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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

by Mike Ehret
Illinois PHCC President

The IL PHCC Expo & Educational Day last month was a great success. As usual, Bev and Shelly did an amazing job in organizing and attracting vendors and tradespeople. Their hard work has allowed the Expo to thrive, even with the growing costs. The vendors also seem to continue to upgrade their game every year with new products and fun things to see.

On a slightly different topic, our Illini basketball reign sadly came to an end. They had a great run but UCONN is tough and will probably win the championship. But since I haven't been able to watch my Illini lately, and as a diehard basketball fan, I was able to watch the women's NCAA basketball playoffs, and what a ride that was! Congratulations to South Carolina, that was a fantastic game to see.

I also sit on the board of the Homebuilders & Remodelers and we need to pay close attention to this next session as legislators consider two bills regarding gas appliances. One is to eliminate the installation of gas appliances altogether. A second bill being considered is the requirement of installing solar collector systems on all new homes, thus eliminating gas appliances. Contact your local legislator if these issues concern you too.

Thanks for reading,

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APRIL 20, 2024

Illinois PHCC Online CEU Class

APRIL 30, 2024

IMSCA Meeting & Lobby Day
Springfield, IL

MAY 21-22, 2024

PHCC National Legislative Conference
Washington, DC

JUNE 6, 2024

IL PHCC Annual Meeting & Installation Event
Par-A-Dice Hotel
East Peoria, IL

JUNE 7, 2024

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Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with the March 22nd Illinois PHCC Expo and CEU class. Your time and dedication are unequalled and very much appreciated. We couldn't do it without you!

Bev & Shelly



2024 ILLINOIS PHCC CEU SCHEDULE

The Illinois PHCC has one online class remaining on our schedule for the 2024 renewal year. **Please visit our website at www.ilphcc.com to register for this class and watch for classes that may be added to the schedule if needed.**

All Illinois PHCC classes will provide State hours for Certified Inspectors and Licensed Plumbers.

2024 Continuing Education Dates

Saturday, April 20, 2024 – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (Online)



2024 EXPO & EDUCATIONAL DAY CEU CLASS



Over 400 licensed plumbers attended the Illinois PHCC Expo CEU class on Friday, March 22nd at the Drury Lane Conference Center in Oakbrook Terrace. Speakers were Brian Yelton, president of Inland Sales Group; Michelle Harden of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General; and IDPH State Inspector Brian McGrath and IDPH Code Consultant Mike Doolan. Illinois PHCC Past President Steve Stimson served as moderator for the class.

The registration for the class is done entirely by volunteers from around the industry, many of whom are also working a booth, manning the Expo registration, and helping in other capacities. They did an awesome job of getting the attendees in and out in a timely manner.

The Illinois PHCC would like to thank everyone involved with the class and the Expo for their continued dedication and support. We couldn't do it without you!



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

BY BEV POTTS

The Spring Session of the 103rd Illinois General Assembly began on January 16th and we are now in the final two months of the session. New legislation as well as bills from last year are still in play. There are many bills not included on this report that we are monitoring that deal with Energy Conservation, Workforce Development, Employment, Procurement, Design/Build, and Utilities/Water. Below are a few of the bills we are watching and their current status.

Plumbing/Piping/Construction Trade Related Bills:

HB 1198 (D. Vella) Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall create a program to license electricians in the State. Proposed amendments. Assigned to the House Labor & Commerce Committee.

HB 4173 (J. Davis) Amends the School Code to allow METT Educator District Licenses for teaching a course in manufacturing, engineering, technology, or a trade (including plumbing) to be issued. Assigned to the House Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools. We have asked the sponsor to add a provision that anyone teaching plumbing have a valid Illinois Plumbing License.

HB 4528 (J. Mason) Amends the Rental Property Utility Service Act. Provides that a landlord shall repair any leaking water pipe of a tenant within 30 days of the landlord being notified of a leak. Assigned to House Housing Committee. An amendment is pending that we requested the sponsor to use to require that these repairs be made by a licensed plumber.

HB 4549 (A. Moeller) Amends the Illinois Plumbing License Law to provide that, beginning on July 1, 2024, food service establishments with less than 2,000 square feet may provide one unisex, readily accessible restroom facility for the public. Assigned to the House Executive Committee.

