



# Plumber's Quarterly

Success through cooperation



## Business Manager's Letter

By James T. Sullivan



As we continue to enjoy an unusual winter in Chicago, which has only resulted in one major snow storm so far, I've been thinking about the various successful activities we have completed on behalf of the plumbing industry, our friends, families, elected officials and neighbors in the past few months.

Beginning with a hugely successful Annual Football Smoker and Raffle, which was a great

time for all the more than 800 people who attended, especially with a Bears 20-17 win over the New Orleans Saints. A very special thanks to Mike Madigan, Illinois Speaker of the House, for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit with us and pull the winning raffle ticket. Also thanks to Representative John D'Amico, Illinois 15th District and member of Local 130, special guest Attorney General Lisa Madigan and President of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Terrence O'Brien. Most importantly, I would like to thank all of you who supported the Smoker and joined us on that day. It is because of your help that we are able to help support the legislators who support our important issues, specifically the plumbing license law, workers' compensation laws and other matters that concern the unionized working men and women in this state. (see photos on page 4.)

The final event of 2005, as it has been for 13 years, is always a wonderful way to end the year and lift the holiday spirits of the children in the neighborhood. The Christmas Party for the Kids provided entertainment, lunch, and of course, toys for more than 830 children who attend school in the neighborhoods surrounding the Union Hall. We were honored by a visit from Mayor Richard M. Daley, who came to wish the children a Merry Christmas and enjoy the holiday cheer. My personal thanks to Lindsey Dickinson, Buddah Richards and Dick Sparling (our three Santas) and Eddie (the Elf) Ware, their performances were thoroughly enjoyed by all the children. Other appearances were made by Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer, the Little People, Frosty, Mrs. Claus and the Skinner School Choir. Each child enjoyed a hot dog with chips, juice and ice cream and received a bag of toys and presents valued at \$40. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution or volunteered their time. Without your generous donations there wouldn't be a party. It is always a great way to begin the holiday season (see photos page 6).

Chicago's St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on March 11, followed by the South Side Parade on March 12. We will notify membership of the "line up" locations as soon as they become available. Please join us in this very special tradition by marching in the parade with Local 130 and having a great time.

In political news, the primary is fast approaching on March 21. As we have done in the past we will be doing our traditional Political Action Saturdays on the three Saturdays prior to the election (with the exception of March 11 for the St. Patrick's Day parade). On these Saturdays, Local 130 volunteers help those candidates that support our issues by handing out literature for them.

Two other important pieces of business; first, I need to stress that we must make sure we are cutting all the pipe that goes into our buildings. This is our work. It is our job to cut and fabricate the pipe AND WE WILL DO IT. Please be sure that you are not installing any prefabricated pipe without our Union Label.

Secondly, the success of our business agents over non-union contractors is due largely to plumbing license enforcement. I can't stress enough, how important it is for you to have a current plumbing license in your possession. It is our main tool against the non-union plumbers and contractors and we can't enforce it halfway, which means it applies to you also. Every plumber must have a license. Applications are available at the hall, as well as refresher courses for the plumbing license tests. For the health of your union, be sure you have your license and keep it current.

Enjoy this issue of the *Quarterly*, there is plenty of helpful and pertinent information for all Local 130 members!

## Local 130 2nd Annual Car Show

The 2nd Annual Car Show was held in the parking lot of the Union Hall. All the car aficionados, collectors and enthusiasts of the plumbing industry came and displayed their classic car for all to enjoy. Along with the exhibit of classic cars, everyone enjoyed the food, beverages and company of good friends.



1st Place winner Jon Holsteen –  
1956 Oldsmobile Super 88 Convertible



2nd prize winner George & Lisa Christacakos –  
1971 Chevy SS Chevelle



Bill Schlenker 3rd place winner –  
1968 Shelby Mustang – and Bob Siebert



4th prize winner Tom Rottman –  
1956 Chevy



The DeFranco Family, 5th Place winners –  
1959 Chevy Corvette



Bob Abbott of Abbott Industries and his  
1950 Chevy 2-door coup



Lisa Christacakos, Mike Tierney and  
Bob Walsh, Local 130 Recording Secretary



Bill Schlenker's  
"1 Plumber" license plate



Bob Gere and  
his wife Eleanor



James T. Sullivan, Local  
130 Business Manager  
and George Christacakos



Tim Kavanaugh



Bob Walsh, Local 130 Recording Secretary,  
James T. Sullivan, Local 130 Business Manager, John  
Holsteen and Jim Coyne, Local 130 Secretary-Treasurer

## Something you should know about REDUCED DUES

Local 130 U.A. will grant a member the ability to make reduced dues payments. However, there are only two reasons for which reduced dues will be permitted.

- When a member is actively seeking employment, is in contact with Local 130 Recording Secretary Robert F. Walsh for a referral to a Local 130 contractor and has worked 170 hours or less within the quarter;
- When a member on disability due to illness or injury provides the union dues office with medical documentation from his or her doctor verifying his or her medical condition.

Please feel free to contact the union office with any questions regarding reduced dues at 312-421-1010.

JAMES F. COYNE  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

## Thoughts from the Director



Christmas offers each of us a time to pause and reflect on the gifts we have been given. It is also a time to think about family and friends and those less fortunate than ourselves, for this industry we call the "Honorable Toil" certainly has been good to all of us and the industry has indeed shared it's good fortune with those less fortunate than ourselves. On this note, congratulations are again in order for Business Manager **James T. Sullivan** and his staff for another wonderful neighborhood Christmas party at the hall. **Mayor Daley** and **Santa Claus** welcomed more than 850 neighborhood children to this annual event and a gift bag was given to each child in attendance. My thanks also to those who made this possible by their generous donations, the members of Local 130, the P.C.A. and the Plumbing Council and members contractors who gave individual donations. It was a wonderful day and everyone associated with the event should be proud of their contribution.

