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General Meeting
Saturday, June 20
9 AM



Rod McKay

Business Manager

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

As we move into the summer season, I hope 2026 brings good health, memorable moments, and continued opportunities for all of you. Here's to a safe, productive, and enjoyable summer ahead.

Agreements & Projects

I am glad to say our members working under the Maintenance, ICI, Refrigeration Service & Maintenance, and Sprinkler Road Agreements all received pay increases at the beginning of May. These increases continue to recognize the value and professionalism our members bring.

Melloy Industrial has been awarded the Brownfield Mechanical construction scope for the Keyera Frac III Expansion project near Fort Saskatchewan. The scope of work will include piping, equipment setting, structural work, along with off-site pipe fabrication and modular assembly.

Melloy will oversee the on-site mechanical scope in partnership with UA Local 488, with approximately 150 of our members expected to be employed throughout the project, generating an estimated 150,000 work hours for our membership. The project is currently scheduled to operate on a 10-days-on, 4-days-off rotation with 10-hour workdays, with members expected to be on site in August of 2026.

This project represents another strong opportunity for our highly skilled membership to demonstrate the quality, professionalism, and productivity that UA Local 488 members continue to bring to projects across Alberta.

I am also pleased to add that we have secured the fabrication and module yard portions of the project as well. It is a significant win to have all three portions of the project awarded to the UA.

Dow Path2Zero continues to move slowly. Currently, there has been no change since March's newsletter, and the UA is not expected to be on site until 2027.

Elkford, BC (Local 170 Jurisdiction)

I want to be very clear with the membership regarding work taking place in Elkford, B.C. Members accepting employment under non-union terms on this project undermine the wages, benefits, working conditions, and solidarity that generations of UA members have fought hard to build and protect. Any Local 488 members found working non-union on this project will face serious disciplinary action under the UA Constitution, up to and including expulsion from the Union. Accepting lesser terms and conditions does not align with the values and principles of UA membership. Local 488 will fully enforce the Constitution to protect our agreements, our signatory contractors, and the strength and integrity of all 488 Sisters and Brothers.

Western Region Apprentice Contest

Local 488 had the privilege of hosting this year's United Association Western Region Apprentice Competition (WRAC). We welcomed 18 UA apprentices representing five different trades from sister locals 254, 179, 496, 516, 170, and 324. Along with the competitors, we were honoured to host Training Coordinators and several United Association International Representatives throughout the event.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Director of Education, Brother Chris Waples, his staff, the volunteers, and the RMA for their collective effort in organizing a fantastic event. Local 488's team came together to host an exceptional competition, from judging events to BBQing for all participants and volunteers.

I am proud to announce that Local 488 apprentice Brother Evan Schiller won the Steamfitter Division and will now represent Local 488 at the UA National Apprentice Contest being held the week of June 8 at Local 254 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Brother Schiller, I speak on behalf of the membership when I say congratulations, good luck, enjoy the event, and have fun representing Local 488.

Upcoming Events

Family Day Picnic

Looking for something to do with the family this summer? The Local 488 Entertainment Committee will once again be hosting our annual Family Day Picnic on:

Saturday, June 6
11:00 am – 4:00 pm
Laurier Park
(13315 Buena Vista Road)

This is always a great opportunity for members and their families to get together and enjoy a fun-filled day. For additional information, please visit the Local 488 website or contact the hall at 780-452-7080.

Klondike Day Breakfast

Be sure to mark your calendars for **July 17 and July 24**, as the RMA will once again be hosting the annual Klondike Day Breakfast beginning at approximately **8:30 am**.

All members, families, and friends are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing everyone out and continuing this great tradition together.

Long Service Award

Our annual Long Service Awards event will take place on:

Saturday, August 29
4:30 pm – 12:00 am
River Cree Resort & Casino

This event is always a special evening as we recognize and celebrate the dedication and years of service of our members. For more information, please visit the Local 488 website or call **780-452-7080**.

General Convention

I would like to thank all the members who put their names forward and congratulate those elected to attend this year's General Convention. Local 488 will be represented by six paid officers along with 85 elected delegates.

Delegate Save the Date

We will be hosting a General Convention meet-and-greet and information session for all delegates attending the event on Saturday, July 11th, beginning at 9:00 am. Please feel free to bring your guests who will be attending the Convention with you.

In Closing

A sincere thank you to our members, Job Stewards, RMA, and staff for all the work you continue to do representing Local 488 every day.

Enjoy the summer, stay safe, and I hope to see many of you at the June 20 Union Meeting.

Fraternally



Rod McKay, Business Manager
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Motion #1

Proposed Amendment to Bylaws and Working Rules Article 4.05 (4)

Whereas the Local Union has short service work which normally does not last longer than 2 calendar weeks,

And whereas the Local Union must ensure our contractors procure the necessary workforce to complete this work,

And whereas in a market where work is scarce, members are not likely to relinquish their spot on the board for such a short job,

And whereas the current language does not adequately cover the duration of modern short service work,

And whereas discrepancies need to be addressed in a more efficient and timely fashion than is provided by the current language

Be it therefore resolved to amend the current 4.05(4) to read:

4.05 No member shall return to their original place on the out-of-work board unless the following criteria have been met:

1. An employer refuses to engage a member after presentation of a dispatch slip, or;
2. A welder has failed a job test or;
3. The Executive Board renders a decision after consultation with the affected member(s), or;
4. Any member laid off in fourteen (14) calendar days or less. Members may exercise this right twice (2x) per calendar year at the member's discretion.

In cases where a discrepancy may exist, the Business Manager or designate shall rule on the questionable cases.

Kevin Morin – UA# 1669573

This motion was referred to the Executive Board at the general membership meeting on March 20, 2026.

The Executive Board recommends:
NON-CONCURRENCE

Motion #2

Whereas, the Local 488 Bylaws and Working Rules currently contain no language regarding scrutineers in union elections; and

Whereas, concerns regarding candidate involvement in vote counting have been brought to the attention of the Election Committee during recent elections;

Therefore, be it resolved that Article 7.07 be created and added to the Local 488 Bylaws and Working Rules to read as follows:

7.07 Scrutineers and Observers

Scrutineers and observers in Local 488 officer elections must meet the following criteria:

- a) Only members in good standing
- b) Must not be a candidate in the election for which they are acting as a scrutineer or observer.

Russ Puchala – UA# 1123098

This motion was referred to the Executive Board at the general membership meeting on March 20, 2026.

The Executive Board recommends: **CONCURRENCE**

To Local 488 Members:

Please consider putting your name forward to volunteer at the luncheons or coffee counter.



Cody Telford

Assistant Business Manager

Hello Sisters and Brothers,

I hope everyone is doing well and looking forward to a great summer season spent with family and friends, making memories and enjoying time outside of work. Wishing everyone a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer ahead.

In this article, I would like to highlight three key topics:

1. Recognition of our membership for their continued commitment to safety and quality workmanship.
2. An update on two newly signed work opportunities that will create additional man-hours for our members and help expand our market share.
3. A review of the UA Canadian Standard for Excellence and how the UA continues to distinguish itself from CLAC and open shop contractors through professionalism, safety, and quality workmanship.

At Local 488, our membership works across many sectors of the industry, including, but not limited to, industrial, commercial, institutional, service, and pipeline work. Our members proudly represent a wide range of skilled trades, including Steamfitters, B-Pressure Welders, Plumbers/Gasfitters, Instrumentation Technicians, Refrigeration Mechanics, and Sprinkler Fitters.

