



Joint Training and Apprenticeship Committee

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Training News

Fall 2008

The staff at the JTAC hope that you and your families had a great summer in spite of the wet weather and were able to enjoy a holiday this summer season.

The JTAC Training Team has an extremely busy and challenging year. The team has been renovating Lab areas all summer and up-dating equipment bought with grants we obtained from the Government of Ontario.

We will be working on additional improvements, labs, and a new building, if we are fortunate enough to receive another grant that we have applied for, from the Ministry.

We have many courses to offer and we hope you will find time in your busy schedule to participate in one of the many courses presented this season.

Enclosed is the Fall Calendar of courses for 2008-2009.

We have included several new courses that are short overviews of the changing world around us. We will be relying on extensive feed back from the participating members to help us decide what the next steps in courses offered, will be.

Please join us in moulding the training for tomorrow.

We will delay the posting of the courses to the JTAC Website until all the mail has had time to be received by the membership.

See you at the Training Centre

New! Registration Deposit

The JTAC has a new Registration Policy for all up-grading courses.

All members must pay a \$100.00 course registration deposit fee when signing up for the 1st course of each calendar year.

This fee will be refunded to the member in May of each year via a cheque from the JTAC office, if and only if, the member has attended all classes that he has registered to attend for the complete training year.

If a member needs to cancel a course it must be done a minimum of 5 business days before the course date, otherwise the member will forfeit the \$100.00 registration deposit fee.

A signed medical doctor's note is acceptable in emergency situations.

All members must register with the JTAC office. The Website option for course registration is not available until a new Website has been designed to accommodate this process. We expect completion for the new year.

We have implemented this process to make more spots available for the members who truly want to attend our courses. We have had on-going problems with attendance and no-shows for classes; preventing the JTAC from offering these classes to other members.

Please help us make the best of our training opportunities.

Thank you for your cooperation in implementing this new policy.

U.A. Apprenticeship Competition

The second Apprenticeship contest since 1972 for U.A. Apprentices was held in Ann Arbor Michigan at Instructor Training in August this year.

Ryan McCarthy

Represented Canada, U.A. Local 787 and the JTAC at the Apprenticeship Contest this year.

Ryan was outstanding at the competition! He did a great job and gave it his very best. Ryan made us proud. The U.A. doesn't post the standings of each competitor; just one winner and five second places.

Thank You Ryan!

Non-JTAC Training Programs

New - Increased Allowance: All JTAC/Local 787 Members paying into the Training Fund are eligible to submit a course expense of **\$500.00** per year to the Training Office, for:

APPROVED COURSES.

You **MUST** have the course pre-approved by the Training Director, and it must be trade related! A receipt and official transcript of successful completion must be received in the JTAC office for rebate.

NO retro-active payments.

Night School Apprenticeship Program

Mondays – started September 22, 2008
Levels 1 to 4

Tuesdays – started September 23, 2008
Levels 1 to 4

Wednesdays – started September 24, 2008
Levels 1 to 4

Thursdays – started September 25, 2008
Levels 3 and 4 only

All apprentices should have received correspondence notifying you of your night and Level. If not, contact Flo Lawrence at the JTAC.

Flo.lawrence@jtac787.org

All Local 787 registered apprentices must be enrolled in either Night School or Home Study. Should you not have received a registration form for Home Study as yet, please contact Flo.

Ministry School Not at the JTAC

If apprentices are attending Day School out-side of the JTAC Training Centre then you **MUST** include a copy of your marks from the college you attended, when sending in your Status Form for a Referral. No Ministry School hours will be credited without the JTAC office receiving a copy of your marks.

Gas Technician Courses On-Demand

The JTAC is running all levels of Gas Technician courses at the Training Centre in Brampton G.1, G.2 and G.3 programs run every other weekend on Saturdays and Sundays.

We are also building Gas courses in the London & Ottawa areas. Please call to have your name added to the list.

The costs are as follows:

Gas Tech 1 - \$600.00
Gas Tech 2 - \$950.00
Gas Tech 3 - \$500.00

Fast track G.1

November 2008 – Full

Next Class

January 24, 2009 - Feb 1, 2009 2 weeks recess

February 21, 2009 - March 1, 2009

18 days split over 4 weeks of intensive training!

We are planning to start an Oil course, but are waiting on TSSA's approval. We anticipate a January start.

Please contact the JTAC office if you would like to participate.

Call the JTAC office for Registration

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On behalf of the JTAC Staff and Committee we would like to wish everyone a safe and prosperous Fall.

Work Safe, Work Smart-Your Family Needs You!

Yours in Training,

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