



LOCAL 974 NEWS

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Congratulations
CLASS OF
2023



2023- 2024

Heather Henninger Scholarship



Application Inside - Due August 25, 2023 - 1 application per student.

Drawing will be September 10th at the UAW General Council Meeting.

*Scholarship is for Children or Grandchildren of Active, Retired or Deceased Members
of UAW Local 974.*

The student must be a full-time student with a minimum of 12 hours.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RANDY DIEHL, President _____

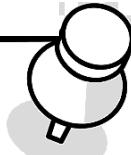

Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

I am sure that everyone is happy that winter is over, and spring is here. I hope that all of you that have worked overtime and saved for the potential strike that we avoided can now take a great vacation and some time off. You all definitely deserve this! It was the solidarity shown in all our business units that forced Caterpillar to listen to our demands and agree to the best agreement we have received in a very long time.

If anyone of you are interested in getting more involved with our great union, we will be holding steward elections for every allocation and also General Council elections sometime this summer. Watch for nomination notices.

In Solidarity,

Randy Diehl



"UNION MEETINGS"

June 11th & July 9th

Executive Board Meeting – 12:00 P.M.

General Council Meeting – 1:00 P.M.

June 15th & July 20th

Safety Meetings – 8:00 A.M; 12:00 P.M.; 4:00 P.M.

June 22nd & July 27th

Steward Meetings – 8:00 A.M; 1:00 P.M.; 3:00 P.M.; 4:00 P.M.

UAW LOCAL 974 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President

Randy Diehl

Executive Vice-President

Matthew Diebel

Second Vice-President

Tony Newton

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John Arnold

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Amy Gale

M-A-L Mapleton Seals

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(Open)

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Bargain. Chair. – Mason City PD

James D. Otey

Bargain. Chair. – Unit 12 South Pekin

Andrea Cantrall

INSURANCE & BENEFITS REPORT – JUNE 2023

JOHN ARNOLD _____

Hello Brothers & Sisters!

I hope you all are having a wonderful year so far. I can't believe we are almost halfway through the year all ready. We are about 175 days from Thanksgiving and about 207 days from Christmas. This year has gone by quick.

I want to discuss a topic I hear about quite often and that is paying at the time of service. I have people calling or stopping in to tell me that this hospital or that hospital says they need to pay their deductible or copay before having the test or procedure done. My response to them, to you and to the hospital is all the same. "Bill my insurance first, that's why I have it." Hospitals or doctor offices might know what your deductible and maximum out of pocket is, but they don't know how much you've already paid in. You could be paying for stuff you don't need to. When you have overpaid the provider it can be difficult to get them to reimburse you that money back.

So, when you go to the hospital or to the doctor's office to get tests done or have a procedure done just tell them to bill the insurance first and not you.

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.**

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ELECTION NOTICE

THE FOLLOWING POSITION HAS BEEN WON BY ACCLAMATION:

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEEPERSON FOR MAPLETON SEALS
(OTHER THAN 1ST SHIFT):**

KIMBERLY K. ERICKSON

**THERE WERE NO NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FOR GRIEVANCE
COMMITTEEPERSON FOR EAST PEORIA PRIME PRODUCT –
BLDGS LL/NN FOR 2ND SHIFT**

**WILLIAM SMITH, CHAIRMAN
ELECTION COMMITTEE
UAW LOCAL 974**

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Contact Lens Exam	\$60.00 Co-Pay (per year)	Frame	\$34.00 up to \$79.00
Frame Benefit	\$160.00 allowance (per 2 yrs)	Designer Frames	30% OFF RETAIL FULL RETAIL
Contact Lenses	\$140.00 allowance (per year) instead of glasses	LENSES:	
Lenses	\$20.00 Co-Pay for standard lenses (once per year)	Single Vision	\$40.00 \$60.00
Additional 25% discount on frames over \$160.00 and lens add-ons!		Line Bifocal	\$65.00 \$90.00
<small>\$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)</small>		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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Knoxville	309.713.3664	Canton	309.647.0366
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		Our other 12 offices may be near kids in college.	

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**UAW AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974
ELECTION NOTICE**



Nominations will open **MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023** at 8:00 a.m. and close **FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2023**, at 4:30 p.m. with drawing for position on the ballot on **SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023** at 10:00 a.m. for the following **GENERAL COUNCIL DELEGATES**:

PLANT	# OF DELEGATES
EAST PEORIA PRIME PRODUCT (LL/NN, SS)	7
EAST PEORIA TRANSMISSIONS (KK, HH WEST & BLDG H)	7
EAST PEORIA UNDERCARRIAGE (BB, EE, GG & HH EAST)	3
MAPLETON CMO	8
MAPLETON SEALS	3
MORTON	8
TSD-PPG	2
MAINTENANCE COMPONENTS	1
UNIT 4 TAZEWEILL MACHINE	1
UNIT 6 CITY OF DELAVAN	1
UNIT 9 MASON CITY PUBLIC WORKS	1
UNIT 10 MASON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	1
UNIT 12 VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN PUBLIC WORKS	1

All nomination forms must be notarized unless personally handed to an Election Committee Officer.
Printed names on the form should reflect how the candidates wish their names to appear on the ballot.