This year the Plumbing Council board and staff joined with the P.C.A. board and staff at Cress Creek Country Club for the holidays. Congrats to Council Chairman **Art Kavanaugh** and P.C.A. President, **Bob Melko** and Executive Director **Dan McLaughlin** for a great party. Thanks also to **Carol Kavanaugh** for selecting the gifts given to the spouses. They were a big hit! Thanks also to our host who will go unnamed, but not unappreciated. The band and ambiance were second to none and we were entertained again by the **Dick Judson** Orchestra. Since our last Quarterly, Director **Tony Limonceillo** resigned from the Board for personal reasons. We wish Tony and his lovely wife **Annette** good health and success in the future and our heartfelt thanks for his contributions to our industry as a director of the Plumbing Council and a contractor. **Ed Connelly** of Quality Backflow Testing, Inc. has been elected to fill the term of Tony Leomonceillo by the Board. We welcome Ed to the Council Board of Directors and look forward to working with him for years to come. Chairman Art Kavanaugh has appointed Ed to the Marketing Sub-Committee. We also welcome Ed's lovely wife **Mary Ellen** to the Council family.

Congratulations are in order for **Robert L. Litvin** and **Edward Kuhn** for their induction into the P.C.A. Hall of Fame. They are truly giants in our industry and their contributions are second to none. They have given their time, talents and expertise to us for many, many years and their election to this august body is most well deserved. Again, our best wishes and prayers for long life and happiness to Bob and Ed.

On December 15th, Business Manager, Jim Sullivan received a call from Lieutenant Governor, **Patrick Quinn's** office requesting his help. He stated that Staff Sergeant **Jackie Williams** was being deployed to Iraq January 1st and that she is caring for her two small children, a mother and grandmother.

Sergeant Williams had purchased a home recently and during the time prior to moving in the home was vandalized and all the plumbing fixtures were removed. Water and drain lines were damaged. A major concern was also frozen and burst water lines as the home was left without heat. Sgt. Williams was indeed in dire straights and in need of our help.

I sent **Joe Albergo** to her home to appraise the situation and report back as to what it would take to get her home back to a livable condition in such a short period of time.

In a team effort, materials were supplied by the Plumbing Council and Local 130 Apprentices lead by Director of Apprentices **Bob Nadziejko** and Instructor **Frank Barkowski** and all the necessary repairs were completed in less than three days time so that the family could spend Christmas at home.

It was a learning experience for our apprentice in more ways than plumbing. We all should be very proud of our Union Brothers and Plumbing Council Contractors who have helped Staff Sergeant Williams, have peace of mind while she is serving our country, knowing that her family will now have a livable and comfortable home for her family.

Congratulations are also in order for **Steve Rundell**, husband of Council Director **Sherry Rundell** upon receiving the prestigious 2005 Chicago Innovation Award. The following article written by Business Reporter **Mary Wisniewski** of the *Chicago Sun-Times* is reprinted below:

Anyone who's ever cleaned a paintbrush knows how nasty mineral spirits can be.

Workers who clean oily parts at auto shops and factories often use mineral spirits, and breathe in its noxious fumes. Machine shops must pay for the disposal of dirty cleaning solution, as well as paying to continually renew the supply.

The Grease Gator — invented by University of Illinois researchers and Steve Rundell, president of Solvent Systems International in Elk Grove Village — addresses both the fume problem and the need for frequent fluid replacement for parts-washing machines. The solution is so successful that Solvent Systems was honored with a 2005 Chicago Innovation Award.

By using a water-based cleaner and a device that separates the solution from oil, the Grease Gator saves on cleaner, protects the environment and provides a source of recycled oil that can be resold for fuel.

"This is no more dangerous than washing dishes over the sink," said Tim Lindsey, co-inventor of the Grease Gator and manager of the pollution prevention program at the University of Illinois' Waste Management and Research Center.

About one million parts-washing machines operate in the United States in garages, factories and anywhere else where metal parts must be cleaned before a repair is made. About 90 percent use a paint thinner-type cleaner, Rundell said.

One problem with using more environmentally friendly cleaners is that detergents use emulsifiers, a key ingredient in laundry soap. The detergent mixes with the oil and grease from the parts, and bacteria eats the carbon, which makes a smelly mess.

The Grease Gator cleaning solution is a slow emulsifying cleaner, so the machine has time to split the oil from the cleaning solution, which can then be used again and again.

A spigot on the side of the Grease Gator releases the recycled oil into a bucket.

This would be like doing the laundry, and then being able to re-use both the soapy water and return the dirt to the garden.

All of this saves money, because instead of renting a parts-cleaning machine from a company like Solvent Systems that supplies solvents and replaces them as they get dirty, shops can buy their own Grease Gators and keep them clean, Rundell said.

"Now we're selling the machines, and they're buying our chemicals," Rundell said. Solvent Systems will also buy waste oil from its 260 clients. Rundell said one client cut parts-cleaning costs by 85-percent.

The oil-stripping component of the machine was the design of the University of Illinois researchers, Lindsey said. Rundell perfected the cleaner, including adding an anti-rust agent.

In a letter to Grease Gator, Tim Hargrove of Pauly Toyota in Crystal Lake said his workers were "blown away" by the performance of Grease Gator, which he

said cleans better and faster than mineral spirits.

"I was skeptical about this cleaning innovation," Hargrove wrote. "Not any more."

Congratulations again Steve!

Congratulations also to Board Member **Ed Howe** and his lovely wife **Carol**, proud parents of **Brother Edward Howe, C.R.** and congratulations to Brother Ed on his appointment as President of Gordon Tech High School, Ed is the son of Carol and Ed Howe of Robert F. Phillips Co., Inc. He returns to his alma mater where he graduated



Brother Ed Howe

in 1982 and went on to earn a master's degree in University. He served at Weber High School and on to Gordon Tech as a Youth Counselor, Technology Director and Coach during a 12 year span. The past few years were spent with the Archdiocese of Chicago working in the radio and television office. Brother Ed had been living at St. Hedwig's Parish where he was instrumental in working with the Chicago Police Department and the neighborhood in closing down several drug houses near the church in the Bucktown area. We wish him well in his new assignment.

