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REPRESENTING WORKERS AT – CATERPILLAR, TAZEWELL MACHINE, CITY OF DELAVAN, MASON CITY PUBLIC WORKERS & POLICE DEPARTMENT & VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN PUBLIC WORKS

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Solidarity Forever!

For the UNION makes us STRONG!



Ralph Chaplin – writer, artist & labor activist

Labor is not fighting for a larger slice of the national pie – labor is fighting for a larger pie.



Walter Reuther – UAW President 1946-1970



Our labor unions are not narrow self-seeking groups. They have raised wages, shortened hours, and provided supplemental benefits. Through collective bargaining and grievance procedures, they have brought justice and democracy to the shop floor.

John F. Kennedy – 35th United States President 1961-1963

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RANDY DIEHL, President

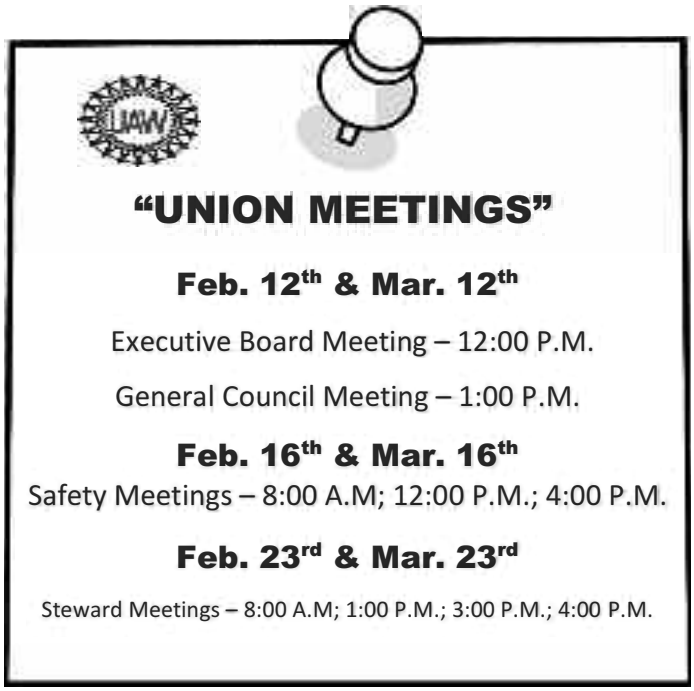
Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

By the time that you are reading this we will be 3 – 4 weeks into contract negotiations with approximately that much time remaining until the March 1st deadline.

I want to be optimistic about the negotiating an acceptable agreement with Caterpillar but it's difficult to be. I know that the business climate is ideal right now and I know that Caterpillar has struggled hiring quality employees the last couple of years. I also know that the UAW has been very successful negotiating excellent agreements with other big companies recently, so it is time for Caterpillar to do the same.

If Caterpillar refuses to do this our only recourse will be to call a strike and withhold our labor and the only way this will work is for all our members to not cross the picket line. I understand that everyone is going to make their choices, but we can't expect to get the best contract possible without the potential of making sacrifices. Now is the time to demand a fair contract and we can only do that with complete solidarity.

Stay safe and In Solidarity,
Randy Diehl



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INSURANCE & BENEFITS REPORT – FEBRUARY 2023

JOHN ARNOLD

Hello Brothers & Sisters!

Happy New Year everyone! I hope everybody had a safe and happy holiday. Annual enrollment went smoothly last year and there were no changes to the coverage except for the retiree premiums on the old plans. If you have Blue Cross Blue Shield and live in certain counties in Illinois you should have received a new insurance card by now. The counties that are shown below are the new Caterpillar Network for Blue Cross Blue Shield. If you don't live in these counties you will NOT get a new I.D. card. Nothing has changed on the coverage whether you live in one of these counties or not.

For the people that live in the counties below you will have a new website and phone number to use. www.myblueelementil.com and 1-888-228-1120.

Caterpillar Network for Blue Cross Blue Shield Counties with the new insurance cards. →



When this newsletter comes out bargaining will have been going on for about a month. I want to tell the bargaining team to stay strong. As well as the membership to stay strong and remember that Solidarity can take this Union to a whole new level.