Last withdrawal date will be **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2023** at 4:30 p.m.

Nominations and withdrawals will be accepted during Local 974
normal business hours ONLY.

ELECTION WILL BE HELD:
TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 FROM 6:00 AM TO 7:00 PM

RUN-OFF ELECTION (if necessary) WILL BE HELD:
TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023 FROM 6:00 AM TO 7:00 PM

Election will be held at Amalgamated Local 974 UAW Union Hall,
3025 Springfield Road, East Peoria IL 61611

BILL SMITH, CHAIRMAN
LOCAL 974 ELECTION COMMITTEE





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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE PERSONS

- 1 EP PRIME PRODUCT – BLDG LL – 2ND SHIFT
- 1 EP PRIME PRODUCT – BLDG LL – 3RD SHIFT
- 1 TECH CENTER & PROVING GROUNDS – ANY SHIFT
- 1 MORTON – OTHER THAN 1ST SHIFT
- 2 MAINTENANCE COMPONENTS – ANY SHIFT

EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS

- 1 GUIDE
- 1 MEMBER AT LARGE – EP TRANSMISSIONS
- 1 MEMBER AT LARGE – MAINTENANCE COMPONENTS
- 1 MEMBER AT LARGE - TECH CENTER & PROV GROUNDS

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UAW LOCAL 974



FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

JUDY POULSEN _____

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 2023

MARCH 2023	
Income	409,646.81
Expenditures	308,587.80
Excess of Income over Expense	101,059.01
Regular Dues received on:	6,514
Initiation Fees received on:	59
Sub dues received on:	4
Bonus dues received on:	2
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	141,319.01
CAP Council	1,563.80
CAT Council	5,634.70
Retirees Dues PCT	352.95
Labor Council of West Central IL	368.00
Ag Imp Council	138.84
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	7.05
TOTAL:	149,384.35

APRIL 2023	
Income	249,190.69
Expenditures	243,199.80
Excess of Income over Expense	5,990.89
Regular Dues received on:	3,337
Initiation Fees received on:	48
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	112,873.02
CAP Council	12,299.00
CAT Council	9,184.33
Retirees Dues PCT	100.75
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	259.40
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	6.65
TOTAL:	134,907.15

JUNE 2023 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 PM
SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH	GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 PM
THURSDAY, JUNE 15TH	SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH	FATHER'S DAY
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21ST	RETIREE DINNER – 11:30 AM
THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND	STEWARD MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM
TUESDAY, JUNE 27TH	CATFISH BEND BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM

JULY 2023 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 3RD	NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DEADLINE – (AUG. ISSUE)
TUESDAY, JULY 4TH	INDEPENDENCE DAY – (UNION HALL CLOSED)
SUNDAY, JULY 9TH	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 PM
SUNDAY, JULY 9TH	GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH	RETIREE DINNER – 11:30 AM
THURSDAY, JULY 20TH	SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
TUESDAY, JULY 25TH	BALLY'S QUAD CITIES BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM
THURSDAY, JULY 27TH	STEWARD MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM



BARGAINING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – JUNE 2023

BOBBY KOLLER _____

Greetings Brother and Sisters,

I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying the Spring weather.

The Triennial Elections have just finished up. I would like to congratulate the winners and everyone that participated as well as the election committee that spent long hours preparing and running the election.

As I write this article (May 5th) the Negotiating Team will be attending the AG-IMP Conference for the week of May 8th. We currently have 12 issue grievances and 2 just cause on the active grievance list. The Chairman of the Business Unit Grievance Committees will be posting the steward nominations soon. I would like to wish everyone good luck and thank those that are stepping up to a thankless job. After the Steward Elections there will be steward training in Ottawa at the end of June.

Steward meetings have been going well. With the new contract language our members are going to have a lot of questions. I encourage all stewards to attend the steward meetings and ask any questions our members might have.

With hot weather on its way please work safely. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me at (309) 694-3151.

In Solidarity,
Bobby Koller
Bargaining Chairman



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HEATHER HENNINGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2023 – 2024

The General Council, Executive Board and Retirees' Chapter of Local 974 have elected to award fourteen (14) \$500 scholarships from the Heather Henninger Scholarship Fund for the 2023 through 2024 college school year.