Congratulations are also in order for newly installed President of the PCA, **Craig Campeglia** and his wife **Mary Ann**, and also to outgoing President **Bob Melko**, for their enthusiasm and commitment to the industry Bob will continue as an officer of the Plumbing Council and the PCA is in very capable hands with Craig at the helm. Again, our congratulations to both. My thanks to ASSE both the national and local chapter for honoring me with a fellowship award at their annual convention in St. Louis. I accepted the award, humbly and on behalf of the Plumbing Council officers, Board and members who made this possible. Congrats also to **Shannon Corcoran** the National Director of ASSE and **George Bliss** of the World Plumbing Council for a great convention. It was good to be with local chapter members, the Collin's, the Gehrke's, Flader's, Morin's, and Erlich's, I hope I didn't leave anybody out.

We ask you to keep long time volunteer, **Frank Ragusso** in your prayers, he received a new kidney and is doing very well.

Listed below is a list of volunteers who make Mayor Daley's Plumbers for Seniors Program possible. My sincere thanks to **Joe Albergo**, the coordinator of the program and the volunteers who make the lives of those they assist a little brighter.

### 2005 Plumbers for Seniors Volunteers

**Apprentices**  
 McCallister Feron  
 Chuck Fiege  
 Stephen Geraghty  
 Marvin Hale  
 Jeff Jackson  
 Michael Knezevic  
 Martin Lucas  
 Eric Moeller  
 Robin Olvera  
 James Saliono  
 Marvin Walker  
 Wayne Ziebell

**Journeymen**  
 Scott Albergo  
 Frank Borkowski  
 Matthew Dankert  
 Dave Devine  
 Rich Edwards  
 Griffith Gehrke  
 Tom Graham  
 Ed Hardman  
 Roosevelt Kennderson  
 Dennis Kissane  
 Frank Macias  
 Ben Maciejewski  
 Mathis Monroe  
 Jim O'Donnell  
 Frank Ragusso  
 Patrick Reidy  
 Roger Scarpelli  
 Mike Stevens  
 Pat Upes  
 Dominic Vittorini  
 Viva White

See you all at the parade on Columbus Drive at noon on March 11th and have a great spring.

Robert E. Ryan, Sr.  
 Executive Director  
 Plumbing Council of Chicagoland

# PLUMBING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF CHICAGO AND COOK COUNTY

## Letter From Outgoing President Bob Melko

As my term as President of the PCA comes to its end, I would like to thank the members of our association for giving me such a great honor and opportunity to serve our industry.

So many things were accomplished with the hard work of our Board of Directors and Officers. The Plumbing Contractors Association of Chicago and Cook County has become a recognized leader within the National Association of Plumbing, Heating, Cooling Contractors Association nationwide.

Our State of Illinois plumbing license law is still the envy of the nation. We must never lose sight of this! Maintaining our relationship with Local Plumbers' Union 130, we have started a comprehensive drug and alcohol program that will help our contractors, employees and families to live more productive lives.

The mission to educate our plumbing contractors to become better business people and to be more profitable has been a top priority. With the professional direction from Executive Director Dan McLaughlin and his assistant Sharon Robb, the first Plumbing Contractors Conference in Orlando became an educational event to remember and has become a semi-annual program. The next event is planned for Las Vegas in 2007.

I am very happy that our meeting with Mayor Richard Daley was very productive on major issues concerning our industry.

All our concerns were presented to the Mayor and I can honestly say that his solutions to our problems and actions to make things happen were of a businessman's point of view and understanding. I believe these improvements will help our industry and the City of Chicago, a win/win situation for everyone.

I wish to congratulate our new President, Mr. Craig Campeglia of Franks Mechanical Contractors, Inc. Craig possesses the leadership and compassion to keep our industry standards high. He has my total support.

## Letter From President Craig Campeglia

As the year begins, I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and may the new year bring you health and prosperity. I am honored to be the newly elected president of the oldest trade association in the nation. At this time I would like to thank Bob Melko and all the former presidents I have served under for sharing their knowledge and supporting me in preparation for this position.

Two of our long time directors, Jerry Duever and Ed Kuhn, have chosen not to renew their positions. I would personally like to thank both gentlemen for many years of dedicated service to this board. Their presence will be greatly missed.

A third vacancy had been left by Jerry Roberts accepting the position as second vice president. I look forward to working with the new directors Jim Birk, Mike DiFoggio and Steve Weinberg. These three gentlemen have shown their dedication to the PCA through their commendable attendance at our monthly meetings and offering their support.

As former president Bob Melko stated we have accomplished many tasks in the past two years and we cannot stop now. The PCA's obligation to the membership is to continue to provide unlimited service and education of the highest quality. The Labor Relations Committee is continually meeting with Jim Sullivan and Local 130. Together we have created a working relationship that is respected throughout the nation. The Education Committee will be meeting to create

the schedule of seminars for this year. If anyone has a special subject they are interested in, please call the PCA office and express your ideas. The Committee is open to all suggestions.

In recent conversation with members and input from general contractors, 2006 should be a good year for construction.

## 125th Anniversary Book

The Plumbing Contractors Association of Chicago and Cook County will be celebrating 125 years in 2007. The Board wants to honor that anniversary with a book that will be made up of stories. Stories about the PCA, stories about some of the interesting individuals that went before us and stories about you and your businesses.

We are asking anyone associated with the PCA now, or in the past, to write a story about your experiences, your company and the individuals that you know and respect. You should include information on the founders of your company, when and where it was first located, special projects, the growth and progress you have made, and changes over the years. Maybe an interesting story has been talked about for years in your company. It is the perfect time to commit it to paper.

If you are only in business a short time, your story is still part of our story and you will want to be part of this book.

We would also like to make copies of old or interesting photos, interesting letterheads, invoices, etc.

It would help us considerably if you would submit your stories, photos etc. sooner rather than later. We will need a lot of time consuming work to make this book something everyone will be proud of. If you have any questions or need any help please call Dan McLaughlin at the PCA, (312) 563-9526.

## Hall of Fame

The 2006 Hall Of Fame inductees, Ed Kuhn and Bob Litvin, were honored at the PCA Installation Dinner held January 21, 2006. The Chicago Area Plumbing Industry Hall of Fame was created by the PCA in 2002 to recognize and honor selected individuals that have shown a great deal of personal commitment, ingenuity and passion to improve our industry.

