



# U.A. LOCAL 401



## JULY 2025 NEWSLETTER



### MEMBERSHIP MEETING

#### KINGSTON UNION HALL

**Tuesday**  
**July 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 Corey Walker. Our sincere condolences go out to his family and friends.

### Business Manager's Report

#### Pride in Our Union, Progress in Our Communities

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this message finds you all well and enjoying the summer months. I want to take this opportunity to reflect on some recent successes that truly showcase the strength and commitment of our membership across Eastern and Central Ontario.

We were honoured and proud to be featured in the most recent edition of the United Association Journal. The article profiled Local 401's efforts across our jurisdiction, highlighting our members' excellence in delivering major projects—on time and on budget. This recognition belongs to all of you. Your skill, professionalism, and integrity on every jobsite continues to uphold and elevate the reputation of our Local.

Another point of pride was hosting this year's UA Canada National Apprenticeship Competition at the Bradley Hill Training Centre in Kingston. It was a fantastic week of camaraderie, professionalism, and world-class talent. A special congratulations goes to Local 401 Plumbing Apprentice Chad Moss, who brought home the Gold Medal and will proudly represent Canada at the International Competition in Ann Arbor, Michigan this August. We know Chad will do us proud.

Special thanks are in order to Patrick Finn, Robin Munro, and all the staff and volunteers from Local 401 who worked tirelessly leading up to and throughout the competition. Your dedication ensured a seamless and successful event.

I would also like to extend heartfelt appreciation to our Social Committee for organizing another outstanding Golf Tournament and Members Picnic. Your hard work made both events enjoyable and well attended. Most importantly, I want to thank our members for your generosity—your contributions at the tournament raised significant funds in support of the Boys and Girls Club, helping to make a real difference in our community.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share news of a major project on the horizon. A new hospital in Kingston has been announced, and we have already begun engaging with the project foundation. This \$7–8 billion project represents a tremendous opportunity for our membership and a critical investment in the health and wellbeing of our region. It's a clear sign of the continued need for our skills and expertise in building the infrastructure our communities rely on.

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## Business Manager's Report

While this new wave of work is welcome, we acknowledge that it follows a long and difficult stretch for many members who have experienced layoffs in the past 10 months. The tide is turning, and dispatches are beginning to pick up again. Please ensure your qualifications are current and all required certifications are up to date so you're ready when opportunity knocks. Finally, I wish each and every one of you a safe, fun, and well-deserved summer. Let's continue to support one another, represent Local 401 with pride, and build a future rooted in solidarity and excellence.

Yours Fraternally,

**John Graham**

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



## Assistant Business Manager's Report

Brothers and Sisters;

I hope everyone is having a great summer and is taking some time to enjoy the weather with your family and friends.

Please remember to check in with yourself and those around you. Signs of stress, burnout, or emotional strain shouldn't be ignored. If you're struggling, you're not alone, support is available. Taking care of your mental health is just as important as your physical well-being.

Reach out to...

- \* **MAP (Member Assistance Program)** for confidential help and resources. Building Trades Member Assistant Program Toll-Free: 1-800-258-0580 or Tradesmap.org
- \* **UA Canada Telus Health** 1-833-778-2627, chat, or the TELUS Health app, all available 24/7/365.

Fraternally yours,  
Ray DrinkwalterA



## Apprenticeship and Training

Congratulations once again to Chad Moss who won the UA National Apprenticeship Competition in Plumbing held at our Kingston Training Centre in June.

Chad will represent Canada at the International Apprenticeship Competition in Ann Arbor Michigan in August.

**Good Luck Chad we are very proud of you!**

Trade School Offers have gone out for October classes. Make sure to check your emails and your junk folder for an email from the Ministry. Register immediately to ensure you have secured a spot in the fall class. **Reminder:** It is Mandatory to attend Basic and Intermediate Trade school when it is offered to you.

## 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)**



### Member Assistance Program

Phone: 613-742-7962

Toll Free: 800-258-0580

Emergency Line: 613-742-5257

Email: [support@tradesmap.org](mailto:support@tradesmap.org)



### Denovo Treatment Centre

\*Treatment for Substance Abuse

Contact a Business Agent or Business Manager for Referral.

### 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.

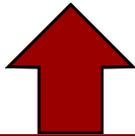
**MEMBER INFORMATION: Lastname, Firstname**

These are your hours received as of: **June 30, 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.)

**LOCAL 401 RETIREE'S LUNCHEON**

This year's retiree's luncheon will be held on **Thursday October 2nd, 2025 from 11:30am – 2:30pm** at the at the

Colonnade Golf Club

(2789 Woodburn Rd, Joyceville ON K0H 1Y0)

All Local 401 Retired members are welcome!



**Please RSVP to Danielle (ext. 2) or Cynthia (ext.1) at the Kingston office; 613-547-1153 no later than September 15, 2025.**



**AWARD'S NIGHT—FRIDAY SEPT. 26th, 2025**

Invitations have been sent out via email and by mail for the Awards Banquet honoring long service members, retirees and graduating apprentices. Make sure to check your spam or junk folder and the mailbox.

Please RSVP to Caroline or Cynthia by **August 22nd, 2025** so we can have enough meals ordered and make sure the awards are prepared to be given.

The event is being held at: **Holiday Inn Peterborough Waterfront Hotel, 150 George St. In Peterborough.**

**A block of rooms has been set-aside until July 25, 2025. To reserve a room, call 705-743-1144 and quote "UA Local 401".**

**UNION DUES**  
**Your union dues are currently paid through to the end of: SEE WEBSITE**  
 (this includes payments received on or before) **June 30, 2025**

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

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

During the month of **June 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**

- 1st—Canada Day—Offices are closed.
- 5th—UA Local 401 Golf Tournament.
- 9th—JATC Meeting—Bowmanville Hall.
- 15th—Membership Meeting—Kingston Hall.

**JULY 2025**

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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 4th—Civic Holiday—Offices are closed.
- 6th—JATC Meeting—Trustee only.
- 13th—E-Board meeting.
- 19th—Membership Meeting Bowmanville.

**AUGUST 2025**

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**U.A. Local 401**

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