I would like to recognize and thank our members for the hard work, professionalism, and dedication they demonstrate every day while serving the industries we work in and representing the trades we proudly stand behind. These

are demanding jobs that often require long hours and physically challenging work, yet they remain essential to the citizens and communities across our province.

Thank you to each and every one of you for the work you do and the pride you bring to our union every day. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the retired members who came before us and helped pave the way for where we are today.

Secondly, Local 488 continues to expand opportunities for our members through two newly signed agreements that we successfully secured and look forward to implementing this year.

PCL/Melloy – Keyera Project

- Fab shop work is currently underway at the PCL Fab Shop.
- Mod yard dispatch slips are expected to begin in June 2026.
- Field work is scheduled to commence in August 2026.

BFI – Syncrude Firewater Loop Project

- Field work is expected to begin in August/September 2026.
- More information to follow.

The announcement of these projects becoming signatory with our contractors is great news for Local 488 and represents a significant opportunity to continue capturing work from the non-union sector while expanding employment opportunities for our membership.

“We must remain focused on increasing man-hours and market share.”

Lastly, I would like to remind all members of the importance of upholding the UA Canadian Standard for Excellence (SFE). The Standard for Excellence promotes professionalism, safety, quality workmanship, and accountability across all UA jobsites. It reflects the high standards expected of Local 488 members and our signatory contractors.

The SFE helps distinguish the UA from CLAC and open shop contractors by demonstrating the value of employing highly skilled piping professionals who perform work safely, efficiently, and to the highest quality standards. This commitment to excellence is one of the reasons UA members continue to earn industry-leading compensation. Our professionalism, safety culture, and quality-driven performance set us apart.

Cody Telford

Assistant Business Manager

Key Expectations for Members

- Arrive on time and ready to work.
- Follow all site rules, safety procedures, and contractual work hours.
- Maintain professionalism in both conduct and appearance.
- Work productively and minimize disruptions on the jobsite.
- Show respect toward coworkers, contractors, customers, and clients.
- Participate in ongoing training and certification programs.
- Support a safe, drug- and alcohol-free workplace.

Key Expectations for Contractors

- Promote and uphold the Standard for Excellence through leadership, training, and communication.
- Provide proper tools, equipment, materials, and safe working conditions to support successful projects.
- Support employee development through ongoing education, training, and recognition of quality work.
- Treat all employees with respect and professionalism.
- Work cooperatively with site supervision and coordinators to prevent and resolve workplace issues.
- Follow and comply with the Standard for Excellence Operating Rules and Regulations.

Every member represents Local 488 and the UA while on the jobsite. Quality workmanship, teamwork, communication, and reliability help maintain our reputation as highly skilled professionals within the industry.

The Standard for Excellence is about members, contractors, and union leadership working together to create safe, productive, and successful job sites while continuing to strengthen the future of our industry.

Thank you all for your continued professionalism, hard work, and dedication to our trade and our union.

In solidarity,

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Mission Statement

To provide a good quality of life for our members and their families.

Vision Statement

To represent an inclusive membership that works as partners with our contractors and clients providing the highest standard of quality, safety, and production.



Rodney Carlson

Business Agent

Brothers and Sisters,

Spring took its time arriving this year, but the extra moisture has certainly been welcomed, especially by our farmers. Let's hope these conditions also help reduce the risk of wildfires this summer.

As we enter the summer months, I hope our members have had the chance to find employment either through Local 488 or with our neighbouring locals. UA Local 179 (Saskatchewan), UA Local 496 (Calgary), and UA Local 170 (British Columbia) continue to support our members during shutdowns and construction projects. In May, we also saw another wage increase in our ICI and Commercial agreements.

In April, management and I met with our contractors to discuss the open wage portion of our fabrication agreement. We presented our case for a wage increase in the shops. Some contractors expressed that, given the current lack of work across the province, this was not the right time for an increase. I made a point of visiting the fabrication shops personally to explain the outcome. I appreciate the respectful discussions we had and hope I was able to answer any questions. Looking ahead, I remain hopeful that shop activity will increase so we can revisit wages next year and recover some of the lost wages.

Some fabrication shops have had to restructure, moving staff and members around to reduce operating costs, while others have increased their manpower over the past couple of months. I would like to highlight one shop in particular for their continued efforts to keep our UA Brothers and Sisters employed.

Worley operates a shoe and structural support fabrication division within their shop. I had the opportunity to visit, introduce myself, and observe their processes. Their team produces a variety of components, including pipe shoes, structural supports, and spray shields.

Worley has invested in plasma tables and a plasma-cutting booth, enabling them to produce these supports efficiently with computer input. This technology reduces the need for grinding and welding, ultimately lowering production costs.

At our March General Membership Meeting, I shared that PCL's Mod Yard had transitioned to PCL Energy Non-Union. I am pleased to report that our management team worked diligently with PCL and successfully reached an agreement to keep the Mod Yard unionized. This transition is expected to take effect in June.

At the end of April, several Local 488 staff members and I participated in the Make-A-Wish Superhero Event at West Edmonton Mall, raising funds for children in need. Each team was paired with a child whose wish had been granted. Our team had the privilege of spending the day with Nina and her parent, Rip. Nina is a 14-year-old living with cystic fibrosis. Together, all teams raised over \$120,000, which will help grant approximately 12 wishes through Make-A-Wish.

I would also like to thank our job stewards for their continued support and dedication. They play a vital role in addressing workplace issues and supporting our members. Their responsibilities go beyond their trade skills, and the following qualities are what we look for in a strong steward:

What Makes a Good Steward?

- Being fair, objective, and thorough when investigating issues
- Providing advice based on facts and knowledge of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)
- Being approachable and available to members
- Showing up for work on time each day
- Putting in a full and proper day's work
- Conducting themselves ethically and professionally
- Mentoring members in good unionism and leadership

Fraternally yours,

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Rodney Carlson

Business Agent



Shoe and Structural Support Crew

Spray Shields





Pascal Contant

Business Agent

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

As we move into the summer months, I hope this message finds you and your families healthy, safe, and looking forward to some well-deserved time with loved ones.

Spring has once again been a steady season throughout Alberta's Industrial Heartland, and I want to thank every member, permit, steward, contractor, and staff member who helped keep the work moving forward. Whether you were on maintenance, outage work, fabrication, specialty services, or project work, your professionalism continues to show why Local 488 remains the standard in this region.

As we move through the summer and prepare for fall work, I want to remind all members to stay work-ready. Please make sure your safety tickets, orientations, and job-specific requirements are up to date before accepting dispatch. Once a dispatch slip is accepted, the expectation is that members honour that commitment. Delays in onboarding, missed testing appointments, or incomplete orientations create challenges for our contractors, our dispatch, and our fellow members waiting to get to work.

Training continues to be one of our strongest tools in protecting market share. The demand for alloy welders, instrument technicians, specialty services, cold cutting, torquing, rigging, and other advanced skills remains strong. I encourage all members to take advantage of the Alberta Pipe Trades College and the training opportunities available to us. The more prepared and qualified we are, the stronger our position becomes with contractors and clients.

Heartland Site Updates

Shell Scotford / Polaris

Shell Scotford continues to provide work for our membership. At the time of writing, Chemco has approximately 19 members on site, Edmonton Exchanger has approximately 60 members, and PCL has approximately 80 members working on the Polaris Project. Team currently has approximately 10 workers on site supporting specialty services.

The Polaris Project is slowly ramping down as we work toward completing this project. This has been a successful project due to the craftsmanship, professionalism, and dedication to detail shown by our members throughout the job. As the project progressed, our members overcame obstacles and continued to deliver quality work safely and efficiently.