There is one (1) additional \$500 scholarship that will be given in the Memory of Thomas Klein for the 2023 through 2024 college school year.

The following guidelines have been established for qualified entrants:

1. Entrant must be the child, grandchild, stepchild or step grandchild of an active retired or deceased Local 974 Member in good standing.
2. Entrant must be enrolled as a full-time college student (minimum 12 hours) for the 2023 – 2024 college school year.
3. Entrants must submit the Scholarship Fund Application by Friday, August 25, 2023.

A drawing will be held on Sunday, September 10th at the General Council Meeting.

Seven male and seven female students will be awarded a \$500 each in cash scholarships for a total of \$7,000 in scholarship awards. One male or female student will be awarded a \$500 Thomas Klein Scholarship.

Please complete and return the application to the Dues Office. It must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, August 25, 2023.

UAW Local 974

UAW LOCAL 974 HEATHER HENNINGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION 2023 – 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male _____ Female _____

College Name: _____

Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Other _____

Class Hours: _____

UAW Local 974 Family Member: _____

Badge: _____ Applicant's Relationship to 974 Member: _____

Address: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____



***Only one entry per student, with a minimum of 12 hours.
It must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, August 25, 2023.***

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AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974 **TRIENNIAL ELECTION WINNERS**

LISTED BELOW ARE THE WINNERS FROM THE MAY 2, 2023 TRIENNIAL ELECTION:

EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER

1 Judy Poulsen	45%
2 Matt Butler *	55%

PLANTWIDE SAFETY CHAIRMAN

1 Loren Meyers *	68%
2 Ross Baize	32%

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES:

EAST PEORIA UNDERCARRIAGE

1 Kim Baker (2 nd shift) *	83%
2 Bill Hoffman (3 rd shift)	17%

E P PRIME PRODUCTS (SS / 1ST SHIFT)

1 Bruce Bartlett	29%
2 Frank Coates *	71%

All winners (elected by vote and by acclamation) will be sworn in
at the June 11, 2023, General Council Meeting.

AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974 ELECTION COMMITTEE

BILL SMITH, CHAIRMAN
TROY HOFFERT, CO-CHAIRMAN
SHIRLEY HARRIS, SERGEANT-AT-ARMS
MICHAEL CIACCIO, RECORDING SECRETARY

* denotes the winner

Kcn/opeiu#9/afl-cio-clc

Remembering Our Brothers and Sisters

March

Kenneth G. Brobston	R	03/01/23
James D. Brown	R	03/01/23
Donald R. Corley	R	03/03/23
Lewis E. Thomas	R	03/03/23
Richard L. Sutherland	R	03/05/23
Roy L. Cowin	R	03/05/23
Larry W. Turner	R	03/06/23
Wayman R. Kramer	R	03/06/23
Kenneth L. Putney	R	03/07/23
James L. Means	R	03/07/23
Fred E. Thompson	R	03/10/23
Samuel J. Sickles Jr.	R	03/11/23
Bobby J. Cagle	R	03/14/23
Richard A. Kangas	R	03/15/23
Allen D. Smith	R	03/16/23
Jacob R. Gauwitz Jr.	R	03/17/23
Roger L. Fehr Sr.	R	03/17/23
Vicki L. Cox	R	03/21/23
Mark R. Happach	R	03/22/23
Gary E. Smith	R	03/23/23
Steve Gilles	R	03/23/23
Dick E. Brown	R	03/25/23
Leroy R. Bleichner	R	03/28/23
Jerry D. Maddox	R	03/30/23
Melvin L. Duckwiler	R	03/31/23

April

Thomas E. Anderson	R	04/03/23
Arthur J. Borowiec	R	04/04/23
Howard D. Kellum	R	04/04/23
Robert L. Hierman	R	04/06/23
Philip E. Hill	R	04/07/23
Ewing R. Stokes	R	04/08/23
Robert G. Binkele	R	04/08/23
Dorothy L. Lamon	R	04/08/23
Richard E. Chambers	R	04/10/23
Gary L. Pemberton	R	04/13/23
Dale L. Lehnhausen	R	04/14/23
David C. Henderson	R	04/14/23
Lawrence R. Ripper	R	04/16/23
Stephen D. Hodgkins	R	04/17/23
Leonard J. De Rubeis	R	04/20/23
Marshall C. Winn	R	04/20/23
Erica M. Johnson	A	04/22/23
Steven R. Athens	R	04/26/23
Donald J. Maloney Jr.	R	04/27/23
John R. Herrmann	R	04/27/23
Fred Beckham	R	04/29/23
Michael J. Gyorkos	R	04/29/23
Merle L. Daymude	R	04/29/23