For more than twenty years Ed Kuhn served on numerous state and national contractors association committees, in addition to several PCA committees. His tireless efforts culminated in serving a term as President of the PCA in 1992 and President of the IAPHCC in 2000. Ed became one of the most respected plumbing contractors in the industry with his willingness to help anyone that asked and his commitment to improving the associations he was involved with and the industry as a whole.

Bob Litvin while serving on numerous committees is best known for chairing the PCA Labor Relations Committee, negotiating over the years with five Business Managers. Bob was instrumental in the development of many of the boards, committees and programs that benefit the industry today, like the Joint Arbitration Board, the Northern Illinois Regional Bargaining Association and the Plumbing Council of Chicagoland. He also led the successful challenge to OSHA's new Lead In Construction Standard in the late 90s saving contractors hundreds of thousands of dollars.

With only two individuals selected in each two year period, this exclusive award carries a unique honor. Both Ed Kuhn and Bob Litvin deservedly join the ranks of some very impressive individuals.



## PCA Installation of New President and Board of Directors

On January 21, 2006, Craig Campeglia, of Franks Mechanical Contractors, Inc., was sworn in as the 72nd President of the PCA. With his wife MaryAnn and sons Frank and Craig, Jr. looking on, Local 130 Business Manager Jim Sullivan administered the oath of office to Craig and the PCA Board of Directors.

Craig talked about the honor of following so many great industry leaders and promised to work hard to continue the great tradition they fostered. Craig singled out those PCA Presidents that he served on the board with, including Ed Kuhn, Ed Howe, Hank Swade, Pete Fazio, Wally Brongiel, and Bob Melko, thanking them for their leadership and guidance. Craig also said he looked forward to working with the young contractors, "they are our future," and working to find ways the PCA can harness the unlimited capabilities of the internet to benefit the PCA and its members.

With the traditional "Passing of the Gavel," Bob Melko congratulated Craig and offered his support over the next two years. Bob thanked the Board for their dedication and help over the last two years as the PCA accomplished a number of new programs, including an industry wide drug program and the first out-of-state Contractors Conference.

The guests, at one of the best attended installations in recent memory, enjoyed the music and dancing with the band *Touch*, after a great dinner in the Ball Room of the Renaissance Hotel Oak Brook.



Ed Kuhn accepts his award from Bob Melko



Bob Melko passes the gavel to Craig Campeglia of Franks Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

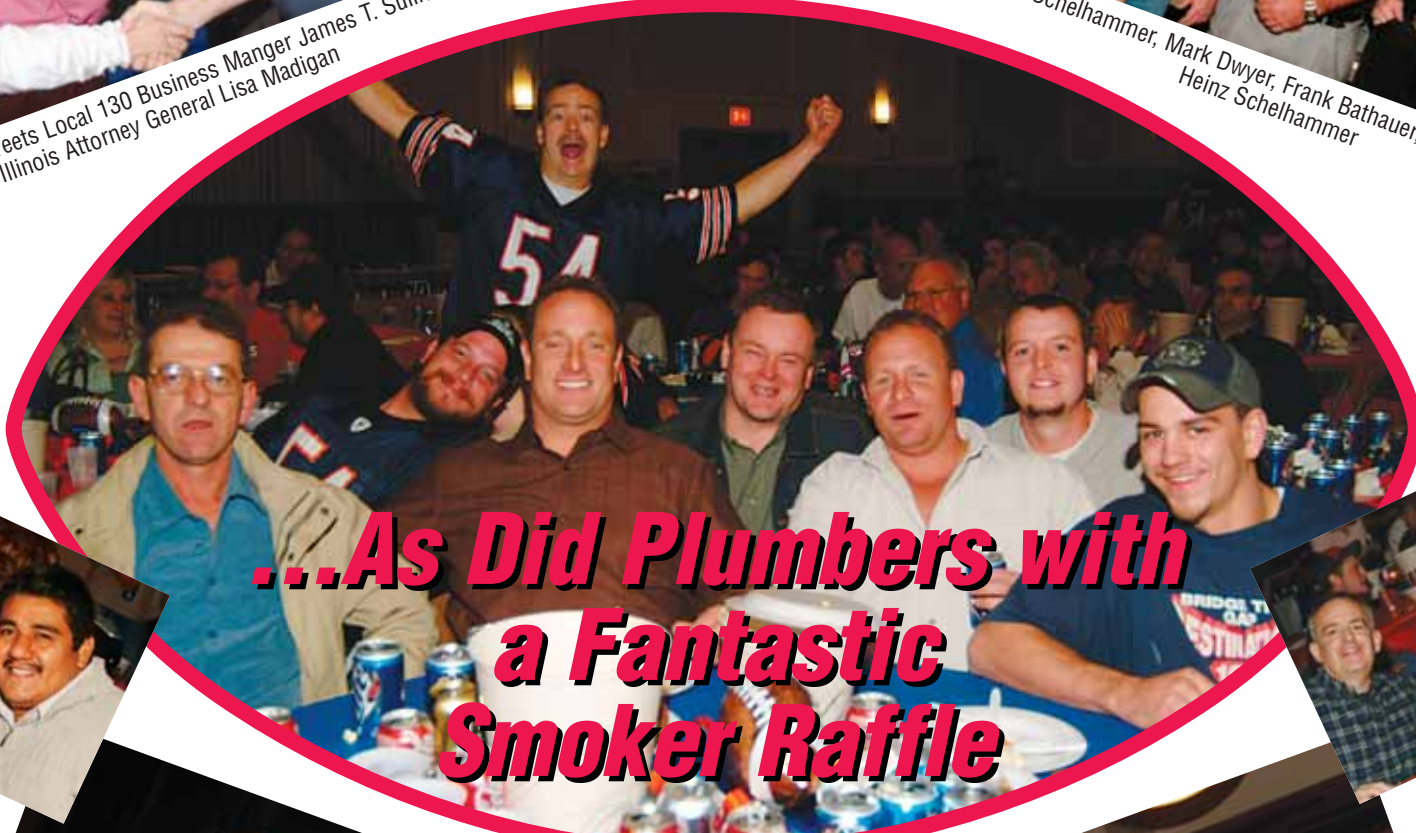
# BEARS WIN



Patrick McCarthy greets Local 130 Business Manger James T. Sullivan with Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan



Kyle Schelhammer, Mark Dwyer, Frank Bathauer, Kevin Sherlock, Heinz Schelhammer



## ...As Did Plumbers with a Fantastic Smoker Raffle



John D'Amico, Local 130 member and Illinois State Representative

More than 800 people joined together on November 6 to enjoy good friends, good food and as it turns out a good football game with a 20-17 win over the New Orleans Saints. Below are a few snapshots of those who attended and the fun they had!



