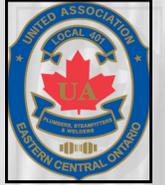




# U.A. LOCAL 401



## APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER



### MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**BOWMANVILLE UNION  
HALL**

**Tuesday**  
**April 15th, 2025**  
**Time: 7:00pm**

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### Condolences

It is with great regret that I inform you of the unfortunate passing of Brother **Robert Bishop**, Brother **Gar English**, Brother **Ross Lefebvre** and Brother **Dennis Mullin**. Our sincere condolences go out to their family and friends.

### Business Manager's Report

Dear Members,

I hope this message finds you and your families well. With spring finally showing itself after what felt like an especially long winter, I want to take a moment to extend my best wishes for a safe and healthy season ahead.

#### ICI Negotiations Update

As many of you are aware, negotiations for the ICI collective agreement have been ongoing. I want to assure you that discussions have been steady and productive. While there are still a few pieces left to finalize, we are optimistic that we will have a tentative offer to bring forward to the membership in the next couple of weeks.

#### Information Meeting and Voting Process

Once a tentative agreement is reached, we will be holding **in-person information meetings** in **both of our geographic areas** to review the offer with you. The **very next day**, eligible members—those working in the ICI sector or currently unemployed—will have the opportunity to **vote electronically**.

Here's how the process will work:

- If you have provided an email address to the union hall, you will **receive a copy of the offer of settlement** and a **link to vote**.
- If you do not have an email on file, **the office will be available to assist you**. You'll be able to access the voting site and log in using your **UA membership number**, with your **initiation date and birth date as your password**.
- The **Ontario Pipe Trades Council** will be conducting the vote, and the **poll will remain open all day** following the information meeting.

Any future or subsequent votes will likely follow this same format to ensure accessibility and transparency for all members.

As always, thank you for your continued support, your dedication to the trade, and your commitment to the strength of our Local. We will continue to update you as developments occur.

**Stay safe, stay informed, and enjoy the season.**

In Solidarity,

**John Graham**

Business Manager & Financial Secretary-Treasurer  
UA Local 401 – Plumbers, Steamfitters, Welders & Apprentices

*welcome spring*

### Assistant Business Manager's Report

Brothers and Sisters;

With the Darlington Refurbishment finishing up with their last unit (4), we are seeing a reduction in manpower. The SMR administration buildings are expected to be hiring in the next couple of months however, the actual SMR isn't expected to hire until at least the fall. Luckily, we are starting to see some movement in the ICI sector and expect to have a promising year, especially in the Belleville area.

Be sure to visit the Local 401 Social committee wixsite for upcoming events such as the UA Golf Tournament, Annual Family Picnic and Baseball tournament to name a few. Scan the QR code or copy the link to be taken to the Social Club website and go to the events page for more information and to register for an event.

<https://local401.wixsite.com/socialclub>



Fraternally yours,  
Ray Drinkwalter

### Training and Apprenticeships

#### Skilled Trades Ontario – Apprenticeships

As you may be aware, the Ministry has diverted most of its apprenticeship responsibilities to Skilled Trades Ontario. Most of your processes will stay the same as the Local 401 JATC will continue to act on your behalf as your sponsor.

Trade school offers will still come via email from the Ministry so please continue to monitor your emails for your next offer.

The most significant change is to the Certificate of Qualification process and location of exam centres.

The JATC will continue to close off apprenticeships once your hours, trade school courses and in-class training have been completed. However, you will be required to sign a form provided to you from the JATC once your apprenticeship is complete. You will not be required to send Skilled Trades Ontario your hours as stated in a recent email sent out from STO.

As of this writing, we are not aware of any exam centres in our area, however we are keeping in constant contact with STO and will let you know once that information becomes available.

#### Worker Ready Training

Be sure to be vigilant with your WHMIS and Working at Heights training. We have received several calls from members who have let their training expire and are now scrambling to get in to renew their certification. 2025 will be a busy year for Working at Heights courses so don't wait to the last minute to book in. We hold courses in both halls once a month and they tend to book up fast.

**Contact Robin in the training department to book into a class... [robin@ualocal401.ca](mailto:robin@ualocal401.ca) or 905-623-1666 x 3.**

#### Worker Ready Training

All WHMIS and Working at Heights courses are running monthly at both union halls. Please contact Robin at 905-623-1666 or [robin@ualocal401.ca](mailto:robin@ualocal401.ca) to book a seat in a class.

Please refer to the feature on page 3 of this newsletter, it will show you the dates you completed your Worker Ready Training and information on when the certifications will expire.

Please note that **ONLY** the **CCOHS WHMIS 2015** course will be reimbursed.

