safe, all at no cost to homeowners.

A recent study by the Metropolitan Planning Council in Illinois found that replacing all of the state's lead service lines alone could create up to 224,500 jobs and \$23 billion in economic activity. And Illinois voters overwhelmingly support proposals to remove and replace lead pipes given the high risk that lead service lines pose.

This is not a time for partisanship. It's a time to unify around the health and well-being of our children and future generations in every state of this nation. It's an opportunity to invest in both our economy and our highly skilled and licensed union members charged with doing the work. Let's get this done and make sure no more Chicagoans are harmed by this invisible threat.

Jeremy Orr is a senior attorney for the Safe Water Initiative at the Natural Resources Defense Council. James Coyne is the business manager for the Plumbers Local 130 UA.

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AN IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL ACTIVE CHICAGO AREA PLUMBERS

City of Chicago Plumbing License Test

Upcoming City of Chicago Plumbing License and Plumbing Practical Tests:

Exam Title	Exam Date	Sign-up Deadline	Exam Title	Exam Date	Sign-up Deadline
WRITTEN	June 8, 2022	May 9, 2022	WRITTEN	October 6, 2022	September 1, 2022

Note: See additional information on Plumbers Local 130 website: www.ualocal130.org under "Training."

Did you know? presented by

Life insurance isn't a one-size-fits-all product. People need it for different reasons, but here are the top five*.

- #1: BURIAL/FINAL EXPENSES
- #2: WEALTH TRANSFER
- #3: INCOME REPLACEMENT
- #4: SUPPLEMENT RETIREMENT INCOME
- #5: PAY OFF MORTGAGE

To find out what kind of policies are available and get help finding the right policy for you, contact your local COUNTRY Financial district office at 815-744-2241 or call your local representative today.

*Source 202 Insurance Barometer Study, Life Happens and LIMRA. Life insurance policies issued by COUNTRY Life Insurance Company® and COUNTRY Investors Life Assurance Company®, Bloomington, IL. 1021-030MP

Congratulations to Cornelius Franklin who attended the November 9th Members Meeting and won Country Financials give-a-way of a Yeti Cooler. Jim Andresen from Country Financial presented the gift to Mr. Franklin.