Thank you to everyone who has worked on this site. As we move toward closing out this project, please stay focused, stay united, and finish with pride and excellence. The work you perform every day reflects not only on yourselves, but on Local 488.

NWR

NWR remains steady with long-term maintenance work. At the time of writing, there are approximately 28 members working on site, with PIM having 4 members and CEDA/CART having



Supporting apprentice sisters Tristan Hout and Judine Ducckett-Brooks at NAIT's Build Her Up event, along with international rep Alanna Marklund.



Polaris Project is coming together with our skilled tradespeople.

2 members on site. This remains an important long-term maintenance site for our Local, and I want to thank the members, stewards, and contractors who continue to support the work.

Nutrien Redwater

Nutrien Redwater has been busy, with approximately 30 members on site. Melloy has been doing some hiring for the June event, and there is also potential project work upcoming.

The main event is expected to take place in August and September, with approximately 100 members per shift anticipated. Please continue to watch the job board and make sure your tickets and orientations are current if you are interested in this work.

Dow Chemical

Dow Chemical currently has approximately 30 members working with CAM on maintenance. There is also potential project work expected in the second half of the year.

Path2Zero work continues to be in discussion and is progressing well. We should have a clearer picture by late summer or early fall. This remains an important future opportunity in the Heartland, and we will continue to monitor developments closely and update the membership as more information becomes available.

Keyera AEF

The Keyera AEF event was successful, with 29 employees on site at the time of writing. This was a strong group that delivered world-class professionalism and quality work.

A big thank you to the stewards for handling the day-to-day representation of the membership on site. Your work is important, and your leadership helps ensure issues are addressed properly and professionally.

Keyera Fort Saskatchewan

The Keyera Fort Saskatchewan project has started with piling work on site. Local 488 site work is expected to begin in late summer or early fall, with an expected duration of 8 to 12 months.

This is a positive opportunity for our members in the Heartland, and we will continue to provide updates as the project progresses. Members interested in this work should continue monitoring the job board and ensure all safety training and site requirements are up to date.

In Closing

Brothers and Sisters, Alberta's Industrial Heartland remains one of the most important industrial regions in the country, and Local 488 must continue to be a leading labour provider in this area. That means staying trained, being

professional, respecting collective agreements, supporting our stewards, and showing up every day with the pride and skill that built our reputation.

Please continue to watch the job board, review all dispatch information carefully, and contact the hall or your Business Agent if you have any questions. I also want to extend my sincere thanks to our Job Stewards. Your daily work, leadership, and commitment to resolving issues on-site make a real difference for our members.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. I hope everyone can enjoy the wonderful upcoming events, including the Family Picnic and Awards Banquet. I also want to wish safe travels to all delegates heading to San Diego for the 2026 UA Convention. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Take care of one another, stay hydrated on the job, and remember that our strength lies in our unity.

In solidarity,

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Pascal Contant is speaking with politicians in Ottawa, alongside other building trade affiliates.



Terry Fraser

Business Agent



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

As this article is being written for the June 2026 Pipeline Newsletter, please keep in mind that numbers and site details are always subject to change.

I hope everyone is doing well as we move into the summer months. The Suncor suite of sites in Fort McMurray continues to provide strong opportunities for Local 488 members, and I want to recognize the professionalism, pride, and quality workmanship being shown across these sites.

Suncor Base Plant – Current Manpower

At Suncor Base Plant, we currently have approximately **400 UA members** on site between **Aptim, CAM Industrial, Stuart Olson, OJ Industrial Maintenance, and Clean Harbors.**

This is a strong showing for Local 488, and it speaks about the skill and dedication of our membership. Whether our members are working on maintenance, turnaround scopes, operations support, or specialty services, the work being performed continues to represent the UA standard of quality, safety, and production.

Local 488 was just on site to show our solidarity and collaboration with our Union and contractor partners to deliver a united safety message to the workforce.

Suncor Firebag – Current Manpower

At Suncor Firebag, we currently have approximately **229 UA members** on site with **Stuart Olson, Team, Melloy, CEDA, and Altex.**

It is great to see a strong UA presence at Firebag. These numbers are a reminder of what is possible when our members

continue to show up prepared, work safely, support one another, and deliver the high standard of work our clients and contractors have come to expect.

I want to give special recognition to all the members, Job Stewards, forepersons, supervision, and contractor leadership across the Suncor sites. Your hard work and commitment do not go unnoticed. The way you represent Local 488 on the job every day helps protect our work, strengthen our relationships, and create future opportunities for our brothers and Sisters.

Recognition at Suncor Firebag

I would also like to recognize the outstanding feedback shared by Ryan McInnis from Stuart Olson regarding the pre-work activities at the Suncor Firebag site. Ryan noted that throughout the pre-work period, Suncor has been extremely pleased with the professionalism, planning, and execution shown by our members and contractor teams, using the words “best in class” to describe the work done so far. Recognition like this is more than a gesture; it reflects the values, discipline, and shared purpose that Local 488 members bring to every job. From reviewing procedures and identifying hazards to ensuring tools, equipment, permits, and work plans are ready before the first task begins, our members continue to demonstrate the preparation and pride that set the UA apart. This quiet diligence often happens before work is visible, but it is exactly what leads to safe, successful, and well-executed turnarounds. It is a strong example of union pride,

professionalism, and the standard Local 488 members uphold every day.

As always, please make sure your training, orientations, and site requirements are up to date before pulling a slip. Review your dispatch information carefully, report to sites ready to work, and continue looking out for one another.

In closing, thank you to all the Job Stewards and members working throughout the Suncor suite of sites in Fort McMurray. Your dedication makes a difference, and you continue to make Local 488 proud.

In Solidarity,

Thank you kindly,
Terry Fraser, Business Agent
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Hello Terry,

Hope this email finds you well, just an update to some of the great work our local has completed so far. This shutdown has had the most heavy wall welding going on that I have seen in along time, and our members are excelling at it on both shifts. We have accomplished a lot of heavy wall demo and installation, the rigging skills by our members have not gone unnoticed by us as a company and the client as well.

I have attached some pictures of the strong Union work we are executing here so far.

Thanks,

Trevor Deckert | Mechanical Superintendent Turnaround



Kevin Morin

Business Agent



Hello Brothers and Sisters!

After such a long and brutal winter, it is nice to see the weather improve!

Camp Issues

I have recently been assigned to deal with all camp issues in the Fort McMurray area. If you experience any issues, please feel free to reach out to me; however, there is now a way to resolve most issues much more easily than in the past. If you are at a Civeo camp, which encompasses most of the camps in the area, you can download the new Civeo App from the App Store or Google Play Store. This app allows camp residents to make housekeeping and maintenance requests from the comfort of their room – no long walk down to the front desk or call to the Business Agent required! Reporting issues this way is by far the fastest and most convenient method of resolving your camp issue. Each request made through the app is logged in Civeo's system, which is regularly audited to ensure the quality of service to Civeo's camp residents. With this app, you can also view other crucial details about your stay, such as your scheduled check-in/check-out dates.

For those who are not in a Civeo Camp or for issues that cannot be readily reported through the app, please e-mail me directly at kevin.morin@local488.ca. Please include all relevant details, such as which camp you are in, details of the issue, any steps you have taken (e.g. informed the front desk at 6:24 am), and pictures. For all time-sensitive issues, such as low supply in the bag-up room, please politely advise camp

staff immediately so they can rectify the issue, but also notify me of the issue at your convenience so I can follow up with camp management to ensure the issue is addressed. For bus-related issues, I will always require the bus number in addition to the time and location of the incident.