[http://www.ccohs.ca/products/courses/whmis\\_workers/](http://www.ccohs.ca/products/courses/whmis_workers/)

**Send the certificate and receipt to [robin@ualocal401.ca](mailto:robin@ualocal401.ca)**



**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO**

**Please make sure the Union Hall has your current address, email and phone number(s).**

**e-Transfer**

[payments@ualocal401.ca](mailto:payments@ualocal401.ca)

**\* be sure to send your name and password to the same email address.**

### **TRADE LICENCE**

Please remember to keep your trade license up-to-date. You must possess a **valid Skilled Trades Ontario Membership** to work in a compulsory trade in the Province of Ontario. If you need to contact Skilled Trades Ontario regarding license renewals or to **update your address and phone number**, please call

1-855-299-0028

[www.skilledtradesontario.ca](http://www.skilledtradesontario.ca)

### **SICK & DISTRESSED COMMITTEE**

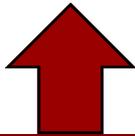
We request any member (or member's family) to contact the Union Office if you become ill or injured.

**MEMBER INFORMATION: Lastname, Firstname**

These are your hours received as of: **March 31st, 2025**—Please report discrepancies to the Union Office immediately

Hrs	Mth	Contract	Employer	Hrs	Mth	Contract	Employer
<b>SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS</b>							

**\*\*\* Above are your hours reported from your contractor.**  
 See below in the yellow box to find out where your dues are paid to.



**MEMBER INFORMATION**

The above information is for your records. Report discrepancies to the Union Office immediately.



**MANDATORY WORKER READY COURSES**

*You can now track your own Worker Ready Courses...*

Below are the dates that you completed your worker ready training. If there is no date beside a course then the hall does not have that course on file. Please forward any certificates that we may not have on file to [robin@ualocal401.ca](mailto:robin@ualocal401.ca).

**Name:**

**SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS**

**WHMIS:**

(WHMIS expires 1 year after the date above)

**Working at Heights:**

(Working at Heights expires 3 years after the date above)

**Ministry of Labour 4-Step:**

(MOL 4-Step has no expiry date)

**OPG Security Clearance**

**EXPIRY DATE:**

**SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS**

(If you see a date of Jan. 01, 1900 then your clearance is still in process.)

**UNION DUES**  
**Your union dues are currently paid through to the end of:**  
**SEE WEBSITE**  
 (this includes payments received on or before)  
**March 31st, 2025**

*Please note:* The information above may not reflect reversal of payments due to NSF cheques, adjustments, or payment corrections.



**2025 UA Local 401 Golf Tournament**

**Saturday July 5th, 2025**, 8:00am Shotgun Start (Registration starts at 7:30am)

**Trillium Wood Golf Course - Corbyville**

1281 ON-37, Corbyville ON

Fee: \$100 for Golf, Cart, Lunch and Prizes.

Please contact Caroline or Cynthia for tickets and to book your 4-some.

Caroline at the Bowmanville Hall, 905-623-1666/[caroline@ualocal401.ca](mailto:caroline@ualocal401.ca)

Cynthia at the Kingston Hall, 613-547-1153/[cynthia@ualocal401.ca](mailto:cynthia@ualocal401.ca)

**2025 LOCAL 67 HAMILTON HOCKEY TOURNAMENT**

**MAY 2ND—MAY 4TH, 2025**

**Practice Times**

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 7:15pm - Cobourg Community Centre

April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 8:00pm - Cobourg Community Centre

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 6:00pm - Rickard Arena—Bowmanville

April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 7:00pm - Frankford Arena in Frankford

**ALL Local 401 members are welcome to attend.**

\*\*\* There will be a \$15 fee per skate



**Out-of-Work Telephone Registration System**

During the month of **March 2025**, you registered on the Out-of-Work list, as shown below:

Date	Confirmation #	Trade List
<b>SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS</b>		

Please report discrepancies to the Union Office **immediately**, and retain this information for your records.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 2nd—JATC Meeting—Kingston Hall.
- 9th—E-Board Meeting.
- 15th—Membership Meeting—Bowmanville Hall.
- 18th—Good Friday—Offices are closed.
- 20th—Easter Sunday.
- 21st—Easter Monday.

**APRIL 2025**

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**U.A. Local 401**

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**Bowmanville, ON**  
**L1C 3Y7**  
**Phone: 905-623-1666**  
**Toll fee: 1-800-263-8027**  
**Fax: 905-623-8735**  
**Information line: 905-623-6462**  
**Out-of-Work line: 888-223-2213**  
**Web: [www.ualocal401.com](http://www.ualocal401.com)**



**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 7th—JATC Meeting—Bowmanville Hall.
- 11th—Mother's Day.
- 14th—E-Board Meeting.
- 19th—Victoria Day—Offices are closed.
- 20th—Membership Meeting—Kingston Hall.

**MAY 2025**

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**Kingston Office**  
**25 Binnington Court**  
**Kingston, ON**  
**K7M 8M9**  
**Phone: 613-547-1153**  
**Fax: 613-544-1099**

**Union Hall Hours**  
**Monday to Thursday**  
**8:00 am to 4:30 pm**  
**\*Friday 8:00am—12:30pm**