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Business Manager's Report

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

By the time this report reaches you, we will be in full-blown summer with high temperatures nationwide. ***Please remember to hydrate and to do it frequently.*** Every year we have members that experience heat exhaustion, and without proper treatment, it can lead to heatstroke, which is a life-threatening condition.

On June 9, TC Energy announced that the fight to keep Keystone XL moving forward has now been permanently halted. The UA, Local 798, and its many members have worked diligently for 12 years to advocate for TC Energy and the KXL. Many would say that the time, money, and efforts were a waste of our valuable resources. The result of our efforts was undoubtedly disappointing, but we learned that client relationships are paramount to our survival in the pipeline industry. ***We will continue to advocate stronger than ever for those who seek the value of the most talented workforce in the pipeline industry and our organized voice to support the pipeline build-out.***

The work outlook is still slightly above last year at this time, and with a little luck, we may have a positive uptick by mid-summer. The Mountain Valley has been released to continue their wetlands and HDD work, and Price Gregory was the successful bidder on the Tallgrass Pipeline, which is 140 miles of 24" stick rod. In addition, the Integrity Maintenance work is continuing to be very strong in the Midwest and Northeast. Building trades work is still available. If anyone is interested, please reach out to the Dispatch office.

On a brighter note, the big buzz about big super pipeline projects may actually be getting some traction. ***Co2 capture is gaining attention nationwide, and it may well be a boom for the pipeline industry in the near future. The best part is that it would be considered environmentally friendly for the air that we breathe.*** One project alone is proposing 1,200 miles of gathering and mainline. The project will carry carbon dioxide captured from ethanol refineries scattered across the Midwest to a site in North Dakota, where it will be pumped thousands of feet underground. This technology has been used for years for oilfield enhancement, but the lines they are proposing now will be for carbon capture on the chase for a cleaner environment. Personally, I do not care what they push through the pipe. Just let us build it!

As always, I am proud to say, ***"I work for you, the greatest pipeliners in the world."***

Fraternally,

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Daniel C. Hendrix
Business Manager



Financial Secretary - Treasurer's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Through May, we have worked nearly 1.9 million man-hours. This puts us a little over 200,000 hours ahead of the same time frame in 2020. Things appear to be moving in the right direction. The Line 3 project in Minnesota is steadily putting members to work at the time of this writing. It's no secret that we are having trouble manning the Helper jobs even in these slower times. When this happens, we are exhausting all avenues to fill these jobs with book-holding UA members. We send out blast calls to all Helpers on the out-of-work list and Welder and Journeyman Spacer members, giving them the option to take these jobs. We also are utilizing members of sister locals where we can. The building trades work is booming right now, and there are many welders and fitters needed in various sister locals. Because of this, we aren't having much success filling the Helper spots with travelers. If after these steps are taken, and we still come up short, we are filling these jobs with prospective members from the applicant list. We are contractually obligated to man these jobs.

We have been told that one of our fair union contractors was the successful bidder on the Tallgrass Pony Express Guernsey Pipeline project. This project consists of 140 miles of 24" in Wyoming and Colorado and is set to kick off in July. It will be nice to have a stick rod project of this size out West. The maintenance work has also picked up quite a bit since our last Blue Light Report. As I touched on earlier in this report, the building trades work is plentiful in some parts of the country. If you are seeking building trades work, call the Dispatch office and let them know. If you have a particular building trades job you hear is putting members to work, call the Dispatch office, and they will be glad to call that local on your behalf.

The pipeline protest movement is alive and well in Minnesota right now, protesting against the Line 3. Imagine people who profess to care about the environment openly advocating against replacing an aging pipeline with a new state-of-the-art pipeline system. These people don't honestly care about the environment or even understand what they are protesting. All they know is that they have been told all pipelines are bad. I don't know what the answer is to make them see the light once they've been indoctrinated with so much disinformation. I know we have to keep trying, though. We can blame the media, politicians that pander to them, and the people with the money that control these special interest groups, which I do blame, but we have to go further by getting our message out. We are doing better at this than any other organization out there, but we can always do better. Please continue to check for new actions to sign onto in the Action Network.

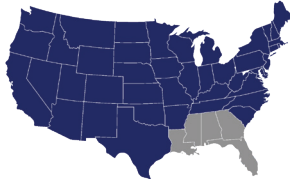
The Local 798 general fund and Pipeliners Voluntary Fund continue to be in great shape. If there is ever anything I can help you with, please don't hesitate to call me. ***As always, I am proud to serve the membership of Pipeliners Local Union 798!***

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Justin Wallace". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Justin Wallace
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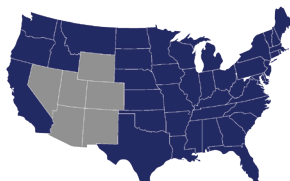
I hope this report finds everyone in good health. With hurricane season beginning, I hope all my Brothers and Sisters are staying safe and preparing for what might come their way.

I want to THANK all those that voted for me to serve as a UA delegate. I will proudly do whatever is needed to attend. Serving this local is a privilege, and this is another way for our voices to be heard.

Not much has changed since my last report. The work outlook is fair, with several smaller jobs going. Take advantage of everything that comes along. Hard times in this industry have come and gone. It has always been known as "feast or famine" work. Hang in there because work will get better.

Please continue to advocate for our work through the Action Network. It is more important now than ever to fight for our way of life. Encourage all your family and friends to participate also. There is always strength in numbers!

In closing, remember that I am always available and here to serve you, so do not hesitate to give me a call on my cell at 918-991-5341. May God bless each one of you, and God bless this great local.



AZ, CO, NM, NV, UT, WY
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Justin Head



I hope this report finds everyone doing well. Since my last report, a lot has changed out West. In my previous report, I had mentioned I could not see any large work going this year. I am glad to report that Tallgrass obtained the rights to the Liberty Line in late April and will lay 140 miles of 24" from Guernsey, Wyoming to Platteville, Colorado. Price Gregory was the successful bidder on the project. The work should be starting to man up shortly after the 4th of July holiday. This work was granted as market recovery wages but will still be a great job.

The market recovery package was revisited last month, and you will see an increase compared to what it was in the past. As I have said before, these jobs are great opportunities to send a message to gas companies that union

labor is the only way to go! To do that, we must truly be the best value. That means showing up every day, providing better quality, and outproducing the competition. If we have better wages, healthcare, and a pension, the only way to keep our contractors competitive is with more production.

I continue to put a lot of effort into organizing. I have had several productive meetings with non-signatory contractors and hopefully soon will see results. Building trust and a working relationship with contractors is time-consuming, but it's worth it when it means more man-hours for the membership. I would also like to welcome IHC Utility Services, LLC as a new signatory contractor. They are out of Illinois but have expressed interest in bidding work in my area. I am doing my best to see that they get an opportunity to bid on some of this work. With that said, the smaller jobs and maintenance are still picking up. Our fair contractors have landed several smaller jobs: some station work and some short new lay projects. We are also doing well in Wyoming with Enbridge on the dig programs.

I want to remind everyone to continue to utilize the Action Network and check it regularly for new actions. It is without a doubt the most vital tool in our arsenal for gaining market share. As always, if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call. If I am unable to answer, please leave a voicemail, and I will return your call. Be safe out there, and God bless!

Pre-Jobs:

Q & D Construction:

- Carson City, NV. Approx. 2,531' of 10" and take up 1,161' for Paiute Pipeline. Mainline rates. Working 5-10s. Approx. completion 7-16-21.



AR, IA, KS, MN, MO, MT, NE, ND, OK, SD
918-606-9459

Phillip Wallace



I write this Blue Light report in early June after the road restrictions in Minnesota were lifted and the wetland permits were back in place to get started on the Line 3 Replacement for Enbridge. This project is 50 percent complete, with a lot of work to be done this summer and fall. Michels spread one, and Precision spreads 2-5 are manned up and gone to the ROW this second week of June, kicking off the pipe pangs. The eight L3R Pump Stations are going full speed, with one station complete and the others finishing mid to late summer. These stations were not shut down like the Mainline was during the frost law road restrictions.

