



PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 34 • ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

3rd Quarter: July – August – September 2026

ANNUAL PICNIC

Sat, Aug 29, 2026 @ Noon

Highland Park Pavilion

1200 Montreal Ave, St. Paul

Only \$5 for the whole family!

Hope you can join us!

- NOTE THE CHANGE OF LOCATION.



2026 Apprentice Graduates

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

We hope everyone is having a great summer.

After a sluggish winter, work has taken off this spring.

At the June meeting, we initiated the new class of apprentices, which is one of the most important things we do for the sustainability of the Local. I would also like to congratulate the new graduates this year.

We have made great progress on our new training center. We have the certificate of occupancy in hand, and the Training Department has moved from St. Paul College to our new building in Eagan. They are currently setting up classrooms and starting to build the shop area.

We will have an Open House for our membership to take a look around on Wednesday, July 22nd, from 1 pm to 6 pm. No program is planned, it will just be a chance to walk through and take a look.

I encourage everyone to be cautious and stay hydrated in the extreme heat over the summer months.

I hope everyone has a great Independence Day weekend. The holiday is observed on Friday, July 3rd this year, according to our CBA.

Fraternally,

Dean W. Gale
Business Manager

NEW TRAINING CENTER

The JATC has officially moved out of St. Paul College to our new Training Center site at 3020 Denmark Ave, Eagan, MN 55121, telephone 651.315.4831. They are busy settling in, including setting up classrooms and the shop. All training moves out of St Paul College and the Union Hall, and takes place in the new building. Please stop by for the Open House on Wednesday, July 22nd, from 1:00 – 6:00 pm. We have no program planned, but you may walk through, ask questions, and see the future of our Local. If you are interested in shaping the future, please consider becoming an instructor. Contact Jonathan at Jonathan@plumbers34training.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW JOURNEY LEVEL WORKERS!

Joseph Beckstrand
Griffin Gartzke
Benjamin LaPrairie
Tanner Mueller
Naomi Rigelsky
Christopher Vacinek

Ryan Dickhausen
Nicholas Gosselin
Jacob McGinty
Joslynn Olson
William Rovney
Travis Veeder

Jason Duffy
Travis Hudek
Travis Montez
Mason Platzter
Jason Schorr
Daniel White

Nicholas Duncan
Ivan Ivanov
JohnnieMae Moritz
Jared Price
Patrick Semple

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW RETIREES

Christopher Brown and Larry Wiederhoeft

SYMPATHIES

Local 34 extends its deepest sympathies to the families of:
Steve Malecka Andrew Semlak Tyrus Shanley

ZONE 1 CONTRACT WAGE ALLOCATION

Union Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month • 6 p.m.	<p>St. Paul Plumbers • Local #34 353 W. 7th Street, Suite 104, St. Paul, MN 55102 Phone (651) 224-3828 • Fax (651) 224-3820 www.plumberslocal34.org</p> <p>Pipe Trades Health & Welfare Office Phone(651) 645-4540 Appointments.....(651) 348-8851</p> <p>MN Building Trades Federal Credit Union Offices Phone(763) 315-3888</p> <p>Training Center 3020 Denmark Ave, Eagan, MN 55121 Phone(651) 315-4831</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(BUG)</p>	<p>Zone 1 St. Paul Area Wage Scale May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027</p> <table> <tr> <td>Basic Hourly Wage</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$52.38</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Working Dues</td> <td style="text-align: right;">4.87</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Building Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8.47</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$60.85</td> </tr> </table> <p>Taxable Hourly:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Non-Taxable Fringes</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 14.53</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Health & Welfare</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MNPFML</td> <td style="text-align: right;">13.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pension</td> <td style="text-align: right;">5.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Supplemental</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Retiree Health Trust</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1.77</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Apprentice Training Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Industry Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Int'l Training Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Non-Taxable Fringe</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$36.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Hourly Package:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$97.45</td> </tr> </table> <p>Foreman +\$4.70 General Foreman +\$6.40 Parking up to \$17.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">*** Fringes Paid on Hours Paid ***</p>	Basic Hourly Wage	\$52.38	Savings	3.20	Working Dues	4.87	Building Fund	0.40		\$8.47		\$60.85	Non-Taxable Fringes	\$ 14.53	Health & Welfare	0.14	MNPFML	13.05	Pension	5.16	Supplemental	1.64	Retiree Health Trust	1.77	Apprentice Training Fund	0.21	Industry Fund	0.10	Int'l Training Fund	0.10	Total Non-Taxable Fringe	\$36.60	Total Hourly Package:	\$97.45
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SCHOLARSHIPS

PLUMBERS LOCAL 34 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION: The Plumbers Local 34 Scholarship Foundation will award up to 7 scholarships this year in honor of Brother Frank Horak, up to 3-\$1500 awards to attend College or University, and up to 4-\$500 awards to attend Trade or Vocational school (including Local 34's apprenticeship program). Applications are open to members and their dependents, and must be received in the Plumbers Local 34 office no later than July 31, 2026. For details on how to apply, see our website at www.plumberslocal34.org.

DAVID J. ABEL PLUMBER INITIATION DUES AWARD: To honor his memory, David Abel's family donated money to help three incoming 1st Year Apprentices each year by paying their initiation fee. Awards are made with a preference for veterans, women and people of color. Winners include Lynsey Houska, Samuel Redmond and Kamal Nafiu. Applications are due by May 31st each year.

Continuing Education Class offered through the JATC

Plumbers Local 34 Union Hall
St. Paul Labor Center
353 West 7th Street
St. Paul, MN 55102

Gentlemen and Ladies, Please note the following:

Class size is limited to **75**. You **Must register** for the class and receive a confirmation email.
There will be no drop-ins allowed. Class time has change to **4:30 – 8:30pm**

Email the completed form to: heather@plumbers34training.com

Indicate the courses you would like to register for:

X	Date	Course Name	Code Credit	Tech. Credit	Location	Time
	April 27, 2026	Medical Gas NFPA 99,2024	0	4	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 18, 2026	2020 MN Plumbing Chapter 4	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm
	May 20, 2026	Sizing Sanitary Drainage	4	0	Union Hall	4:30-8:30pm

*****There will be no charge to Local 34 Members for these classes*****

Name: _____ Local Member 34 Contractor
(Check one Box)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Plumbing License Number (PJ or PM number): _____

Confirmation notices will only be sent via email. **Contact information update:**

Rick Gale Training Director rick@plumbers34training.com 651-315-6154

Jonathan Lemke Training Coordinator jonathan@plumbers34training.com 651-315-4831

Heather Sanderson Administrative assistant heather@plumbers34training.com 651-315-5446



2026 Apprentice Class
Initiation

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MINNESOTA PIPE TRADES CAR SHOW: Saturday, August 1, 2026, 4-8 pm at Plumbers Local 34 Training Facility, 3020 Denmark Ave, Eagan, MN 55121. Please call if you wish to enter your wheels.

ANNUAL PICNIC: The St. Paul picnic is on Saturday, August 29, 2026, starting at NOON, at Highland Park Pavilion, 1200 Montreal Ave, St. Paul.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Saturday, September 19, 2026. The cost is \$50 per person. Registration and payment due to the Union office by 4 pm, Friday, September 18, 2026. Space is limited to the first 44 registrations.

Dean W. Gale
Business Manager

Jeremy H. Miller
Business Agent

Brian C. Brown
Business Agent

Contact Us

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*“All that harms labor is
treason to America.”*

- Abraham Lincoln

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