



UA LOCAL 71

JULY 2020

Brothers & Sisters

Now that we have of lightening the COVID-19 regulations, we urge everyone to continue following the recommendations set out by their Provincial Governments. Thankfully, there are no known positive COVID-19 cases in Local 71. We have reopened the Training Center for recertification and welding. Work is picking up but, we still have some members on the OUT of work list. Hopefully, the upward trend will continue throughout the summer months.

The building extension is complete, and we are proud to say that we came in at \$160,000 under budget. This year is an election year and with the pandemic restrictions on gatherings, we have had to cancel our March, April, May, and June General Meetings. We will monitor the situation very closely and we may have to call a special meeting of some kind during the summer. We will keep you posted.

Darlington Nuclear and Bruce Nuclear Plants are scheduled to start late Fall. There is a shutdown at Stelco Nanticoke for 45 to 90 days in late July, Hamilton has members on the out of work list, but they may call for travel cards.



Angus Maisonneuve
Business Manager

Sarnia: The shutdown should be starting in late fall but nothing is guaranteed, they are expecting the predicted second wave of the Pandemic.

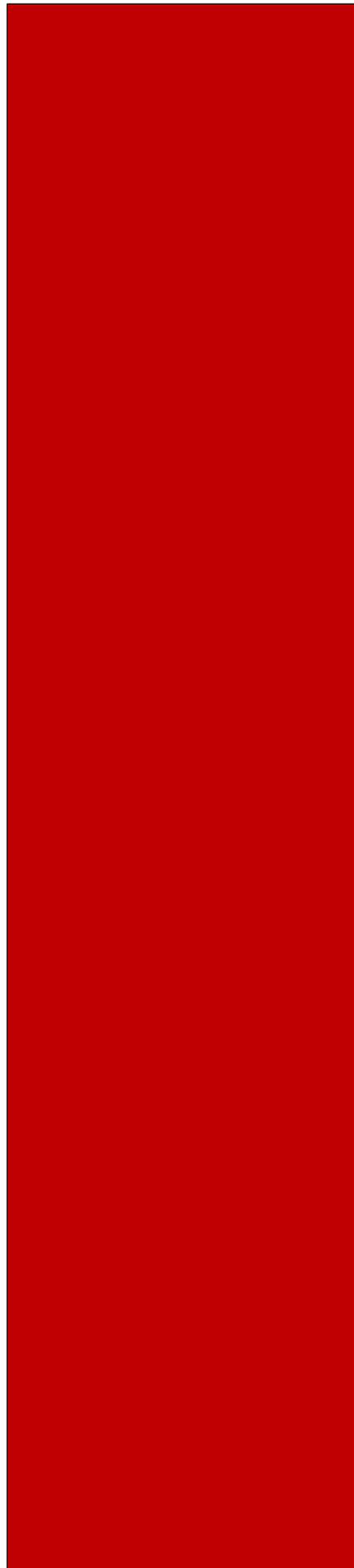
Things are not back to normal and no one really knows when or if it will ever be back the way it was. The staff, the agents and I are dedicated to serving the membership of Local 71. We will be available during regular office hours all summer.

We would like to wish you all a great summer, stay safe and enjoy this time with your family.

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Angus Maisonneuve



West Ottawa and Pembroke Area

The first two months of 2020 were basically a normal start and work was mostly in the High Rise Residential and some in the Institutional Sector. With COVID-19, projects that had not begun were postponed and some projects were shutdown. For many it was an uncertain time and situation. Some projects that were deemed essential remained open. Many of us have never experienced this nor had the contractors who needed to adjust to the new situation.

The work in Local 71 has begun to open and now many Condominium and apartment buildings have started. College and University upgrades to existing buildings. CFB Petawawa has work underway on a new \$319 million complex for the Canadian Special Operation Regiment. On another project at CFB Petawawa will be a centralized 9,000 square meter facility to provide the Royal Canadian Dragoons with enhanced vehicle maintenance, storage logistics and training areas.

There is a 2.7 million square foot facility that will be nearly 3 times larger than the Amazon Distributive Centre on Boundary Road. The Prestige office and light Industrial Building which will have 50 unloading bays and 2000 parking spaces, will eclipse the one million square foot Amazon warehouse to become the largest industrial Building ever constructed in Ottawa. The project to be done at 222 Citi gate drive in Barrhaven will feature 5 levels and soar nearly 100 feet high.



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Brent Payne
Assistant Business
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Energy Services Acquisition Program (ESAP)

This project will be one of Canada's most significant project to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save operational costs, improve safety, and create lasting architectural Landmarks.

It will encompass Ottawa and Gatineau. It will modernize the way it heats 80 building and cools 67 buildings in the downtown core. The District Energy System is made up of five Central Heating and Cooling Plants and four distribution networks delivering heating and Cooling through a combination of service tunnels, direct buried piping, and bridge crossings. It will be a project that many have never seen, nor will have an opportunity to work on again. ESAP is being done by members of local 71.

In conclusion, it is a great time to be a member of Local 71 and the Ottawa Building Trades. There are Projects that have not been mentioned and that will require our membership to come through to build.

Helps us contribute to what our Region is and what it will become!

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Brent Payne

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News from Quebec

The last few months have been very busy, mainly because of the Pandemic and the raiding in Quebec. I believe we did well in the raiding campaign, successfully increasing our membership in the Outaouais region. The official number will be out by August and the new members will be officially with us on September 1st, 2020.

With the raiding campaign over, we move forward to the next step of the upcoming negotiations in Quebec 2021. Now, the five unions have to accept a negotiation protocol. In that matter, the CSN-construction decided to slow down the process and ask for arbitration, instead of accepting the 2013 and 2017 protocol like the four other unions.

