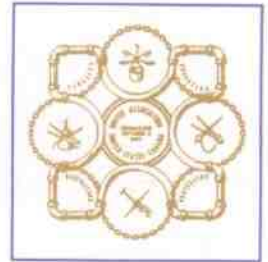


# Local 344

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 **Phillip Starrett** Membership No. 1219509 died 04/17/2015. He was a Retired Journeyman Pipefitter.

Brother **Eugene R. Joshu** Membership No. 948711 died 05/01/2015. He was a Retired Journeyman Pipefitter.

Brother **Richard Harper** Membership No. 848061 died 05/05/2015. He was a Retired Journeyman Plumber and a Life Member.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to the family's of these Brothers.

## Contract Increase

Our Collective Bargaining Agreement provides for a \$.60 per hour increase effective July 1, 2015. We will be voting on the distribution of this increase at the Regular Monthly Membership Meeting, **June 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.**

## UA Scholarship Fund Information

The United Association Scholarship Trust Fund is now accepting applications for the 2015-2016 academic year scholarship awards. The fund benefits UA members and their dependants. The eligibility requirements, application and detailed instructions can be downloaded at [www.ua.org](http://www.ua.org). The deadline for submitting applications is June 15, 2015.

## Union Member Storm Shelter Giveaway

Smart Shelters, an Oklahoma City based company, has teamed up with Oklahoma AFL-CIO to offer a **FREE STORM SHELTER** to one AFL-CIO Union member in good standing. Smart Shelters offers a patented storm shelter design that allows your family to seek refuge from any life-threatening storm in a safe, secure and easily-accessible shelter. They currently offer special Union member pricing, and Local 344 members in good standing are eligible for the drawing for a free shelter. **To enter**, you must **"Like"** Oklahoma AFL-CIO's Facebook page, **"Share"** the post about the storm shelter, and **"Comment"** on the post. On **July 1**, an AFL-CIO Union member in good standing who completes the three requirements will be drawn at random by the Oklahoma AFL-CIO and will be notified on how to claim their new storm shelter! For more information, go to [www.smartsheltersinc.com](http://www.smartsheltersinc.com) or Facebook Page.

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

