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GIPHCC & FACEBOOK

A group for the GIPHCC has been created on Facebook to try and better utilize this technology and ramp up our level of communication. We already have our monthly Ventstack newsletter and the web site.

This group is open to the public, so anyone can join at any time. Our monthly meetings will be posted and any other current events that may be of interest to our members. This group can be found under the listing: Greater Indianapolis Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractor's Association.

For more information, please contact Dave Heffner at 248-9668 or David@HeffnerandAssociates.com.

Wheeler Mission Coat Drive

Thanks to all who brought coats to the Oct. and Nov. meetings to be donated to the GIPHCC annual coat drive. After Indy Winnelson's Christmas party where coats can still be donated, the coats, blankets, and sleeping bags will be counted and taken to Wheeler Mission for distribution.

This annual project has been a well received activity. At this time of year when we take time to reflect on the true meaning of the season, it is good to have a tangible way to share our bounty with others who are in need.

December GIPHCC Festivities

The Milano Inn Mystery Theatre opportunity which was touted in the November Ventstack was cancelled. We were unable to secure the necessary 40 participants.

Informal Chistmas Party Wed., Dec. 16th 5-8 pm **Knights of Columbus** 511 E. Thompson Road Cost: Buffet \$6.95, drinks,

An informal GIPHCC holiday get together will be held Wed., Dec. 16th at Knights of Columbus, 511 E. Thompson Rd., 5-8pm. It will be very casual; they are holding 30 chairs for us in the bar. Each person is responsible for their own drinks, snacks, etc. There is a buffet which we are all welcome to partake in for \$6.95.

snacks available to purchase

Have a Happy Holiday Season!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Best Wishes for 2010!

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News of Note—

Thank you to Vicki Garrett for organizing the Vendors Expo. It was well attended and highly successful. Vicki also collected the coat donations for Wheeler Mission; this has been one of her annual projects.

Thank you as well to all the Associates who displayed their product lines at the Expo. We truly couldn't do any of our work without your support!

Christmas Luncheon, Indy Winnelson

Indianapolis Winnelson, 340 Transfer Drive, Ste. B, is having their annual Christmas Luncheon, Tuesday, Dec. 15th, 11 am—1 pm. Celebrate the spirit of the season; enjoy good food and a good time. There will also be drawings and door prizes.

This will also be one last chance to donate coats/jackets, blankets, and sleeping bags to the annual GIPHCC Wheeler Mission Coat Drive!

Current Journeyman Plumber, Plumber Contractor, and Plumbing Corporation Licenses Expire on December 31, 2009

You may renew your licenses online 24 hors a day/7 days a week with the IPLA online renewal service, paying with your Visa, Discover, or Master Card credit or debit card. To expedite the renewal process, it is recommended that you renew online. Your login ID will be your license number—including both letters and numbers. Your password will be your Social Security number without spaces or dashes.

The renewal fee for a **Journeyman Plumber** is \$30. Additional online processing fees apply. The renewal fee for a **Plumber Contractor** is \$100. Additional online processing fees apply. You may update your address, email and phone numbers during the online renewal process. The online renewal process takes only minutes to complete and your renewal will be processed and available for verification the next business day.

Online Renewal information for **Plumbing Corporations**. You may renew your licenses online 24 hours a day/7 days a week with the IPLA online renewal service, paying with your Visa, Discover or Master Card credit or debit card. To expedite the renewal process, it is recommended that you renew online. Your login ID and password will be your Plumbing Corporation license number—including both letters and numbers. The renewal fee for a plumbing corporation is \$100.

Additional online processing fees apply. The online renewal process takes only minutes to complete and your renewal will be processed and available for verification the next business day.

Pocket cards are no longer issued at license renewal. If you need to purchase a new pocket card, you may do so online only. Walk-in customers will not be issued pocket cards. Please note that permanent pocket license cards no longer contain expiration dates, although a card with an expiration date is also available separately online.

If your license expires, you may renew after the December 31, 2009 expiration date, but you will be assessed a \$50 late fee—in addition to the standard renewal fees. Please be aware that there are no exceptions—if you renew late, you must pay the late renewal fee in order to renew your expired license.

If you need to renew your license by mail, contact the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency with your request at pla10@pla.in.gov. Include "Renewal Form" in the subject line of your email. A renewal form will be generated and emailed to you within 7-10 business days. You will need to complete that form and return it, along with your check or money order, to the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. The address will be provided with your emailed form. Allow 4-6 weeks for the processing of your paper renewal.

If you have any question, you may contact IPLA by email at pla10@IN.gov or visit www.pla.in.gov.

Advertising Sponsors Meeting, 3pm, Dec. 2nd

Indiana Wholesale Plumbers, Schuler Plbg., PIPE, Ciriello Plbg., Isley Plbg., IAPHCC, Kellie Plbg., Lee Supply, Plumbers Supply, and the GIPHCC Board met at 10 am, prior to the Vendors Expo to discuss some of the advertising options available for 2010. As a result, they will have a meeting on Wed., Dec. 2nd, at Mechanical Skills, 3pm, for a further explanation from Comcast on opportunities for future exposure.

If there are others who are interested in being part of the 2010 GIPHCC advertising venture, please join us at Mechanical Skills, Wednesday, December 2nd, at 3 pm.

Mark your Calendars

December 2—advertising meeting, 3pm, Mechanical Skills

December 16—GIPHCC December get together,

December 25 — Christmas Day

December 31—New Year's Eve

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Dear Friends and Members,

Hello!

First of all, I would like to thank the vendors who participated in our Vendors Expo; your support of our industry is and was very appreciated. I would also like to thank and give a hearty "thumbs up" to Vicki Garrett and Ann Booth for all of their hard work to organize this event—WELL DONE, LADIES!!

Thanksgiving. Have you ever taken the time to really think what it means? Do me a favor...take a minute to think about what it means to you. It probably means different things to different people. Think about it in your own way, and try to make it even more special to you and your family, or take it even a step further with an act of kindness to a stranger.

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday.

Sincerely,

Mark Helm,

GIPHCC President