Upcoming Work

There will be long-term projects hiring at Syncrude over the summer and into the fall. Stuart Olson and Melloy will be operating a 10 & 4 shift under the maintenance agreement. In August, BFI will be resuming the Firewater project on a 14 & 7 SPNA shift, which pays 6.5 reg and 3.5 OT per day. These projects will have a much longer duration than the scheduled turnarounds, so for anyone who is interested in longer-term work, aim for these jobs.

There may also be additional hiring for short-service work (10-Day Rule jobs); however, we normally do not post these on our upcoming work list, as their dates often shift due to client needs and usually require only small numbers when hiring. Watch the board for opportunities as they arise.

Fall Shutdowns

I have two major overlapping turnarounds this fall in my area.

Syncrude – Project Steelhawk, which was the TA planned for earlier this spring but was deferred to the fall due to the Emergency 8-3 Coker Outage, is scheduled to start late August and run until mid-October. I will have further details on dates, duration, required workforce numbers, and travel incentives being offered following the May 12th Labour Alignment meeting at the Syncrude site. There is currently no plan for a major turnaround at Syncrude in 2027.

CNRL Horizon will also have a major turnaround with the same approximate dates as Syncrude. I have a turnaround meeting scheduled with the client and other BTA reps on site on June 3rd. This project will feature camp rooms with private bathroom facilities, as all camp rooms on site are single occupancy. In addition to this, flights will be offered from Edmonton and Calgary. As with Syncrude, I will have final details in my report at the June 20th General Membership Meeting. Looking ahead, CNRL is not planning another major turnaround for 2 to 3 years.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the June meeting!

Kevin Morin *Business Agent*
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THE EDMONTON PIPE INDUSTRY PENSION PLAN Pre-Retirement Online Tool

We encourage members to visit the Plan's website at epibenefitplans.com

to access the Pre-Retirement Online Tool.

This will help you plan for retirement by *estimating* your pension with The Edmonton Pipe Industry Pension Plan, Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Security.



Randy Southworth

Business Agent

Sisters and Brothers,

I've continued spending time out in the field, meeting with contractors and speaking with as many members as possible. Communication remains a priority, and I appreciate everyone who has reached out with questions, concerns, or updates from site.

Imperial Oil – Strathcona

The shutdown has exceeded expectations, and our members have been doing outstanding work at IOL, showing the client why UA Local 488 is second to none. We peaked at just over 200 UA members on site for this outage, and the feedback regarding the quality, professionalism, and productivity of our members has been extremely positive.

NOVA Chemicals – Joffre

At the time of writing this report, NOVA Chemicals is about to begin its Ethylene 1 (E1) turnaround, and we currently have 66 UA members slated for this outage. We remain hopeful that our signatory contractors can secure additional work currently being performed under a non-union mechanical scope, allowing us to bring on more members. At the very least, we hope the client continues to recognize the value of utilizing union-sector contractors, that we do the work right the first time and, most importantly, safely.

Across the pulp mills, work has remained limited with small numbers between Grande Prairie and Alpac.

Current and Ongoing Work

Across the rest of the jurisdiction, we continue to see steady maintenance activity:

- Suncor Edmonton Refinery continues with maintenance and planning work, with a larger turnaround still expected later in the year.
- Dow and MEGlobal – Prentiss continue with steady maintenance scopes.
- Genesee, Sundance, and Keephills are running steadily with routine maintenance and the possibility of outage work later in the year.

As always, timelines, scopes, and manpower needs can change quickly, and we will continue updating the membership as more information becomes available.

Dispatch and Out-of-Work List Reminders

Members pulling slips and returning them has become quite an issue. We are seeing situations where members are sitting on slips for a week or more with no movement in onboarding, only to later return the slip. In turn, this can cost another member an opportunity to go to work.

If you are going to pull a slip, it is understandable that sometimes life circumstances change and things may not work out. However, some members seem to think they can pull a slip and simply decide later whether they want to keep it or not. This reflects poorly on UA Local 488 and our contractors and creates unnecessary delays in filling manpower requests.

We continue to monitor the out-of-work board, and we have noticed the odd member signing out of work before clocking out on their final shift. If you are caught doing this, you will receive a last-chance warning, be moved to the bottom of the board for that day and may be required to appear before the Executive Board.

I want to thank all members for their hard work, professionalism, and commitment to the trade. The feedback I continue to hear from contractors and clients reflects the quality of our workforce, and that is something we should all take pride in.

If you have any questions regarding upcoming work, dispatch, or anything within the jurisdiction, please do not hesitate to reach out.

In Solidarity,

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Cody Telford & Daniel Watson

Business Representatives



Sisters and Brothers,

Local 488 has always recognized the importance of maintaining a strong presence within the communities where our members live and work. In recent years, the Business Development Department has taken a more targeted approach to community outreach by focusing on schools, programs, and industry events that best support the long-term future of Local 488 and the unionized skilled trades.

Rather than simply increasing the number of events we attend, our goal has been to focus our efforts on where they will have the greatest impact. By connecting directly with students and industry partners who are interested in skilled trades careers, we are able to promote the advantages of unionized apprenticeship, industry-leading training, strong wages, benefits, pensions, and long-term career stability.

Our team has attended career fairs and school events in areas such as the Black Gold and Fort McMurray School Divisions, speaking with students about opportunities within the piping trades and the many career paths available through Local 488. These events allow students, parents, and educators to ask questions and gain a better understanding of the opportunities available within the unionized construction industry.

We are also proud to support the Flame to Fame welding scholarship program in partnership with PCL and six Edmonton-area high schools. This program recognizes students who demonstrate strong potential,

dedication, and interest in the skilled trades while helping encourage the next generation of welders and apprentices.

Local 488 also continues to participate in Skills Alberta, where thousands of students and educators from across the province gather every year to learn about careers in the trades. Events like these provide an important opportunity to showcase the professionalism, skill, and training that Local 488 members bring to the industry every day, as well as connect with industry partners while showcasing Local 488 as an active part of the community.

These outreach efforts are about more than recruitment. They are about building meaningful relationships and ensuring young people understand the value of unionized skilled trades careers. By focusing our efforts on the schools and events that best support our industry, we are helping strengthen the future of Local 488 and creating awareness of the opportunities available within our organization.

In Solidarity,

Your Business Development Representatives

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Angus Potskin

Business Representative

Tanisi and good day, valued Local 488 Member.

I will begin this article by asking you, our faithful Local 488 Membership, to assist me in recognizing two UA Brothers who have passed away this year.

The first to acknowledge would be the late Brother Brad Rudyk. Brother Rudyk was the Director of Training for the Piping Industry Training School for Local 496. The second to acknowledge would be Brother Eric Jones, Business Manager for Local 496. Both Brother Rudyk and Brother Jones were proud UA Members and truly the best people one could call a friend and a brother. Both will be missed but never forgotten.

The Months of April and May have both been busy for aspects of my role that I oversee. The Alberta Pipe Trades College hosted the UA Western Regional Skills Competition once again. The APTC last hosted this event in 2024. This year, the Local 496 Piping Industry Training School, aka PITTS, was to be the host for this year. A few factors played out that impacted Local 496 from hosting, and the APTC was asked to support. The APTC did an admirable job in seeing to the success of this event. I ask you, the reader, to send a congratulatory acknowledgement to the APTC staff for stepping up to the need for another UA Local.

Local 488 was well represented in 5 skilled Trades, and Local 488 has a Steam Fitting Competitor going on to the UA Canada National Competition being held at our Manitoba Local, Local 254. All the best to 4th yr Steam Fitter Apprentice Evan Schiller in Manitoba and thank you to our 4 other Apprentice Candidates for representing our Local in this year's UA Skills competition.