The Line 3 is still not safe from being shut down by the protesters and politicians fighting to shut down fossil fuel energy from coast to coast. The danger of losing our jobs has never been as serious as it is now. Please push the buttons on the Action Network when asked to, and let these politicians hear our voices. Your next job may depend on it.

The Enbridge Integrity Maintenance work has started back with InterCon being awarded the summer digs in 11 states. As always, the Enbridge in-service

weld test is one of the most challenging weld tests in the pipeline business. And that is not a bad thing when you will be welding on a high-pressure pipeline that is 50 to 70 years old, in dire need of repair. Enbridge calls it the Book 4 test. The test consists of seven open butt welds with 7018 or 7016 beads, two plate tests, one vertical, and one overhead, and some will have to take the handheld smart wire sleeve test with water. If you are not very efficient with Low Hydrogen open butt beads, you will not make it. Do not apply just to see if you might make it. Please spend some time at the 798 Training Center before you apply for these jobs.

Here is something you may not believe, but it's true because I lived it. Memorial Day weekend, the Dispatch office turned over around 20 unfilled Helper jobs for me to fill. After blast calling the entire Helper out-of-work list, then the Journeyman, I filled about 15 positions with non-book Helpers. The week after Memorial Day, I sent another 15 or 20 non-books out. I did this with over 1,850 sitting on the out-of-work Helper list that would not take a job. These are high scale L3R jobs at Minnesota scale (\$25.22 an hour), working 6-10s, with seven days per diem at \$64.50, and a \$23.02 per hour benefit package, with \$4.68 going into your 401(k). These are not low-scale or market recovery jobs. How can your union sell this to Enbridge and other clients? We need 100 percent of our members to be united and have the same goals to be successful. Step up and help your local and your family out. If we are united, we will stand; if we are divided, we will fall.

Pre-Jobs:

Foltz Welding Ltd.:

- Cambridge, IA. Station upgrades for Energy Transfer DAPL Station. Superintendent: Chris Elliott. Welder Foreman: Ryan Usry. Job Steward: Jeremy Ryan. Working 6-10s. High scale. Approx. completion two months.
- Tulare, IA. Station upgrades for Energy Transfer DAPL Station. Superintendent: Joey Wade. Welder Foreman: Gibran Smith. Job Steward: Jimmy "Cowboy" Williams. Working 6-10s. High scale. Approx. completion two months.

InterCon Construction, Inc.:

- Waunakee, WI. Onboard and weld test. Integrity digs for Enbridge in 11 states, MT, WY, ND, NB, KS, MN, IL, MI, NY, OH and WI. Superintendent: Carl Bubolz. Welder Foreman: Russ Messer. Job Steward: Tyler Johnson. 5-10s. High scale.

McCizer Pipeline, Inc.:

- Perla, AR. 12" pipe replacements for Enable Midstream. Superintendent: Larry McCabe. Welder Foreman: Aaron Carr. Job Steward: Karmen Mason. 6-10s. Integrity Maintenance 80% scale.

Michels Pipeline:

- Anaconda, MT. 35,000' of 16" for NorthWest Energy. Superintendent: Yancy Palmer. Welder Foreman: Harold Vargas. Job Steward: Wayne Petz. 6-10s. Special agreement. Low scale.

Minnesota Limited, Inc.:

- Big Lake, MN. Modifications for launcher and receiver for smart pig runs for Northern Natural Gas. Superintendent: Chad Piescher. Welder Foreman: Eric Haskins. Job Steward: Adam Conzemius. 6-10s. High scale.
- Big Lake, MN. Prefab and install meter station for TC Energy. Superintendent: Tom Lilyerd. Welder Foreman: Levi Bottelson. Job Steward: Joseph Eichstadt. 6-10s. Station rates 90% wages.

NPL Construction Company:

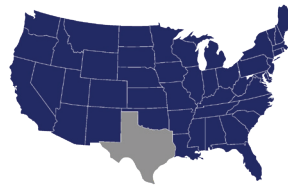
- Sioux Center, IA. 4.9 miles of 6" for Sioux Center Municipalities. Superintendent: Sam Smith. Welder Foreman: Gerald "Skinny" Meyers. Job Steward: Darrell Glaze. 6-10s. High scale.

Price Gregory International:

- Pacific, MO. 18.23 miles of 10" for Phillips 66. Superintendent: Doug Gregory. Welder Foreman: David Dickerson. Job Steward: Brian Gilley. 5-10s. High scale.

United Piping, Inc.:

- St. Anthony, ND. 300' of 3" schedule 80 304L stainless steel for TC Energy. Superintendent: Bob Humphrey. Welder Foreman: Derrick Scott Humphrey. Job Steward: Joseph Rodriguez. 6-10s. High scale.



TX
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Joe Gaines



As we enter the summer months and the temperatures rise, we finally see an uptick in the pipeline work throughout the country. Jobs are finally starting to pick up, and many of our members are returning to work. I, like many of you, am thankful that things are beginning to return to normal. And as we return to some normalcy, we must continue to uphold the work ethic and craftsmanship for which 798 is known.

I am sure many of you have noticed some of the jobs on the job line are going unfilled. This situation must change. To maintain the positive standing that 798 has in the industry, we must man our work in a timely fashion. The 798 men and women that came before us worked tirelessly to uphold and maintain being the best of the best. Let's do our best to continue this great tradition.

Thank you to everyone who is participating in the Action Network! I see more and more members engaging in posts and signing petitions. One recent Action Network petition, submitted to Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer, had over 3,000 signatures. Over 2,000 members and advocates have signed the "Say NO to SAFER pipelines act of 2021." These are great numbers, but with over 7,000 members, we can and must do better. I know with continued diligence, we will make our voices heard on social media and beyond. Please keep up the good work of sharing, liking, and signing these important letters.

I have spent the last several months traveling around Texas to meet and speak with contractors. I'm happy to report work in Texas is finally beginning to pick up. Michels Pipeline bid and was awarded several small jobs in the Texas panhandle. Although these jobs are Integrity Maintenance work, they provide good pay and a complete benefits package. Michels also picked up a few weeks of work outside of Houston. I am hopeful that contractors will continue to bid on these smaller jobs to regain market share in the South.

As always, if I can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to call 918-237-3573.

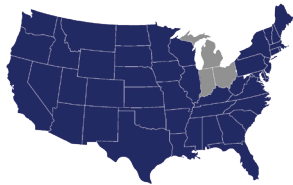
Pre-Jobs:

Michels Pipeline:

- Beaver, OK. Integrity Maintenance for Northern Natural. Replacement of receiver. Superintendent: Rod Coburn. Welder Foreman: AJ Malnar III. Job Steward: Ryan Wiggins.
- Miami, TX. Integrity Maintenance for Northern Natural. Line replacement. Superintendent: Gator Branch. Welder Foreman: Blake Fincher. Job Steward: Michael Dickinson.
- Perryton, TX. Integrity Maintenance for Northern Natural. Valve replacement. Superintendent: Travis Novak. Welder Foreman: Landon Carr. Job Steward: Cassidy Croley.
- Baytown, TX. 12,000' of 16" for Enterprise. Superintendent: Gordon Cameron. Welder Foreman: Shannon Jackson. Job Steward: Cade Corbello.



**Brothers Pipeline Corp. in Rhode Island
Submitted By: Thomas Connors**



IN, MI, OH
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Charles Yates, Jr.

What started out as a slow first half of the year has improved significantly. Maintenance work is steady as gas companies are making system upgrades. Building trades openings are also plentiful right now, and all indications project that it is going to stay good for a while. There are jobs available out there if a member wants to work.

As I write this article, we have 1,861 Helpers on the out-of-work wheel. Many of us speculate as to why we cannot get our Helpers to accept jobs. The bottom line is if they do not go, we will have to resort to other measures. We have an obligation to supply these jobs with manpower at the contractors' request. It is time to get back at it. This country nor this union was built or maintained by sitting idly by.

