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1st Annual Doubles Disc Golf Tournament



Saturday, July 19, 2025

**Laura Bradley Park
1314 N. Park Road, Peoria IL**

**Tournament starts at 10:30 a.m.
Sign-in starts at 9:30 a.m.**

Entry fee: \$50.00 for 2 person team

**Party after disc golf at Crusen's
2117 W. Farmington Rd.
West Peoria, IL 61604**

50/50 & Raffle Items

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT - JUNE 2025

RANDY DIEHL, *President* _____

Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

We held 3 new member orientation meetings on May 1st. Doug Byrne ran the meetings. We had 44 members attend.

There will be a UAW Retiree Reunion on June 28th at 2:00 p.m. at Cathy's Cue & Brew in Chillicothe. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Gregory (309) 453-7471.

We are also planning a Frisbee Golf Tournament at Bradley Park on July 19th beginning at 10:00 a.m. We will post more information on this soon.

In Solidarity, Randy Diehl



"UNION MEETINGS"

June 8th & July 13th

Executive Board Meeting – 12:00 P.M.

General Council Meeting – 1:00 P.M.

June 19th & July 17th

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

June 26th & July 24th

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

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Andrea Cantrall

INSURANCE & BENEFITS REPORT – JUNE 2025

JOHN ARNOLD _____

Hello Brothers and Sisters!

I can't believe how fast this year is going. We are already halfway through the year.

Just a reminder for those that get the Medicare Reimbursement that the next payment will be coming in your July pension check.

A lot of you got the 1095-C tax form this year and didn't know what to do with it. You can file that with your tax paperwork if you want to, but you can also throw it in the garbage too. Back in 2009 to 2011 it was requirement to file that with our taxes. But since around 2012 it was no longer a requirement. However, it has been a requirement all these years for employers to send that form to their employees.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call my office at (309) 694-3151. I will help you in any way I can.

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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FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

MATTHEW BUTLER _____

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 2025

Greetings Brothers & Sisters, winter is in our rear-view mirror and it's time to look forward to spring and summertime activities! I have already begun enjoying the quart size slushies at Bob's.

Union dues, we have had a lot of challenges keeping these on track. In bargaining we thought we had it fixed with our membership only owing for the initiation fee after the check off card was filled out during orientation week at Caterpillar, which would start the deduction of dues from our member's checks to keep them from becoming delinquent for months at a time and causing a hardship when that amount grew larger. We haven't been able to pinpoint the exact cause, but it seems that for members that hire in the middle of the month, around the 15th something happens in Caterpillar's payroll system, and it never starts deducting dues from the first check of the following month. Many of our members do not check their check stubs on a regular basis and simply look at their bank accounts to see what was deposited into their accounts. When that happens the only communication that occurs is when they receive it when Sonya sends out a letter to our members from me advising them, they are past due. It's a good habit to check your check stub from Caterpillar or any other employer to be sure everything is accurate. It's not just about union dues, it's also about making sure that when you told your boss you wanted to take a vacation day that it was indeed entered as a vacation day and not our goldilocks y time instead, or checking to be sure your step raises have went into effect, your health insurance premiums are accurate the list goes on. If you do notice your dues have not started coming out of your check and you find yourself behind, please call my office so we can get it corrected and as always, I will work with you on a payment plan that fits your budget to get caught up.

I want to thank all of the businesses that donated prizes for the bowling tournament and everyone that came out to support our bowling tournament at Sunset Lanes for the Heather Henniger Scholarship Fund and thanks to Doug Byrne, his wife Amy, Steve Kovach, Grant Winter-Helms, Randy Diehl and anyone else I forgot for their help in making the event run smoothly. Without YOU it would not have been a success! It was good to see Heather's dad Dave in attendance at the event. We wish him the best always.

July 19th is when we will be having our next event for the scholarship fund, a Doubles Frisbee Golf Tournament out at Bradley Park. This will be the local's first annual event for frisbee golf, and we hope to see lots of teams out playing. It will be a nice change of pace from the bowling tournament as you're free to move around and be outside to soak up some sun and nature while playing for a good cause and vying for door and cash prizes. If you require specific details about the event, call to speak to Doug Byrne or myself and we will answer questions you have. Hope to see you there!