HB 4578 (M. Kelly) Creates an income tax credit for taxpayers who have an approved NFPA 13D residential fire sprinkler system installed in a new or existing residential dwelling. Assigned to House Revenue, Income Tax Subcommittee.

HB 4619 (H. Benton) Prohibits a homeowners' association, common interest community association, or condominium unit owners' association from adopting a bylaw or exercising any power that prohibits the installation of a rain water collection system or composting system. On 2nd Reading in the House.

HB 4792 (D. Vella) Provides that the minimum lateral setback distance between a closed-loop well and a storm sewer, sanitary sewer, combined sewer, or any other potential source of contamination is 5 feet. Specifies that setbacks from footing drains and pits, crawl spaces, and basements do not apply to closed-loop wells. Assigned to House Energy & Environment Committee.

HB 5244 (L. Walsh) Amends the Energy Efficient Building Act. Requires the Board to adopt rules requiring all buildings to be designed and constructed to provide natural gas service and electric power. Specifies that a unit of local government may not enact or enforce a resolution, ordinance, rule, code, or policy, or take any other action that restricts or prohibits or has the effect of restricting or prohibiting the type of fuel source or source of energy production that may be used, delivered, converted, or supplied by a natural gas utility. Assigned to the House Clean Energy Subcommittee.

SB 1666 (R. Peters) Creates the Thermal Energy Network and Jobs Acts. The legislation defines thermal energy as piped noncombustible fluids used for transferring heat into and out of buildings for all types of heating

and cooling processes. Re-referred to Senate Assignments and considered dead for this session.

SB 1938 (D. DeWitte & D. Fowler) Amends the Environmental Protection Act to provide that, in the case of water main installation projects, all water main-related appurtenances, and specifically fire hydrants and valves, shall be included in the Agency's written approval of specified public water supply plans. Re-referred to Senate Assignments and considered dead for this session.

SB 2702 (R. Villivalam) Amends the Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act. Provides that "fire sprinkler inspector" means an individual who is qualified to perform routine inspection or testing of fire sprinkler systems and who is exclusively employed by a single fire sprinkler contractor (instead of employed or contracted by a fire sprinkler contractor). Provides that any individual who performs routine inspection or testing of any fire sprinkler system under the Act shall be exclusively employed by a single licensed fire sprinkler contractor (instead of be employed by a licensed fire sprinkler contractor). On 2nd Reading in the Senate.

SB 2743 (L. Ellman & N. Toro) Creates the Water Plan Task Force Act. Establishes the State Water Plan Task Force and requires them to identify critical water issues, to develop and implement recommendations that address the critical water issues, and to reevaluate critical water issues and needs. On 3rd Reading in the Senate.

SB 3792 (M. Simmons) Amends the Equitable Restrooms Act to provide that any multiple-occupancy restroom must be identified as all-gender. Referred to Senate Assignments and considered dead for this session.
Other Construction/Business Related Bills:

HB 4317 (J. Hoffman) Amends the Mechanics Lien Act. Requires a sub-contractor, or party

furnishing labor, materials, fixtures, apparatus, machinery, or services, to cause a notice of his or her claim and the amount due or to become due to the owner of record or the owner of record's agent or architect, or the superintendent having charge of the building or improvement, and, to the lending agency, if known. Requires the written notice to be sent by: (i) registered or certified mail, with return receipt requested; (ii) a nationally recognized delivery company with tracking service; or (iii) personal service. Provides that notice is considered served at the time the written notice is placed with the delivery service or in the mail. On 2nd Reading in the House.

HB 4418 (W. Davis) SB 2729 (R. Villivalam) Provides that interest shall accrue monthly on the first day of each month on retainage withheld by a governmental unit; Requires retainage to be paid not more than 60 days after being retained. Assigned to House State Government Committee and Senate Subcommittee on Procurement. Senate deadline extended.



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The Illinois PHCC would like to invite you to our 131st annual meeting and dinner to be held on June 6th at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in East Peoria. Please join us in East Peoria as we thank our outgoing officers and install our newly elected leaders.

The annual meeting and installation of officers will be held at 5:00pm on Thursday, followed by dinner at 6:00pm and the Auxiliary's Silent Auction. There is no charge for PHCC Contractor and Auxiliary members to attend Thursday's event, but registration is required.