We also need to pick up the pace on getting the Action Network petitions signed. The Action Network sends letters and petitions regularly to members, yet many still do not bother to open the emails, sign, and click send. What more can we say? Advocating for your jobs means money in your pocket and healthcare for you and your family. Every action has consequences, some daily and some long-term. Taking no action is also a choice with consequences. Please reflect on how these decisions impact you, your family, and your union. If I can be of assistance, do not hesitate to call. Shop small, support union, and buy made in the USA.

Pre-Jobs:

Alex E. Paris Contracting Co., Inc.:

- Jefferson County, OH. 15,000' of 12" cross country pipeline with fabrication for Mark West. Superintendent: Andy Cilia. Welder Foreman: Logan Hopkins. Working 5-10s. Approx. completion 8-31-21.

Appellation Construction Services, LLC:

- Scipio, IN. 24" hydro with tie-ins for Texas Eastern. Superintendent: Doug Nichols. Welder Foreman: Tim Ungard. Working 6-10s. Job complete.

Contractors Rental Corp dba CJ Hughes:

- East Sparta, OH. 3,120' of 12" take-up and relay for TC Energy. Superintendent: Jim Connor. Welder Foreman: Mike Hawk. Working 5-10s. Approx. completion 8-20-21.

Geeding Construction, Inc.:

- Zionsville, IN. 24" cut-outs for Energy Transfer. Superintendent: Brenden Elie. Welder Foreman: Dalton Clemmons. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 6-15-21.

InterCon Construction, Inc.:

- Traverse City, MI. 14.8 miles of 8" steel transmission pipeline with tie-in facility modifications for DTE Energy. Superintendent: Brandon Duffy. Welder Foreman: Patrick Kingsland. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 11-12-21.

KS Energy Services, Inc.:

- West Lafayette, IN. 2", 4" and 6" regulator stations in Tippecanoe County for CenterPoint Energy/Vectren. Superintendent: Tim Baldrige. Welder Foreman: Rusty Wallace. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 6-30-21.

Meade:

- Martinsville, IN. 715' of 16" take-up and relay for CenterPoint Energy. Superintendent: Mike Lopiparo. Welder Foreman: Ryan Ustry. Working 6-10s. Job complete.

Michels Pipeline:

- Hollansburg, OH. Replace four existing meter runs for TC Energy. Superintendent: Cory McDaniel. Welder Foreman: Josh Pattison. Working 6-10s. Job complete.

Midwestern Contractors:

- Perrysburg, OH. 2"-20" compressor station with various size stopples for NiSource. Superintendent: Martin Ankenbruck. Welder Foreman: Stephen Stefanini. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 9-24-21.

Miller Pipeline, LLC:

- Integrity management in OH, IN, KY for CenterPoint Energy/Vectren. Superintendent: Adam Stevens. Welder Foreman: Aaron Miller. Working 5-10s. Approx. completion 12-31-21.

Minnesota Limited, Inc.:

- Greenfield, IN. Install 7 miles of 8" with fabrication and hydro-test for Vectren. Superintendent: Doug Vaughn. Welder Foreman: Francisco Sarrazola. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 7-24-21.

- Clarksville, IN. Approx. 9,000' of 8" take-up and relay for Vectren. Superintendent: Preston Steenbergen. Welder Foreman: Brian Graham. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 9-4-21.

- Bay City, MI. Station work consisting of two trap replacements for Enbridge. Superintendent: Ron Reed. Welder Foreman: Jerad Lene. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 7-23-21.

- Crawfordsville, IN. Integrity Maintenance fitting replacements with HDD approx. 4 miles of 12" for CenterPoint Energy. Superintendent: Justin Price. Welder Foreman: Cory Schwartz. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 8-21-21.

- Fischers, IN. Install 1.68 miles of 8" in Hamilton County, IN, for Center Point Energy. Superintendent: Tommy Alexander. Welder Foreman: Joseph Kirk. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 8-29-21.

P.J. Steel Supply, Inc.:

- St. John's, MI. Five integrity digs on 30" pipeline for DTE Energy. Superintendent: Larry Townsend. Welder Foreman: Cody Bennington. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 6-25-21.

RLA Utilities:

- Batavia, OH. .4 miles of 8" mainline for Duke Energy. Superintendent: Scott Moody. Welder Foreman: Randy Wyatt. Working 5-8s. Approx. completion 7-2-21.

R.L. Coolsaet Construction Company:

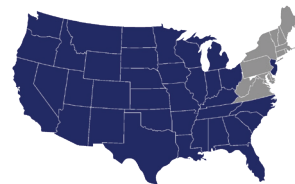
- Warren, MI. Approximately 320' of 24" take-up and relay for DTE Energy. Superintendent: Bart Jennette. Welder Foreman: Anthony Webster. Working 6-10s. Job complete.

Roberts Pipeline, Inc.:

- Reed City, MI. 300' of various sizes Integrity Maintenance for TC Energy. Superintendent: Bobby Westraeter. Welder Foreman: Milan Klaus. Working 6-10s. Job complete.

United Piping, Inc.:

- Richmond, MI. Storage field well line project for Consumers Energy. Superintendent: Bob Humphrey. Welder Foreman: Tommy Morgan, Sr. Working 5-10s. Job complete.



CT, DE, MA, ME, MD, NH, NY, PA, RI, VA,
VT, WV
918-270-6745



David Butterworth

The work in the Northeast continues to be steady, with Integrity Maintenance and compressor stations being the dominant sectors. We also have two Leidy South spreads and National Fuel's 30 miles of 20" currently manning up. I recently pre-jobbed two MVP jobs for Spreads A-B and E-F. These two jobs are for tie-ins, but they also signal that the project is moving forward. I hear that the MVP water crossing permits may come around in the October-November time frame.

The MVP has roughly 420 streams left to cross to complete the project. Three hundred of the streams fall under a permit granted by the Army Corps of Engineers who will rely on input from the states of Virginia and West Virginia. One hundred twenty of the streams will have to be reapproved by FERC because the crossing methods have changed. Please be looking for upcoming FERC public comment periods on the Action Network related to these MVP stream crossing permits to have a voice in helping the MVP get completed.

If you had asked me back in January how 2021 was going to shape up, I wouldn't have been able to paint a rosy picture, but now as we hit the height of the work season, I realize that work outlook is actually pretty good. The demand for natural gas is not going away. The general public's opinion is shifting back toward natural gas pipelines being looked at in a favorable light due to recent energy shortages. PHMSA will continue to regulate old pipelines, and we hope to continue to dominate the integrity market in the Northeast as we are this year.

It's time for us to set politics aside and focus on being the best at what we do. The demand for natural gas, aging pipelines, and energy shortages will force politicians on both sides to realize how crucially relevant natural gas is to provide a reliable energy grid. We will be the craftsmen and craftswomen who will continue to safely and efficiently enhance the grid now and well into the future.

Pre-Jobs:

Henkels & McCoy, Inc.:

- Danbury, CT. Install 190' of 48" railroad bore, 190' of 26" mainline, 300' of 26" grout, and retire existing 26". Superintendent: Bryant Long. Welder Foreman: James Bennack. Mainline rates. Working 6-10s.

Michels Pipeline:

- Smethport, PA. 29.5 miles of 20" and .5 miles of 12" new lay. Superintendent: Kirk Baker. Welder Foreman: Dick Swiger. 85% rates. Working 6-10s.

Minnesota Limited, Inc.:

- Blairsville, PA. Facility and crossover install 24" and 30", take-up and re-lay 1 mile of 30", install 2,000' of 24" HDD plus fab. Superintendent: Charlie Tobias. Welder Foreman: Justin Seyler. Mainline rates. Working 6-10s.

Otis Eastern Service, Inc.:

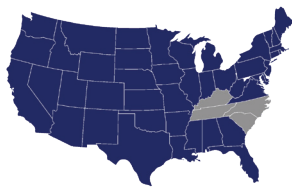
- Moundsville, WV. Integrity blanket work for various gas companies. Superintendent: Matt Holley. Welder Foreman: Anthony Stone. Mainline rates. Working 6-10s.