Lastly, remember, no job is so important that you should feel the need to rush to meet the company's production or other metrics. If there's too much for you to handle, work at your own comfortable pace and let the supervisor manage, because that is their job.

In Solidarity,
Matthew Butler
Financial Secretary/Treasurer



FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

MATTHEW BUTLER

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 2025

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MARCH 2025	
Income	218,939.32
Expenditures	<u>213,798.98</u>
Excess of Income over Expense	5,140.34
Regular Dues received on:	2987
Initiation Fees received on:	53
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	115,681.01
CAP Council	6,198.53
CAT Council	87.57
Retirees Dues PCT	135.85
Labor Council of West Central IL	388.00
Ag Imp Council	116.69
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	<u>5.00</u>
TOTAL:	122,612.65

APRIL 2025	
Income	246,581.29
Expenditures	<u>209,370.67</u>
Excess of Income over Expense	37,210.62
Regular Dues received on:	2988
Initiation Fees received on:	35
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	116,262.15
CAP Council	6,224.76
CAT Council	9,068.24
Retirees Dues PCT	56.55
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	116.44
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	<u>21.14</u>
TOTAL:	131,933.28

BARGAINING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – JUNE 2025

BOBBY KOLLER _____

Greetings Brother and Sisters,

The current docket has 3 issue and 8 just cause grievances.

As I spoke about in the last newsletter. The International terminated the just cause arbitrator due to the arbitrator postponing the arbitrations that were to take place on January 15th & 16th of this year. We now have a just cause arbitrator going forward. We were slated to hear the first case of the year on April 22, 2025. Prior to the arbitration date the Company offered the grievant VSP (Voluntary Severance Program) and the grievant accepted this offer giving him a Lump Sum Severance Payment to voluntarily separate from employment. Next arbitration date will be June 4, 2025. I hope to have that ruling and be able to report on that in the October newsletter.

Steward meetings are going well. We have begun to cover all articles and sections of the contract, including both central and local, with letters of agreement as well. This is something I have wanted to do for some time and should lead to good conversations and a better understanding of the contract for everyone. This process will take at least 10 meetings to cover. I hope to see all the stewards over this period as I believe these will be some of the most beneficial meetings to help all stewards as well as help all the membership as a whole.

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

In Solidarity,
Bobby Koller, Bargaining Chairman



HEATHER HENNINGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2025 – 2026



The General Council, Executive Board and Retirees' Chapter of Local 974 have elected to award ten (10) \$500 scholarships from the Heather Henninger Scholarship Fund for the 2025 through 2026 college school year.

There is one (1) additional \$500 scholarship that will be given in the Memory of Thomas Klein for the 2025 through 2026 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 2025 – 2026 college school year.
3. Entrants **must** submit the Scholarship Fund Application by Friday, August 22, 2025.

A drawing will be held on Sunday, September 14th at the General Council Meeting.

Please complete and return the application to the Dues Office. It **must** be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, August 22, 2025.



**UAW LOCAL 974
HEATHER HENNINGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
APPLICATION
2025 - 2026**

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

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: (____) _____

Only one entry per student, with a minimum of 12 hours.

It must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, August 22, 2025.



Return to: Dues Office
UAW Local 974
3025 Springfield Road
East Peoria IL 61611

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ JUNE 2025

Sunday, June 8th	Executive Board Mtg – 12:00 PM
Sunday, June 8th	General Council Mtg – 1:00 PM
Sunday, June 15th	Father's Day
Wednesday, June 18th	Retiree Dinner – 11:30 AM
Thursday, June 19th	Safety Mtgs – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Tuesday, June 24th	Bally's Quad Cities Bus Trip – 8:00 AM
Thursday, June 26th	Steward Mtgs - 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM

JULY 2025

Tuesday, July 1st	Newsletter Deadline – (August Paper)
Friday, July 4th	Independence Day – (Union Hall Closed)
Sunday, July 13th	Executive Board Mtg – 12:00 PM General Council Mtg – 1:00 PM
Wednesday, July 16th	Retiree Dinner – 11:30 AM
Thursday, July 17th	Safety Mtgs - 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
Saturday, July 19th	1st Annual Disc Golf Tournament – 10:30 AM
Wednesday, July 23rd	Cattfish Bend Bus Trip – 8:00 AM
Thursday, July 24th	Steward Mtgs - 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM





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The **Elmwood Community Foundation** is excited to announce our partnership with the **Greater Peoria Family YMCA & Graham Health System** to build a new

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We invite YOU to join us in expanding the YMCA's mission!

