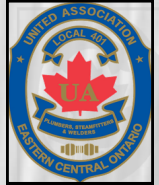




# U.A. LOCAL 401



## MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER



**SPECIAL**  
**CALLED**  
**MEETING**

**RAMADA HOTEL**  
**TRENTON**

[99 Glen Miller Road](#)  
[Trenton, ON](#)

**Tuesday**  
**March 19th, 2024**  
**Time: 7:00pm**

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### Condolences

It is with great regret that I inform you of the unfortunate passing of Brother **Douglas Hutchison**. Brother **Tyler Sexsmith** and Brother **Fernand Rompre**. Our sincere condolences go out to their family and friends.

### Business Manager's Report

Dear Members;

As we step into March, the winds of change are blowing through our industry. It's a time of both challenges and opportunities, and it's up to us as the dedicated members of our union to navigate these waters with strength, unity, and resilience.

We've seen fluctuations in demand, new technologies emerging, and evolving safety protocols. Through it all, our commitment to excellence remains steadfast. Our skills, honed through years of training and experience are the backbone of the industry. Let's continue to uphold the highest standards of craftsmanship and professionalism as we tackle the tasks ahead.

In this edition of our newsletter, you'll find updates on upcoming projects, training opportunities, safety reminders, and more. Together, let's forge ahead knowing that our union stands strong, ready to face whatever challenges come our way.

The very first of numerous markups to come regarding the SMR Project at the Darlington Site started last week and Assistant Business Manager Ray Drinkwalter is working hard to stay ahead on our jurisdictional assignments. He's doing an excellent job.

The PACMAN project (Battery Materials Refinery) is the construction of a state-of-the-art Refinery facility in Loyalist Township West of Kingston. This ambitious undertaking will require expertise in Plumbing, Steamfitting, and Welding providing ample opportunities for our members to showcase their talents. The first phase of the project is \$1.8 Billion dollars with an additional potential of \$2-\$3 Billion in the following ten years. The first of the contracts have been tendered and we are still awaiting markup meetings. Jobs are still a few months away for us but coming fast now.

Additionally, preparations are underway for the expansion of Goodyear's manufacturing plant. This expansion will not only create jobs but also stimulate economic growth in our community. Business Agents Shawn Lovett, and Matt O'Brien have been working with our OPTC Organizer and visiting UA Sites across our jurisdiction, as spring construction sites start, we are prepared to drive our organization interests in the most efficient and effective manner.

Our Jackets for Email Newsletter program is running very well, and the first batch of Jackets are ordered and I look forward to everyone interested in signing up to [ualocal401.ca](http://ualocal401.ca) to receive the newsletter by Email.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. Together, we're building a stronger, safer, and more prosperous future for all members of UA Local 401. If you have any questions, comments, or feedback, don't hesitate to reach out.

In solidarity,  
John Graham  
Business Manager



## Assistant Business Manager's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to remind our membership to keep track of the expiry dates on your required safety tickets and your trade licenses. Please ensure that your Working at Heights, WHMIS and MOL 4 Step certifications are up to date as well as your plumbing or steamfitter licenses (formerly OCOT, now STO) to be eligible for dispatch in the ICI sector. All members on the welders list must have a valid F3/F4 to be eligible for dispatch in the ICI sector. If you are currently employed in the ICI sector, you are still required to have your safety tickets and trade licenses up to date. All expiry dates can be found in this newsletter and on our website in the members section under the "course transcript" tab. For members that have an OPG security clearance you can also find your expiry date on the website and in the newsletter. If your clearance is 4-5 months away from expiring or interested in obtaining an OPG Clearance please Caroline Watson at [caroline@ualocal401.ca](mailto:caroline@ualocal401.ca).

With this nice winter we are having we are starting to see ICI project starting earlier than normal. We are still waiting on the expected start date of the 2 major projects in Napanee (Goodyear expansion) and the Kingston area (battery refinery plant).

The hiring at Darlington for spring outage has come to an end. We are now expecting a lull in hiring at Darlington for a month or so.

Fraternally,  
Ray Drinkwalter



### TRAINING

#### Apprenticeship Hours

There is a new feature on the website under the heading "Apprentice Hours" that will show you a breakdown of your hours per level. You will be able to see how many hours you have worked and how many hours you have remaining in a level. Be sure to check your "Work History" tab to see which month's hours were last remitted on your behalf. If you have not signed up to the website member's portal... do it today!

#### Worker Ready Training

Check your Worker Ready expiry dates on Page 3 of this newsletter or on the website. Make sure you book in for a course **BEFORE** your tickets expire. Seats are limited.

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.

**For All training inquiries, and to sign up for courses, please contact Robin in the Training Department at 1-800-263-8027/905-623-1666 or by email at [robin@ualocal401.ca](mailto:robin@ualocal401.ca).**

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.

### **Free WHMIS 2015 Training Updated 2024**

<https://aixsafety.com/testing-free-whmis-2015-training/>

**Send the certificate 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**

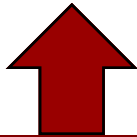
We request any member (or member's family) to contact the Union Office if you become ill or injured.

**MEMBER INFORMATION: Lastname, Firstname**

These are your hours received as of: **February 29th, 2024**—Please report discrepancies to the Union Office immediately

Hrs	Mth	Contract	Employer	Hrs	Mth	Contract	Employer

**\*\*\* 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:**

**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:**

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

**2024 LOCAL 67 HAMILTON HOCKEY TOURNAMENT  
 MAY 3RD–MAY 5TH , 2024**

Russell Bradley Jr. has volunteered to organize both teams this year. Please contact Russell at 905-259-4135 if you wish to be on one of the teams. We ask that all members, returning and new, contact Russell so he can make a list of all who wish to play.

**Practice Times**

- March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - 7pm - Del Park Arena Oshawa (Formerly Legends Arena)
- April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm - Del Park Arena Oshawa (Formerly Legends Arena)
- April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm - Del Park Arena Oshawa (Formerly Legends Arena)



- April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm - Frankford Arena in Frankford
- April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm - Frankford Arena in Frankford

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

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

**UNION DUES**  
**Your union dues are currently paid through to the end of:**  
**February 29th, 2024**  
 (this includes payments received on or before)  
**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 **February 2024** you registered on the Out-of-Work list, as shown below:







Date	Confirmation #	Trade List

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

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 6th—JATC Meeting—Bowmanville Hall.
- 13th—E-Board Meeting.
- 19th—SPECIAL CALLED MEETING—Ramada Hotel Trenton.
- 29th—Good Friday—Offices are closed.
- 31st—Easter Sunday.

**MARCH 2024**

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**Bowmanville, ON**  
**L1C 3Y7**

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**Out-of-Work line: 888-223-2213**


**Web: www.ualocal401.com**

**E-mail: admin@ualocal401.ca**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 1st—Easter Monday.
  - 3rd—JATC Meeting—Kingston Hall.
  - 10th—E-Board Meeting.
  - 16th—Membership Meeting—Bowmanville Hall.
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**APRIL 2024**

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**Kingston Office**  
**25 Binnington Court**  
**Kingston, ON**  
**K7M 8M9**

**Phone: 613-547-1153**  
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**Union Hall Hours**  
**Monday to Friday**  
**8:00 am to 4:30 pm**