In Solidarity,
John Arnold
Insurance & Benefits Chairman

RETIREES - Medicare Reimbursement

From time to time, I remind our retirees about the Medicare Part B reimbursement portion of our plan. If you or your spouse are Medicare age, 65, and enrolled in Medicare Part A & B, you are eligible for reimbursement of the Part B Premium. **The Plan will reimburse your Medicare premium up to $99.50 per month every January and July.** This only pertains to members and spouses that opted out of the management/executive plan and retired prior to March 26, 2017. **You must contact Alight Solutions (Hewitt) at 1-877-228-4010 to enroll for the reimbursement. Once you're signed up, you won't have to sign-up again.**

UNION PLAN Pre-65 Premiums Retiree from 1-1-92 until 3-26-17		UNION PLAN Post-64 Premiums Retiree-- 1-1-92 until 3-26-17	
	BC/BS OR UHC		BC/BS OR UHC
EE	**$428.73**	EE	**$224.62**
EE+SP	**$857.46**	EE+SP	**$449.24**
EE+DEP	**$857.46**	EE+DEP	**$449.24**
FAMILY	**$857.46**	FAMILY	**$449.24**
SP ONLY	**$428.73**	SP ONLY	**$224.62**
SP+DEP	**$857.46**	SP+DEP	**$449.24**
DEP ONLY	**$428.73**	DEP ONLY	**$224.62**

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VSP Choice Plan
(former Executive Plan)

SERVICE	COST
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Contact Lens Exam	$60.00 Co-Pay (per year)
Frame Benefit	$160.00 allowance (per 2 yrs)
Contact Lenses	$140.00 allowance (per year) instead of glasses
Lenses	$20.00 Co-Pay for standard lenses (once per year)

Additional 25% discount on frames over $160.00 and lens add-ons!

$20 Co-Pay for "medically necessary" contact lenses (designated by a doctor in cases where a patient's vision cannot be corrected through the use of glasses)

VSP Access Indemnity Plan
(former Union $150 Allowance Plan - Benefits every 2 years)

EXAM/FRAMES:	**Members**	**Retail**
Comprehensive Eye Health Exam	$40.00	$59.00
Frame	$34.00	up to $79.00
Designer Frames	30% OFF RETAIL	FULL RETAIL
LENSES:		
Single Vision	$40.00	$60.00
Line Bifocal	$65.00	$90.00
Line Trifocal	$85.00	$190.00
PROGRESSIVE LENSES:		
Basic	$110.00	$190.00
Premium	$170.00	$240.00

Additional 25% discount on other progressives and lens add-ons!

VSP Insurance covers routine optometric visits only. Medical visits are covered under the member's health insurance and/or Medicare.

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Grand Prairie	**309.691.1320**	**Galesburg**	**309.343.7799**

Our other 12 offices may be near kids in college.

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NON-OCCUPATIONAL

By Loren Meyers, Plantwide Safety Chairman

By the time you read this, it will be well into 2023. Considering the events leading up to the holidays and events so far in the New Year, it doesn't look like much has changed. The powers that be continue to say one thing and then do another, while at the same time, holding workers to higher standards of accountability than themselves.

In 2017, a member who was doing his assembly work, put the tool he was using down to pull his trousers up because his belt did not hold them up due to poor genetics. When This member reached behind and grabbed his belt loop and pulled, he felt a hot burning sensation in his right hand that radiated up his arm. The member was in a little bit of shock due to the thought that he was having a stroke. After calming down and taking a few minutes to evaluate the situation the member noticed that his thumb on his right hand was not working anymore. So, the member went to his supervisor and told him what happened and then the member went to medical, and the nurse made out an accident report.