To continue on to another Apprentice Skills competition, Skills Alberta was held the week after our UA Apprentice

Skills competition. Local 488 set up a booth that was hosted by our very own Business Development Rep, Daniel Watson, and our Pipeline Rep, Jason Elias. This year, many UA Members were part of the Trade Provincial Technical Committees in various capacities. John Vetra, Sprinkler Member, is the Chair of the Sprinkler Committee and ran a fine ship. We had support from 3 of our Union Contractors, Rotaflow, Troy and Vipond. Many thanks to these contractors for recognizing a need and filling it. We also had Rob Elliot, Chair of the Steam Fitter PTC, assist in the Steam discipline as well. As for Apprentice Competitors for Skills Alberta, we had the APTC's very own Sam White compete. Sam's projects were well done, and given that he is only a 1st yr, his future looks quite bright.

Now, a very brief report on the sectors I oversee.

Plumbing

At the writing of this report. It is forecasted to be an active latter half of the year, but many factors are impacting the start of these projects. I hope to have an update by the June Membership meeting. Please check back with me by then.

Sprinkler

Similar to the Plumbing Sector, the latter half of the year is also forecast to be an active period for work opportunities. Again, as above, please check back with me regarding the June Membership meeting.

I would like to share an overlooked aspect of our mental well-being. Across Canada, May is acknowledged as Mental Health Awareness Month, with the first week

primarily acknowledged as Mental Health Week. Our own mental health shouldn't take a backseat to our own personal lives. I am aware, as most of you are, that we all deal with personal challenges day in and day out. In dealing with these challenges, we can be remiss in observing that our Union Brothers are not managing them as well as they can. If you find yourself among those who feel alone, I want you to know that you are not. Being part of the United Association, we are quite fortunate to have access to more resources than most. Please share the promotion of the UA Membership Assistance Program. It is free to access, and I can confirm that it is easily accessible and very functional in how the support can be provided. If the first step seems like a mountain to climb, you are more than welcome to connect with me, and I can assist you in climbing this mountain. Before I conclude this specific topic, Local 488 has a member who has experienced this himself. Landon Barrowman has done the heavy lifting and written a book for men working in the trades, "The Working Man's Guide to Mental Health". You can also search up Landon Barrowman on YouTube and view his 7-part series. I personally do it a disservice, as I am limited by space to elaborate further on how Landon's learnings can assist you and many others. So please look up Landon online and on YouTube.

To conclude this report, please continue to visit the Local 488 Website to stay updated, as there are ongoing changes monthly for Local 488. If you have any questions, please email me, call me or come visit me. I look forward to seeing our members at the upcoming Membership meetings, this one being in June.

Please be good to one another and continue to believe in the Local 488 as we in the Local 488 believe in our Membership. So, stay safe, work safe, enjoy life, and never forget that you are not alone.

Thank you, 🍻 🍻 hay-hay

Angus Potskin, Business Representative
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TELUS HEALTH

This program provides immediate assistance for **ANY WORK, HEALTH, OR LIFE MATTER.**

Upon calling, web or chat, you will be directly connected with a **LICENSED PROFESSIONAL** to help assist with any concern you may have, at no additional cost for covered services. Seek help for anxiety and depression, to legal services, nutrition, crisis services and so much more.

THERE IS HELP AVAILABLE.

TOGETHERALL

We all go through tough times, and it can be freeing to know others have been there before. You now have access to even more mental health support services, like Togetherall.

Togetherall is a **FREE AND ANONYMOUS ONLINE COMMUNITY AVAILABLE 24/7** to all looking for mental health support and a sense of connection.

Connect with others over your big and small experiences and learn more about how to adjust to life's challenges.

Moderated by professionals to keep you safe, Togetherall is here for you.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING RESOURCES

UA Canada Member Assistance Program provides members and their families with **IMMEDIATE AND CONFIDENTIAL HELP FOR ANY WORK, HEALTH OR LIFE CONCERN** at no additional cost. Access by phone, web or mobile app.

These programs are available any time and anywhere to help members and their families find solutions to the challenges they may face at any stage of life.

From one-on-one counselling sessions, to peer-guided outreach platforms and self-help guides, no matter is too big or small to reach out.

There is no shame in talking to someone. **SOMETIMES, ONE CONVERSATION CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE.**

There are **MULTIPLE RESOURCES** available to you and your **ENTIRE FAMILY** through UA Canada.

Your mental health and well-being is **JUST AS IMPORTANT** as your physical health.

These services are **COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL** and voluntary. No one will know you have accessed them unless you choose to share.



It's ok,
to not be
OK.



Immediate Assistance:

1-833-778-2627

Online Access:

uacanada.ca/wellness





Jason Elias

Pipeline Representative

Please note that things in the pipeline sector right now are extremely fluid and can change with little notice.

Good day, Brothers and Sisters, hope all is well.

I would like to update you on the latest upcoming pipeline projects in Alberta and BC.

ATCO Yellowhead County Mainline Project Approximately 225km of 36" from Peers, Alberta, to Fort Saskatchewan, AB. Odds are that this will be split into 3 different spreads. Tentative start date, Fall 2026.

We have been given notice that we have one UNION contractor who is still on the short list for this work.

- OJBJV (OJ.Pipeline/Banister/ Joint Venture) short list
- Mid-West short list
- Ledcor -short list
- Surerus Murphy joint venture -short list.

Enbridge T-South (Sunrise Expansion Program) Technical Specifications Total Length: Approx. 300 km (various looping segments) Diameters: 36-inch, 42-inch, and 48-inch loops. Chilliwack to Chetwynd. This combination of loop sizes indicates a significant upsizing of capacity on one of Enbridge's most important natural gas corridors.

Enbridge T south

- Spread 1 - SMJV = Surerus Murphy joint venture - non-union
- Spread 2 - OJBJV = OJ Bannister joint venture - union
- Spread 3 - Ledger - non-union

Spread 4 - Macro - non-union

PRGT pipeline owned by Western LNG and the Nisga'a nation- this is by far the biggest project, with over 750 kilometres of pipe to supply the LNG terminal. The project has been delayed by 1 year, with the work slated to start in 2028. From the information given to me, we only had 1 strong contender to get the work, and that was OJBJV. The other contractors are hoping to get back into the process now that the delay has happened.

Trans Canada NGTL McLeod South - went non-union (Mid-West) 22km 48."

Trans Canada NGTL COLT, section should be awarded at any time, and the only union contractor left in the bidding is OJBJV. 15km 48". This project might end up becoming one spread if they attach the Hornbeck or Greenview section. So, another possible 17km of 48."

Robert B Somerville Distribution is off to a late start this year, but is now completing work in the Edmonton area as well as Medicine Hat.

OJIM (OJ. Industrial Maintenance), OJ, has steadily been manning up and is receiving a larger scope of work, with currently 70 long-term jobs with potential for more before the year's end.

Quick Keystone Fact:

I get a lot of calls on this, so let's clarify:

- The **original Keystone XL project is officially dead.**
- The company that owned it (**TC Energy / South Bow**) shut it down in 2021.
- No company has committed to rebuilding that exact pipeline.

What's on the table instead are **new, smaller, reworked versions** (often called "Keystone-like" projects).

For anything to move forward, a pipeline company has to say:

"Yes — we are committing billions of dollars to build this." Until that happens, everything else is just talk.

I would like to wrap up with a safety note:

Spring is here, and so are motorcycles! Please remember to watch out for loose gravel and especially other vehicles; you may be paying attention, but that does not mean everyone else on the road is. And drivers, please give riders a wide berth, and we can all enjoy the road and get back home safe to our loved ones.

