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Mechanical Skills Changes

For 17 years Diane Cloud served as the Mechanical Skills administrator. Her sudden death in February left a void and many challenges. Those challenges also offered the opportunity to take a renewed look at how the school is operated.

The professional staff of Indiana PHCC is now handling the administrative functions of the school. With the first hurdle of getting the fourth year students through graduation completed, the focus turns to the upcoming school year.

It is a learning curve, and your patience is appreciated as Susie McFarland and Brenda Dant get up to speed on enrolling students for the 2010-2011 school year. Remember, Indiana PHCC companies get a \$125 discount per student per semester on tuition!

For the time being the Mechanical Skills office is being staffed by Susie on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Feel free to call (317) 352-1189 or email mechskills@aol.com.

IAPHCC EXPO, "Determined to Succeed"

July 22-23, Belterra

Thurs., July 22

10 am-noon—meeting, election, FLAG, plumbing code

1 pm—golf

Fri., July 23

9 am—noon—seminar, Kirk Alter, "Emerging from the Recession"

Noon-4 pm—Expo Showcase

7:30 pm—10:30 pm—President's Party and auction

For more information call Brenda Dant at 575-9292 or go to www.iaphcc.com.

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June 16, 2010

Dear Friends:

Congratulations to Dave Nance, the GIPHCC Contractor of the Year! Congratulations to Paul Hallam, the 2010 Contractor Magazine's Plumbing Instructor of the Year! And finally, congratulations to all of our graduates! Hard work certainly does pay off.

As your summer begins, be sure to mark your calendars and attend the 2010 Indiana PHCC Expo/Convention on Friday, July 23rd at Belterra Resort and Casino. Can't make it to the entire event, but want to attend the seminar only? You can do that! Contact the Indiana PHCC office today to make your reservation.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Expo. Remember to support those who support our industry. Have a wonderful summer!

Wishing You the Best,

Laura Ciriello-Benedict

GIPHCC President

We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.

Winston Churchill

.Mechanical Skills Class Sign Up

Classes at Mechanical Skills begin the week of August 9th. Students must be enrolled by July 13th. Contractors who have students in the program have received a letter with information about re-enrollment. If you have a new student, please contact the school as soon as possible so that the paperwork can be finalized.

First year students are required to take a math placement test prior to the first night of school. Information will be sent to them about the test. It is anticipated that classes will occur on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. An additional night may be added if enrollment dictates.

Mechanical Skills is handling the renewal of apprentice licenses for those students who enrolled in their program. Remember, **ALL apprentice licenses expire on August 1, 2010.** Remember that it is illegal to do plumbing work in the state of Indiana without being licensed—and this includes apprentices!

Report Unlicensed Plumbers to Attorney General

Be part of the FLAG program.

- Make sure that your own trucks and ads include your plumbing license number.
- Report infractions you see by sending a copy of any ads without a license number or by sending a photo of any truck without a license number to Brenda at Brenda@iaphcc.com.
- Send a copy of the form letter on your company letterhead reporting the infraction to the Attorney General as part of the FLAG campaign.
- Be an active part of the solution, not part of the problem.

Mark your Calendars—2010 Events

June 16—Indiana Downs

July 22 & 23—State Expo, Belterra

August 18, Oct. 20—TBA

Sept. 15—Jerry Morris, Battery back up sump pump systems

Nov. 17—Vendors Expo, Wheeler Mission Coat Drive

Dec. 15—Christmas Party, TBA