

Local 344

UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES
OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPE FITTING INDUSTRY
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To All Members of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 344

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

MEMBER DEATHS

Brother George O. Johnston, Membership No.957077, died 01/26/2017. He was a Retired Pipefitter. We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Brother Johnston.

IMPORTANT HEALTH AND WELFARE INFORMATION

Blue Form Reminder: Forms were mailed to all eligible members earlier this month. Take a moment to complete the form, both sides if applicable, and return to the Benefits Office at 4337 SW 44th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73119. All information is required and the member must sign the form. You must turn in your blue form to the Benefit Office on or before March 31, 2017 in order to receive health insurance for you and/or your dependents. The Claims Office WILL NOT process any claims until this form is signed and received. It is important to return the form as soon as possible. Please make sure you turn in your blue form by March 31, 2017. If not received by that date, spouse and dependents up to age 26 will not be covered under the Plan.

To request or to continue coverage for a child who has not attained age 26 as of January 1, 2017, the blue form must be completed and returned and a copy of each dependent's Birth Certificate and Social Security Card must be on file. If married, a marriage certificate must be on file before claims will be paid in 2017. If the blue form and other documents are not received by March 31, 2017, the dependents will not be eligible for coverage in 2017. The next open enrollment will be December 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018 for the 2018 calendar year.

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA LABOR FEDERATION AFL-CIO \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP

As an affiliated Local of the Central Oklahoma Labor Federation, members of Local 344 who are in good standing, or the child or grandchild of a member in good standing are eligible to apply. Applicants must be 26 yrs of age or younger and attending a two or four year college. Applications are available at the Local 344 Union Office and must be postmarked by February 11, 2017. Winner will be notified by April 30, 2017.

CFC COURSE

A CFC Refrigerant Recovery course will be held at the Training Center in March. The certification exam will be administered at the end of the course. If you would like to participate in this class, you must complete an application and return it to the Training Center no later than *Wednesday, February 1*. Call 405-632-5629 to request an application. NOTE: If you have taken the course, but did not obtain "Universal" certification, this is your chance to re-test in the category(s) you're lacking.

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"Unionism has helped to give to everyone who toils the position of dignity which is his due"