The event concludes on Friday morning with meetings of the Illinois PHCC and the Auxiliary Board of Directors. As always, these meetings are open to all members.

There is no charge for PHCC contractor members and Auxiliary members (and spouses/guests) to attend, but you will need to RSVP by May 23, 2024 so that you don't miss this great opportunity for networking and participating in your state association's meetings. We look forward to seeing you in East Peoria.

Illinois PHCC has a special group rate of \$109.00. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-547-0711 or 309-699-7711 and reference code PHCF24C. Reservations can also be made by going to this exact web address <https://paradice.boydgaming.com/groups-and-weddings/group-reservation> and enter code PHCF24C. The special rate will be available until May 16, 2024.

Attire for the event is business casual.

Thursday, June 6, 2024

- 5:00 pm Annual Meeting
- 6:00 pm Reception/Installation Dinner
Auxiliary's Silent Auction

Friday, June 7, 2024

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am PHCC Board Meeting
- 8:30 am Auxiliary Board Meeting

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2024 IMSCA LOBBY DAY

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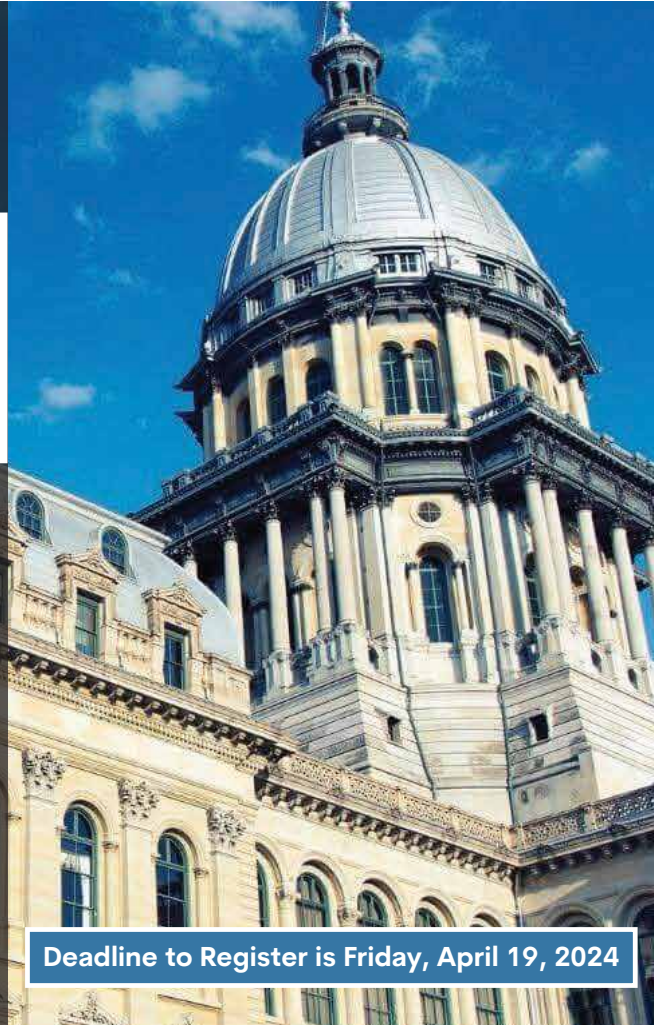
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Question

I've noticed that around this time of the year, employees start to become less motivated and productive. I think at least part of it has to do with their spending a lot of time discussing nonwork items, such as the Super Bowl and "March Madness." Aside from disciplining employees for wasting too much time talking about nonwork matters, what are positive solutions I can use to keep employees motivated?

ANSWER

There are a number of positive strategies employers can use to keep employees motivated. First, employers should help others see how their jobs and accomplishments make a difference and contribute to the company's success. Employees who feel that they are making a positive difference will be more motivated to continue working hard and helping the company succeed.

Employers can also offer personal, team, and companywide recognition when employees accomplish major goals or produce exceptional

work. Managers should recognize individual good work on a consistent basis. Recognizing employees on all levels of the company—not just management or long-time employees—is important in keeping motivation and morale high.

