



Time for our December Newsletter I'm sure you have noticed we do these twice a year in June and December It's a bit time consuming getting the newsletter out we all write our own article. While still taking care of the daily things going on at the Local. Every year we get the photographer and drive him to some of the sites and some of the shops in our area and get some good photos. We also use some photos that we have taken on job sites and here at the Local, for instance the cover of the current issue. These were taken at Union Meetings over the last year or so some are brand new, some have been organized and are coming back its all-good stuff for Local 582. This was a pretty good year overall as far as work goes. We had a slow period for a couple of months, not all that unusual. The outlook for next year seems pretty good (Fingers crossed). I would like to take a second to Thank the staff here at the Local for the good work they do for the Membership Henry, Brian, Adam, Johanna, Michelle and Jackie. I would also like to thank our members for their hard work that in my opinion is giving us a great reputation all around Southern California. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Robert "Bobby "James

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#### The Nickerson Building

This building is dedicated to our Brother Donald R. Nickerson for his 50 years of committed service to the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union #582. He served in the capacity of Building Committee Chairman, Election Committee Chairman, and field General Foreman. Brother Nickerson, a veteran, has positively impacted us all. This building is a reminder of his constant commitment to the union, which is evident within these walls. May his dedication continue to be seen for years to come.



#### NICKERSON BUILDING RESTROOMS REMODEL AND EXTERIOR UPGRADES









Henry Hillebrecht **Building Committee** 





## NORTH REPORT

**BRIAN KRUEP** 

Brothers and Sisters,

Let me start off by saying Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! It's an honor to serve as your Business Agent here at Local 582. This past year was one for the books. OC VIbe is full steam ahead. We have members currently on site working for multiple signatory contractors, and they should start requesting additional manpower by early 2025. More great news that happened was the approval of "DisneylandForward", hopefully that starts to take off sometime next year. Work looks very promising next year in North Orange County. We need welders, get your pipe certs! With all the hospital work coming up in Southern California, Certified Med-Gas installers are in high demand. Also, remember to keep your certs up to date, and be ready to work. Continue to set the highest standards, remember that we all play a role in representing Local 582. Orange County is where Greatness starts and it's where Greatness will continue to be, so let's all do our part to make sure we keep Orange County and Local 582 GREAT!

Fraternally, Brian Kruep Business Agent North County



ADAM ELLIOTT

# ORGANIZER REPORT

Happy Holidays Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you and your families enjoy this time of year together. Looking ahead to May 3rd, 2025, we will have our 582 picnic in Irvine. Be ready for plenty of food, beverages and lots of activities for kids and family! Organizing has been busy hitting job sites and supply houses to find some experienced hands. There is a consistent need for welders and service plumbers. If you know anyone, please let me know. We are participating in career fairs at High Schools all over Orange County. I'm glad to say many teachers and administrators now realize that trades are a great choice for kids to continue their education and start careers. We are in conjunction with the Orange County Labor Federation starting an organizing campaign at Knott's Berry Farm attempting to turn the entire park Union. We will be discussing this further at future Union Meetings. In the last couple months, I have taken some classes on Mental Health and suicide prevention. Please keep in mind we never know what people may be going through. If you think someone may be in or going through a difficult situation, consider taking a moment to ask how they are doing. You will never know if you can help someone if you don't ask. We will be working this next year to bring more awareness and support to our membership.

Again, Happy Holidays.

Adam Elliott President/Organizer



## SOUTH REPORT

HENRY HILLEBRECHT

Brothers and Sisters,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Brothers and Sisters, I would like to start off on the fact that the year 2024 was a little rough on the Plumbers side. We always had anywhere from thirty to forty Journeymen Plumbers have stayed solid with Journeymen Fitters in the low-teens on the Out of Work Book, and sometimes with just a couple on the Out of Work Book. With 2024 being an election year, work seems to always be slower than a non-election year, but now that this election is over, I have spoken to people with the Building Trades and with Creed/Care OC, and they are saying that for 2025, the government work will be slowing down, but the private work will be ramping up. Creed/Care OC said that they have seen this happening now with the jobs they have looking into and think that work will be good. In my opinion, I do see a light at the end of tunnel and getting brighter with OC Vibe picking up and Disney Forward hopefully starting soon. My holiday wish for all my Brothers and Sisters for the year of 2025, is for work to be plentiful and good health for all of you and your families. I look forward to representing you all in the next year and I will work hard to find jobs and help our signatory contractors get work for us. I wish all of you Brothers and Sisters a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year, and thank you for letting me be your representee for our great Local 582, I really appreciate it.

Thank you.

Fraternally, Henry Hillebrecht Business Agent South County



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