After COVID 19

The construction industry should bounce back after the Government of Quebec put the province on pause for several weeks.

The Quebec Government decided to make massive investments in the construction industry to help our economy. We are busy on the Quebec side so this will mean more work which will be certainly be good for the Quebec negotiations next year.

The industrial sector is still far behind. The Thurso Mill is still closed for at least a year or more. Recently Papier Masson announced a temporary closure from June 26th to August 3rd, 2020.

Member Discount Rate at Quality Inn and Suites Montreal-East, QC

The room are 275 square feet with Queen Bed and Sofa bed or 2 double beds for two people for an amount of \$79.00 per nights. For reservation you need to call 514-493-6363 and mentioned that you are a member from Local 71. Bring your members card with you.



Marc Laframboise
Business Agent
Gatineau

Lunch Bags

Due to the Pandemic, we could not give away the lunch bags in May during the raiding campaign. We recently got the green light from the public health authorities and started the distribution which will go on all summer.



Downtown Ottawa

Work on sites are ongoing in my area in Ottawa. After a significant slow down caused by the pandemic, it is impressive to see the number of ongoing jobsites. Many of these jobsites are 20 storeys or more. Local 71 continues to maintain high market share numbers.

The work on Parliament Hill started at the beginning of the year and will continue for the next 10 plus years. Inside center block, members are working for Modern Niagara installing temporary heating, chill water system and the demolition phase will begin soon. Outside, the construction of the temporary PCL office is almost completed.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marc Laframboise'.

Marc Laframboise

Construction Holiday 2020

As of June 11, the Quebec government have confirmed that the construction vacation will remain during the pandemic. The vacation dates are from July 19th to August 1st, 2020. Spend Quality time with your family and stay safe on the road.

Benefits transferred from CCQ → Coughlin

For members that are working in Quebec and that are insured with Coughlin please verify your monthly statement. If your money was not transfer, please contact us.

East Ottawa and Cornwall Area

The Cornwall Area added another important piece of the puzzle with the signing of a local Contractor Adam Beehler Plumbing. And along with our other Unionized Contractors who are established in the area, for example: Rose Mech, Upper Canada Plumbing, Pro Bowl Plumbing & Laframboise Group, Local 71 is in a good position to bring the area market to another level. The key factor is going to be versatility and the buy-in of all partners. When I say partners, I mean the Local Union, the Contractors and most importantly the Membership. The reason why I mention that Adam Beehler Plumbing is an important piece of the puzzle is because 60% of Adam's work is in the Service Sector. I truly believe that in the Cornwall Area our Signatory Contractors needs to acquire market share in the Service Sector in order to succeed in the ICI Sector.

When you're a Company performing service work in all sectors of the Plumbing Industry, you have a better chance of getting into a building doing one service call that leads to the rest of the building which leads to the Client's future expansions. In my opinion the local area Contractor that is well organized in the Service Sector will have the upper hand in Procuring New Projects in the Cornwall Area.

We understand that Service is not just for anyone, dealing with the Client, weekend, after hours work, on call basis, etc... It takes commitment and a certain type of person to do that kind of work.

With the commitment of our Contractors, the Industrial Sector is also gaining grounds in the Cornwall Area. We have Members doing Industrial Maintenance Work in places where we haven't been in years, for example: Parmalat in Winchester, Olymel & BASF in Cornwall, Modifications @ the Cornwall Public Works, Cornwall Landfill Gas Flaring Facility and Moose Creek Laflèche Environmental Landfill Gas Facility.

We also have ongoing work at the R.H. Saunders OPG Dam and regular shutdowns at Greenfield Ethanol Plant & Cardinal Power Cogen.



Pierre Jodoin
Business Agent
Cornwall

With over 50 Members working under the Canadian National Manufacturing Pipe Fabrication Agreement at the Laframboise Group shops gives Local 71 another edge on acquiring more market share. Also, with our Membership expanding their skills on Building Tanks & Vessels under the Fabrication Agreement brought more stability to the Industry.

Ottawa East is doing better than it has in recent years. We have fairly good sizes projects going on in that area with the Transformation of CMHC Building on Montreal Rd., the Canadian Cyber Security Bona Base Building in Vanier, new Costco Building on Ogilvie, Greystone Retirement Condos on Main Street, Giant Tiger office Building on Walkley Road, Health Hub Centre on Mer Bleu Road & Petrie Island Retirement Condos in Orleans.

In Hawkesbury we have Contractors bidding at the IKO Plant and hopefully they can secure some work for our Members in that area. Also, Hawkesbury has a \$70 Million Long Term Care Residence (146 units) expansion on Cartier Blvd and \$55 Million Long term Care Residence expansion on Spence Avenue. These two projects are slated for the tendering process later on this year.

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Spring Training Report

We started our winter courses in the first week of February with 126 apprentices registered in 13 different mandatory classes. We had journeypersons registered in the Backflow class, Medical Gas class, Natural Gas class, Shop Steward class and Advanced Welding class. Members were also registered in many different safety courses: Working at Heights, WHMIS, Elevating Work Platform, Telehandler, Asbestos Awareness and Confined Space Awareness but the Covid -19 virus changed the training plan after 5 weeks of courses.

The Apprentices that were registered in the winter session 2020 will be credited for the hours completed in class and the course will count as one mandatory course for the year. The apprentices can also register for the same course coming up for the fall session.

We are now ready to re-start the training with a different approach...due to the recent concerns related to the Covid-19 Virus, Local 71 respectfully requires all individuals entering the building to complete a questionnaire prior to being granted access to the Training Center. We will also ask all the members to follow the new Covid-19 Local 71 Training Policies.

You will receive the list of the fall courses by email in August, you can also contact me by email if you need to renew your welding tickets or your safety cards.

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