Precision Pipeline, LLC:

- Bridgeport, WV. 112 42" welds on MVP Spread A-B. Superintendent: Brad Moser. Welder Foreman: Leon Gibson. Mainline rates. Working 5-8s.

Price Gregory International:

- Cumberland, MD. 4.7 miles of 12" steel new lay. Superintendent: Jack Burch. Welder Foreman: Steve Yates. Mainline rates. Working 6-10s.
- Benton, PA. 3.48 miles of 42" new lay. Superintendent: Russell York. Welder Foreman: Jeff Doyle. Integrity rates. Working 6-10s.
- Mt. Hope, WV. Tie-in work on MVP Spread E-F. Superintendent: Greg Newcomb. Welder Foreman: Bryce Beaty. Mainline rates. Working 6-10s.



KY, NC, SC, TN
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Chris Lancaster



It's almost time for the 40th UA Convention in San Diego, California. I'm excited to attend, and I hope all the other elected delegates are as well. I'm sure the UA has lined up an eventful and entertaining week for us. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

My report of the work outlook is similar to my last few reports. I have pre-jobbed a few new jobs, but I still haven't heard any news about the six Integrity Maintenance jobs out for bid in Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina. These jobs are scheduled to last several months. I hope our union contractors can secure them. The building trades work is still going strong. If you are interested in this work, call the Dispatch office or me, and we will try and get you out on one of them. I understand we are pipeliners, and that's what we are trained and want to do, but please be grateful to the locals that are willing to help us out until our work picks up. Then maybe we can return the favor. As I have said

in the past, visit the 798 Training Center if you need to learn or improve the skills needed for this work.

Even though the work is slow, I am having trouble filling Helper spots. Therefore, I am asking you to please help man the work, so we don't lose our market share. I understand these jobs are paying special agreement scales, but you still earn great benefits. You will be glad you did when you decide to retire one day.

I look forward to seeing you soon. Always remember, remain Union Strong.

Pre-Jobs:

Henkels & McCoy, Inc.:

- Charlotte, NC. Integrity Maintenance. Approx. 2.9 miles of 12" abandonment and replace with 20". Welder Foreman: Juan Rivera. Superintendent: Andrew Durkin. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion: 9-30-21.

InterCon Construction, Inc.:

- Franklin, KY. Integrity Maintenance. 1,650' of 30" replacement. Welder Foreman: Patrick Kingsland. Superintendent: Aaron Zila. Working 6-10s. Approx. completion 6-30-21.

InfraSource Construction, LLC:

- Covington, KY. 1,600' of 20" replacement. Welder Foreman: Justin Teague. Superintendent: Norm Glenn. Working 6-10s. National Agreement. Approx. completion 9-13-21.



DISPATCH Report

Ricky Jones

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The Line 3 should be manned entirely by the time you receive this Blue Light, except for the occasional replacement orders.

Having a diversified skill set will open opportunities to other jobs. Nearly anyone who can do Heliarc and stick rod uphill can find union work. Local 469 in Phoenix plans on having a great deal of work in August, and they will be using several downhill welders.

Job requirements will include a UA-1 certification (a 6" downhill test) and a current OSHA 10 safety card, no older than five years. You must complete both before you travel out there. Also, Local 290 in Oregon has opportunities for fitter work. For either of these jobs, you need a lot of commitment to travel that far and get hired.

Of course, the Cracker Plant in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is still taking four to five new hires a week. It's not windfall pipeline profits, but there is money and benefits out there to be earned, enough to keep you steady until pipeline opportunities open up.

Here in Dispatch, we are more than willing to call anywhere to inquire about work in other local unions and send bios for you. But you need UA certs and an OSHA 10 card or better to get on jobs. If you do need to upgrade your skills, we have one of the best Training Centers anywhere!

Out-of-Work List

1,486 Welders

225 Journeymen

1,582 Helpers

Contact Information

To maintain accurate records, we ask that you take a moment to verify your contact information on file with the Local Union 798 office and make any updates if needed. You may verify or update your contact information by signing into the Member Login section of our website at www.local798.org.





ORGANIZING Report

By Ronnie Hill

918-284-6862

I hope this finds everyone doing well since the last Blue Light Report. Line 3 has kicked back off, so hopefully, many of you are back on the job somewhere.

It appears that the UA Convention will go ahead as scheduled, except for our Canadian friends. It's my understanding that travel restrictions will prevent them from being there in person due to COVID.

The work in this area remains weak. However, there are a few projects underway, but nothing compared to what had been going. I have spent most of my time in West, North, and East Texas and Southeastern New Mexico. Business Agents Joe Gaines and Justin Head, and I have been working together in many of these areas. I can't say enough about these two men. They are doing a fantastic job and are committed to this local union. We are very fortunate to have them.

It's sad to say the attack on the oil and gas industry continues in full force. Just days ago, the current administration suspended drilling in the ANWR areas of Alaska, yet another unwarranted and thoughtless move, stifling American jobs and energy independence. It's hard for me to understand how our government can shut down the KXL, sacrifice jobs, put our nation at risk and dependent on foreign oil, and then basically give the nod of approval for the Nord Stream 2, a major pipeline project from Russia to Germany. In my opinion, we should be advocating for American jobs, not those of our adversaries.

Many people recently found out what we had known all along following the shutdown of the Colonial Pipeline. A single pipeline interruption can alter our lives in a matter of days and affect the price at the pump dramatically. Scaling back on domestic oil and gas production and increasing dependence on foreign oil threatens our national security.

Anyone who lives in a border state is well aware of the situation we have at the border. The number of illegals entering our country is unbelievable. Considering that most, if not all, of these individuals will provide an endless supply of low-wage labor for the nonunion sector, the situation is troubling. The American workforce is still reeling from the COVID-induced shutdowns and various new regulations, only to now have to compete for what jobs are left with foreign workers here illegally and willing to take a job for whatever pay offered.

Please continue to support our Action Network. Make our voices heard. Let those in power hear your support for American jobs for American workers. It is one of the best tools we have because the mainstream media certainly will not carry our message.

If I can be of help to anyone, call or text at any time. If you have information to share on nonunion activity, please let us know. We have eyes and ears through our membership from coast to coast.

Please have a safe and prosperous summer.

Fraternally,
Ronnie M. Hill

Meeting Notice

September 10, 2021

The Regular September Membership Meeting will be held at the Pipeliners Local Union 798 Union Hall, 4823 S. 83rd E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74145, on Friday, September 10, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.

Ladies of 798 Hospitality

The Ladies of 798 Hospitality will be held at the Renaissance Tulsa Hotel at 6808 S. 107th E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74133, beginning at 6 p.m. CST on Friday, September 10, 2021.

Hotel Accommodations

The Renaissance Tulsa Hotel has graciously offered a discounted room rate of \$99/night. To make reservations, call (918) 307-2600. Make sure you indicate you are with Pipeliners Local Union 798.



Renée Vause
Director

Cybersecurity Tips

Online safety is an incredibly important topic in a world where we can access everything from our Starbucks card to our banking and retirement accounts online or via an app on our smartphone. The Department of Labor recently posted cybersecurity guidance through the DOL's Employee Benefits Security Administration. We have posted these great tips on our website at www.pibf.org on the home page under "Quick Links" titled, "Online Security Tips."

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Class-Action Lawsuit

We have been notified of a class-action lawsuit involving Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS). Anti-Trust litigation involving BCBS was settled, and participants may be eligible to file a claim. The PIBF Fund office is not handling claims related to this lawsuit. According to the notice, you must submit a valid claim online at www.BCBSsettlement.com or postmarked by mail no later than November 5, 2021. Claim Forms are available at www.BCBSsettlement.com or may be requested by calling: 888-681-1142. If you receive a notice in the mail, you can follow the instructions on the notice to file the claim online. Please note that you must select "BCBS of Illinois" from the drop-down box as the Carrier. For the coverage dates, you must list your eligibility dates that are within the time period of 2/2008 and 10/2020. For example, if you were eligible from April of 2007 through March of 2021, you would enter 2/2008 and 10/2020. If you were eligible from March 2009 through December 2010, you would use those dates. If you have gaps in coverage within that time frame, list the earliest date covered, and the last date covered that are within that time frame. For further questions on this class action lawsuit, please contact the number provided on the notice you received in the mail: 888-681-1142. PIBF as a Fund is also filing a claim.