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

JUNE 21ST & JULY 19TH

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, June 27 – Catfish Bend Bus Trip



Tuesday, July 25 – Bally's Quad Cities Bus Trip

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

Velma Walton, President • James W. Tabor, First Vice President • (Open), Second Vice President
Sandra Haasis, Recording Secretary • Gary E. Hall, Sergeant-At-Arms • Thomas J. Bencher, Financial Secretary
Raymond "Dale" Cassel, Guide • Mark Haasis, Trustee • Steven C. Adams, Trustee • Garry Rendleman, Trustee

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HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT

Good afternoon. My name is Loren Meyers I am the UAW 974 Plantwide Safety Chairman. The UAW Health and Safety Department received notification of 5 work related deaths among UAW members since the last remembrance of Workers Memorial Day.

June 2, 2022 Steven Matthew Dierkes Age 39 Local 974, Region 4 Furnace Operator Caterpillar, Mapleton foundry Mapleton, Illinois. Brother Dierkes was a new employee at Caterpillar. During his second day of “on the job training”, he was tending a 60-ton gray iron induction furnace. He was assigned the task of taking samples of molten Iron while standing on the melt deck. To sample the metal the operator uses a control panel to raise the ventilation system covering the top of the furnace. The ventilation lid pivots to expose the surface of the melt pot which is 8-10 feet in diameter and 12 feet deep. The working surface of the melt deck of Furnace #2 is normally 12 inches above the surface of the molten metal. Steven used a small ceramic cup [aka a spoon] attached to a 10-foot length of aluminum conduit to skim the surface then transfer the metal to a small mold to create a medallion [aka a sample button] that is sent to the metallurgy lab for chemical analysis. In the process of taking the second sample using the spoon to test the thermal properties of the metal, Steven was seen falling to one knee. He then rotated to his left side, rolled onto his left shoulder and back then slid into the molten bath. His body was incinerated.

June 7, 2022 Lance Winemiller Age 24 Local 3047, Region 8 Product Technician Metalsa Elizabethtown, Kentucky. Brother Winemiller was assigned to a four-person crew to conduct a final quality inspection on truck frames, in the yard sort area outside of the facility. The truck frames are stacked ten high and moved throughout the yard by Powered Industrial Vehicles [PIV]; in this case, a Taylor 30-ton PIV [fork truck]. The truck frames are then broken down in stacks of five in a sort area, [not clearly defined]. After the frames are broken down the crew makes their final inspection and places the stickers the frames. Once the frames are stickered, they are restacked ten high and taken to the load area or directly loaded on a rail car. The yard sort area has lighting, however the stacking of the frames cast shadows in some areas of the yard sort area making visibility difficult to see pedestrians. At approximately 2:50 a.m., Brother Winemiller was picking up debris when he was struck and killed by a Taylor 30 ton PIV.

August 16, 2022 Kyle Williams Age: 59 Local 1248, Region 1 Fork Truck Driver SBM Janitorial services Warren, Michigan. Brother Williams was a 59-year-old UAW worker who was employed by SBM Janitorial Services assigned to the Stellantis Warren Stamping Plant. On August 5, 2022, Brother Williams sustained serious injuries to his torso region when a bale of cardboard weighing approximately 2500 pounds, that was stacked on top of another bale of cardboard fell, pinning him against his forklift truck. Brother Williams was transported to the hospital and placed in intensive care with life threatening injuries. On August 16, 2022, eleven days after the incident, brother Williams succumbed to his injuries.

August 16, 2022 Eric Allen Osborne Age: 53 Local 523, Region 8 Electrician CSMA Metals Calvert City, Kentucky. Brother Osborne went to replace a belt on a mantel fan that blows air into a blast furnace [#6] to cool the mantel. At 8:25 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2022. A camera recorded Brother Osborne climbing the steps to what is known at the facility as the “slip-in” floor. He was neither seen again nor recorded by a camera until 8:39 a.m. when his body was observed to be at the ground level on fire with traumatic injuries, well below the “slip-in” floor. Brother Osborne was working alone. No task-based risk assessment or other pre-task planning was done prior to the task.

August 17, 2022 Travis Baker Age: 49 Local 1268, Region 4 Paint Technician Stellantis, Belvidere Assembly Belvidere, Illinois. Brother Baker was an operator on the polish deck in the paint shop. On August 12, 2022 he sustained a fall, hitting his head on the ground. Brother Baker was transferred from the plant to Swedish American Hospital in Belvidere. Due to the severity of his injuries he was transferred to Javon Bea hospital in Rockford, IL. On August 17, 2022, five days after the incident and being on life-support, Brother Baker succumbed to his injuries.

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