Best Regards,

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Supplementary Trustees Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Since the new Trustees started in 2026, the Fund has continued to focus on transparency, accountability, and responsible stewardship. These principles help ensure the Fund remains sustainable for the future while still allowing us to support important member benefits, apprenticeship initiatives, and community causes that reflect the values of UA Local 488.

We are proud to continue supporting the next generation of tradespeople through initiatives such as the Peter Mras Apprentice Awards. Recognizing apprentices who demonstrate hard work, dedication, and pride in their trade is an important part of building the future of our Local. We also remind welding apprentices that the Supplementary Trust Fund continues to support members by covering the cost of the initial CWB test upon completion. This benefit helps apprentices improve their employability and take another important step forward in their careers.

The Trustees are also proud of the Fund's continued community involvement. Supporting organizations and events that make a real difference is part of who we are as Local 488 members. Whether it is helping children with complex disabilities through adaptive cycling programs, supporting youth achievement through local school initiatives, assisting rehabilitation programs, or backing events that bring families and communities together, the Supplementary Trust Fund continues to show that Local 488 stands for more than just the work we perform on site. We believe in giving back to the communities that support us.

Make-A-Wish Grand Slam Slo-Pitch Tournament

UA Local 488 members are invited to take part in the Make-A-Wish Grand Slam Slo-Pitch Tournament 2026, returning to William F. Lede Park in Leduc on August 15 and 16, 2026. Local 488 is looking to register a team for this great event in support of Make-A-Wish, and we need 20 players, including a minimum of 4

female players, to fill our roster. Members interested in playing on the Local 488 team are asked to email pascal.contant@local488.ca to register their interest. The cutoff date to register is June 30, 2026.

This year's tournament will feature more food options, a round-robin format on day one, more games and activities in the Family Fun Zone, fundraising incentives, prizes, and more. Members are also encouraged to mark their calendars for the pre-event Batting Cage Social on Wednesday, July 8, from 4:30 to 7:30 pm at The Batting Cages off Roper Road in Edmonton. Let's come together for another amazing year of supporting Make-A-Wish and "granting wishes one pitch at a time."

Make-A-Wish Heroes Challenge

Local Union 488 is proud to participate in the Make-A-Wish Heroes Challenge at West Edmonton Mall. This exciting event brings the community together to support children with critical illnesses and help make life-changing wishes come true. Our members are honoured to take part, show their support, and stand alongside other local heroes for such an important cause.

Edmonton Elks Labour Day Rematch

Local 488 is once again proud to support the Edmonton Elks Labour Day Rematch and provide members with an opportunity to attend the game alongside fellow unionized workers. This event is more than just football; it is a chance for our members, families, and brothers and sisters from across the labour movement to come together in solidarity, celebrate skilled labour, and continue building strong

Local 488 dream team with their Wish Kid Buzzing through WEM making dreams come true!



connections within our community. Tickets will be available for Local 488 members, and registration is scheduled to go live on July 1, 2026. Please watch the Local 488 website and future communications for registration details, ticket information, and any updates regarding pre-game events, BBQ activities, and tailgate plans. We look forward to seeing another strong Local 488 turnout as we stand together in support of our union, our members, and the broader labour movement.

In closing, we would like to thank the membership for your continued support. The strength of this Fund comes from Local 488 members, and it is because of that strength that we can continue helping our members, supporting apprentices, and giving back to our communities.

In Solidarity,

**Your Outgoing Local 488
Supplementary Benefit Trustees**

Political Action Committee (PAC) Report

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

As we move into June, the Political Action Committee continues to monitor issues that affect Local 488 members, our families, our jobs, and the future of the skilled trades in Alberta and across Canada.

This month, we heard updates from Alberta's Premier and attended the 2026 Canadian Building Trades Unions Conference. Both focused heavily on economic growth, major projects, energy development, training, public infrastructure, healthcare, affordability, and the need for skilled trades workers.

The Premier highlighted investments in schools, healthcare, post-secondary spaces, urgent care, children's hospital planning, road infrastructure, downtown Edmonton development, and economic growth. Energy was also a major focus, including pipeline expansion, new markets, stronger relationships with Ottawa and the United States, and future opportunities in renewables and geothermal energy.

A large part of the discussion focused on Alberta's relationship with Ottawa. The Premier said many Albertans are frustrated with federal policies affecting the economy, energy, constitutional rights, and provincial jurisdiction. While she supports giving Albertans a direct say through referendum questions on issues such as immigration, constitutional reform, and provincial autonomy, she also stated that her position is to keep Alberta in Canada.

Other provincial topics included healthcare pressures, seniors' care, education, classroom complexity, public safety, bail reform, temporary foreign workers,

immigration, and Alberta's budget. For 488 Local members, these issues matter because they affect public services, major project investment, labour supply, training, and long-term employment opportunities.

At the CBTU Conference, one of the most important sessions was the Vital Cog: Suicide Prevention in the Construction Workplace workshop with Sister Alana Markland. The workshop reminded us of the importance of recognizing warning signs, supporting one another, and having difficult conversations when someone may be in crisis. Members were reminded that TELUS Health is available at 1-833-778-2627, and the Suicide Crisis Helpline can be reached by calling or texting 988.

The conference also included discussions with political leaders from across Canada. Topics included tariffs, Canada-U.S. trade, LNG, major energy projects, Bruce Power, Pickering refurbishment, housing, affordability, union training, occupational health and safety, and the importance of building Canadian projects with Canadian workers.

A major announcement was the **Team Canada Strong** initiative, aimed at recruiting and training 80,000 to 100,000 new Red Seal trades workers by 2030-31. This includes paid entry-level placements, apprenticeship pathways, expanded union-led and employer-led training, and support to speed up Red Seal certification.

The proposed apprenticeship support package includes a **\$400 weekly Apprenticeship Training Grant** while apprentices are in mandatory technical training, up to \$16,000 per apprentice, on top of regular Employment Insurance. It also proposes a **\$5,000 completion bonus** for apprentices who obtain their Red Seal certification.

There was also discussion about wage subsidies of up to \$10,000 for employers who hire and retain apprentices. Since

unions are specifically mentioned as training partners, this creates an important opportunity to expand union training centers, strengthen apprenticeship standards, promote workplace health and safety, and teach the value of our collective agreements.

Another important update was the proposed **Labour Mobility Deduction for Tradespeople**, which would increase the annual deduction for eligible tradespeople and apprentices from \$4,000 to \$10,000 and reduce the minimum travel distance from 150 kilometres to 120 kilometres starting in the 2026 tax year. This could help members who travel for work and reduce the cost of getting to where the jobs are.

The conference also recognized Mike Gordon, UA Director of Canadian Training for UA Canada, with the CBTU Special Award of Distinction. This recognition highlights the importance of training, leadership, and long-term commitment to the skilled trades and the labour movement.

For union members, the biggest opportunities to watch are apprenticeship expansion, union training centers, major public infrastructure projects, housing construction, energy development, defence projects, and labour mobility supports.

Our priorities remain clear: protect good union jobs, support apprentices, expand training, defend worker rights, promote safe work sites, and ensure that major projects in Alberta and across Canada are built by skilled union labour.

Canada is building, and our Brothers and Sisters at Local 488 are ready to do the work.

Take care and stay safe!

PAC Committee

United Association Local 488

Entertainment Committee Report

Hello, Sisters and Brothers,

The Entertainment Committee would like to thank the membership for the tremendous support shown for our 2026 Annual Family Picnic taking place on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Sir Wilfrid Laurier Park. Registration has now closed, and we are excited to welcome another large turnout of members and their families for a full day of food, activities, and entertainment.