Do You Have a Designated Beneficiary on File with PIBF?

Please log onto the member portal and verify your beneficiary information is valid and up to date. From the member portal dashboard, you can click on "View My Beneficiaries." You must designate a beneficiary for both PIBF and the 401(k) plan. Forms are located on our website at www.pibf.org. If your PIBF beneficiary information is missing or inaccurate, please download the form located on our website under the H&W Benefits section/PIBF Forms/"Death Benefit Beneficiary Form" or call our office to have the form mailed to you. If you need to designate or update your 401(k) beneficiary, you can find this form on our website under the 401(k) section/401(k) Forms/"401(k) Enrollment Form (Part 2 of 2)."

Medicare Insurance and PIBF Insurance

The rules for Medicare coverage and Pipeline Industry Benefit Fund (PIBF) coverage can become very confusing. PIBF is the primary insurance for members who have active insurance from working, even if the member has Medicare. As a minimum, a member should apply for Medicare Part A coverage prior to reaching Medicare eligibility (age 65, or 24 months after approval for Social Security disability). Part A does not have a premium. Once a member decides to stop working, an application for Medicare Part B should be made *within eight months after the last hours are worked* to avoid late enrollment penalties. For those members with PIBF retiree coverage, PIBF will be secondary to Medicare. Should a retiree with PIBF retiree coverage return to work, Medicare remains primary, and the PIBF waives one month of retiree premium for every 120 hours worked. Remember, Medicare and Social Security are two different government programs. Medicare is the health insurance for seniors, and Social Security is the retirement benefit. The comments in this article are general; therefore, the PIBF staff recommends that you discuss your situation with a Medicare/Social Security representative because of the possibility of changing rules. Special Medicare rules apply to union members because the insurance is provided based on hour bank eligibility.

MDLIVE - Virtual Medical Visit Option – ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The MDLIVE program launched on May 1, 2020. Hopefully, you have all registered and set up a profile for you and your dependents to use should you need the service. It is a great idea to do this in advance of your first virtual visit. **If you have not yet registered, you can now get to the MDLIVE website by clicking on the MDLIVE logo on our homepage, www.pibf.org.** As a reminder, this is a virtual medical visit program offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield for active and COBRA participants and for participants where PIBF is the primary coverage. This program will give 24/7/365 access to speak to a doctor from any location. The co-payment for this service will be \$15 per visit. This co-payment will not count toward your annual medical benefits deductible or out-of-pocket expense limit. It will be eligible for reimbursement under the HRA by submitting your Explanation of Benefits (EOB) with a completed HRA Claim Form.

Pension Retirement

Pension application instructions and a sample application are now on our website at www.pibf.org under the "Pension" tab, "Pension Application Filing Instructions." REMINDER – Applications for retirement from the Pipeline Industry Pension Fund should be requested 3-4 weeks prior to your desired retirement date. The pension application process involves time to prepare, review, and process your application accurately, in addition to the time required for the application's delivery to you and return to the Fund office by the U.S. Postal Service. Pension payments are made via ACH on the first business day of the month.

COBRA Premium Assistance Provisions under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

As a reminder, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed into law on March 11, 2021. This law subsidizes the full COBRA premium for "Assistance Eligible Individuals" for periods of coverage from April 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021. COBRA packets were mailed in May to participants who could potentially be eligible for this subsidy. Participants who are newly eligible for COBRA will also receive this packet. ***Responses are due no later than 60 days of receipt of this packet. Participation in this coverage is not automatic.*** Before your subsidy period can start, you MUST provide PIBF with the completed "Request for Treatment as an Assistance Eligible Individual" certification via mail or email to COBRASubsidy2021@pibf.org. Once received, PIBF must validate the information on the certification and verify your eligibility for participation.

In general, if you meet the following criteria, you will be eligible for premium assistance and, once certified as eligible, you do not need to make a payment to PIBF for your months of eligibility from April 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021:

- ◇ MUST have a COBRA qualifying event that is a reduction in hours or an *involuntary* termination of a covered employee's employment;
- ◇ MUST elect COBRA continuation coverage;
- ◇ MUST NOT be eligible for Medicare; AND
- ◇ MUST NOT be eligible for coverage under any other group health plan, such as a plan sponsored by a new employer or a spouse's employer.

Please note that new guidance continues to be furnished and PIBF will evaluate this guidance as it is issued to ensure continued compliance with this new law. For more information and a list of frequently asked questions, visit <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/laws-and-regulations/laws/cobra/premium-subsidy>.

Featured Personnel



Steve Rowden joined PIBF as the Assistant Strategic Operations Manager in May of 2020 in the IT department. Prior to that, Steve worked at pipeline operator SemGroup for the last 20 years in their IT department, managing the process from nominations onto the lines through invoicing and settlement. Steve resides with his wife, Christy, of 29 years outside of Tulsa, and they have four children: Mackenzie, Abigail, Asher, and Mercy. In his free time, Steve enjoys going to the gym, coaching his son in basketball, and woodworking. "I really enjoy the culture that has been cultivated at PIBF that works extremely hard on behalf of the hardworking members of 798."



Ashley Merkle works in the claims department as an HRA processor. She started working for PIBF in February of 2020 and has been part of the PIBF family for a little over a year. Ashley got married in October of 2020 and loves being a newlywed. She enjoys spending time with her husband, Stephen, and their Australian Shepherd, Newt. Her hobbies include watching tv, spending time with friends, working cattle, and doing chores around the house. She also enjoys spending time with her sweet nephews, Hayden and Ezra. "I love being part of the 798 and PIBF family. I enjoy serving the membership by answering their questions and getting to know the members and their stories."

SERVICE AWARDS

The September/October issue of the Blue Light Reports will honor our devoted members who have been a member for 25 years or more. If you would like to have your photo published, please email a clear photo to information@local798.org, or mail to Pipeliners Local 798, Attn: Blue Light, PO Box 470798, Tulsa, OK 74147. Please have all photos submitted by August 13, 2021, to be published.

2020-2021 Pipeliners Voluntary Fund Scholarship Recipients

The Pipeliners Voluntary Fund Scholarship Program is pleased to announce the following winners. These students successfully completed the scholarship program requirements and were selected as the highest-ranking applicants. The recipients were chosen by an independent evaluator that scored the applicants according to factors such as their grade point average, the difficulty level of their academic program, the strength of their recommendation letters, and the overall assessment of their essay.

Congratulations to this year's scholarship recipients and to all of our candidates who are expanding their opportunities through the pursuit of higher education. Thanks also go to our contributors to the Voluntary Fund, who have made this program possible.

Harry H. Faucett, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Winner



Emily Moser is the daughter of Ronny Moser, a 12-year Helper member of Local 798. She is a 2020 graduate of Dawson High School in Pearland, TX. She graduated from high school with 27 college credits through Alvin Community College, making the dean's list. While in high school, Emily was a varsity cheerleader for two years and volunteered her time tutoring dual-credit students and providing counseling support to students who needed assistance. Throughout her school life, Emily enjoyed visiting the elderly in nursing homes; however, due to COVID-19, she was unable to continue. Emily just completed her sophomore year at San Jacinto College, earning a 4.0 GPA and making the dean's list. In the fall, she plans to attend Texas State University to finish her undergraduate studies with a major in psychology. Emily's future plans include attending law school and pursuing a career in corporate law.

