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So here we are in the first quarter of 2020...

Who knew we would be in for such a surprise like this? We will recover, undoubtedly, as a country and as an industry. We are addressing the COVID-19 concerns on a weekly basis. Since none of us have experienced a "stay in place" order like this, it's definitely one for the books. But let's take a look at the real picture, not the fake news, but reality as it affects Local 582 members and their families. For the most part, our dispatches have slowed to a screeching halt, but luckily there were a couple jobs that ramped up to complete scheduling requirements. Although the number of members on the out of work list increased since March 1st, our members for the most part have been working through this pandemic.

My hope for all of you, in this time of need, is that you and your families are safe and healthy. Each and every single one of the jobs that you're on are required to adhere to these strict safety guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control. If you feel your contractor is not complying and not taking your safety and the safety of the crew seriously, please contact us immediately for further direction. The hardest part of this all is having to cancel events that directly benefit the members. Our graduation party was set for April 4th, but had to be postponed until next year. Once we have booked a date, we will invite the next set of graduates to the ongoing list of honorees. The other event cancelled was the CA State Pipe Trades Convention which would have been the 100th Anniversary. We are hopeful that our Local 582 Picnic remains but that too is in the crosshairs of cancellation.

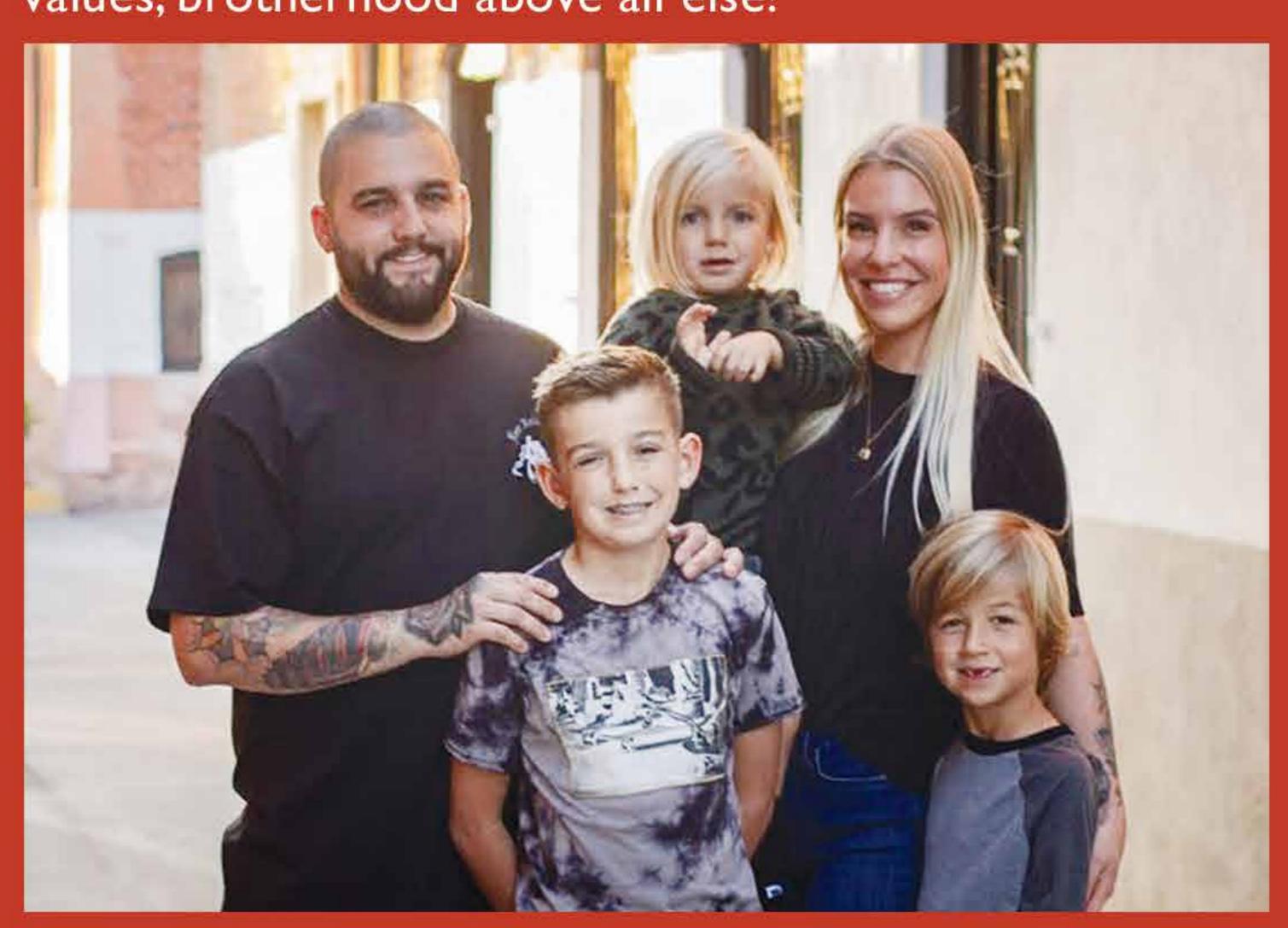
Please keep your spirits up and enjoy the family time together while in quarantine. Make sure all your friends and family know that the work you do is essential to the infrastructure of California and will always be needed, especially in times of crisis. If this doesn't prove how important we are to the industry itself, then show me something better. I wish you all the best of luck during these next few months while we continue to see the effects of the virus. Our union meetings will convene regularly once we get the "all clear" order from the state. Stay calm and focus on your health and the health of your family. And finally, help your brothers and sisters who are out of work get back to a jobsite as quickly as possible.