I want to give you some background leading up to this injury. For several years leading up to this injury the member had went to 3 different supervisors reporting to them that he was having pain, cramping, loss of grip and swelling in his right-hand and wrist, but each supervisor told him to do hand stretches or see his own doctor. This member had good documentation of when his hand was getting worse, and he had told each supervisor and ME that from 2011 to 2017 or 18 the job he was performing had major Quality issues that he had discovered in 2011 while performing his assemble. The original process the operator had to do was a simple calculation based off dimensions stamped on the case and engineering instructions. However, due to two major gear issues that a supplier was shipping not to print, this part of the process was useless, and assemblers were instructed to perform a pattern test on the two gears moving together. If the pattern failed, then the units had to be disassembled and then re-shimmed based off Engineer changes off the original process instructions. Too disassemble the units and re-shim them is very difficult and involves using a 5-pound hammer and driver that weighed 5 to 10 pounds to beat a 10-inch diameter race 2 inches thick out of the case that it was assembled in frozen. This process had to be performed sometimes multiple times a day. The member complained to management several times how doing this new process was causing damage to his hand and wrist but was not allowed to go to medical but instructed to go to his own doctor. The member was having a lot a pain in his wrist and swelling to the point he went to his family doctor who said it was caused by repetitive motion based off his job description, so he gave the member a cortisone injection to his right wrist and made an appointment for the member to see a specialist the following week. The specialist gave the same diagnosis as the family doctor then injected the members right wrist with cortisone again. Two days later the injury occurred the member was put on light duty until he went out on medical for surgery which resulted in:

- Thumb tendon repair surgery.
- Cubital Tunnel Syndrome Surgery.
- Carpal tunnel wrist surgery.

No investigation was done. What do you think managements response to the injury was? **NON- OCCUPATIONAL**

September of 2022, building KK, another member reported an injury to their supervisor of wrist pain and swelling caused by a lifting device she had told management about. There was another member working in the same department that reported the lifting device too. The injured member was sent to KK medical then to SS medical where she saw the doctor on staff. The member was in pain but SS Doctor would not put her on restrictions because she was denied workmen comp and the injury was considered **NON-OCCUPATIONAL**… before she even seen the doctor? SS doctor did give the injured member a non- rigid wrist brace to wear. *When the member came back to her department and told the supervisor the supervisor put the injured member in a light duty work area because she was in a lot of pain*. This member has had surgery and has been out on medical since this injury.

I have been trying to get management to explain to me how they determine an injury is work related and every management person I have asked has given a vague or different process. Why so secretive? I do know that it is being determined by a group of individuals. One is a workmen comp adjuster by the name of Frank Tolton which our member who was injured in September was given his name and phone number from the SS doctor on staff to call if she had any question. Again, her injury was considered **NON-OCCUPATIONAL**? So, I am assuming these individuals have a medical background to make these decisions without investigating the incident, getting the SS Doctors opinion, or talking to the employee who stated she was in pain and could not perform her job duties. However, management did go into the workstation, modify the lifting device that injured member and changed packaging requirements for the part the injured employee was lifting but said it was not related to the incident?

I have been confronted by several of our members for similar cases where they reported and received medical attention, time off, restrictions and management considered them **NON-OCCUPATIONAL**. Some of the individuals are still experiencing pain from those incidents but are afraid to report them due to retaliation. OSHA Recordkeeping regulation (29 CFR 1904) https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping

HOW DOES OSHA DEFINE A RECORDABLE INJURY OR ILLNESS?

- Any work-related fatality.
- Any work-related injury or illness that results in loss of consciousness, days away from work, restricted work, or transfer to another job.
- Any work-related injury or illness requiring medical treatment beyond first aid.
- Any work-related diagnosed case of cancer, chronic irreversible diseases, fractured or cracked bones or teeth, and punctured eardrums.
- There are also special recording criteria for work-related cases involving: needlesticks and sharps injuries; medical removal; hearing loss; and tuberculosis.

HOW DOES OSHA DEFINE FIRST AID?

- Using a non-prescription medication at nonprescription strength (for medications available in both prescription and non-prescription form, a recommendation by a physician or other licensed health care professional to use a non-prescription medication at prescription strength is considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes);
- Administering tetanus immunizations (other immunizations, such as Hepatitis B vaccine or rabies vaccine, are considered medical treatment); Cleaning, flushing or soaking wounds on the surface of the skin
- Using wound coverings such as bandages, Band-Aids™, gauze pads, etc.; or using butterfly bandages or Steri-Strips™ (other wound closing devices such as sutures, staples, etc., are considered medical treatment);
- Using hot or cold therapy;
- Using any non-rigid means of support, such as elastic bandages, wraps, non-rigid back belts, etc. (devices with rigid stays or other systems designed to immobilize parts of the body are considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes);
- Using temporary immobilization devices while transporting an accident victim (e.g., splints, slings, neck collars, back boards, etc.). Drilling of a fingernail or toenail to relieve pressure, or draining fluid from a blister;
- Using eye patches;
- Removing foreign bodies from the eye using only irrigation or a cotton swab;
- Removing splinters or foreign material from areas other than the eye by irrigation, tweezers, cotton swabs or other simple means;
- Using finger guards;
- Using massages (physical therapy or chiropractic treatment are considered medical treatment for record keeping purposes); or
- Drinking fluids for relief of heat stress.