General Scholarship Winners



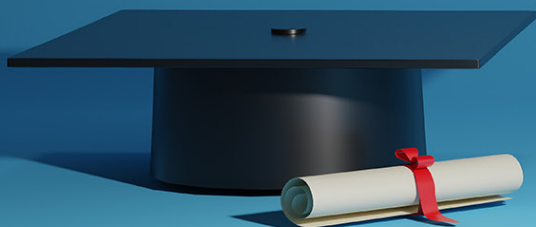
Bailey Eaton is the granddaughter of the late Larry Ainsworth, a 56-year Welder member. She is a 2018 graduate of West Monroe High School in West Monroe, LA. While attending WMHS, she was an active member of the Character Counts Club, Spanish Club, and the National Honor Society. During Bailey's freshman year, she was recognized by the school's faculty and awarded one of 25 Freshman of Excellence awards out of over 500 students. She was also a member of the WMHS Rebel Choir for three years and participated in two tours that traveled worldwide. She consistently earned a spot on the honor roll/principal's list.

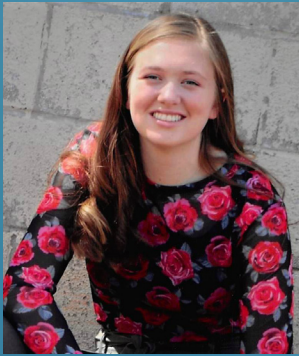
Following graduation, she enrolled in Louisiana Tech University, pursuing an undergraduate degree in pre-professional speech-language pathology. While attending LA Tech, Bailey has been an active member of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Baptist Collegiate Ministry, and the National Society of Leadership and Success. She has been the recipient of scholarships and an Outstanding Student award. Bailey has consistently maintained a GPA of 3.6 or higher while making the dean's/president's list. Upon graduation with her bachelor's degree, Bailey hopes to pursue a master's degree in speech-language pathology. Her ambition is to work as an American Speech-Language-Hearing Association licensed professional and be a certified speech-language pathologist specializing in early intervention.



Mandy Franklin, from Bastrop, LA, is the daughter of Donna and Matt Franklin, a 32-year Welder member. She is a 2016 graduate of Ouachita Christian School in Monroe, LA, where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Art Club, Spanish Club, and high school band and choir. She began attending the University of Louisiana at Monroe and was on the dean's list for four semesters. In December 2019, Mandy graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in speech-language pathology. Her academic honor society memberships include the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and the National Society of

Leadership and Success. She was also a member of the Health Studies Student Association and the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association, where she participated in many volunteer opportunities. Mandy is currently in her second year of graduate school at ULM, pursuing a master's degree in speech-language pathology. She is a graduate assistant for the university and a present member of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association, as well as the previously mentioned honor societies. She has recently been nominated for membership in the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Mandy plans to graduate in December of 2021 and begin her clinical fellowship to obtain her Certificate of Clinical Competence, as well as her license to practice independently as a speech-language pathologist.





Madison Gaines, of Dalhart, TX, is the daughter of Stephanie and Joe W. Gaines, a 21-year Welder member, and the granddaughter of the late Joe B. Gaines, an 18-year Welder member. Madison graduated as salutatorian from Dalhart High School in May of 2020 with a Health Science Endorsement. In June of 2020, she graduated summa cum laude from Frank Phillips College with an associate degree in science. Madison currently attends the University of Texas in San Antonio, majoring in biology. She plans to graduate in May 2022. Following graduation, she plans to attend physician assistant school at UTSA. Madison

has two younger siblings, Joseph and Emily. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling, spending time with family, and playing video games.



Clara McCahren is the granddaughter of Sharon and William McCahren, a 57-year Welder member. Clara graduated from Juniata High School and was in the National Honor Society, Varsity J, and ranked in the top 10 of her class. She has completed two years of college at Penn State Harrisburg and will attend the main campus in the fall as a Junior in BioRenewable Systems.



Emily Greger is the daughter of 13-year Welder member Marty Greger. She grew up in a small town and graduated as class valedictorian with a 4.0 GPA. In high school, she participated in basketball and the yearbook. At Emily's school, she sang the National Anthem for games and was also honored with the opportunity to sing at the 2019 Steward School. Currently, Emily is a sophomore at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK, pursuing a degree in speech-language pathology. At NSU, she is involved with the Baptist Collegiate Ministry, helping to lead worship. In college, Emily has maintained

a 3.89 GPA, qualifying her for both the president's and dean's honor roll. In July 2021, Emily is getting married, and next semester she plans to apply to graduate school.



Sierra Mooney is from Archer City, TX, and is the daughter of Tonya and Boucher Mooney, a 13-year Welder member. Sierra is a first-generation college student currently enrolled at Texas A&M University in College Station. She is a member of the Department of Communication Honors Program, pursuing a degree in communication, a minor in sports management, and a certificate in strategic communication. Sierra has maintained a 3.942 GPA as a college student and served as a 2019 Fish Camp Counselor. She is an active Recruitment Committee member of Aggie Sweethearts, a women's organization on TAMU's campus that promotes leadership, sisterhood, spirit, service, and community outreach. She plans to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in communication and then pursue a Master of Education in curriculum and instruction. Sierra's long-term goal is to become an English teacher.



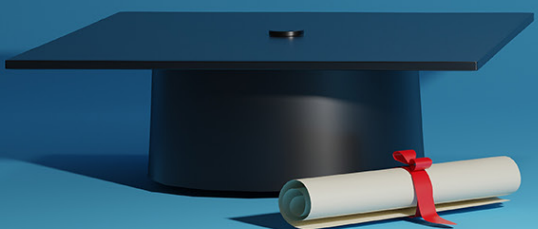
Madison Hurt is the daughter of Michele and Joseph Hurt, a 12-year Welder member. She lives in Saint Amant, LA, and is a graduate of Saint Amant High School, where she was an honor student and student-athlete. Madison just completed her junior year at Our Lady of Franciscan Missionaries University, where she is pursuing her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing. She has made the president's list her first two years of college and currently maintains a 3.86 GPA. Her academic record has earned her the dean's scholarship through FranU, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2022. After graduation, Madison plans to

continue her education by earning her Master of Science degree in nursing with the hopes of becoming a nurse practitioner with a specialty in pediatrics. She looks forward to continuing her academic journey and applying this scholarship to her future education.



Miranda Moser is the daughter of Bart Moser, a 35-year Welder member. She was born and raised in Morgantown, WV. The close connection to her hometown made it easy to decide to advance her education at West Virginia University for her pre-pharmacy coursework. In 2019, Miranda was accepted into WVU's School of Pharmacy. Her accomplishments include: Phi Lambda Sigma Community Service Co-Chair; Pediatric Pharmacy Association Philanthropy/Service Coordinator Co-Chair; Lambda Sigma Kappa Social Co-Chair; American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists

Midyear Regional Meeting Liaison, president-elect, P1 Student Liaison, Social Committee member, Fundraising Committee member, and October Member of the Month. Miranda was recognized on the dean's list for the 2019 fall semester and the 2020 spring and fall semesters for achieving a 4.0 GPA. She was also awarded the School of Pharmacy Annual Achievement Scholarship. In April 2021, Miranda was inducted into Rho Chi Society, an academic honor society in pharmacy. Post-graduation, she plans to further her education and complete a PGY-1 residency in acute care. Then, Miranda would like to specialize in pediatrics.





Kayley Robinson is from Charleston, WV, and the daughter of Loretta and Dwayne Hardman, a two-year Welder member. Kayley graduated from Clay County High School with a 4.3 GPA. During high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society, the Science Bowl Team, and the AP Government and Politics "We the People" team. Her team won the West Virginia state hearing and competed in the United States finals in Washington, D.C. Upon graduation, Kayley dedicated her summer to an AmeriCorps service program, Energy Express. Kayley just completed her junior year as a nursing student at West Virginia University, minoring in medical humanities and health studies. She has been named to the president's list and the dean's list each semester during her college career. Kayley has completed the honors foundation program at WVU, is a PROMISE scholar, a member of the Alpha Rho Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International, and the Honor Society of Nursing. She has volunteered for the American Red Cross, Relay for Life, a local preschool program, and local health departments. She is currently a nursing assistant at WVU Medicine while attending school. After obtaining her Bachelor of Science degree, her plans include gaining bedside experience and furthering her education.



