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# MANAGER'S REPORT



Robert "Bobby" James

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Summer is here, we normally do this newsletter in June, but as you all know time flies when you're having fun. Over the last few months, we have been busy here at the Local we have done several events. If we start in March, we had our Apprenticeship Graduation for three classes. Jump to April, myself and Henry attended NABTU conference in Washington DC. This event is put on by the North American Building Trades and is well attended by all trades. This was a great event and very informative. Followed by The Local 582 Golf Tournament, I feel it was a huge success, Pictures can be found on The Local 582 website. We also went to San Jose to see our apprentices compete in the Apprenticeship Contest. I must say they did a great job representing Local 582, Plumber (Jesus Lara Martinez) Welder (Jered Godines) Steamfitter (Raymond Rodas) Thank You. Most of the events I have talked about can be found in the photo section on our website [UAlocal582.org](http://UAlocal582.org) and all photos can be downloaded. One more thing you will find on our website is our first ad, the ad says become a natural. This is a good way to find out if you want to be a Detailer it is a 16 hour course put together by one of our members Steve Sisoev and is only available to UA members and is good for JUT credit upon completion of the course. Okay that's going to do it for this newsletter, don't forget Meeting are the 3rd Wednesday of the month and a good way to stay informed and maybe see some people you haven't seen in a while. Anyway, have a great summer.

Robert "Bobby" James

*Robert James*



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ADAM ELLIOTT

# REPORT

Brothers and Sisters,  
I am happy to report work is picking up and we are bringing in new members. We have brought in a large class of new apprentices for the Fall 2025 semester. Local 582 total membership is close to 1100 members!



I want to thank all of you for your hard work in the field. Please remember Local 582 Union Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of every month @ 5:30.

Thanks,  
Adam



# 1,000 + Members Strong





# NORTH Mid-Year REPORT

BRIAN KRUEP

Brothers and Sisters,

First and foremost, I want to sincerely thank you, the membership, for placing your trust in me once again, to serve as your Business Agent for Local 582. It is truly an honor and a privilege to represent this great local for another three-year term. I deeply appreciate your continued support and confidence in my leadership.

Work in Orange County is booming, and I'm excited about the opportunities ahead. The outlook for the next few years is strong, with plenty of work on the horizon, including pre-fab shop projects, the OC V!be, hospital construction, and the DisneylandForward expansion at Disney.

Now is the time to continue investing in yourselves, get certified, stay sharp, and remain valuable on the jobsite. Med-Gas, Brazing, and Welding certifications are especially in high demand, and those skills will help ensure steady work as the industry continues to grow.

Lastly, I want to recognize and congratulate you, the members, for your outstanding work. Because of your dedication, skill, and professionalism, Local 582 has never had a better reputation than it does today. That success is yours, and I'm proud to stand with you.

Thank you once again for your trust and support. Let's keep moving forward together.

Fraternally,  
Brian Kruep  
Business Agent North County

## Disneyland Forward



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# SOUTH Mid-Year REPORT

HENRY HILLEBRECHT

Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to start off by thanking all of our members for the white card ballot to keep me another three years. I always try and represent all of our members to the best of my abilities. I appreciate and am grateful to all members for this. As I write this update, work has seemed to pick up pace. Our local has been sending out quite a few plumbing apprentices to various contractors. We also have been bringing in new apprentices; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd years to fill the "out of work" book, adding to our membership. There is a great line up in the apprentice pipeline that we are constantly going through. We are hoping that our Journeymen start going out to work the way the apprentices have been. Work does look promising in South County as we have contractors at Saddleback Hospital doing the new Central plant. Mission Hospital is going to do another expansion with removing the old one-story building, and building a new tower in its place. We are constantly working together with our contractors to provide more work opportunities for our brothers and sisters.

Thank you.

Fraternaliy,

Henry Hillebrecht

Business Agent South County



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# Graduation NIGHT 2025



On Saturday March 22, 2025, at the Anaheim Sheraton, Local 582 held graduation for the classes of, August 2023, February 2024 and August 2024. The evening opened up with cocktail hour for all of our new journeymen and their guests. Jerry Trevino (DC16) opened the graduation ceremony with a great invocation for all guests. It was a very enjoyable night with a great dinner, desert and drinks and a DJ and dancing. More photos are available on the Local 582 web site ([www.UAlocal582.org](http://www.UAlocal582.org))











On behalf of UA Local 582, we extend our sincerest gratitude to everyone who supported our Annual Scholarship Fundraiser Golf Tournament. Your incredible generosity makes a direct impact on the higher education of UA Local 582 members and their eligible dependents.

We are grateful for your commitment to our local and its future. We look forward to your continued support next year.

Thank you,  
Brian Kruep  
Business Agent









# SUMMER PICNIC 2025



Brothers and sisters,  
On May 3rd Local 582 hosted another successful picnic at Irvine Lake with just under 500 members and their families in attendance. The event brought together Union members, their families, and retirees for a day filled with community, fun, and solidarity. good food, games, family-friendly activities, a prize drawing and much more were enjoyed by all. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next picnic!



UA LOCAL 582









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PLUMBING**  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



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# Retiree NIGHT



The general meeting on Wednesday March 19th was Retiree Night. Our retired members and non-retired members enjoyed good food and a good time. Local 582 gave out longevity pins to members who have been in the UA 25years all the way up to 65years. More photos of this night are on the 582web site ([www.UAlocal582.com](http://www.UAlocal582.com)). We hope that we can get a large turn for the March meeting in 2026. Would like to see you all there.







# Retiree LUNCHEON

On Monday March 24th, we held a Retiree Luncheon here at our Union Hall. We had 25 retirees attend our Local 582 luncheon, and gathered together to reminisce about old times and what they are currently doing in retirement. It was an enjoyable time with great Italian food from Cortinas in Anaheim. We are planning on the next retirement luncheon for sometime in August, so, if you are retired, come and enjoy some great stories and camaraderie this August. Notifications will be coming soon.







North America's **Building Trades** Unions



# LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE 2025

## Washington D.C.

Business Manager, Robert "Bobby" James, and Business Agent, Henry Hillebrecht, along with numerous others with District Council 16 attended North America's Building Trades Unions 2025 Legislative Conference in Washington D.C., April 5th through 10th. We attended conferences where we listened to politicians on both sides of the aisle. We walked the halls of congress, urging lawmakers to preserve the policies that have supported UA member employment over the past few years.



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WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

Brothers and sisters,  
In April we started a Local 582 mental support group. This is a safe space where our members can go to talk, listen or support one another when going through a tough time. Meetings are being held at Local 582 on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:30pm. If you are interested, please give me a call or join us at our next meeting. Let's take time to check on each other and if you see someone who may be going through a rough patch take the time to ask if they are okay. Just that small gesture could make a difference.

Thanks,  
Adam





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