Fraternally,

Anthony Novello Business Manager Newest Member of the City of Buena Park
Planning Commission

## Buena Park

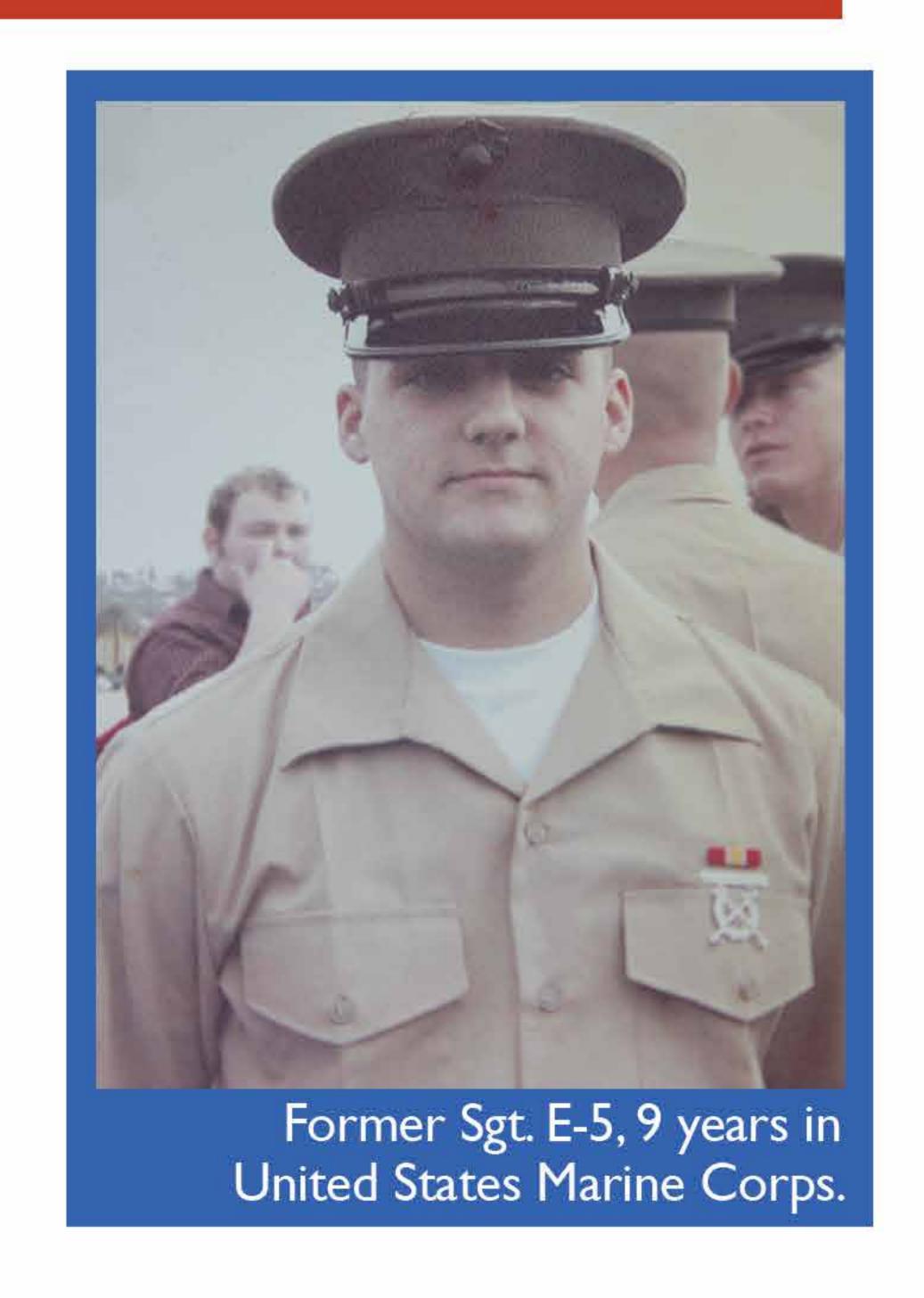
As a resident of Buena Park for most of my life, I've seen many changes throughout the city. I have seen businesses come and go as well as the growth and beautification within our city. I have had many conversations with neighbors as changes take place and feel this appointment is just a steppingstone that will allow myself to be a part of the team making those changes. I understand that with this appointment I will be a part of the process and will utilize my experience with the building trades and military background to work cohesively with the planning commission to make the best decisions for the city. I was also able to utilize our political power at Buena Park City Council to find out what the process consisted of and how to navigate through the it. I went above and beyond preparing for the interview from buying a nice suit to getting a clean haircut. Local 582 played a huge role with me getting the position and I am grateful to be a part of a Union with such strong core values, brotherhood above all else!



