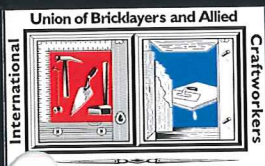


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Health & Benefit Fair Saves Lives in Numerous Ways

By Patricia Johnson



From the left, Terry and Ron Petrick and their daughter Sam continued their annual tradition of attending the health fair together. Ron won two Cub Food gift cards and one Target gift card. "The free massage was very good," says Terry. Ron joined BAC in 1979 and retired three years ago. The couple live in the Royalton, MN area, 100 miles northwest of Minneapolis.

The 2014 Health & Benefit Fair held on April 26 at the Minneapolis Convention Center mirrored last year's event in participant numbers. The fair is a collaborative effort between the Labor/Management Health Care Coalition of the Upper Midwest and 20 member funds.

It is the largest in the country. Labor health fund members and their families had the opportunity to participate in family centered activities, education and information focused on the improvement of health and lifestyle. Attendees spoke with representatives from more than 80 health-related businesses. Children took advantage of a play area and climbing wall. Minnesota Senator Al Franken also spoke briefly offering his support for the Unions and the current health care issues they are facing.

More than \$10,000 worth of prizes were given away. Of the 90 participants who received a free screenings by St. Paul Radiology, 12 will require additional medical follow up. Memorial Blood Centers sends out a heartfelt thank you to all who donated blood. The 39 units collected will save up to 117 lives. The response was greater than anticipated. The event was free to all attendees and funds. Next year's event is scheduled for May 2 at the same location.

Kentzelman Picks Up the Shovel One Last Time

By Patricia Johnson

It was Richard Kentzelman's first day of retirement, April 26, and he was spending it just like he did the past 38 years; working with the Union. He was "back on the job" greeting BAC Local 1 MN/ND members at the Health & Benefit Fair.

After high school graduation, Kentzelman served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a field radio operator for two years. He then became a member of Laborers Union Local 563

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From the left, President Mike Cook, Business Rep Mike Ganz, retiree Richard Kentzelman and Roger Buirge, trustee for BAC Local 1 MN/ND Health Fund, greeted members of the Union at the health fair in April.

NOTE: BAC Local 1 MN/ND has terminated its 1-800 number

BAC Local 1 has terminated its 1-800 number. Because of the problems that we were having with this line we are unable to offer this convenience to our members any longer.

Kentzelman

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discovering that “A shovel fit my hand better than a pencil” he says, taking college out of the equation. In 1976 he began his nearly four-decade career with BAC Local 1 MN/ND. Since then he’s worked as a brick and blocklayer, stone, marble and cement mason, and later an apprentice instructor. In 2000 he began serving the members he worked alongside with as a business representative.

Kentzelman enjoyed bouncing from job to job. “They were all good,” he says. As a business rep he appreciated the opportunity to take care of the members and resolve their issues. He also enjoyed working with the younger people and watching them grow within the industry. Kentzelman’s advice to them and others is that it will be tough at times, but stay with it. “The end result is you can retire with dignity, with health insurance and a decent union pension,” he says. “It is worth the time and effort.”

The Maple Grove, MN, resident and his wife, Mandy, have two adult children. Although he has no plans for retirement, Kentzelman confidently states, “I’m going to start my second childhood and try to guarantee myself 40 good years.” No doubt his involvement with his church, Lions Club, hunting and fishing, and volunteering with Building Trades and the AFL-CIO will keep him busy.

The Monday following the health fair, Kentzelman’s plans were to go to the gym at 5 a.m., like he has for the past several years. He works out five days a week. “That’s how I start my day,” he says. “It sets the tone for the day.”

It’s a healthy way to begin those 40 years, too.

Dick Kentzelman resigned as Vice President on April 30. Doug Schroeder was appointed to fill the remainder of the term until the next election.

Thank you for your years of service and dedication, Richard. We wish you the very best for many years to come.

– BAC Local 1MN/ND

Important Changes Regarding Your HRA Account

Beginning May 1, 2014, employer contributions to the Minnesota and North Dakota Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers HRA resumed, however there are some notable changes to the Plan in order to comply with new provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA).

If you are a retiree there will be no change for you other than the use of the new request for reimbursement form that was mailed out in May.

