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APPOINTED BUSINESS
MANAGER
BRIAN ALMQUIST

Congratulations to the Newly Elected

Ed Hayward Seth Kamarad Finance Committee-President-Fred Hall Alan Cross Vice President-Recording Secretary- Russ Pafford Sam Clay David Bitner Business Manager-Brian Almquist **Examining Board-**Inside Guard-Shawn Davis Ray Degracia Dan Meyer Josh Giller **Executive Board-**Convention Delegates-Seth Kamarad Clayton Vasey Kent Embree Jr. Dan Meyer Jack Williams Mark Slizeski Alternates-Kent Embree

Coming Up at Local 192

It has been a very long and grueling three and half years since the members were able to have their voice heard in this Local. Well now the time has finally come. Come January 14th we will be having our first official Union Meeting here at the Local in Cheyenne at 6pm. During this meeting the new officers will be sworn in and UA Local 192 will once again belong to the members.

We have \$1.25 to be allocated for this year. As we discussed in Informational meetings last year, \$0.25 was promised to the JATC. Because we don't have a Union Meeting until January 14th, we chose to put the remaining \$1.00 on the check come January 1, 2016. Come January's meeting I will bring this up and if the members choose at that time to move the \$1.00 that will be up you. I have already prepared the contractors for a possible move.

I would like to discuss where we are with the H & W. We are currently paying a total of \$7.71 towards our H &W. \$7.21 is going to Colorado H & W and \$0.50 towards our old H & W. Let's talk about the \$0.50 first. We had to borrow \$350k from the Colorado H & W fund in order to pay off all our claims. This is a 3 year loan at 5.25%.

The \$7.21 goes toward our Colorado H & W. However \$0.63 of that is a loan that paid for everyone who qualified to received immediate coverage last February and March. That \$0.63 is expected to be paid off by March or April of 2016. What I would like to see is once that \$0.63 is paid off, we could roll it into the Old H & W loan. If we put \$0.63 on top of \$0.50 we would have that loan paid off in less than a year and a half.

Union Meeting Schedule 2015

January 14- Cheyenne 6pm February 11-Cheyenne 6pm March 10- Cheyenne 6pm Cheyenne 6pm April 14– May 12- Green River 6pm Green River 6pm June 9– July 14- Green River 6pm Casper 6pm August 11-September 8– Casper 6pm October 13-Casper 6pm Nov. 10 - Cheyenne 6pm December No meeting

Then we could bring \$1.13 back to the membership for allocation, and all loans will be paid off in full.

As of January 1, 2016 Zenith Administrators will be taking over for Fringe Benefits Service for the Pipe Industry Health & Welfare Fund of Colorado. This will have no noticeable change for any members. The cards, the plan, it will all stay the same. You will still call Cigna for any questions you may have.

Work is looking pretty good for this year. High Bay at the UW will man up here shortly and in a couple to few months we will see the Capital Project start in Cheyenne. We are keeping a close eye on the Simplot job in Western Wyoming. It already seems to be way behind. We are working on getting a hold of the right person to make sure that they cannot use our help. It's almost time for the work to start in Wheatland. We may have another Contractor getting a longer project in there as well.

Rick and I are working on getting the Asbestos attorney scheduled to come around the state with us. We are going to try and set up meetings for all of the building trades unions, and

we will let you and them know what dates those are as soon as we have them set up. The idea is to get those of you who have worked around the stuff to get a little money in your pocket. I will also be doing Informational meetings along with the regularly scheduled Union meetings. I will be sending those dates out on the prior months newsletter.

Apprentices:

Saturday - January 9th

There will be a make-up day for Cheyenne and Green River – 8 Hours

Class begins at 8:00 AM

Saturday January 23rd

Spring Orientation and First Class for Spring – Cheyenne 8 Hours

Class begins at 8:00 AM

Talk About New Standards

All Apprentices in Cheyenne Area required to attend

Spring Schedule will be handed out.

Saturday January 30th

Spring Orientation an First Class for Spring – Green River

Class begins at 8:00 AM

Talk about New Standards

All Apprentices in the Green River Area required to attend

Spring Schedule will be handed out.

Journeyworkers:

Saturday - January 9th

Blueprint interpretation & Lay-out - Cheyenne

Class begins at 8:00 AM - 8 Hours

Deadline to sign up – January 6th

Please Call in - Minimum 6 to hold class

Saturday – January 16th, 17th, 23rd & 24th

Foreman Class - Minimum 5 to hold Class

Class begins at 8:00 AM – 40 hours

Cheyenne and Green River – Deadline to sign up

December 24th

The UA Requires 3 Week advance notice for Certification Courses

Please sign-up by deadlines, if the classes do not have the minimum required, they will not be held.

Happy New Year!!