Each year, the Family Picnic continues to grow and remains one of the most anticipated events on our calendar. We extend our sincere appreciation to all committee members, RMA volunteers, member volunteers, and staff whose time and effort help make these events possible. Most importantly, thank you to the members and families who continue to participate and support these events year after year.

We would also like to thank everyone who attended our sold-out Waterpark Event at West Edmonton Mall on March 7, 2026. As always, it was a fantastic day enjoyed by members and their families and continues to be one of our most popular events each year. Demand for this event remains extremely high, with tickets selling out very quickly, and we appreciate the continued enthusiasm and support from the membership.

Another major success this year was our Annual Poker Tournament, which turned out to be our biggest and most successful tournament yet. Thank you to all the members who came out and made this event such a great success. With 52 players in attendance, it was an incredible day filled with great competition, laughs, and camaraderie. We truly appreciate the support and enthusiasm from everyone who joined us.

Congratulations to our tournament winners:

- Kyle Campagnolo – Trophy Holder
- Darren Harder
- Al Bishop
- Randy Southworth

These players chopped the pot, taking home \$1,140 each. Well done!

Congratulations again to all our winners, and thank you to everyone

who participated. Events like this are only possible because of the great members we have within Local 488.

We look forward to doing it all again next year. See you at the tables!

Looking ahead, the Entertainment Committee is pleased to announce our Edmonton Riverhawks Baseball Game on Saturday, July 11, 2026, at RE/MAX Field. This event continues to be a fun and affordable summer outing for members and their families. Registration details will be shared through the Local 488 website and official social media channels in the coming weeks.



Preparations are also underway for our 2026 Long Service Awards Banquet, taking place on Saturday, August 29, 2026, at the River Cree Resort & Casino. Beginning in 2027, this event will return to its traditional spring schedule moving forward.

This banquet recognizes the dedication and years of service of our long-standing members and remains one of the Local's premier formal events. Eligible recipients initiated in the years 2000, 1995, 1990, 1985, 1980, 1975, 1970, 1965, 1960, and 1955 should have received invitations in the mail. If you were initiated in one of those years and have not received your invitation, please contact Main Reception and ask to speak with Shawna.

To help clarify how the Long Service Awards are calculated, members receive recognition the year after reaching their milestone year. This is because awards are based on all members initiated between January 1 and December 31 of the qualifying year. For example, members initiated anytime during the year 2000 will be recognized together at the 2026 banquet for reaching 25 years of service.

This event is open to all members to attend.

Later this fall, we look forward to the return of our popular Galaxyland Family Event at West Edmonton Mall on Saturday, October 3, 2026. Planning is also already underway for our Annual Children's Christmas Party, which will take place on Sunday, December 6, 2026, at Northlands. This event continues to be one of the most meaningful traditions within our Local, bringing together families from across the province during the holiday season.

Members are encouraged to regularly check the Local 488 website and follow the official United Association Local 488 Facebook page for registration dates, event announcements, and updates throughout the year.

As always, we welcome ideas and feedback from the membership. If you have suggestions for future events or improvements, please contact the committee at **entertainment.committee@local488.ca**.

Thank you again for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

In Solidarity,

Local 488 Entertainment Committee

Entertainment Committee Report

RMA
PRESENTS
SHOW AND SHINE '26

FRIDAY **17** JULY FRIDAY **24** JULY

DISPATCH HALL
CALLING ALL CLASSIC AND EXOTIC CAR OWNERS

9AM
DURING BOTH
K-DAYS PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

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UA Canadian Piping Trades LOCAL 488

2026 Awards

LONG SERVICE BANQUET
August 29, 2026

River Cree Resort and Casino
300 East Lapotac Boulevard, Enoch, AB

3 PM	Registration & Cocktails	Come for all or just the Dinner and Dance. Long service award recipient and <i>one guest</i> receive complimentary tickets.
4:30 PM	Awards (25-45 years)	
6 PM	Buffet Dinner	Tickets will be available until August 2, 2026, or until sold out at the Edmonton Local Union Office, 16214 - 118 Avenue. Please ask for Shawna at the Main Reception.
7 PM	Awards (50+ years)	
8 PM-12 AM	Dance	

RMA presents
Delicious

Bring Your Family Everyone Welcome!

\$5 PER PERSON
Children 10 & under FREE
Proceeds to Medical Research

PANCAKE Breakfast 8-10:30 AM

Friday, July 17 & Friday, July 24, 2026

UA Local Union 488 Norm Darbyshire
Dispatch Hall 16214-118 Ave NW Edmonton, AB

Long Service Awards Banquet & Dance REGISTRATION			
MEMBER First Name		MEMBER Last Name	
MEMBER UA Card Number			
Additional GUEST First Name		Additional GUEST Last Name	
Number of Additional Tickets Required \$75 per ticket required*			

*A separate payment of \$75 per person is required for any additional guests.

Payments / Deposits can be made by:

- Mailing 16214-118 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T5V 1M6 or dropping off this registration form with cheque(s) to the main office.
- In person at main reception using debit or credit card.
- Email this registration form and e-transfer payment / deposit to: Entertainment.Committee@local488.ca

Make sure to add **UA CARD#** and **"AWARDS"** in the message line - confirmation e-mails will follow.



Galaxyland

\$20
per ticket

October 3
7:30-10:30 PM
West Edmonton Mall

Retired Members Association (RMA)



On behalf of the Officers and Members of UA Local 488, we wish good health and success for the future to those Members who have recently retired.

Welcome, Retired Members (RMA):

Once a member begins receiving their Union pension, they automatically become a member of the Retired Members Association. (RMA). We encourage you to join us at the many events we host throughout the year and look forward to your participation.

Our events include monthly luncheons held on the first Wednesday of each month, excluding July and August. You are welcome to attend with a guest. The luncheon starts at 12 noon, featuring a meal prepared by RMA volunteers, followed by reports from the RMA Executive Board providing valuable updates on the association's activities, and concluding with raffle draws.

Regular monthly activities include golf every Tuesday at a different golf course, crib on the first and third Thursday of each month, and a dinner club on the third Wednesday of each month at various restaurants.

We also host the coffee counter Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the dispatch hall, offering a relaxed opportunity to connect with fellow members.

One of our new excursions this summer is scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 2026. Members will enjoy a scenic train ride from Stettler to Big Valley and back, along with a meal in Big Valley and old west-style entertainment.

We also organize a special holiday experience each year. This year's event is a guided tour of Atlantic Canada and Newfoundland in September, which is already sold out.

Although there are no luncheons in July and August, we remain active with our Klondike Breakfast and Show 'n' Shine on July 17 and July 24.

A month-by-month calendar of events is available at the dispatch hall and on the RMA website.

2026 EXECUTIVE

President
Peter Neary
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Andre Stor – *Social Events*

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Andre Stor
Barb McNeill
Serge Champagne
Jeff Haase
Leon Husereau

NAME	Years of Service
Ross McInroy	12
Daryl Joseph Smyth	14
Willy Kent Smith	16
Sheldon Brown	20
Stavro Papadopoulos	29
Leo Thivierge	20
Conrad Ashton	26
Daniel Chavarin	14
Salvatore DeGiobbi	28
Sankar Rao Matha	10
Kelly Bley	44
Stanislaw Chmiel	35
Stephane Gervais	13
Terrance Harkness	17
Joshua John	10
Gerardo Maniquiz	13
David Morris	26
Jeff Giguere	20
Rolando Dela Cruz	4
Jeffrey Birch	21
Russell S Hemminger	26
Rheal Lavallee	29
Jonathan Hallonquist	26
Richard Parent	38
Angelo Di Pinto	37
Peter Fradette	38
Gordon Hyshka	25
Warren Nunweiler	13
Wade Juneau	23
Anthony Cote	3
Allan Shaw	34

EPT Fraternal & Building Society Report

Sisters and Brothers,

By the time of our June meeting, the Building Committee will have met twice as we continue working to ensure the long-term maintenance and sustainability of our properties.