If you are an active member enrolled in qualified coverage either through the Fund or provided by your employer or your spouse’s employer, there will be no change for you. Your coverage in the HRA will continue in the same manner, and you will be able to receive reimbursement for the same medical expenses as in the past. After May 1, 2014, all active participants will be required to attest on the new reimbursement form that they are enrolled in coverage either through the Fund or a qualified employer sponsored group health plan that provides minimum value at the time the claim was incurred.

If you are either uninsured or you purchased your own coverage from an insurer or the Health Insurance Marketplace, there will be a change in the expenses that are eligible for reimbursement. Reimbursement will be limited to certain non-essential or “excepted benefits.”

Additional coverage information can be obtained from the Fund Office.

PPACA also requires that the HRA must allow members to opt out of the Plan at any time. This opt out provision is for members that would like to seek Exchange based coverage and take advantage of any available subsidies. Participation in this HRA Plan may prevent you from being eligible for coverage in the Exchange. Members who choose to opt out may re-enroll at a later date if they so choose. Additional information and forms can be obtained from the Fund Office.

HRA Benefit Enhancement

The Fund is also working on a project to make more money available to members in their HRA accounts. On Jan. 1, 2014, the Health Fund moved from a Quarterly Hour Bank Eligibility System to a Monthly Dollar Bank System. Currently balances in the Dollar Bank can only be used for premiums to grant eligibility under the Health Fund. In the near future, a program will be implemented that will keep three months of premium at the selected level of coverage in the Dollar Bank, and roll the balance into the HRA for members to use for qualified health expenses. Watch your mail for an announcement regarding when this benefit enhancement will take effect.

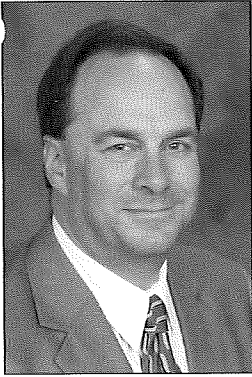
HRA Balances and Plan Information

As a reminder, members can access and update account information online via the Zenith American Solutions Web site. There you will find participant information, Plan documents, the new request for reimbursement form, and helpful links. Simply go to www.zenith-american.com and select “Participant” under Account Type, enter your

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From the President

Mike Cook, President/Secretary-Treasurer



Negotiations

We have come to agreements with the employers with all of the BAC Local 1 MN/ND contracts that expired on April 30, 2014. The new wages and new contract terms for each area and craft are included in this article.

Work hours for 2013 were up 4 percent over 2012. 2012 hours were up 8.04 percent from 2011. We are definitely heading in the right direction. The hours during the first four reporting months of 2014 are up 23.16 percent. All outlook indications show us that there is more work out there and that work hours will continue to increase. Do you know someone who would like to work as a bricklayer, tile layer, caulker, tile finisher, precast mason, marble mason, cleaner or restoration worker? Please call us at the local union to let us know. Many of our signatory employers are looking for more help. I would also like to remind all of our current members to make sure that you welcome all the new employees that you see on the job. Ask for their card. If they are not members, give us a call. We will get out there and sign them up. If you don't feel comfortable with the confrontation, just call us and one of the business representatives will stop out to sign up the new member and get them enrolled as soon as possible into the benefit programs.

The following are the settlements that we have reached:

Northwest Minnesota Area Bricklayers and Cement Masons. We agreed to a two-year contract with wage increases of \$1.35 on May 1, 2014, and \$1.65 on May 1, 2015. The new two-year contract will expire on April 30, 2016. This contract covers 27 counties in Northwest Minnesota. We settled on a two year contract to get back

on the same cycle as the rest of the bricklayer contracts in Minnesota.

CMU Insulators agreed on a one-year contract with a wage increase of \$.85 on May 1, 2014.

Eastern North Dakota. This contract is split into two wage areas.

- The **Fargo area** bricklayers, blocklayers, PCC's agreed to a three-year contract with wage increases of \$1.35 on May 1, 2014, \$1.65 on May 1, 2015, and \$2.00 on May 1, 2016. This contract covers nine counties in Southeast North Dakota.
- The **Grand Forks area** bricklayers, blocklayers, PCC's, cement masons and plasterers agreed to a three-year contract with wage increases of \$1.25 on May 1, 2014, \$1.25 on May 1, 2015, and \$1.25 on May 1, 2016. This contract covers 14 counties in Northeast North Dakota.
- The total wage package for Grand Forks will be \$.65 more than Fargo on May 1, 2014. It will be \$.25 more on May 1, 2015, and Grand Forks will be \$.50 less than the Fargo total wage package on May 1, 2016.

