



SPRINKLER FITTERS AND APPRENTICES UNION

LOCAL NO. 281, AFL-CIO

of the UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPE FITTING INDUSTRY
OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

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June 9, 2025

To the Members of Sprinkler Fitters Union Local 281, U.A.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement ratified by the Membership, there is an increase of \$4.25 per hour effective July 1, 2025. The members present at the June 5, 2025, regular monthly meeting voted to allocate the \$4.25 per hour increase as follows:

\$3.25 per hour increase to the wage rate

\$0.50 per hour increase to the Health & Welfare Fund contribution rate

\$0.50 per hour to the S.I.S. Pension Fund Contribution Rate

With this increase, effective July 1, 2025, the wage rate for a Journeyman Sprinkler Fitter will be \$63.25 per hour, the wage rate for a Sprinkler Fitter Foreman will be \$66.00 per hour, and the wage rate for a General Foreman will be \$66.25 per hour.

A motion was made to change the July regular monthly meeting to **Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 7:00p.m.**, to swear in the newly elected Officers. The meeting will be held at the Sprinkler Fitters Local 281, U.A. Union Hall, 11900 South Laramie Avenue, Alsip, Illinois. In keeping with tradition, a motion was also made to cancel the August regular monthly meeting.

The territory and contact information for the Local 281 Business Representatives are:

Dan Casey – (708) 541-0992– DuPage, Kane, Lake, and McHenry Counties

Bob Cline, Jr. – (708) 224-5535 – Grundy, Kendall, Will Counties, and NW Indiana

Mike Coughlin – (708) 270-2187 – Cook County

The July 4th holiday falls on Friday this year. All work performed on Friday, July 4, 2025, shall be at the double time rate. Under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, four ten-hour days during the holiday week may be performed at the straight time rate.

The Annual Local 281, U.A. Open House will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The Open House will be held at the Sprinkler Fitters Union Local 281,

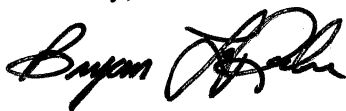
U.A. Union Hall, 11900 South Laramie Avenue, Alsip, Illinois. All members and their families are invited to attend. We will have live music, bounce houses, face painters, etc. Food and refreshments will be served.

The Local 281, U.A. Training Department offers a variety of continuing education classes for Journeymen and Journeywomen Members. If you are in need, or are interested in continuing education, you can sign up for continuing education classes on our website www.sprinklerfitterchicago.org or on the Local 281, U.A. app. Please visit the members only section on our website and click on "continuing education," or the "Training and Apprenticeship" on the app and select the class you wish to take. If there are no classes currently scheduled, sign up for the "waitlist" and we will contact you once we have enough requests for a class. If you have any questions, please contact the Training Office.

The Union Office has outdated address and telephone contact information for many of our members. Please contact the Union Office as soon as possible to update your address and telephone numbers. Also, the mass emails sent out by the Union Office have been the quickest method to communicate with the membership on Union events and other important matters. If you would like to be added to the email list, please contact the Union Office.

I would like to wish the members and their families an enjoyable and safe summer.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan LaRoche". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial 'B' and a cursive 'LaRoche'.

Bryan LaRoche
Business Manager/Financial Secretary

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