Introducing incentives or rewards for exceptional performance is another way to motivate employees. This could include a salary increase, a bonus, a vacation or other gifts. Employers should be sure to tailor incentives to the employee's job duties to make them as effective as possible. Employers can give these incentives on a timely basis related to good performance rather than once per year.

Finally, employers can simply ask employees what the company could do to make them more motivated to do their jobs. Employee surveys can reveal meaningful insights. Remember, discipline is not the only way to ensure employees are staying on track. Implementing positive strategies can both keep employees motivated to work hard and create a fulfilling work environment that employees enjoy being part of.





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In addition to volunteering with the CEU class and Expo registration at Drury Lane on March 22nd, Auxiliary members were busy selling t-shirts and Illinois Plumbing Code books. The Auxiliary receives a portion of the proceeds from the sale of each Code book. Auxiliary members also stuffed bags (donated by Federated Insurance) and handed them out as people entered the show.

Back this year after a 3-year hiatus was the Auxiliary's Expo Program Book that was distributed at registration. Congratulations and thank you to Program Book Chair Janice Graybeal for heading up this successful project.

The proceeds from the Auxiliary's projects at the Expo are used for their scholarship fund and industry promotion/support projects.


If you missed getting a "Licensed Plumber" t-shirt at the Expo, an order form is included in this issue of the magazine.





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OSHA reminds employers that they must post a copy of OSHA's Form 300A, which summarizes job-related injuries and illnesses logged during 2023 . Each year, between February 1 and April 30, the summary must be displayed in a common area where notices to employees are usually posted. Businesses with 10 or fewer employees and those in certain low-hazard industries are exempt from OSHA recordkeeping and posting requirements. Visit OSHA's Recordkeeping Rule webpage at <https://www.osha.gov/injuryreporting/> for more information on recordkeeping requirements.

ILLINOIS PHCC PAST PRESIDENT'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

1. Name of the Scholarship Fund shall be the "Illinois PHCC Assn. Past President's Club Scholarship Award".
2. Scholarship is established through dues income to Past President's Club.
3. A scholarship shall be awarded to an individual who has been nominated by a member of the Illinois PHCC Past President's Club who has been a member in good standing for the past two years.
4. Applicant must have the following qualifications:
 - a. Applicant must be a member of the senior class or graduate of a secondary school.
 - b. Pursue or desire to pursue courses of study such as may prepare them to serve or to advance the interest of the plumbing-heating-cooling industry.
5. The President of the Past President's Club shall be the Chairman and appoint two members to assist him in selecting the Scholarship Winner.
6. In no case shall more than one Scholarship be awarded to any one applicant, but the Scholarship Committee may award more than one scholarship at their discretion.
7. Scholarships shall be awarded at an event of the Illinois PHCC in June 2024.
8. The Executive Director shall be directed to inform the applicant who will be awarded the Scholarship.
9. Applicants not winning the award may be eligible to apply the following year.
10. The Scholarship money shall be made payable to the school of the applicant's choice. If the winner has changed schools since applying, he or she shall notify the IL PHCC Executive Director immediately.
11. If a recipient should drop out of school during the year, the balance of the award should be returned to the Past President's Club.

Application must be received in the Illinois PHCC office no later than June 1, 2024

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

IL PHCC PAST PRESIDENTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Address _____

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City and Zip _____

Applicant's Phone No. - Home _____ Business _____

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Name of Owner _____

Address _____

Address _____

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Name of Sponsoring Member of the Past President's Club _____

What career do you intend to follow? - Give full details in letter form. (In addition to the letter, it would be helpful to have a short video of the applicant explaining why they are applying and their goals for the future. This is optional, but if you choice to do so, email it to bev@ilphcc.com.)

What school do you plan to attend? _____

Complete Address _____

When do you plan to enroll? _____

Scholastic Data

High School attended _____

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Year Graduated _____ Rank In Class _____

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1. Fill out application completely and mail to IL PHCC Past Presidents Club, 821 S. Grand Ave., West, Springfield, IL 62704.
2. Enclose reference letters from three people, not related to you, who know you personally, attesting to character and other pertinent information.
3. Enclose a letter from principal giving complete transcript of grades, activities, rank and number in class and scores on one of the following tests: PSAT, SAT or ACT.
4. A wallet size picture of you.