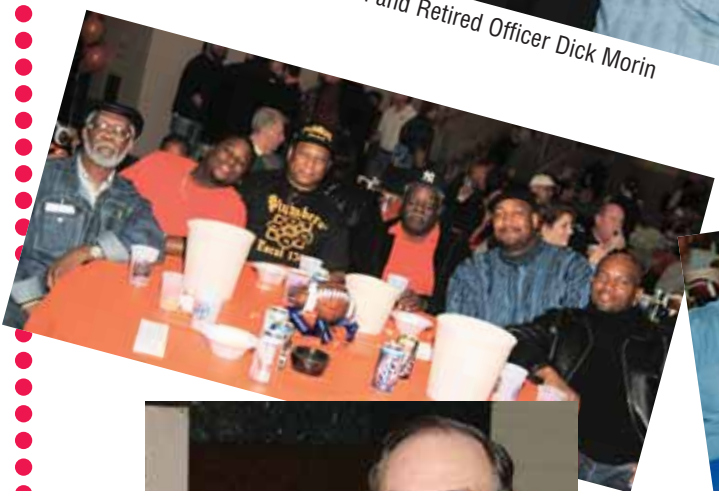
Local 130 Secretary Treasurer Jim Coyne and Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan



Jane Bojan, Lil Morin and Retired Officer Dick Morin



Illinois Speaker of the House Mike Madigan, Recording Secretary Bob Walsh, Secretary Treasurer Jim Coyne and Terrence O'Brien, president of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District



Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan and Business Manager James T. Sullivan



Bob Nadziejko, James T. Sullivan and John Kyles



Business Manager James T. Sullivan and Terrence O'Brien, president of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District

# Pension Fund Birthday Greetings

*Congratulations & Best Wishes to Our Nonagenarians*

**William Magid**  
98 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – December 20, 1907

**Cyril Vandermeer**  
98 Years  
Demotte, Indiana  
Birthday – December 17, 1907

**Edward F. Kubycheck, Jr.**  
97 Years  
Phelps, Wisconsin  
Birthday – December 06, 1908

**Nathan Goldsand**  
94 Years  
Arlington Heights, Illinois  
Birthday – October 10, 1911

**Leonard J. Hagedorn**  
94 Years  
Macy, Indiana  
Birthday – July 24, 1911

**Adolph Melone**  
94 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – September 04, 1911

**Moritz Rosenberg**  
94 Years  
Deerfield, Illinois  
Birthday – December 11, 1911

**Thomas N. Collins**  
92 Years  
Palos Park, Illinois  
Birthday – February 13, 1914

**Ross R. DiFoggio**  
91 Years  
Mokena, Illinois  
Birthday – June 19, 1914

**Robert W. Groth**  
91 Years  
Westlaco, Texas  
Birthday – February 01, 1915

**Walter Holz**  
91 Years  
Huntley, Illinois  
Birthday – January 30, 1915

**John T. Hutton**  
91 Years  
Plainfield, Illinois  
Birthday – June 25, 1914

**Chester E. Schmidt**  
91 Years  
Mt. Prospect, Illinois  
Birthday – January 17, 1915

**James E. Corcoran**  
90 Years  
Nashville, Tennessee  
Birthday – June 22, 1915

**Charles E. Lesperance**  
90 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – August 26, 1915

**Denis A. Molloy**  
90 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – June 15, 1915

**Ben J. Roski**  
90 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – June 23, 1915

## *Happy Birthday to Those 85 and Over*

**Robert J. Erickson**  
89 Years  
Hazelcrest, Illinois  
Birthday – September 18, 1916

**William Garbell**  
89 Years  
Dallas, Texas  
Birthday – October 04, 1916

**Charles F. Huber**  
89 Years  
Orland Park, Illinois  
Birthday – February 17, 1917

**John W. Liscarz**  
89 Years  
Sparks, Nevada  
Birthday – January 22, 1917

**Paul L. Mueller**  
89 Years  
Rolling Meadows, Illinois  
Birthday – October 08, 1916

**Roy N. Thumm**  
89 Years  
Brooksville, Florida  
Birthday – December 08, 1916

**Felix P. Biver**  
88 Years  
Berwyn, Illinois  
Birthday – July 04, 1917

**John Dragovich**  
88 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – June 16, 1917

**Osvold W. Enervold**  
88 Years  
Boca Raton, Florida  
Birthday – November 08, 1917

**Oscar E. Larson**  
88 Years  
Palos Park, Illinois  
Birthday – January 09, 1918

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# Retirees Award Luncheon

June 16, 2005



Business Manager, James T. Sullivan, congratulating the new retirees before they are presented with their clock.



## New Retirees as of the Last Quarterly

### *May 2005*

John E. Evans  
Richard A. Lewandowski  
Louis D. Malito  
Donald McGregor.  
John D. Waychoff, Jr.