Congratulations to our brother Brandon Sheibe for his achievement and his ability to step up when the opportunity presented itself. Brother Sheibe will be representing his family, his neighborhood, and his local union as the newest member of the Buena Park Planning Commission.

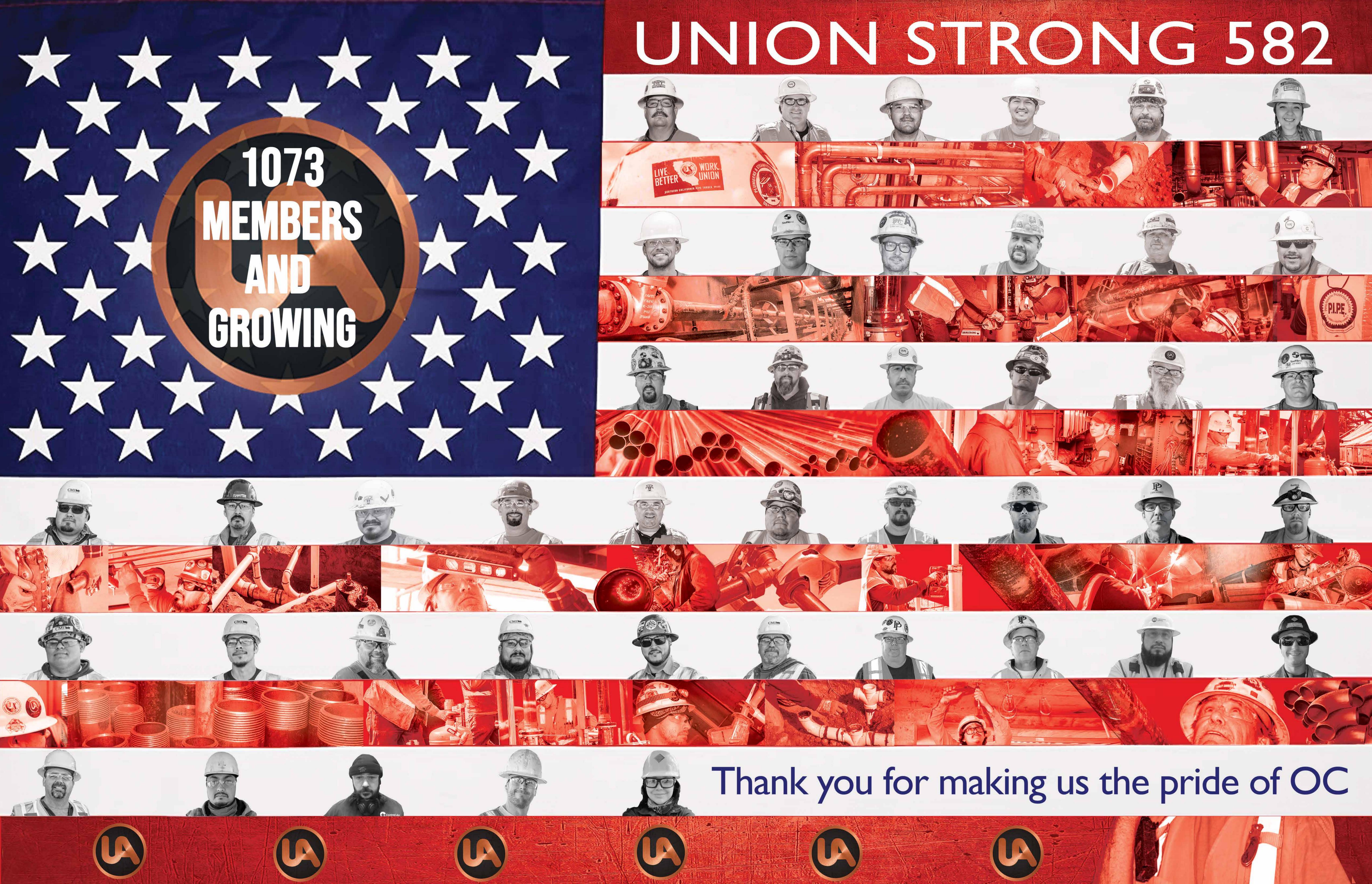


Brandon Sheibe Local 582 Pipefitter, Foreman Buena Park Planning Commissioner





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# ORANGE CONSTRUCTOR

Business Agent Report

Brothers and Sisters,

In this article, I would like to take a little time to remind everyone that we need to take care of each other, not only with the virus stuff going on, but also at work. So, where do I start? We all have safety meetings, but do we actually listen, even though it seems like the same thing over and over again. We need to make sure we're paying attention and thinking about the job we're on and that it's clean and safe. If not, has anyone reported any problems? All of this goes back to taking care of one another, your brothers, sisters, and yourself. Journeyman need to take the time to show the apprentices how to do things the right way so they don't get hurt or damage something. Please show up for work on time everyday, unless you're sick. That means ready to work when it's start time, not finishing your coffee or still getting dressed. And as always, do not bring your personal power tools to work. The contractor buys them and it's in our MLA and the UA Constitution.

Thank you,

Robert James Business Agent



Brothers and Sisters,

During these trying times, I hope everyone is staying healthy and safe. We as Americans can and will overcome this and get back to normal. We all need to do this together to fight this virus so we can come back strong. With all of the issues with COVID 19 going on and hospitals being at capacity, it makes me think that when this is all over there will be a lot of medical work coming our way. With that being said, I feel it is very important for our members to have their medical gas certifications current, and if you don't currently have it, you should get it and always keep them up to date. This includes your brazing certs from 1/4" all the way to big bore piping. We do know that UCI will be building a complete hospital from the ground up on campus in Irvine and also, City of Hope will be building a medical research building with a hospital coming after in Irvine.

Also coming down the line is a new resort on the border of Anaheim and Garden Grove at Chapman and Harbor Blvd. This will be a twin tower resort and is to break ground this summer (may have a delay due to the COVID 19). Anaheim is also working on putting together a new 5-Star resort close to Disneyland. We have to stay positive and think ahead and come back stronger than ever after all this. And remember to Buy American and support small businesses at this time. We will need to be a self-sufficient country so we don't have rely on any other countries but our own, and that itself should create more union jobs for us.