Abigail Werner is from Dallas, TX, and is the daughter of Welder member John Werner. Abigail is a 2021 graduate of the University of Texas at Arlington, graduating with her Bachelor of Science in industrial engineering. She hopes to continue her education by pursuing her Master of Business of Administration to go into engineering management. During her time at UT Arlington, Abigail has pursued many interests. She has held two internships, one in the manufacturing industry and the other in aviation. She was the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers UTA chapter president, and through this organization, she was awarded Outstanding IE Senior through the local professional chapter. Abigail also participated in undergraduate research within her department and was nominated for Student Employee of the Year. Abigail enjoys hiking, trying new food, and traveling in her spare time. She plans to stay in the Dallas area after graduation and hopes to continue a career in the aviation industry. Abigail wants to pursue many endeavors in her future and never wants to stop learning.



Katie Smith is the daughter of 24-year Welder member Clayton Smith and Jamie Smith of Foreman, AR. She is a 2020 graduate of Foreman High School, where she was a co-valedictorian. During high school, Katie was inducted into the National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta. She was also a Gator cheerleader for five years and was recognized as an NCA All-American cheerleader twice. She was a member of the Foreman FFA horse judging team, which competed successfully at both the district and state levels. Katie grew up riding horses and competed in several local high school rodeo associations in barrel racing, pole bending, and goat tying. Katie is currently a pre-vet major pursuing a degree in agriculture science at Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia. Her future plans include attending veterinary school at Oklahoma State University.

Short & Personal

THANK YOU

Ray Lambert and Family greatly appreciate the assistance from the Pipeliners Voluntary Fund. They thank all the generous members who donated, and they extend a special thank you to Larry Collier and Charles Lynch.

Deana Ashby thanks the 798 membership for the kind thoughts, cards, and donations following the passing of her beloved husband, Anthony Ashby. Your heartfelt prayers continue to be a comfort for her during this time. "The boys and I are so grateful and humbled by the outpouring of love and compassion from you all."

JoAnn McKenzie thanks the Voluntary Fund and all who give to it. The check she received after the loss of her mother was a nice surprise.

Jacob Hill and Family appreciate the check and thank everyone for the calls, texts, and prayers. "Y'all have been a blessing to our family."

Ernest Outz and Family thank all who give to the Voluntary Fund for the assistance they received after his wife's emergency back surgery. It was greatly appreciated. "God bless you all."

Andrew Briggs and Family thank the Voluntary Fund for the gift received after the passing of his brother. The union Brothers and Sisters who donate are very much appreciated, especially those who helped during this trying time.

The Family of Dave Lucero thank the Voluntary Fund and everyone that contributes. Special thanks and appreciation to Justin Baur.

Lisa and Don Denton thank the Voluntary Fund for the kind expression of sympathy and thoughtfulness after the passing of Don's stepmother. Special thanks to Wayne and Jennifer Bates, Keven Rorer, Ricky Lambeth, and all the Brothers and Sisters contributing to the Voluntary Fund.

Mary Hawkins would like to express her appreciation for the Voluntary Fund check she received after the death of her husband, Billy Wayne Hawkins. Special thanks for the beautiful flowers, calls, and prayers from everyone during his illness and after he passed.

Gary A. Arnold thanks the Voluntary Fund and all the Brothers and Sisters of 798 for all that you do.

Jacob and Julia Johnson thank the Voluntary Fund and all the Brothers and Sisters who give to it for the help they received. Special thanks to Garrett Hendrix.

John Garrity thanks his new 798 family and the Voluntary Fund for the generous donation in remembrance of his mother, June Garrity. It was unexpected for him after being such a new member, but he is grateful.

Robin Meachum thanks the Voluntary Fund for the money she received. It was deeply appreciated. Her recovery from COVID-19 and double pneumonia has been a long journey. Special thanks to Cody Carter and Jimmy and Lynn Bradford. She feels blessed to be a part of Local 798.

Scott Morgan and Family thank the membership and all Brothers and Sisters who donate to the Voluntary Fund for the check received after the loss of their father, 54-year member Curtis F. Morgan. Curtis loved pipelining and 798. Special thanks to Carmen Moody, Phillip Wallace, and Justin Wallace.

Pat Scarborough thanks the Voluntary Fund for the money she received after her husband, James Scarborough, passed away. It was much appreciated.

Marvin Sanders thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The money he received was a surprise and greatly appreciated. Marvin's surgery had him down for several months. He is home recovering now. Special thanks to Tommy and Joe Robison.

Jerald Hundelt thanks the Voluntary Fund and everyone that contributes. The money he received was helpful to him and his family during his wife's recent hospital stay. Special thanks to Carol Tuggle, Mike Cogdell, Phillip Razian, and Jeffery Doyle.

Raymond and Jane Scarborough thank the Voluntary Fund for the donation after Raymond was diagnosed with prostate cancer. He is currently undergoing treatment and is feeling well. Special thanks to Chuck and Tabitha Houston.

Jerry David Ross thanks Brother Justin Wallace for putting him in for a Voluntary Fund check to help with the flooding surrounding his camper. "Thank you, Justin, and 798."

The Stilwell Family thanks all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund for the help they received when Rocky passed away. They are grateful for all the prayers and phone calls. "It is so nice to belong to such a wonderful group of folks who care about one another. Stay strong in your faith, and the Lord will see you through." Special thanks to Phillip Wallace, Justin Wallace, and Danny Hendrix.

Wendell Coker thanks the Voluntary Fund and all who contribute to it for the help received during his illness. Special thanks to Terry Langley and Wally Lively.

Danny and Paula Williams thank all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. "798 is a great organization filled with wonderful people." They are grateful for the check they received; it will come in handy as they navigate the next few months of doctors' visits.

Craig and Wanda Easley thank all who give to the Voluntary Fund for the generous financial help they received. Wanda is doing very well after her surgery and hospital stay. Special thanks to Charlie Easley.

Randy and Lea Sample thank Danny Hendrix for his recommendation on their behalf for the Voluntary Fund. "Your concern during this most stressful time in our lives means everything." They hope to see everyone soon.

Thomas W. Shepherd thanks all 798 Brothers and Sisters that contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The funds he received during the time of his surgery were greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Wayne R. Miller for submitting a request on his behalf.

Dennis Perkins would like to express how wonderful it was to receive help from the Voluntary Fund. His wife of 58 years has been in the hospital with double pneumonia and complications since April 30. Alma John is a fighter, and he hopes she can pull through.

Harold and Pat Wells appreciate the donation received from the Voluntary Fund during Pat's sickness. "Danny, Chad, and Justin, thank you, my Brothers. Please give our love and blessings to everyone."

Randy and Lonnie Moore, the parents of Jason Moore, appreciate the kindness they received and the sacrifices made by those who donate to the Voluntary Fund.

Tanya and Chassidi Tucker thank all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. The check was very helpful and appreciated in their time of need. Special thanks to Wally Lively.

Russell Carrington thanks the Voluntary Fund for the monetary gift after the loss of a loved one. Special thanks to Chris Lancaster and Lee Baugus.

The Family of Martin Hand thanks the 798 family for the kind expression of thoughtfulness and sympathy they received during this difficult time. "Your support is deeply appreciated and will always stay in our hearts."

The Travis Family thanks Danny Hendrix, Justin Wallace, Gary Loyd, and all who contribute to the Voluntary Fund. Thank you for being a blessing.

Ruth Ann Wallace thanks the Voluntary Fund and all members of Local Union 798 for the monetary assistance and the beautiful bible she received after the death of her husband, retired 798 Welder Peter Wallace. Pete was proud of his 798 membership and the lifelong friendships it created for him. Special thanks to Jimmy Noggle. "Thank you all for your support, and I will continue to pray for the safety and success of all Local 798 members."

Peggy and John Williams thank the Fund and all its contributors for the check they recently received. Peggy has been in and out of the hospital several times in the last two years, and while at home now, she continues to struggle with her health. John is very proud to have belonged to 798 for the past 54 years. Special thanks to Tommy Boulware and Danny Hendrix.

Bruce Weeks was surprised and thankful to have received a Voluntary Fund check in the mail. "No one knows when these types of things will happen." He would like to give his personal thanks to Danny Hendrix, Justin Wallace, and Rickey and Brian Griffin.