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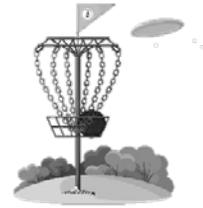


Thank you for your support!



UAW LOCAL 974

1st Annual



Doubles Disc Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 19, 2025

REGISTRATION FORM

1 Laura Bradley Park
1314 N. Park Rd.
Peoria, IL

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Disc-off 10:30 a.m.

Union Sponsors	Price	Amount
Two (2) Person Team:.	\$50.00	
Hole Sponsor: (Name on the Course Sign.)	\$100.00	
*One (1) Person Team:	\$25.00	
Food @ Crusen's: \$10.00 per person (Pizza & Pulled Pork)	\$10.00	
TOTAL ENCLOSED:		

*Individuals will be paired with other individuals.

Disc Golfer Information

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email/Cell: _____

LETTERING REQUESTED ON HOLE SPONSOR SIGN: _____

Golfer #1 _____ Golfer #2 _____

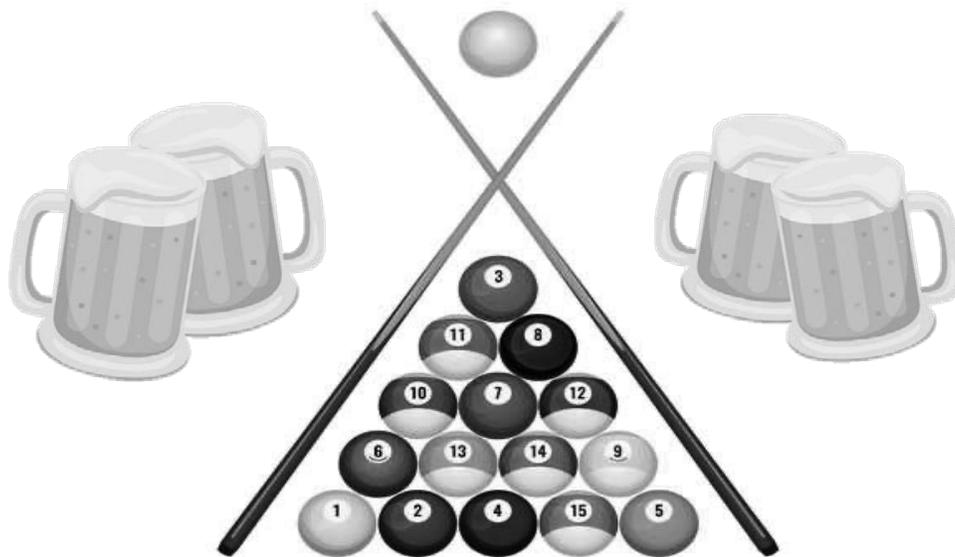
Please make check payable to: UAW Local 974 and mail this form to: UAW Local 974
3025 Springfield Road



UAW RETIREE REUNION



Saturday, June 28, 2025



Cathy's Cue & Brew

13301 N. State Rte. 29

Chillicothe, IL

from 2 p.m. - until

If you have questions contact Mary Gregory at (309) 453-7471

We hope to see you there!!



THE FALLEN

Loren Meyers, Plantwide Safety Chairman

Worker's Memorial was on April 28, 2025, in front of Peoria city hall 419 Fulton. Several individuals came to honor fallen workers that didn't make it home from work. The ceremony started with Chase Carlton President, Labor Council of West Central IL leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Then Evonne Fleming, AFSCME & Financial Secretary Labor Council West Central II, gave Invocation. The first Speaker was Edward Marshall, Safety and Occupational Health Specialist US Dept. of Labor/ OSHA gave some encouraging words on the history of OSHA and OSHA's dedication to the safety of the American work force.

Then I read the names of the UAW workers who had lost their lives since last year's ceremony. The first individual on the list was one of our own.