Western North Dakota. This contract is also split into two wage areas.

- The **Bismarck area** bricklayers, blocklayers, and PCC's agreed to a three-year contract. Wages will freeze from May 1 through June 30, 2014, with wage increases of \$1.25 on July 1, 2014, \$2.25 on May 1, 2015, and \$1.75 on May 1, 2016. This contract covers 18 counties in Southwest North Dakota.
- The **Minot area** bricklayers, blocklayers, and PCC's also agreed to a three-year contract. Wages will freeze from May 1 through June 30, 2014, with wage increases of \$1.25 on July 1, 2014, \$2.25 on May 1, 2015, and \$1.75 on May 1, 2016. This contract covers 12 counties in Northwest North Dakota.
- The total wage package for Bismarck and Minot will be the same throughout the new contract.

All of the new wage addendums can be found on our Web site at ba1mn-nd.org.

HRA Account *Continued from Page 2*

Username and Password or create one by clicking "Forgot your Username or Password". Under Details and Documents select the MN & ND Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers HRA Account and select the Link to view HRA Accounts and Balances. Once you access your account, you will be able to view your HRA account balance and HRA claims activity. If you need assistance with the Web site, please contact the Fund Office at 651-256-1801 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Officer Qualifications

ARTICLE VIII

1. The elected officers of this Local Union shall consist of a President/Secretary Treasurer, an Executive Vice President, and three (3) Vice Presidents. In addition, the members of each chapter shall elect the following chapter officers: chair, recording secretary, and sergeant-at-arms.
2. The elected officers shall be elected for a term of three (3) years commencing on the first (1st) day of the calendar month following the month in which the election is held.
3. No member shall be a candidate for or hold more than one (1) elected office at the same time.

4. Qualifications for Office

- A. In order to qualify as a candidate for any elected office in this Local Union a member shall be required:
- (1) to have been a journeyman member continuously in this Local Union and in the International Union for a period of two (2) years immediately prior to nominations; and
 - (2) to be current in the payment of his/her dues; provided that the President/Secretary Treasurer shall accept payment of any dues in arrears at the nomination meeting prior to the opening of nominations.
- B. No person who has been debarred by the International Union or any Local Union after trial from holding office shall be qualified as a candidate or hold office during the period of his/her debarment.
- C. A contractor member, or a supervisory member who works in a supervisory position on a continuous and ongoing rather than project by project basis, with the effective authority to hire, fire or impose substantial discipline, may not be a candidate for or hold office.
- D. Retired and disabled members who are collecting Local Union pension or IU pension benefits may not be a candidate for or hold union office unless they cease being a retired or disabled member for a period of twelve (12) months prior to the date of nominations.

Chapter Nominations

There will be Special Order of Business meetings for nominations of all chapter officers during the month of September for all chapters. These positions include chairman, recording secretary, sergeant-at-arms and the negotiating committee. Two members for each craft can be elected to the negotiating committee in each area where there are negotiations. Here is your chance to get involved and be part of the negotiating team. The chapter meetings are scheduled as follows:

Chapter #4 – Central MN – Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2014, St. Cloud Labor home, 1903 4th Street, St. Cloud, Minnesota, 7 p.m.

Chapter #11 – Southwest MN – Thursday, Sept. 4, 2014, Eagle’s Club #269, 708 North Riverfront Drive, Mankato, Minnesota, 7 p.m.

Chapter #1 – Metro Area – Monday, Sept. 8, 2014, United Labor Center, 312 Central Avenue, 2nd floor, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 4:30 p.m.

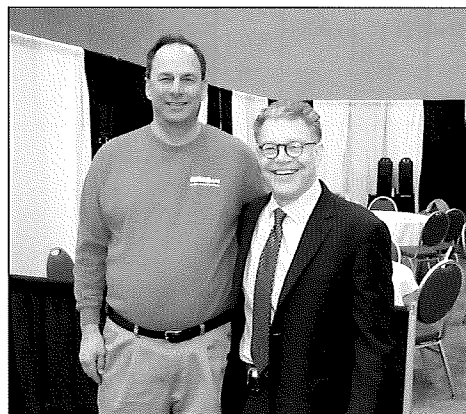
Chapter #8 – Southeast MN – Monday, Sept. 8, 2014, Rochester Labor Temple Building, 11 4th Street SE, Rochester, Minnesota, 7 p.m.