### *June 2005*

John H. Hills  
Michael H. Miller

### *July 2005*

William J. Haidacher  
John T. Keating  
Thomas J. Lynch  
Donald A. Nicks  
Ernest B. Nola  
Robert E. Olszewski  
John C. Peterocelli  
Paul Schmitt  
John D. Sepka  
William Stevenson  
Edward R. Thiesse

### *August 2005*

Archie L. Brigman  
Russell W. DeLong  
Jerome A. Duever  
John T. Heminsley  
John H. Kyles

### *September 2005*

Gumaro Arroyo  
David M. Combs

Louis J. Grotto  
John B. Hagen, Jr.  
Thomas R. McAvoy  
Gerald B. Meyers  
Gregory A. Zienciak

### *October 2005*

George C. Evans  
James F. Farnan, Jr.  
Richard Kluck  
Robert U. Motl  
Joseph J. Seminetta  
Ronald S. Stanciak  
William W. Stanwyck  
Leonard F. Stutz

### *November 2005*

Richard D. Affinito  
Bruce J. Boersma  
Bernard J. Farwell  
Elmer R. Mangelsdorf  
John Petri  
William T. Pollard  
Kenneth G. Wiltjer

### *December 2005*

Samuel Anzaldi, Jr.  
McLloyd Becton  
Dennis J. Drew  
Bruce K. Hansen  
Brian K. Hillenbrand  
William H. Himley  
John A. Macis  
James S. Mirabella, Jr.

## The 401(k) Plan

To enroll in the 401(k) Plan, receive additional information on MassMutual's services or check on your existing account, please contact MassMutual at 800-743-5274. Participants can also get information from MassMutual's website, [wrs.massmutual.com](http://wrs.massmutual.com).

## Keep Advised of Your Pension Benefits

John S. Bojan, Administrator of the Pension Fund, requests that participants of the Pension Plan not yet retired, write or call the Pension Fund Office at 312-829-1262 to receive their Pension Credit Report. Please review your report and notify the Fund promptly of any errors or omissions. After reviewing, save the report for your records.



Mayor Richard M. Daley speaks to all the children



The Skinner Choir sings for the children



# Merry Christmas to all the Neighborhood Kids

Once again, Local 130 played Santa Claus to all the little children in the neighborhood. The plumbing industry provided entertainment, lunch, and of course, toys for more than 830 children who go to school in the neighborhood of the Union Hall. Each child enjoyed a hot dog lunch with chips, juice and ice cream and received a bag of toys and presents valued at \$40. Thank you to everyone who made this event possible and those who volunteered their time.



Eddie Ware, Jim Coyne, Local 130 Secretary Treasurer, James T. Sullivan, Local 130 Business Manager, Melvin Davenport Jr., Dick Sparling, Bob Walsh, Local 130 Recording Secretary and Buddah Richards



James T. Sullivan, Local 130 Business Manager, Mayor Richard M. Daley, Bob Walsh, Local 130 Recording Secretary, Jim Coyne, Local 130 Secretary-Treasurer and kids



Dick Sparling, Buddah Richards and Lindsey Dickinson



Jim Coyne, Local 130 Secretary-Treasurer, Terry Musto, Welfare Fund Administrator



Diana McKewin, Santa Claus and Marilyn Noel



Jay McCarthy, Plumbing Council Treasurer and Mayor Richard M. Daley

# PLUMBERS WELFARE FUND NEWS

## A Good Nights Rest

Are you getting enough sleep? Half of adults are not. Yet adequate sleep is as vital to good health as nutrition and exercise. The following are some tips to a good night sleep;

- 1) Establish a routine! Go to bed early and at the same time everyday. This will condition your body's internal clock. Most adults require 7-8 hours of sleep a night.
- 2) Avoid naps! Naps may affect your ability to sleep at night.
- 3) Relax before bedtime! Do some light reading or listen to pleasant music.
- 4) Avoid caffeine, nicotine and do not drink alcohol to sleep.
- 5) Exercise regularly! Regular exercise causes you to sleep longer and you get to sleep in half the time.
- 6) See a doctor if you suffer from sleep apnea! Sleep Apnea is a condition when you are sleeping and your breathing stops periodically.

## Delta Dental of Illinois is The Plumbers Welfare Fund Local 130 and Technical Engineers New Dental Claims Administrator



Effective December 1, 2005 Delta Dental of Illinois is the new dental claims administrator for both the Plumbers Welfare Fund Local 130 and the Technical Engineers Welfare Plans. Delta has the largest dentist provider network in the Illinois area with over 248,000 dentists.

Delta Dental has provided the Plumbers Welfare Fund Local 130 and the Technical Engineers Welfare Funds with the following two of their networks; 1) Deltapreferred, and 2) Deltapremier. Also, under your Plan you may go to any out of network dentist as you wish. However, it is to your advantage to choose an in network dentist.

You can go online to check to see if your dentist is participating with Delta Dental at [deltadentalil.com](http://deltadentalil.com). Shortly, everyone should be receiving a card from Delta Dental to show to your dentist. If you have any questions you can call either the Fund Office or Delta Dental Customer Service Center at 800-323-1743.

## Disease Management

The following four (4) Diseases, cancer, diabetes, heart disease and strokes cause nearly two (2) out of three (3) deaths today. In order to reduce your risk to these diseases you should do the following;

- 1) Don't smoke!
- 2) Eat a healthy diet!
- 3) Do physical activity and reach a healthy body weight!
- 4) See a doctor regularly

## Protecting Your Teeth

Good oral hygiene helps prevent tooth decay, bad breath and gum disease. You should brush your teeth and floss daily after every meal. You should also have regular checkups with your dentist one to two times a year. You should also drink less soda and more water. Soda tends to erode the enamel on your teeth causing tooth decay. If you have to drink soda, use a straw and don't sip the soda over a long period of time. Using a straw minimizes the amount of contact soda has with your teeth, reducing the potential for tooth decay.

## Update Personal Information on File with the Plumbers Welfare Fund Local 130 UA

Please notify the Plumbers Welfare Fund office of any changes in your personal life such as;

- 1) Change in spouses medical coverage
- 2) Student verification letters from school if child is 19 years old, and
- 3) New born information – requires new beneficiary card
- 4) Newly married – requires new beneficiary card

## Prescriptions

Most people take at least one medication. Older (retired) adults can take five to seven prescription drugs regularly. It is essential that you take all medications prescribed and over the counter safely and correctly to ensure effectiveness.

Here are some tips:

- 1) *When taking medicine for the first time;*
  - a. Inform your doctor or pharmacist about any other medicines or supplements you take.