If you go to management to report an injury and the business unit has already reached what it considers recordables an acceptable limit for the year, you will most likely fall into the **NON-OCCUPATIONAL** category. If management does an investigation, the injuries are not considered as repetitive motion injuries over time. The investigation will show the injury that just happened could not have happened over a period of time from repetitive work.

Lastly, we the workers are not the problem; we are the solution to Caterpillar's health and safety problems. We are the experts on our jobs and the way they are done. We don't design the workplace, parts, processes, or tools we work with, but we certainly suffer the injuries and illnesses attributed to them. We need to get our respective workplaces in order. If you feel that you are exposed to a safety or health hazard on your job, notify your supervisor. If he/she can't or won't deal with it in a satisfactory manner, ask for your union health and safety representative. If you are hurt at work or suffer from a work-related illness, report it. If you are asked for a written statement, invoke your Weingarten Rights if anything you provide might be used against you. Remember, your union representative is your only advocate, there to help you, if only you call.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

JUDY POULSEN

FINANCIAL REPORT FEBRUARY 2023

NOVEMBER 2022	
Income	245,211.90
Expenditures	234,004.28
Excess of Income over Expense	11,207.62
Regular Dues received on:	3,318
Initiation Fees received on:	65
Bonus dues received on:	3,332
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	125,743.20
CAP Council	6,244.72
CAT Council	4,964.18
Retirees Dues PCT	134.55
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	131.88
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	5.57
TOTAL:	137,408.10

DECEMBER 2022	
Income	233,410.36
Expenditures	212,607.63
Excess of Income over Expense	20,802.73
Regular Dues received on:	3,355
Bonus dues received on:	2
Initiation Fees received on:	83
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	115,051.31
CAP Council	6,649.32
CAT Council	4,629.27
Retirees Dues PCT	40.95
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	131.20
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	57.27
TOTAL:	126,743.32



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AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974
TRIENNIAL ELECTION WINNERS FOR 2023 – 2026 TERM

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS HAVE BEEN ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION:

EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION:

PRESIDENT
Randy Diehl

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
Matt Diebel

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT
Tony Newton

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS
Kim Baker

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – EP PRIME PROD
Caleb Kelly

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – MAPLETON CMO
Steven Kovach

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – EP UNDERCARRIAGE
Robert Hawkins

UNIT 1 (CAT) BARGAINING CHAIRMAN
Bobby Koller

RECORDING SECRETARY
Doug Byrne

CHRMN OF INSURANCE & BENEFITS
John Arnold

TRUSTEES
Scott "Redbeard" Kindilien
Bruce Bartlett
Mike Rohde

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – MAPLETON SEALS
Thomas J. Johnson

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – MORTON
Angie Speer

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – SKILLED TRADES
Tony Reed

UNIT 9 (MC/PW) BARGAINING CHAIRMAN
Ben McCormick

***GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION*:**	
EAST PEORIA PRIME PRODUCTS	**MORTON (GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION CNTR)**
Tony Newton (1st shift – LL)	Matt Butler (1st shift)
Matthew R. Harrison (3rd shift - LL)	Andrew Marvel (1st shift / Any shift)
	Jim Haley (3rd shift / other than 1st shift)
TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION	**EAST PEORIA UNDERCARRIAGE**
Randy Bumbalough (1st shift)	Doug Byrne (1st)
MAPLETON CMO/SEALS	**EAST PEORIA TRANSMISSIONS**
Darin Hub (1st shift, CMO)	Mike Rohde (1st shift)
Steve Kovach (2nd shift, CMO)	Scott "Redbeard" Kindilien (2nd shift)
Matt Diebel (3rd shift, CMO)	Ken Gregory (Radar) (3rd shift)
Thomas Johnson (1st shift, Seals)	

