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“Whose Job Is It, Anyway?”

(A story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody,
and Nobody)

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

-Author Unknown

The Auxiliary Executive Officers just finished our summer meeting. We have made lots of exciting plans for CONNECT2021 in Kansas City, Missouri, October 20-22.

However, during our meeting it became quite clear that we have a shortage of volunteers willing to take leadership roles in our organization. For the last five years or more, we have struggled to fill the Vice President role. The Auxiliary is a volunteer-led organization, and we cannot continue without strong leadership. The current Executive Officers have a combined 39 years in national leadership positions, not to mention numerous years on committees and serving at the state and local level.

This year we need a candidate for Vice President and for Membership Secretary. We would especially welcome individuals with a fresh perspective and new ideas.

Your Auxiliary needs you to come forward and serve. You are our future!



“Our Shining Future is Now”



You are invited to attend
PHCC—National Auxiliary's
100th Anniversary Luncheon
Wednesday, October 20, 2021
11:30 in the morning
Kansas City Convention Center
Kansas City, Missouri

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Please plan to come have fun with us as we celebrate this amazing milestone. We will learn about the many accomplishments throughout the history of the Auxiliary. A video featuring memories and artifacts will be shown. Drawings will be held for exciting door prizes including a piece of diamond jewelry valued at over \$500.

In addition, please note that the Board of Directors' Meeting and the Annual Business Meeting will also be on Wednesday. So plan your flights accordingly.

We can't wait to see you there.

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Life Members' Meeting & Tea
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
4:00 PM
Location TBD
Refreshments will be served.

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Silent Auction Items and Volunteers Needed

CONNECT2021 is fast approaching! This year we plan to honor the Auxiliary's 100th Anniversary, and we're doing everything we can to make it special. We are once again holding our Silent Auction during the Trade Show on Thursday from 10-2. YOU can help by donating unique items and volunteering a little bit of your time to support our efforts. Space is limited so we need quality items that can be put in our suitcases. Put on your thinking cap and come up with creative ideas. For example, one gift already provided is a week in beautiful Beaufort, SC.

To help us prepare, please let Bonnie Whitaker know what you plan to bring and your availability to volunteer at VicePresident@phccnationalauxiliary.org or feel free to call her at (919) 602-8605.

Thank you for your continued support!

On May 24, 2021, the Foundation Board of Directors held their Spring Board Meeting. The meeting began with an update from our Manufacturer Member Rob Grim and our Educator Member Jan Bray regarding workforce and supply issues and their impact on our economy. They seemed to think that the extended unemployment benefits are having an impact on hiring workers. The Foundation's online apprentice training is growing since the online Fast Track to Service Plumbing has started. More than 80 students have enrolled since last October. The cost of the Workforce Readiness course has been reduced permanently to \$0. This course is an introduction to careers in both Plumbing and HVAC. There will be a new plumbing pre-apprentice course debuting later this year. Due to low sales the Foundation will not be updating its four-year series of HVAC Apprentice textbooks. The new recommended text book is Refrigeration and AC Technology. The Foundation plans on developing a new online course for HVAC apprentices based on this textbook.

The Skills USA Plumbing contest was held virtually this year. The Apprentice Plumbing and HVAC contests will be held in person at CONNECT this fall in Kansas City.

The Foundation will be awarding 56 scholarships valued at \$150,000. The Invest in Your Future Campaign goal is \$185,000 for this year. The newest members of the Foundation Board of Governors this year will be Jim and Sandy Stack. They will be recognized at the upcoming Foundation donor reception at CONNECT along with Jonathan and Susan Moyer.

The Foundation Board of Directors met on June 22, 2021, and approved a \$1.7 million budget for fiscal year 2022. The next Foundation Board meeting will be held at CONNECT on October 20 at the Kansas City Marriott. At the upcoming meeting, the following Board Members will be installed for two-year terms: Steve Rivers, Secretary-Treasurer; Elisabeth Sutton (Kohler), Manufacturer Member; Jonathan Moyer, new Contractor Member; and additional two-year terms for current Contractor Members Keith Bienvenu and Ray Jones.



Larry Dore Member of the Year and Robert M. Cox Awards

It's time again to submit applications for the Auxiliary awards. Even though this year has still been a little crazy, we want to hear how you got creative and made it work anyway.

The Larry Dore Member of the Year Award recognizes a single Auxiliary member's outstanding contribution to the Auxiliary, the plumbing-heating-cooling industry and the community. This may include work at the local, state or national level.

The Robert M. Cox Awards recognize outstanding projects sent in by the local Auxiliaries, state Auxiliaries, or a member-at-large (member where there is no state auxiliary). Awards will be based on activities in the categories of Image and Recruitment. Judging will place entries in the proper category.

Applications and guidelines can be found [HERE](#).

So put on your thinking caps and submit an application for either of these awards.

What Do I Do?

Membership Secretary, Jorja Dickemann

It is the responsibility of the Membership Secretary to maintain up-to-date financial and demographic records for membership. The 2021 dues were invoiced by the Auxiliary, but payments were received by the Association on behalf of the Auxiliary. In 2022, the dues will be invoiced by National who will again receive dues payments. The Membership Secretary will work closely with the Treasurer and PHCC National staff to identify dues paid. The membership reconciliation process is being fine-tuned with procedures being put in place for the accuracy of the Auxiliary's membership records.

The Membership Secretary ...

- serves a two-year term of office
- maintains demographic information on active members, including type (regular, senior, Life Member), and contact information (address, email, phone numbers)
- responds to inquiries about Auxiliary membership, providing and processing applications
- provides a membership roster for convention registration and voting
- communicates with the Scholarship Committee to verify members in good standing (dues paid) for a minimum of two consecutive years
- maintains a record of Auxiliary charter information and status
- maintains an inventory of Auxiliary pins and convention badge supplies
- provides a membership mailing list for Auxiliary newsletters and other correspondence as needed
- provides membership reports to the Executive Officers, and others, as requested

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