Chapter #3 – Northeast MN – Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2014, Duluth Labor Center, 2002 London Road, Basement Hall, Duluth, Minnesota, 5 p.m.

Chapter #15 – Northwest MN and ND – Thursday, Sept. 11, 2014, Bemidji Elks Club, 116 4th Street NW, Bemidji, Minnesota, 7 p.m.

Local Union Nominations

There will be a Special Order of Business meeting for nominations of all local union officers in conjunction with the semiannual meeting on Oct. 4, 2014, United Labor Center, 312 Central Avenue, 2nd floor, Minneapolis, MN, 9 a.m. The positions include: president / secretary-treasurer, executive vice president and three vice presidents.



BAC Local 1 MN/ND Interviews Franken

Look for an interview with Senator Al Franken in the September issue of Quarterly Update. He will be running for re-election this November. Senator Franken briefly spoke on stage at the Health & Benefit Fair expressing his continued support for the Unions and health care reform. We’ll ask him more questions on this and other issues in the next couple months.

President Mike Cook and Senator Franken took time out from a busy day at the April 26 Health & Benefit Fair to pose for a picture.

Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Local 1 MN/ND Mutual Relief Association

This is a summary of the annual report for the Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local 1 Minnesota/North Dakota Mutual Relief Association (Employer Identification No. 41-0164670 Plan No. 501) for the period January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013. The annual report has been filed with the Employee Benefits Security Administration, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$306,206 as of December 31, 2013, compared to \$344,393 as of January 1, 2013. During the plan year the plan experienced a decrease in its net assets of \$38,187. This decrease includes unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year, or the cost of assets acquired during the year. The plan had total income of \$5,140, including income from investments of \$5,140. Plan expenses were \$43,327. These expenses included \$32,000 in benefits paid and \$11,327 in other expenses.

Your Rights To Additional Information

You have the right to receive a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, on request. The items listed below are included in that report:

1. An accountant's report;
2. Financial information and information on payments to service providers;
3. Assets held for investment;
4. Transactions in excess of 5 percent of the plan assets.

To obtain a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, write or call the office of the Plan Sponsor:

International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local 1 MN/ND
United Labor Center, 312 Central Ave., Room 328
Minneapolis, MN, 55414
41-0164670 (Employer Identification Number)
612-379-2966

You also have the right to receive from the plan administrator, on request and at no charge, a statement of the assets and liabilities of the plan and accompanying notes, or a statement of income and expenses of the plan and accompanying notes, or both. If you request a copy of the full annual report from the plan administrator, these two statements and accompanying notes will be included as part of that report. These portions of the report are furnished without charge.

You also have the legally protected right to examine the annual report at the main office of the plan:

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United Labor Center, 312 Central Ave., Room 328
Minneapolis, MN, 55414
612-379-2966

and at the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, D.C., or to obtain a copy from the U.S. Department of Labor upon payment of copying costs. Requests to the Department should be addressed to: Public Disclosure Room, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Suite N-1513, Washington, D.C. 20210.

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees

Michael Cook
Michael Hawthorne
Michael Ganz
Terry Wong
Richard Kentzelman

CLASS OF 2014

BAC Local 1 MN/ND Apprentice Completions

Completion banquet was held May 1st at Mancini's Char House in St. Paul

Congratulations to the 21 metro apprentices for completing their academic and practical training for qualification of journeyman!

— BAC Local 1 MN/ND



Bricklayer

Front left to right: Apprenticeship Coordinator Rick Martagon, Eric Warner, William Dentinger IV, Vincent Frank. Back left to right: Parker Johnson, Rebecca Nohava, Instructor Dave Mensing



Pointer, Cleaner, Caulker

Left to right: Apprenticeship Coordinator Rick Martagon, Teevan Paye, Vincent Abrego, Instructor Gary Jirovec, Robert Doxtator. Not Pictured: Joshewa Mueller



Tile Finisher

Apprenticeship Coordinator Rick Martagon, Henry Kisitu, Issac Hale, (behind) Darren Harris, Craig Maleska, (behind) Dawada Deputie, Instructor Rod Schmidt. Not Pictured: David Dresel