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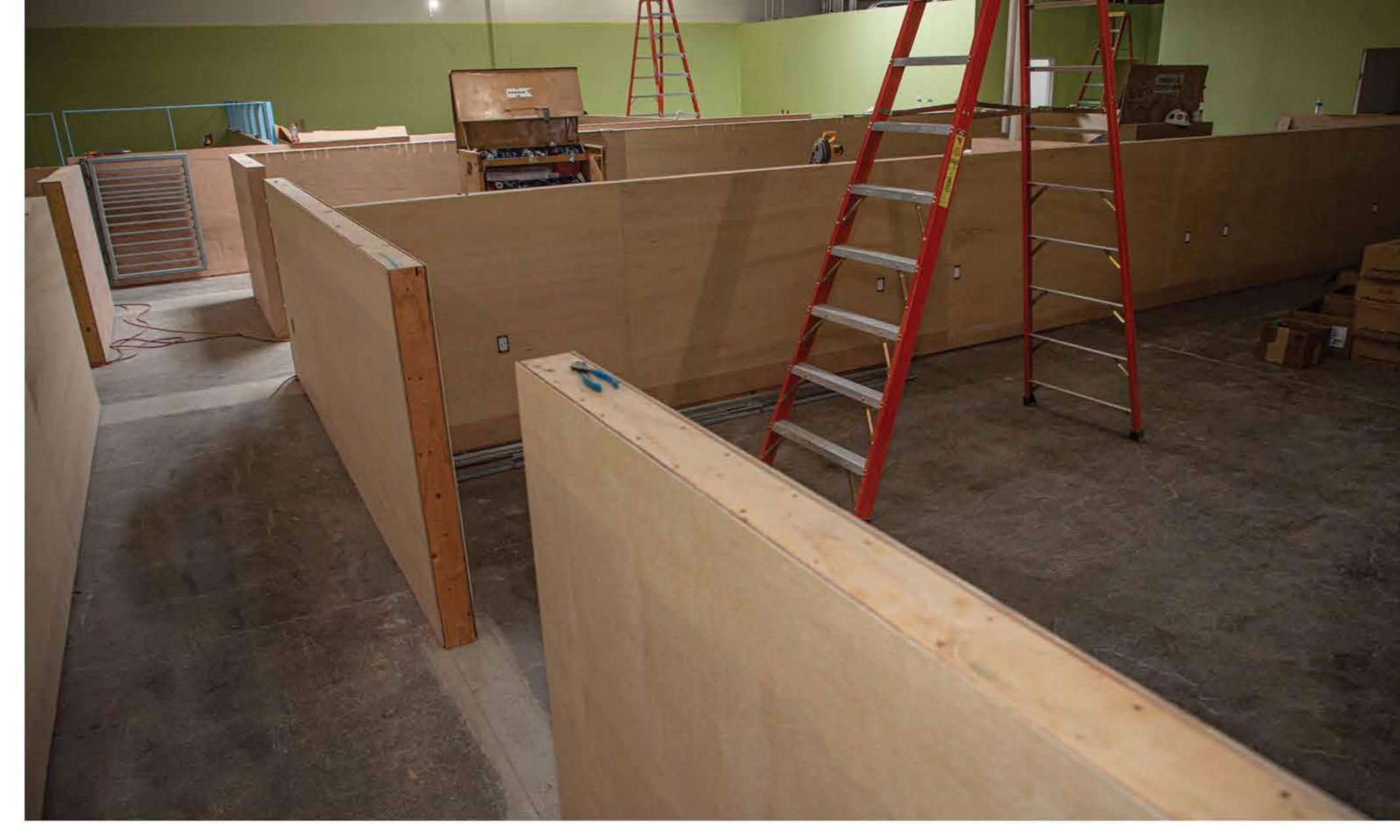
Henry Hillebrecht
Business Agent North.