We are pleased to report that a contractor has now been secured to begin repairs and upgrades to the main office boiler system and all related mechanical systems. This is a significant project that will help ensure the reliability and longevity of our main office infrastructure for years to come.

Projects of this scale are only possible because of the secure financial position we now find ourselves in. Through responsible financial management and long-term planning, our committee has worked to place Local 488 in a position where critical maintenance and upgrades can be completed without compromising the future stability of our properties.

We thank the membership for their continued support as we move forward with these important improvements.

Fraternally,

The Fraternal and Building Committee



MEMBER MILESTONES

On behalf of the Officers and Members of UA Local 488, congratulations on your Long Service Award.

70 Years of Service

Congratulations on your Milestone Award!

Trudeau, Joseph M.

65 Years of Service

Congratulations on your Milestone Award!

Burton, James A.

Heron, Andrew I.

Maduik, Jim

Sharp, James

60 Years of Service

Congratulations on your Milestone Award!

Arnold, Stewart

Bachur, Frank L.

Bassingthwaighte, Weston

Bolinski, Mike

Brayer, Allan S.

Correia, Jose M.

Croskery, Garry

Dehnke, Marvin

Descheneau, John J.

Fennell, Gordon

Friedel, John

Gauthier, Jean M.

Gruger, Albert

Helgason, Larry

Hoff, Don R.

Hrynyk, Alex

Jackson, Gordon

Jones, Gordon A.

Krabbes, Dieter

Kuetbach, Malcolm G.

Lea, James

Leonard, Leslie J.

May, Dale J.

McFarland, John W.

McLellan, Donald

Ouellet, Charles

Phibbs, Terry H.

Roberts, Royden K.

Rockwell, Robert G.

Scott, Terry

Skjonsberg, Rodger O.

Sterling, Gerald

Stewart, William R.

Vaughan, Albert

Wade, Dennis

Wagenseil, German

Wood, Herbert

55 Years of Service

Congratulations on your Milestone Award!

Anderson, Norm

Angelstad, Eric

Antos, David T.

Becker, Gerald

Blakely, Robert R.

Bova, Bernard M.

Boyd, Danny N.

Buzak, Sam G.

Dansereau, Bernard G.

Domet, Cleve F.

Dowler, Noel J.

Dunne, Joseph P.

Dupas, Wayne

Fitton, George A.

Hopner, Bruce D.

Hubler, Thomas D.

Kannler, Walter

Larsen, Jorn B.

Myszczyszyn, Dale F.

Pinzauti, Giuseppe

Plewes, Jack D.

Pollock, William M.

Rajkovic, Marko

Raymond, Leslie

Ronneseth, Kenneth

Roulston, Robert J.

Schamedatus, Ralf

Thomas, Ronald

Thompson, Robert

Whaling, Robert D.

White, Robert W.

Wichmann, Dieter

50 Years of Service

Congratulations on your Milestone Award!

Basaraba, Randolph N.

Berger, Roger G.

Boudreau, Terry

Brittain, Arnold G.

Buchan, Thomas C.

Butler, Robert

Carson, David A.

Ceylan, Sami S.

Crandell, Cameron

Crawford, Fred A.

Daigle, Robert L.

Davidson, Mitchell P.

Dewolfe, Barry

Doiron, Roland

Drummond, Blair C.

Duval, Gaetan

Feddema, Randall J.

Ferron, Clarence

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Hage, Cameron

Halloran, Joseph A.

Hamilton, Robert

Harrison, Earle

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Jamieson, Robert L.

Janke, Wilfred D.

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Martire, Matteo
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Ord, Donald J.
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45 Years of Service

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Shanks, Timothy R.
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35 Years of Service

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Antos, Glenn
Atkins, Lisa K.
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Babcock, Darren C.
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Cowman, John S.
Creighton, James
Curtis, Brian E.
Dacruz, Paulo P.

Davis, Arthur L.
Day, Paul J.
Deans, Dennis
Deford, Robert
Dera, Alex
Deveau, Henry
Dewar, Barry D.
Edenloff, Ivan D.
Evjen, Richard I.
Filan, Michael J.
Fisk, Radford D.
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Foo, Fook M.
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30 Years of Service

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Marton, John P.
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Miller, McKenzie S.
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Moss, Dale M.
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Musica, David M.
Myren, Shawn D.
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Newton, Don V.
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Nixon, Jason B.
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Sandouga, Alec
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Scheuer, Tyson A.
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Shaw, Bill
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Snow, Henry J.
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From the Staff and Members of the Local, our deepest Sympathies to the families and friends of our Brothers & Sisters who have recently passed away.

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*Their
commitment
and support of
Local Union 488
will not be
forgotten.*

The Dispatch

Your source for the BTA news



1. BTA received large share of NOVA Chemicals (Borouge International) Joffre shutdown work

BTA Executive Director Terry Parker met with leadership at the NOVA Chemicals Joffre Site – over 65% of the work on its shutdown turnaround went to Building Trades Unions.

What this means for members: More work for skilled union tradespeople on a major industrial site here in Alberta.

2. BTA received \$300,000 for Indigenous mentorship

Recognizing BTA's work to build a stronger pipeline of skilled, union-trained tradespeople, Alberta's Minister of Indigenous Relations awarded BTA \$300,000 to support education and mentorship for Indigenous apprentices.

What this means for members: By growing the participation and retention of Indigenous skilled trades workers, the BTA will secure more work across Alberta for all members.

3. BTA met with Premier Danielle Smith to advance Alberta's growth agenda

BTA, affiliated unions, contractors, and owners met with Premier Smith to discuss two priorities:

- A coordinated workforce development strategy, including demand forecasting and training-seat growth.
- Better project planning between skilled trades, owners, contractors, and government to improve scheduling, reduce delays, and increase efficiency.

What this means for members:

Better workforce planning will help members move from job to job.

4. Federal government announced major skilled trades investments

The federal government announced several major investments in skilled trades and apprenticeship training. BTA made the case that Alberta's union tradespeople need to be front and centre as funding moves forward.

Key measures include:

- \$225 million over five years for the Union Training and Innovation Program (UTIP), supporting union-led training facilities.
- An increase to the Labour Mobility Tax Deduction to up to \$10,000 per year.
- \$1.94 billion over five years for a new Canadian Apprenticeship Training Grant to help apprentices stay on track.

- \$1.4 billion over five years to reinstate the Apprenticeship Completion Grant, supporting apprentices as they complete training and earn Red Seal certification.

What this means for members:

More investment in union training, apprenticeship completion and retention, and support for members who travel to where the work is.

5. BTA is strengthening labour data to help win more work

As part of its Strategic Action Plan, BTA and its affiliated unions are working with industry partners to improve data on labour supply, training, and workforce capacity.

What this means for members:

Better data helps unionized contractors compete for bids and secure more work for members.

6. BTA Executive Director Terry Parker is helping lead Alberta's first Trades Discovery Centre

The Trades Discovery Centre will help more young people learn about careers in the skilled trades.

Let's stay connected! We want you to know about the work happening to help you build greatness.

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