Applicant's Signature

I hereby certify that the above is true and accurate. Date: _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Protecting Your Equipment With Preventative Maintenance

With inflation costs continuing to rise, preventative maintenance for your equipment and machinery is essential. Staying on top of regularly scheduled maintenance and having trained people available to make repairs is essential for many businesses to maintain daily standards of operation.

The Rising Cost of Repairs

Have you considered the losses you may incur if a key piece of machinery or equipment is broken down for a day, a week, or longer? Items that may impact your [equipment or machine upkeep and repairs](#) can include¹:

- General wear and tear from regular use
- Unpredictable supply chains if replacement parts are needed
- Higher costs for replacement parts and more demand for repairs
- Old equipment with parts that are harder to obtain
- Less outsourced technicians available to make repairs quickly

Coverage Check

In addition, when was the last time you checked your coverage limits? [Don't risk being underinsured](#) if an important piece of equipment breaks. Costs for replacements could be higher than what you are covered for.

Staying on Top of Preventative Maintenance

How can you take action now to help reduce the chances of running into these issues¹?

- Ensuring you have enough insurance coverage for replacements or repairs should a failure occur
- Scheduling [regular maintenance checks](#) to prevent disruptions
- Embracing new technologies and methodologies, including upgrading pieces of equipment if necessary
- Screening current maintenance plans, using analytics to weigh failures, and adjusting procedures
- Hiring the right people to make repairs if outsourcing is necessary
- [Training internally](#) and cross-training to prevent knowledge gaps

To learn and to find resources on creating a preventative maintenance plan, [reach out to your local Federated® marketing representative today.](#)

1. <https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/electric-power-and-natural-gas/our-insights/maintenance-and-operations-is-asset-productivity-broken>. Accessed 1/22/24.

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Applicant Name: _____ Birth Date _____

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parents or Guardian's Full Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail _____

NAME AND ADDRESS WHERE CHECK SHOULD BE SENT:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NAME OF SPONSORING AUXILIARY MEMBER: (Sponsor **cannot** be a parent, guardian or spouse.)

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Signature _____

SCHOLASTIC DATA:

High School Attended: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ Rank/Number in Class: _____ CUM GPA: _____

Principal's Name: _____

Name of College Attending & Career Plans: _____

Dean or Advisor's Name: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIP:

Application must be complete with the items listed below for consideration. Please read Scholarship Rules.

1. Completed application above
2. Small photo stapled to application
3. Three letters of recommendation as follows:
 - A. One letter of recommendation from sponsoring Auxiliary member who is not a parent, guardian, or spouse
 - B. Two letters of personal recommendation from people not related to applicant
4. Personal letter: State request and list your high school and college extra-curricular activities.
5. Original copy of high school and college transcripts. These can be sent under separate cover. **High school transcript is required** for all graduates from 2006 to current.

I hereby certify that the above is true and accurate.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date _____

Parent, Guardian or Spouse Signature: _____

GOOD LUCK!

DEADLINE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP IS MAY 24, 2024

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Scholarships for college or vocational education are awarded by the Illinois Auxiliary for a minimum of \$500.00 up to a maximum of \$2,000.00 each year in June, as funds are available.

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2. No person may receive more than one award from the Illinois Auxiliary during his or her academic career. There cannot be more than two awards per family per year. A permanent list of recipients will be kept in the scholarship files.
3. In addition to the completed application form, the applicant must submit the following:
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 - Three letters of recommendation.
 - One letter must be from a sponsor who is a member in good standing of the Illinois PHCC Auxiliary.
 - The other two letters must be from people who know the applicant personally and can attest to the applicant's character. They may also provide additional pertinent information such as academic performance and involvement in extra-curricular activities. Knowledge of parents does not necessarily qualify them for having knowledge of applicant.
 - Photo of the applicant.
 - Official transcripts—see details on application form.
4. **The deadline for submitting the application is May 24, 2024.**
 - Application must be postmarked no later than this date and include all the information required. If it is incomplete, application materials will be discarded and applicant will not be considered for a scholarship. Applicants may resubmit the following year.
 - The scholarship committee will have the final decision in awarding these scholarships. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Gail McWilliams.

Please send completed application by May 24, 2024 to:

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Urbana, IL 61802
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