- b. Tell the doctor or pharmacist if you have any medical conditions such as allergies, diabetes or high blood pressure.
- c. Ask the doctor the purpose of the medication, how to take it and for how long. Double check with the pharmacist.
- d. Get an instruction sheet from the pharmacist before you leave.
- e. Write down all instructions.
- f. Read the label.
- g. Inspect all tamper proof seals and packing.
- h. Examine medicine itself check to see if pills are different from others.
- i. Check expiration date. Make sure medicines are still effective.

## 2) When taking Nonprescription Medications;

- a. Read the label.
- b. Understand which symptoms the medicine will relieve.
- c. Know dosage amounts and limits.
- d. Understand interaction warnings.
- e. Know the medicine's active ingredients.

## 3) When taking prescription medications;

- a. Take as prescribed – follow the instructions – symptoms can disappear before condition does.
- b. Do not take more medicine than prescribed.
- c. Take medicine when suppose to ñ with a meal, bedtime and etc.
- d. Do not take medicine if prescribed for someone else.

## 4) When taking any medicine;

- a. Never drink alcoholic beverages.
- b. Keep medicines in original packages or containers.
- c. Never take medications in the dark always turn on a light.
- d. Store medicine as label directs.
- e. Always replace child-resistant tops.

Medication mistakes cause more than 7,000 deaths a year according to the institute of medicine.

# EDUCATION UPDATE

## 2006 Registration

James Sullivan, George Treutelaar and the Trustees of the Joint Apprenticeship Committee have approved the 2006 Apprentice application period.

Anyone who is previously applied for the apprenticeship program and reapplies in 2006 must supply the J.A.C. office with a new current intent to hire and/or recommendation letter.

If you intend to send someone, the lines in February seem to be a little shorter and faster. Testing for the applicants are tentatively scheduled for April for a class, which normally starts in May or June. The size of the class is based on the Plumbing Industry Contractor request.

The 14th annual 3rd year Apprentice Contest was held on June 7, 2005. Thirteen apprentices were eligible to participate.

- |                      |                        |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Beck, Mark        | 8. Stabosz, Paul       |
| 2. Bruckner, Pat     | 9. Sullivan, Dave      |
| 3. Chapel, John      | 10. Tyler, Jeff        |
| 4. Lambros, James    | 11. Vendermeer, Jeremy |
| 5. MacCormack, Scott | 12. Vaseli, Argen      |
| 6. McGinnis, Brian   | 13. Zuleger, Joseph    |
| 7. Morris, Eric      |                        |

They were honored at the November 8th Union meeting and received a monetary prize, plaque and a jacket. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners, were also invited to the annual Graduation Dinner on October 14, 2005, along with their contractors who received a plaque for their office.

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|-------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| • 1st Place | James Lambros | Affordable M & M Plumbing |
| • 2nd Place | Jeff Tyler    | Norman Mechanical         |
| • 3rd Place | Joe Zuleger   | C.J. Erickson Plumbing    |

As a final reminder to all fifth-year apprentices, once you have passed the plumbing license exam and received your new Journeyman's License please bring it to the apprentice office or fax a copy to us at 312/421-4468 as soon as possible. This will then allow us to process your paper work with the U.S.D.O.L. and the U.A. International Training Department.

# November Union Meeting and Turkey Raffle

At the November union meeting, the traditional Turkey raffle took place, where names were drawn for prizes. Also during the meeting the winners of the Apprenticeship contest were honored. The winners and their contractors were on hand. The winners received their prizes, plaques and Local 130 jackets.



1st prize winner – James Lambros



2nd prize winner – Jeff Tyler



3rd prize winner – Joe Zuleger



All the Apprentice Contest participants



John D'Amico, Local 130 member and Illinois State Rep for the 15th District, pulls names for the Turkey raffle



James T. Sullivan, Local 130 business manager, Don Graves and Jim Coyne, Local 130 secretary-treasurer



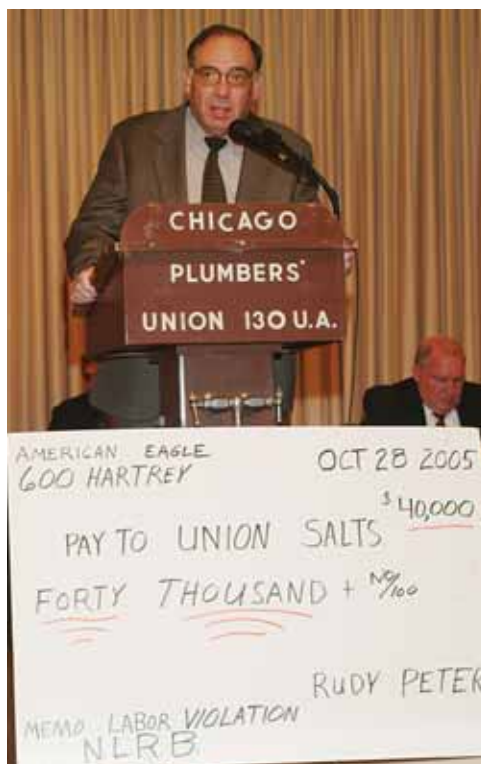
Pat Uphues and Jim Coyne, Local 130 secretary-treasurer



Mike Chapel and James T. Sullivan, Local 130 business manager



Pat Shea, Joe Guadagno, Brian Dunn



James T. Sullivan stands at the podium behind the poster reflecting the October labor violation of American Eagle



Jimmy Babbitt and James T. Sullivan, Local 130 business manager



John Reidy, James T. Sullivan, Local 130 business manager and Tom McEneaney



Bob Walsh and Jim Farnan



Tony Rottman, Jim Coyne, Local 130 secretary-treasurer, Tom Bruckner, Cliff Bruckner