Tile Layer

From the left: Apprenticeship Coordinator Rick Martagon, (behind) Brandon Peterson, Gabriel Herron, Safet Ramulic, Will Moyer, Benjamin Reno, Paul Sober, Instructor Sam Greenwood



St. Cloud-Brainerd, MN

Gold Card Dinner at the Eagle's Club on Apr. 5, 2014

Front left to right: 50-year members Larry Schroeder and Alvin Eksten. Back left to right: 25-year members David Auer, Steve Goerdts and 25-year member and Vice President Mike Ganz



**Chapter #15 NW Minnesota
Gold Card Dinner at Bullwinkles in Nevis
on Apr. 26, 2014**

Left to right: 40-year member Darrell Hoie and Vice President Mike Ganz



**Lommel Celebrates
with Happy Memories**

It was a design/build project that "took the cake" for Wayne Lommel's 80th birthday celebration during the St. Cloud Gold Card dinner on April 5. Happy birthday, Wayne!



Mankato, MN

Gold Card Dinner at Mankato Eagle's Club on Apr. 25, 2014

Front left to right: 50-year members Wayne Emmers and Jack Wagner. Back left to right: Business Representative Mark Caron and Vice President Terry Wong

Member Spotlight



A Fishing Tale. Doug and Julie Eiklenborg caught a 50" Sturgeon during a recent family fishing trip to Rainy Lake in Northern Minnesota. The couple live in Akeley, MN. Doug has been a BAC Local 1 MN/ND member since 1982. They released the fish for it to swim another day.

Attention Golfers – Don't Miss the
Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers

Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 26, 2014, at Pheasant Acres Golf Club, Rogers, MN

Sponsored by the Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local Union 1 Minnesota/North Dakota

Tee Off Time: 7 a.m.; Shotgun Start – Be There to Sign In by 6:30 a.m.

COURSE REQUIREMENT: ALL GOLFERS MUST WEAR SOFT SPIKES!

SCRAMBLE TOURNAMENT – A

“Scramble” is a competition among foursomes, not individuals. Everyone in the foursome tees off. The best drive is selected, and everyone hits his/her second shot from this location. This procedure is repeated on every shot, including putting, until you putt out. The foursome will have only one score on each hole.

COST IS \$85 PER PERSON – This includes green fees, golf cart, dinner, drink tickets and prizes. Deadline for reservations is July 21. Entrants will be limited to the first 144 golfers. You may make up your own foursome, or we will place you in one.



Retired members will pay \$70 for golf.

Any questions concerning the tournament can be directed to Mike Cook at 612-379-2966.

Because each person must be on a cart, the deadline for golf reservations is July 21. No exceptions! The golf tournament is open to all members of BAC Local 1 MN/ND.

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE WITH RESERVATION – Make your check payable to BAC Golf Day. Send to BAC Local 1 MN/ND, 312 Central Ave., Room 328, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

2014 RESERVATION BAC GOLF TOURNAMENT



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (H) _____ (W) _____

NAMES OF OTHERS IN YOUR FOURSOME

University of Minnesota Students Team with BAC Training for Build and Design Project

Structural masonry, large format tile classes and masonry workshops with the University of Minnesota were front and center on the IMI agenda this spring. IMI Director Mark Swanson reports strong showings in all of these areas which are key to providing a continuing source of work for BAC members and contractors.

Structural Masonry

Sixty structural architects and engineers attended the Structural Masonry Day on March 12, 2014, hosted by the Minnesota Masonry Coalition (MMC) at International Market Square in Minneapolis, along with field coordinators from Ryan Companies and owners such as University of Minnesota and Dairy Queen. Swanson as well as structural engineers Sam Rubenzer and Scott Walkowicz delivered seminars on structural masonry case studies, structural software solutions and grouting and reinforcement.

IMI, BAC and MMC also sponsored a presentation by Sam Rubenzer at the Minnesota Structural Engineering Association in April. Many of the top engineering firms attended the seminar on structural masonry shear wall design, including OPUS, Mattson McDonald, BKBM and AMEC.