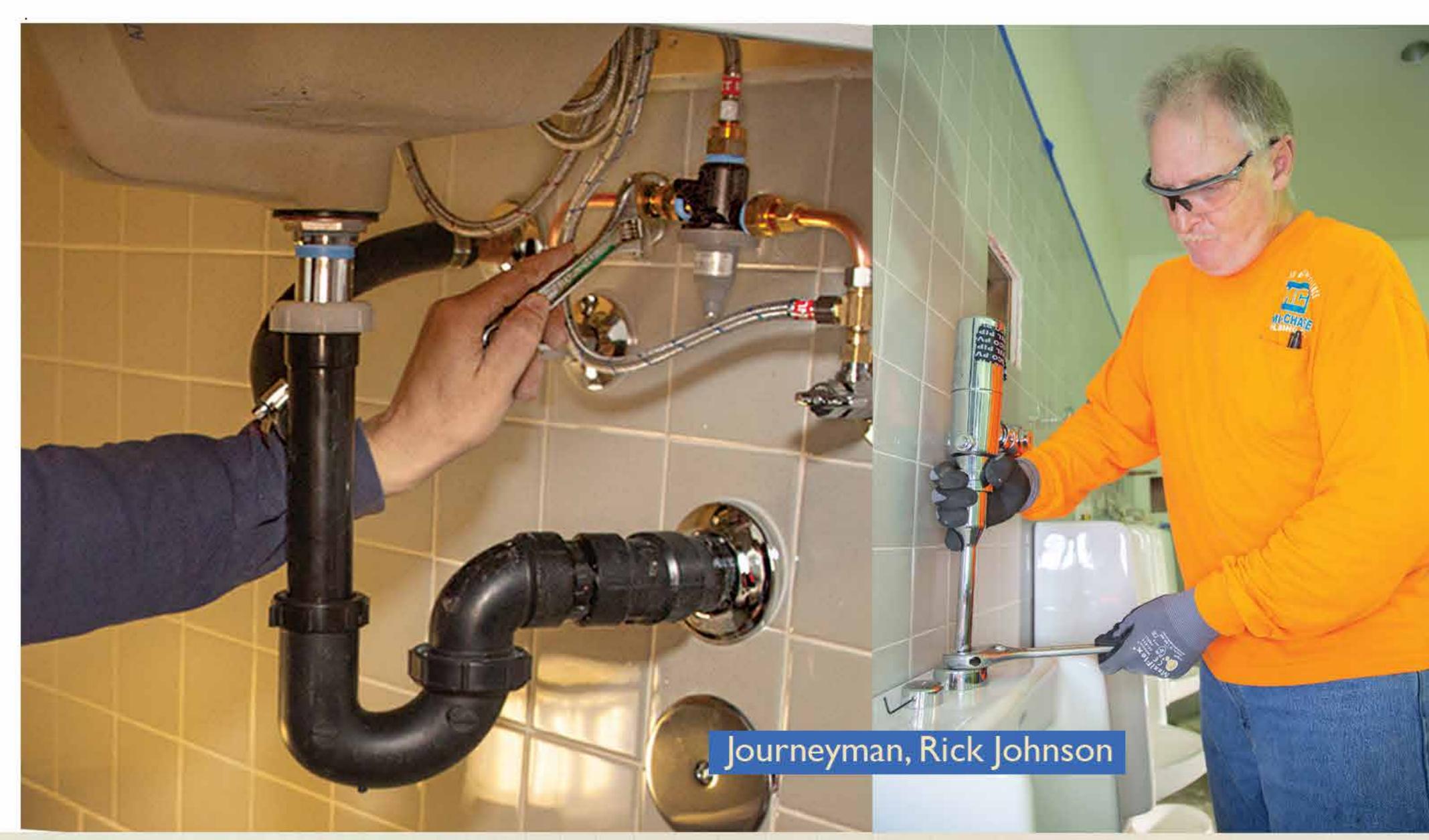


Community Homeless Shelter

### Homeless "Navigation" Center

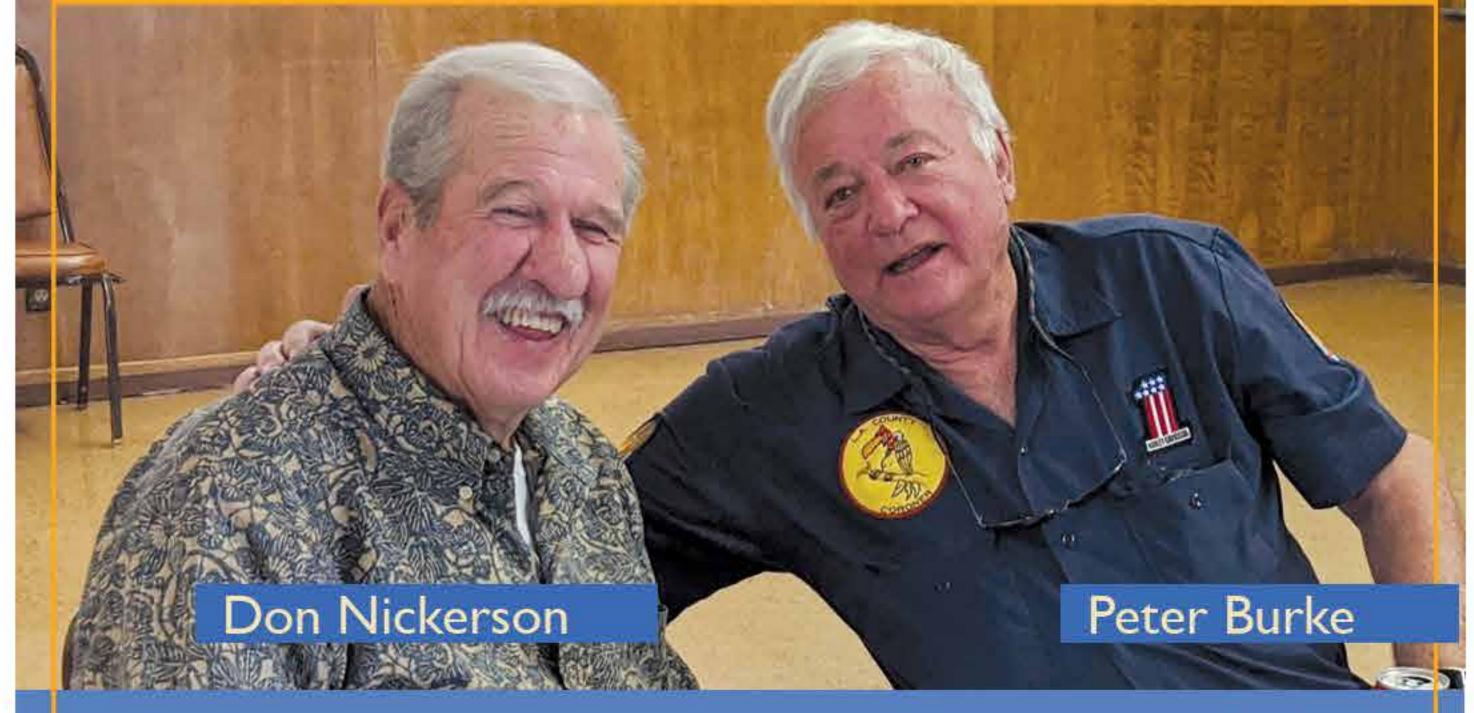
For the issue of homelessness in Orange County, it is a problem that may never get resolved. As bureaucrats maintain their political distancing from the real issues, 582 is at the forefront putting in hard work to create better systems in place to relieve some of that ache within the community. Muir-Chase Plumbing, a signatory contractor with District Council 16, concentrating their business within the private realm of construction was awarded a project in the city of Placentia performing T. I. work that would create 100 new beds. They are racing to put the final touches on a firstof-its kind facility that will offer emergency shelter, help finding jobs and housing and other types of counseling and aid to homeless people in north part of Orange County. Nice work, brothers!











We had our first Retiree's luncheon on February 17, 2020 at our Union Hall. There were 26 retirees and our Business Manager, Anthony Novello and Business Agent, Henry Hillebrecht who attended. I want to give a shout out to Adolph Novello, it was his vision and hard work that made this come to fruition. It was great seeing everyone who was in attendance. We shared stories of past projects and were able to catch up on our lives during retirement. The Local had a photo album of picnics that we had combined with UA Local 494, Long Beach, many years ago, there were a few in attendance that were in some of the photos. It is our plan, to have a retiree's luncheon every quarter. A notification with the date and time of our next retiree's luncheon will be mailed out to all retirees. Any suggestions for speakers you would like to have at our future luncheons please contact the Local and we will do our best to make it happen.

Phil Fillers President









