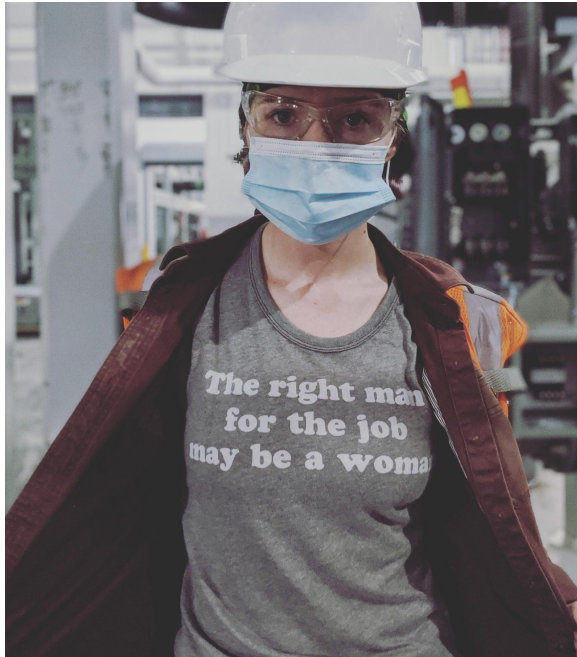


Kelsey Imhof

Tradeswomen Heroes Award

Winner - June 2022



Level of Experience: Apprenticeship

Years in Trade: 5

Union: UA

Local: 464

City: Omaha, NE

Bio

Kelsey Imhof was born in Columbus, NE. She is blessed with five amazing sisters and, despite their age gaps or distance, they grow closer with age. Kelsey and her sisters were all adopted by their grandparents at very young ages. Their grandfather was a jack of all trades, a very successful business owner, and a single-leg amputee. He instilled in Kelsey at a young age that if you work hard and put pride into everything you do, success will surely follow.

Kelsey attended Lincoln Southwest High School and was an active member of the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). Kelsey went back and forth on what she wanted to do after high school. It was between wanting to be an architectural engineer, a fashion designer, or a radio/commercial singer. As a teen, Kelsey got her first job at 14 and worked as much as she could. She enjoyed fixing up junk cars she had purchased in her free time. She also tried to take some time to fish, camp, and the occasional video game session.

After high school, Kelsey attended Southeast Community College and graduated with an Associate's Degree in Welding and an AWS D1.1 welding certificate. Kelsey had a welding instructor at SCC that would constantly tell her



to consider a pipe trade. "If it weren't for him, I most likely wouldn't know what a Steamfitter is."

Kelsey is an outstanding 5th-year apprentice at Local 464. She will be representing our Local at the District 4 competition in June 2022. After she becomes a journeyman, she plans to get more involved in local politics with the hope of running for the Nebraska Legislature someday.

Why Kelsey Was Nominated

Kelsey is an amazing apprentice and shows all the leadership qualities that will allow her to excel in her career after turning out this summer. Since her interview to become a 1st-year apprentice, we knew she was special. We couldn't be more proud of her and will be here to help guide her as a leader in the years to come. The possibilities are endless for her no matter what path she chooses, and we know she will always be a great voice for labor, especially the UA, in everything she does.