Large Format Tile

IMI has been doing quite a bit of work in the tile arena and particularly with large format tile (tile or stone with one side that is greater than 15"). Recently Swanson along with

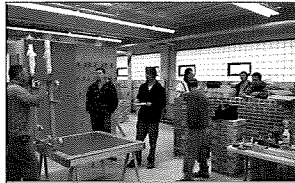
BAC Apprenticeship Coordinator Rick Martagon conducted a training session on large format tile at the Cotton Training Center hosted by BAC Business Representative Stan Paczynski. BAC TMT Craft Director Mike Hawthorne was also in attendance. Swanson and Martagon pointed out that working with large format tile and stone requires a greater expertise in handling these materials as well as understanding the tighter tolerances required in the substrate. In the past, a 12" x 12" was considered large but now some of the new thin tiles are 10' x 3', which can present installation challenges such as lippage, bonding and cracking if installers are not

properly trained. Kate-Lo Tile & Stone and Laticrete provided a classroom session along with a hands-on training to the group from Contract Tile.

University of Minnesota Masonry Workshop

IMI worked along with the architectural students from the University of Minnesota to wrap up their final design projects in March at the BAC/IMI Training Center in St. Paul. Swanson along with instructor Dave Mensing provided the students with a hands-on experience where they created a masonry design and then built a mock-up panel. "I can tell you that as an architect myself, these types of programs where students get to interact with skilled craftworkers as well as our masonry materials really gets them

excited about designing with masonry," says Swanson. Local masonry suppliers donated materials and Local 1 Business Agent Doug Schroeder was one of the judges grading the final designs.



Cotton Training Center Large Format Tile training



MMC Structural Masonry Day

Mark Swanson can be reached at mswanson@imiweb.org, 612-332-2214 or on his cell at 612-840-8695.

To learn more about the International Masonry Institute, visit www.imiweb.org.

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NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our new members...

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Michael Belt	Chrisopher Rasset
Cody Gustafson	John Seekie
Thomas Harrington	Shane Snesrud
David Hopp	Cornell Sullivan
Jay Mahaffey	Dennis Wallace
Chad McKellar	Michael Weets
Kayleigh Monroe	Douglas Wentland
Ryan Neururer	
Levi Post	

DECEASED MEMBERS

We are sorry to report our members deaths...

#1 MN—St. Paul William Hofmeister Leo Lissick Phillip Theisen	#3 MN—Duluth Gunnar Thomasson	#8 MN—Rochest Edward Weber
#2 MN— Minneapolis Ralph Corgard Reynold Hamann Louis Lucas Charles Peterson Jerome Windsperger	#4 MN—St. Cloud Eugene Backes Al Helmin	#15 MN—Brainerd Conrad Beaulieu
	#6 MN—Springfield/ New Ulm Harold Kraus Lorenzo Lindmeier	#18 MN—Tile James Vail

During 2014, many BAC Local 1 members will be celebrating significant anniversaries of having joined the union. Valued longtime members who are marking these milestones are listed below under their original locals.

MINNESOTA

#1 MN-St. Paul 25 Years

Thomas Arnold
Raymond Goulet
Tory Hendricks
Betuel Ibarra
Paul Johnson
Richard Krogh, Jr
Michael Nightengale
Daniel Norton
Ricky Peterson
Dennis Swanson

40 Years

Robert Erickson
Harold Hatch
Stephen Hoffman
Ronald Jost
Steven Langness
John McCarthy
Michael Schultz

50 Years

Charles Hodgson Jr

#2 MN-Minneapolis 25 Years

Dennis Black
David Claussen
Stanley Cowan Jr
Bradley Davis
Gino Davis
Eugene Gmach
Gary Larson
David Lee
Owen Nadeau
Curtis Nelson
Mark Palo
Douglas Schroeder
James Sutter

Richard Theisen
Rand Thorp
Joseph Vanek
Gaylan Wedner
Steve Welle
Vincent Zachman
Gerald Ziebarth

40 Years

James Lundquist
Wayne Paskey
Paul Rockman
Milton Schommer
Robert Stone
Kenneth Vondelinde
Robert Welshans

50 Years

Lawrence Brown, Jr
Sheldon Burns
Kirylo Czichray
James Evenson
Gerald Gagnon
Kenneth Hauschild
Kenneth Kiffmeyer
Robert Lattery, Jr
Arnold Nolden
David Pearson
Gary Schwarze
James Sipprell
Duane Youngquist