RETIREMENTS

Douglas C. Baker, Spacer, Red House, WV

William J. Forte, Helper, Judsonia, AR

John R. Hinson, Welder, Livingston, TX

Dale R. Kamppinen, Spacer, Houghton, MI

Charles L. Noble, Welder, Jefferson, TX

Gene Paylor, Helper, Chicago, IL

Ronald L. Pifer, Helper, Cadillac, MI

Willard E. Watson, Welder, Port Washington, OH

Larry C. Wright, Welder, Buffalo, TX

IN MEMORIAM

Arthur M. Severn, 78-year-old Retired Welder of Idabel, OK, passed away January 15, 2021.

Maurice Coldiron, 86-year-old Retired Helper of Centerville, TX, passed away March 24, 2021.

Billy L. Diserens, 80-year-old Retired Helper of North Zulch, TX, passed away March 29, 2021.

Donald Warren, 87-year-old Retired Spacer of Sour Lake, TX, passed away April 16, 2021.

Bennie L. Rawls, 93-year-old Retired Welder of Granbury, TX, passed away April 22, 2021.

Ronnie R. Curry, 65-year-old Retired Helper of Carthage, TX, passed away April 28, 2021.

Braiden R. Robinson, 32-year-old Helper of Ore City, TX, passed away May 1, 2021.

Frank D. Bex, 78-year-old Retired Welder of Hebron, KY, passed away May 3, 2021.

Bobby G. Stevens, 85-year-old Retired Welder of Ida, LA, passed away May 5, 2021.

Dalph N. Glaze, Jr., 90-year-old Retired Welder of Bald Knob, AR, passed away May 7, 2021.

Howard A. Cook, 86-year-old Retired Welder of Bartlesville, OK, passed away May 10, 2021.

Cecil H. Burrage, 63-year-old Retired Helper of Texarkana, AR, passed away May 13, 2021.

Loyd V. Lovell, 78-year-old Retired Helper of Joplin, MO, passed away May 17, 2021.

Pete D. Wallace, 79-year-old Retired Welder of Princeton, KY, passed away May 17, 2021.

David L. Taylor, 70-year-old Retired Helper of Elkview, WV, passed away May 20, 2021.

Escue Mauk, 85-year-old Retired Spacer of Olive Hill, KY, passed away May 21, 2021.

Billy B. Lewis, 71-year-old Retired Helper of Leesville, LA, passed away May 22, 2021.

Stephanie R. Schemenauer, 39-year-old Helper of Branch, MI, passed away May 23, 2021.

Jason Dixon, 48-year-old Welder of Gary, TX, passed away May 25, 2021.

Melvin D. Hull, 85-year-old Retired Spacer of Rogersville, PA, passed away May 29, 2021.

Everett H. Smith, 88-year-old Retired Welder of Meridian, MS, passed away June 3, 2021.

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38' DRV Mobile Suites Mobile 38 TKS3: The fifth-wheel trailer is in good condition. New windows installed in two rooms. Canadian All-Weather package. It is currently at Camper World in Albuquerque, NM; it can be seen there. Very nice-looking trailer. Asking \$30,000. Contact Larry Sportsman at 719-337-6814 or landline 719-578-0746 and leave a message.

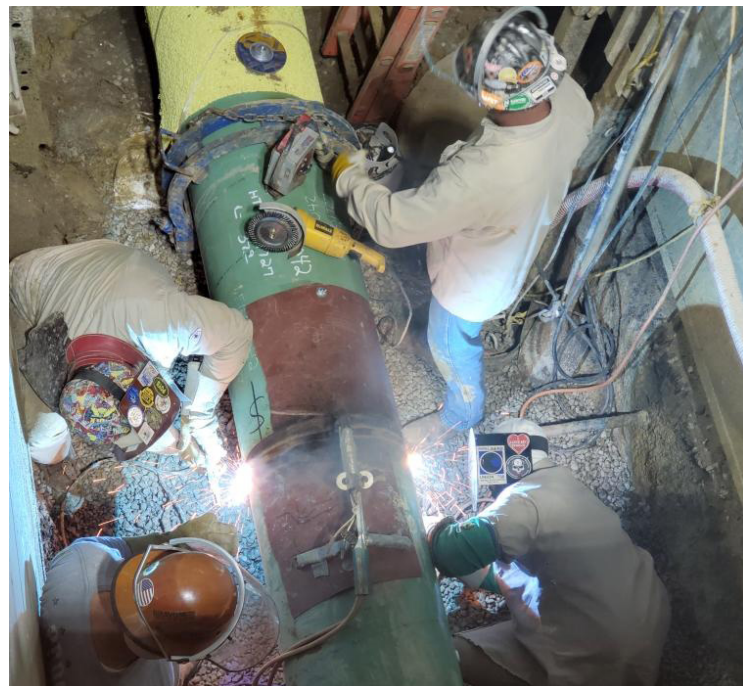
Chums Leather Work: Custom armbands, suspenders, belts, holsters, journals, knife, and gun scabbards, and much more! Contact Craig Chumley at 682-459-4035.

1985 Ford F-350 4x2 Welding Rig: New clutch, pressure plate, throughout bearing, and refaced flywheel. Warner T19 four-speed transmission 4.10 axle. 460 engine, rebuilt carburetor. Six brand new tires, custom-made all-aluminum body. Four custom-built toolboxes with stainless steel piano hinges, paddle latches, 50-year-old Lincoln SA-200 machine in good working condition, always a fast-starting machine! Rebuilt generator with new shunts, fields, and bearings. Wilton vice, set-up for two oxygen tanks upright and one acetylene tank, ox weld torch/tips, Black & Decker grinder. Owned and maintained by lifelong Local 798 Welder, located in the Pittsburgh, PA area. Asking \$11,000. Contact Ronnie Noga at 412-901-2797.

2020 Ford F-350 Super Duty Welding Rig: 23,000 miles. Full upgrade. Six brand-new Michelin tires. Full warranty on bumper, tires, engine, transmission, etc. 360 degree camera. Power stroke turbo diesel crew cab gets a 6.7-liter V-8 under the hood that makes 475 hp @ 2,800 RPM and 1,050 lbs.-ft. @ 1,600 rpm of torque. The truck can tow a total of 22,000 lbs. and has a payload capacity of 3,140 lbs., which means you can tow your everyday gigs with comfort and ease. Brand-new Lincoln Electric Cross Country 300 welding machine with 808.2 miles and complete tools for welder. Full package. Good price; won't last long. Asking \$135,000. Contact Serge Jean Jacques at 407-837-3164 or sergetek1965@icloud.com.

2003 Ford F-350 FWD: 61,000 miles, four-wheel drive. 2,900 hours on welding machine. Will sell truck as flat bed for \$15,000 or best offer. Will sell Lincoln Classic Deutz II for \$8,000 or best offer. Contact Michael Bake at 330-627-6366.

Welding Truck Bed: Has been used with a 2011 Dodge dually 3500 and a 2001 Dodge 2500 long bed. Truck bed is in Glen Rose, TX, \$2,000. Contact Ann Baker at 254-396-3343 or annbaker2008@yahoo.com.



Bobby Russell and Christian Solomona in Blue Ash, OH for InfraSource
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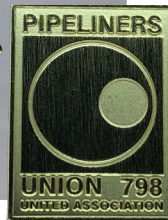
Dark Gray/Royal Mid-Profile Cap
Item # 104 - \$18.00

Navy/Tan Summer Cap
Item # 101-B - \$16.00

Nation Wide Lapel Pin
Item # 138 - \$5.00

White T-Shirt w/ Embroidered Logo
Item # 115-C - \$13.00
(S, M, L, XL, XLT, 2XL, 2XLT, 3XL, 3XLT, 4XL)

798 Lapel Pin
Item # 137 - \$4.50



Welder Lapel Pin
Item # 139 - \$3.00



American Labor T-Shirt
Item # 115-E - \$16.00
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White Cotton Brushed Twill Cap
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