TRIENNIAL ELECTION WINNERS BY ACCLAMATION (CONTINUED)

C.A.P. COUNCIL DELEGATES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Roberto G. Avina
Dale Cassel
David W. Chapman
Rick Doty
Mark Haasis
Sandra Haasis
Gary Hall
O. W. (Wes) Hogsett
Robert William LiGrisse III
Donald (Gene) Mabee
Marcia McCann
Bill Scott
James Tabor
Harry H. Thompson Jr
Stan Valentine
Velma Walton

NO NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICER - GUIDE
MEMBER AT LARGE – EP TRANSMISSIONS
MEMBER AT LARGE – TECH SERVICES DIVISION
MEMBER AT LARGE – SPECIALTY PRODUCTS
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – SPECIALTY PRODUCTS
UNIT 4 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – TAZEWELL MACHINE WORKS
UNIT 6 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – CITY OF DELAVAN
UNIT 10 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – MASON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
UNIT 12 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN

ELECTIONS TO BE HELD AT A LATER DATE FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER
PLANTWIDE SAFETY CHAIRMAN
EP PRIME PRODUCTS GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – SS 1ST SHIFT
EP UNDERCARRIAGE – OTHER THAN 1ST SHIFT

(All new offices will take effect in June of 2023 after being sworn in.)

AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974 TRIENNIAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

LISTED BELOW ARE THE CANDIDATES FOR THE TRIENNIAL ELECTION:

EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS		**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES:**
FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER		**EAST PEORIA UNDERCARRIAGE**
1 Judy Poulsen		1 Kim Baker (2nd shift)
2 Matt Butler		2 Bill Hoffman (3rd shift)
PLANTWIDE SAFETY CHAIRMAN		**EAST PEORIA PRIME PRODUCTS**
1 Loren Meyers		1 Bruce Bartlett (SS 1st shift)
2 Ross Baize		2 Frank Coates (SS 1st shift)

THE ELECTION WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023, FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. AT THE LOCAL 974 UNION HALL, 3025 SPRINGFIELD ROAD, EAST PEORIA, IL

THE RUNOFF ELECTION, IF NEEDED, AND ELECTION FOR GRIEVANCE DIVISION CHAIRMEN WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023, FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. AT LOCAL 974 UNION HALL

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AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974 ELECTION COMMITTEE
BILL SMITH, CHAIRMAN
TROY HOFFERT, CO-CHAIRMAN
SHIRLEY HARRIS, SERGEANT-AT-ARMS
MICHAEL CIACCIO, RECORDING SECRETARY

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BARGAINING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOBBY KOLLER

Greetings Brother and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We currently have 14 issue and 3 just cause grievances on the docket. When this newsletter is put out we will be in the middle of negotiations with Caterpillar working on a new contract. My hope is that Caterpillar realizes that the membership are the ones that put in the hard work to make them record profits all these years.

The negotiating team met with International Vice President Chuck Browning on January 5, 2023 for the kickoff to negotiations. Chuck is a standup guy with many years of experience. The negotiating team feels very good about Chuck Browning going into negotiations with us. At this point we are at a wait and see if Caterpillar is going to negotiate a fair contract for our members.

As far as grievances go, after talking with the Chairman of the Business Units, grievances have picked up with indefinite suspension and separations.

Please be careful during this process. Don't do anything to jeopardize your jobs and don't believe anything you may be told.

We are Brothers and Sisters. As brothers and sisters we may not agree with everything, but when things get tough we must stand together in solidarity.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at the Union Hall with any questions or concerns (309) 694-3151.

In Solidarity,
Bobby Koller
Bargaining Chairman



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Remembering Our Brothers and Sisters

November

Roger D. Willmon	R	11/01/22
Roosevelt Harris	R	11/02/22
James R. Houle	R	11/03/22
Vemon W. Esch	R	11/04/22
Craig B. Ewald	R	11/06/22
Thomas D. Worley Jr.	R	11/07/22
John D. Giosta	R	11/07/22
Richard L. Rees	R	11/09/22
Thomas R. Michael	R	11/10/22
Randall L. Wiemer	R	11/10/22
Dale L. Chapman	R	11/11/22
Robert C. Heuermann	R	11/12/22
Richard D. Stolz	R	11/14/22
Ronald L. Giddens	R	11/17/22
Billy L. Stadsholt	R	11/20/22
Kenneth L. Simmons	R	11/22/22
Lawrence L. Bugg	R	11/25/22
Clarence L. Filyaw	R	11/29/22
Delmar L. Hodson	R	11/30/22