#3 MN-Duluth 25 Years

Randy Gaskell
William Powers
Gunnar Thomasson

40 Years

John Talarico

#4 MN-St. Cloud 25 Years

David Auer
Darryl Eiyneck
Michael Ganz
Steve Goerd
Ronald Leach
Charles Ruhoff
Loren Tvrdik

40 Years

David Ziegelmann

50 Years

Alvin Eksten
Robert Reynolds
Larry Schroeder
Sherman Swanson

#6 MN-Springfield/ New Ulm

40 Years
Douglas Walters

#8 MN-Rochester 25 Years

Gregory Amundson
Larry Johnson

#10 MN-Faribault 40 Years

James Dean

#11 MN-Mankato 40 Years

Darwin Muchow

50 Years

Wayne Emmers
John Wagner

#15 MN-Brainerd 40 Years

Darrell Hoie
Walter Schabacker, Jr
Ivo Tauchman

50 Years

Robert Bossman

#16 MN-Hibbing/ Virginia

25 Years
Curtis Carpenter
Ronald Richter

40 Years

William Streu
Richard Welch

50 Years

Dennis Gowell

#18 MN-Tile Layers- Metro

25 Years
Cory Carlson
James Iskierka
Nathan Pfeifer

40 Years

Larry Cook
Steven Funk
David Hochstedler
James Wallner

50 Years

Robert Holmstrom, Jr

#21 MN-Albert Lea

40 Years
Steve Bottelson

#23 MN-Duluth Tile 25 Years

Eugene Pearson

40 Years

Allen Shovein

#107T MN-Terrazzo Workers

25 Years
Michael Allen

NORTH DAKOTA

#1 ND-Fargo 25 Years

Jerome Liska

40 Years

Craig Larson

50 Years

Gary Kosen

#3 ND-Grand Forks 40 Years

Mitchell Vold

#4 ND-Bismarck 25 Years

Reid Perius

40 Years

Leo Bachmeier
Paul Bleth

50 Years

Benjamin Sticka



2014 CHECK YOUR CALENDAR FOR IMPORTANT DATES

Please clip the calendar and post it in a convenient spot so it's handy when you want to check meetings and events.

Chapter 1-Minneapolis-St. Paul
 312 Central Ave., Minneapolis:
 4:30 p.m. June 9, Aug. 11, Sept. 8,
 Nov. 10
 Prom Center, 484 Inwood Ave.,
 Oakdale: All Metro members
 7 p.m. Dec. 8

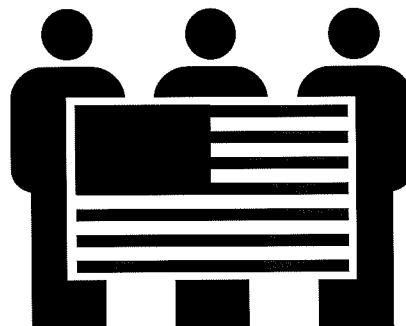
Chapter 3-Duluth-Hibbing-Iron Range
 Duluth, Duluth Labor Center:
 5 p.m. June 11, Sept. 10, Dec. 10
 Hibbing, Electricians Hall: 7 p.m.
 Aug. 13, Nov. 12

Chapter 4-St. Cloud-Brainerd
 St. Cloud Labor Home,
 1903 4th St. N.: 7 p.m. June 4, Aug. 6,
 Sept. 3, Nov. 5, Dec. 3

Chapter 8-Rochester-Faribault
 Rochester, Rochester Labor Hall:
 7 p.m. Sept. 8, Dec. 1
 Faribault, Eagles Club: 7 p.m.
 Aug. 4, Nov. 3

Chapter 11-Mankato-New Ulm
 Mankato, Mankato Eagles Club:
 7 p.m. June 5, Sept. 4, Dec. 4

Chapter 15-Bemidji and ND
 Bemidji, Elks Club: 7 p.m. June 12,
 Aug. 14, Sept. 11, Nov. 13, Dec. 11
 Bismarck, AmVets: 7 p.m. Dec. 18
 Fargo, F.M. Labor Home:
 7 p.m. June 24, Sept. 23, Nov. 19
 Grand Forks, E. Grand Forks
 American Legion: 7 p.m., June 25,
 Sept. 24, Nov. 20



Minot, VFW: 6. p.m. Aug. 28, Sept. 18,
 Dec. 17

GOLD CARD DINNERS

Letters will be mailed.