Derek and Dennis Tauberry



# Pension Fund Birthday Greetings

*Congratulations & Best Wishes to Our Nonagenarians*

*Continued from page 5*

- Paul H. Nowack**  
88 Years  
Park Ridge, Illinois  
Birthday – June 14, 1917
- Edward F. O’Keefe**  
88 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – September 05, 1917
- Frank J. Proszek**  
88 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – July 27, 1917
- Martin J. Ross**  
88 Years  
Wheeling, Illinois  
Birthday – June 22, 1917
- Sam Windstrauch**  
88 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – July 17, 1917
- Bruno Adackus**  
87 Years  
West Melbourne, Florida  
Birthday – June 06, 1918
- Patrick F. Dillon**  
87 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – January 05, 1919
- Roy Hatcher**  
87 Years  
Niles, Illinois  
Birthday – July 31, 1918
- Morton Jenkins**  
87 Years  
Scottsdale, Arizona  
Birthday – December 02, 1918
- Heinz J. Klabunde**  
87 Years  
Plainfield, Illinois  
Birthday – November 11, 1918
- Robert A. Kyle**  
87 Years  
Steger, Illinois  
Birthday – December 30, 1918
- Alexander Lewi**  
87 Years  
Wheeling, Illinois  
Birthday – October 05, 1918
- George W. Meyers**  
87 Years  
LaGrange, Illinois  
Birthday – June 27, 1918
- John L. Milke**  
87 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – December 16, 1918
- Leonard C. Stein**  
87 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – December 09, 1918
- Walter J. Tertinger**  
87 Years  
LaGrange, Illinois  
Birthday – February 04, 1919
- Edgar W. Dahme**  
86 Years  
Sun City, Arizona  
Birthday – November 01, 1919
- Lawrence F. Dreffein**  
86 Years  
Oakbrook, Illinois  
Birthday – November 17, 1919
- Thomas E. Duffy, Jr.**  
86 Years  
Des Plaines, Illinois  
Birthday – July 17, 1919
- Thomas C. Fuerst**  
86 Years  
Bloomington, Illinois  
Birthday – June 16, 1919
- Alex C. Halverson**  
86 Years  
Romeoville, Illinois  
Birthday – October 09, 1919
- George J. Jungman**  
86 Years  
Elmhurst, Illinois  
Birthday – June 29, 1919
- John A. Parzyk**  
86 Years  
Lyons, Illinois  
Birthday – August 20, 1919
- Tommie J. Wright**  
86 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – September 16, 1919
- Casimir J. Bielanski**  
85 Years  
Dundee, Illinois  
Birthday – July 18, 1920
- John R. Biggerstaff**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – November 15, 1920
- Norris J. Coulter**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – August 13, 1920
- Michael A. Danko**  
85 Years  
Burbank, Illinois  
Birthday – October 11, 1920
- Edward W. Eick, Jr.**  
85 Years  
Knox, Indiana  
Birthday – December 28, 1920
- Earl E. Genz**  
85 Years  
Bensenville, Illinois  
Birthday – June 04, 1920
- Francis Griffin**  
85 Years  
Park Ridge, Illinois  
Birthday – September 16, 1920
- John B. Hunt**  
85 Years  
Orland Park, Illinois  
Birthday – June 24, 1920
- Roy G. Leo**  
85 Years  
Cape Coral, Florida  
Birthday – September 22, 1920
- Stephen Lesak, Jr.**  
85 Years  
Mt. Prospect, Illinois  
Birthday – December 29, 1920
- William S. Mroz**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – August 29, 1920
- Carden R. Murphy**  
85 Years  
Berwyn, Illinois  
Birthday – July 20, 1920
- Patrick Quinn**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – January 22, 1921
- Wallace Shapiro**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – January 01, 1921
- Anton Winkhardt**  
85 Years  
Chicago, Illinois  
Birthday – August 02, 1920
- Irvin J. Zientek**  
85 Years  
Barrington, Illinois  
Birthday – September 06, 1920

## John’s Plumbing to Work on “New” New Horizon Building

The New Horizon Center is an agency that serves the needs of severely disabled children and adults. From very humble beginnings New Horizon Center was begun more than 30 years ago by a group of pioneer parents who wanted their children to experience the same opportunities as other children their age. New Horizon Center’s mission is to provide education and training to special needs children and adults. The Center strives to preserve the rights and quality of life for disabled children and adults.

New Horizon Center was started in 1967 by a group of pioneer parents of severely disabled children. These children had never been in school. Their lack of communication skills and their inability to walk prohibited them from entry into the limited “special classes” sporadically offered in some local public schools. At that time, the law did not require that handicapped children had the right to a free and appropriate education. Training programs were granted to disabled children whose parents fought vigorously for some type of educational opportunity that would allow their child to attain independent skills such as toileting, feeding, grooming, walking, etc. For the first five years, New Horizon Center operated exclusively on donations raised and volunteer services that were provided by concerned individuals and organizations in the community. For almost 10 years NHC financially struggled without mandated state funds. New Horizon Center’s motivation to continue to give special needs children the opportunity to reach their full potential is seen on the expression of a child’s face when they speak their first word or take their first steps toward independence.

The New Horizon Center is in the process of building a new building on their property, which will be approximately 31,000 square feet. Local 130 contractor John’s Plumbing is proud to be the plumbing contractor on this very special project.

In the building programs will be run for the children and adults that the New Horizon Center serves. Special features of the new building will be: a sensory room, a simulated store, a green room, a computer room and a simulated hairdresser/salon. In the new building, the center hopes to increase the number of children they serve to sixty-five and about twenty adults.

On March 6, the New Horizon Center will host a fundraiser for the new facility, the Seventh Annual Chicagoland Festival of Chefs. Guests will enjoy a sampling of the most creative work from over twenty-five chefs from restaurants throughout Chicago. The fundraiser will be held from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Holiday Inn: Chicago Mart Plaza, 15th Floor, 350 N. Orleans in Chicago. Tickets are \$100 per person.

For more information or tickets, please call the New Horizon Center at 773.286.6226 Ext.275.

# *In Memoriam*

On behalf of all the sponsoring constituencies of the *Plumber's Quarterly*,  
we would like to express our deepest sympathies to the family members of our deceased members.

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## **City of Chicago Plumbing License Test**

The next plumbing practical license test is **Saturday, April 29, 2006.**  
Applications are due **Friday, March 24, 2006.**

**Note:** *The Plumbing Practical Exam is held at Local 130 Training School,  
1400 West Washington Blvd, Chicago, IL 60607*

The Licensing Bureau is located in City Hall,  
Room 104, 121 N. LaSalle,  
Chicago, Illinois 60602.  
Phone 312-744-3895

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