December

Floyd E. Wilson	R	12/05/22
Alfred W. Burnett Jr.	R	12/06/22
Junior D. Scott	R	12/09/22
Charles L. Graack Jr.	R	12/11/22
Leroy D. Poepsel	R	12/12/22
Melvin W. Hauk	R	12/13/22
Harry R. Stroup	R	12/14/22
Alfred M. Brooks	R	12/14/22
Jerry L. Wood	R	12/16/22
Jimmie N. Gravitt	R	12/18/22
Homer H. Hilpert Jr.	R	12/19/22
Teddy L. Eads	A	12/20/22
Richard Blunk	R	12/23/22
Mark W. Fritenmeier	R	12/23/22
Gary H. Perkins	R	12/25/22
Avery A. Swarms	A	12/25/22
Travis M. Staker	A	12/25/22
Sharon K. Martin	R	12/27/22
Robert J. Wilkins	R	12/27/22
J.W. Randle Jr.	R	12/27/22
Wilbur E. Eeten	R	12/30/22
Billy D. Swango	R	12/30/22
Harvey M. Henderson	R	12/30/22
John E. Ashby	R	12/30/22

Forever Remembered



Please notify us when one of our active or retired members passes away. We do not receive this information from the company.

On behalf of the Officers, Members and Retirees of Local 974, may we offer our deepest condolences to the families of our brothers and sisters who have recently passed away. May God comfort all of you in your loss.



RETIREES CHAPTER UAW LOCAL 974

WEDNESDAY POTLUCKS ~ ***ALL POTLUCKS TO BEGIN STARTING MARCH 16TH***

We invite and encourage all the new Retirees to join us for dinner and bingo after the meeting.
(Please bring your own table service.)

We also encourage the spouses of deceased members of Local 974 to join us. Surviving spouses are Associate Members of our Retiree Chapter and we invite you to participate in our activities.

BUS TRIPS 

Tuesday, February 28 – Isle of Capri

Tuesday, March 28 – Catfish Bend

For questions concerning the trip call Velma Walton at 694-3151.

HOW CAN I JOIN THE RETIREE CLUB?

Upon retirement Local 974 members in good standing are encouraged to register at the Dues Office to become Chapter members. Retirees and their spouses are welcome and encouraged to attend the Retiree Chapter Meetings and activities.

We have a Potluck the third Wednesday of every month – meat, coffee and doughnuts are furnished. A variety of other activities are planned at various times throughout the year.

To assist in financing these activities a $3.00 per month voluntary membership dues can be established at the Dues Office. The largest portion of the dues dollars goes to the International Retired Workers Advisory Council which is concerned with retired-workers programs and policies and other matters that affect the welfare of retired workers.

Contact Retirees' Officers at 309/694-3151

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RETIREE DINNERS



Due to a large number of requests from our retirees we are happy to announce that the Retiree Dinners will be returning on March 16, 2023, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

All UAW Local 974 retirees and their spouses are welcome to attend.
Meat is provided by the hall, please bring a covered dish to share.

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FEBRUARY 2023 • CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 12th	***SUPER BOWL***
Sunday, February 12th	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 P.M.
Sunday, February 12th	GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 P.M.
Tuesday, February 14th	***VALENTINE'S DAY***
Thursday, February 16th	SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Saturday, February 18th	***UNITED WAY TRIVIA NIGHT***
Thursday, February 23rd	STEWARD MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Tuesday, February 28th	***ISLE OF CAPRI BUS TRIP – 8:00 A.M.***

MARCH 2023 • CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, March 1st	***NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – (April Paper)***
Sunday, March 12th	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 PM
Sunday, March 12th	GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 PM
Friday, March 17th	***ST. PATRICK'S DAY – (Don't forget your Green)***
Thursday, March 16th	SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Thursday, March 23rd	STEWARD MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Tuesday, March 28th	***CATFISH BEND BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM***

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Phone (Home) _____ Cell:_____

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