Metro Area Gold Card Luncheon
 Prom Center, 484 Inwood Ave.,
 Oakdale: 11 a.m. July 10

Chapter 3-Duluth-Hibbing- Iron Range
 Duluth area: Radisson Hotel,
 6 p.m. Oct. 10
 Iron Range: Valentini's, 6 p.m. Oct. 11

Chapter 8-Rochester-Faribault
 Rochester, Rochester's Eagle Club:
 6 p.m. June 6

Chapter 15-Bemidji and ND
 Fargo, F.M. Labor Home:
 6 p.m. Nov 19
 Grand Forks, Speedway:
 6 p.m. Nov. 20

OTHER EVENTS

Retirees Club Breakfast meetings
 Jax Cafe, Minneapolis
 9 a.m., Sept. 25, Dec. 4

Duluth area Retirees meetings
 Miller Hill Mall Perkins, Duluth
 9:30 a.m., First Wednesday of
 each month

Iron Range Retirees Breakfast meetings
 Iron Kettle, 9 a.m., Chisholm
 Third Monday of each month

St. Cloud Retirees Breakfast meetings
 Brigittes Café, 9:30 a.m.,
 Third Thursday of each month

Executive Committee meeting
 312 Central Ave., Minneapolis
 9 a.m. Oct. 3

Semiannual Meeting-All of MN and ND
 312 Central Ave., Minneapolis
 9 a.m. Oct. 4

BAC Golf Tournament
 Pheasant Acres: 7 a.m. July 26

Chapter 3 Golf Tournament
 Grandview Golf
 Links, Duluth
 8 a.m. Sept. 6

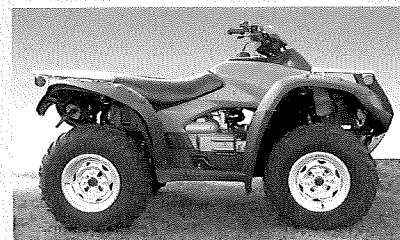


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ATV Member Ride

July 12, 2014

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Camping available. Questions? Call Mike Ganz at 612-865-0343.

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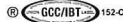
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POLITICS – Our Issues

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Legislators Accomplish Much for Working People

The Minnesota Legislature gavelled to an early end on May 16, capping off one of the most productive two years in recent history. Much like the 2013 session, 2014 saw major gains for working Minnesotans.

The session's results are great news, especially for workers in the construction industry. Lawmakers sent Governor Dayton legislation authorizing more than \$1 billion in construction projects that will put more than 30,000 people to work in upgrading and expanding our state's infrastructure. Lawmakers also sent the Governor responsible contracting legislation. The law establishes a set of criteria to ensure that only responsible and safe contractors are given state construction jobs.

Union workers certainly have a lot to be happy about this session, and so do Minnesota's low wage workers.

Starting in August, Minnesota's minimum wage will begin to increase every year until it reaches \$9.50 per hour in 2016. Starting in January of 2018, the minimum wage will increase every year to keep up with the cost of living. The Labor-led effort to raise the minimum wage was a great opportunity for us to work with non-profit, faith, and community groups on something that benefits all workers.

Other important accomplishments over the last two years include:

- The Women's Economic Security Act
- Safe & Supportive Minnesota Schools Act
- The first wage increase for nursing home workers in 4 years
- Five percent increase in rates to community-based services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Health Insurance Transparency & Accountability bill, increasing competition in school employee health care
- A 26-week extension of unemployment benefits for any worker whose employer locks them out
- Agreement between Labor and business on workers compensation reform that increases benefits to injured workers and finally recognizes psychological trauma as a workplace injury
- The right for childcare providers



Target Field Station opened on May 17, 2014. The central multi-modal transportation hub and community gathering space in downtown Minneapolis provided many construction jobs for BAC Local 1 MN/ND members.

- and personal care attendants to vote on whether they want to form a union
- Balancing the budget with adequate revenue and without shifts and gimmicks

Elections matter. Working people did well at the Capitol in the last two years, because Labor-endorsed candidates were elected to office. The next election is less than six months away. If we want to build a better Minnesota, it's important that we re-elect Labor-endorsed candidates like Governor Mark Dayton and Senator Al Franken and make sure we send a pro-Labor majority back to the Minnesota House. If we work hard, I know we can win in November.



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