DAULTON T. SIMMERS Age: 28 Date of Incident: 6-6-2024 Local 974, UAW Region 4 Job Description: Molding Specialist Caterpillar, Mapleton Foundry Mapleton, Illinois

Brother Simmers was working in the iron pouring zone when he was attempting to transfer molten iron from the holder to the ladle. As he tilted the holder to pour, the iron didn't flow. The spout of the holder was plugged with slag, which was the result of the line being down for roughly an hour prior. The downtime allowed the iron in the spout to cool and harden into slag. Unaware of the blockage, Brother Simmers continued to tilt the holder. Eventually, the blockage melted away as more molten iron pressed against it. Once the blockage was cleared, molten iron with temperatures exceeding 2,400 degrees Fahrenheit came rushing out of the holder. This instantly engulfed the pour zone in flames, some reaching up to 80 feet high. Daulton attempted to escape the pour cart that he was in but had no clear means of egress. He jumped about 7-10 feet down to floor level to escape. Unfortunately, that entire area was covered in molten iron. Brother Simmers died almost immediately upon reaching the floor.

FRANKLIN "TRACY" LOGSDON Age: 57 Date of Incident: 6-25-2024 Local 3047, UAW Region 8 Job Description: Machine Repair Metalsa, Elizabethtown, Kentucky

Brother Logsdon was a Machine Repairman assigned to replace broken bolts on a crane carrier at the North end of "E-Coat 1". He was working from a 24-foot extension ladder on the platform next to Tank #15, which was filled with murky, ambient water used for a final rinse. Brother Logsdon went missing while performing this task. At around 4:50 PM, Elizabethtown Police and Fire Departments were called to the Metalsa facility to assist in locating him. The authorities decided to drain Tank #15, as it was the last place he was seen working. After emptying the tank, Tracy's body was discovered at the bottom. An autopsy confirmed that the cause of death was drowning.

ANTONIO E. “TONE” GASTON Age: 53 Date of Incident: 8-21-2024 Local 12, UAW Region 2B Job Description: Material Handler, Stellantis, Toledo Assembly Complex, Toledo, Ohio

Brother Gaston was a material handler in the process of restocking the production line. As the line workers were going to their last break of the day, he started to restock the line. One of the tasks that he did was to collect the clips from OP-910 Left (L) and Right (R). Typically, the operator on the OP-910 L would pass the bucket of clips over the line. On this day, since the operators in this station had already left for break, Antonio leaned over the line and used a tool from OP-910 R to grab the bucket and pull it over the line. During the process, the line cycled the vehicles to the next stations. One of the vehicles was cycled to OP-910 L, where Brother Gaston was leaning over the line in a pinch/crush point. The line faulted out before an emergency stop was pushed by the operator at OP-910 L. The car carrier crushed Antonio between the incline and start of the station line and the car carrier. Brother Gaston died on the scene from the crushing injuries that he sustained.

RONALD “RONNIE” ADAMS Age: 63 Date of Incident: 4-7-2025 Local 723, UAW Region 1A Job Description: Machine Repair Stellantis, Dundee Engine Plant Dundee, Michigan

The victim, Brother Adams, was working in Department 7300 on a Cinetic Washer when, at some point during the maintenance task, the overhead gantry engaged, pinning Brother Adams between the gantry and the conveyor which resulted in fatal crushing injuries to the upper torso. This incident is currently under investigation by the UAW-Stellantis Health and Safety Department with assistance from the International Union, UAW Health and Safety Department and the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA).

Jason Emerick Iron Workers Local 112 reminded everyone that this is the 25th anniversary of the McClugage Bridge Construction Accident, the southern span was rehabilitated in 2000. During rehabilitation, an accident in 2000 killed three iron workers when scaffolding on the bridge collapsed 62 feet (19 m) into the river.[3] Due to this tragedy, there was an effort to change the name of the bridge to "Ironworkers Memorial Bridge". However, instead of the name change, the iron workers were memorialized by a monument on Lorentz Avenue near the bridge that was dedicated in April 2001. Killed in the accident were Robert L. Foulks, 55, and Ronald F. Watson, 50, both of Peoria, and John W. Irby, 37, of Lacon.

At this time in the ceremony anyone who would like to honor a brother or sister or loved one who lost their life in a workplace accident could speak. The mother of Lisa M. Hofmann, 40, who was struck by a forklift at Case IH factory in the 600 block of E. Peoria St. in Goodfield IL. April 24, 2024, gave a very heartfelt dedication to her daughter and an encouraging and positive update on changes at Case to make sure this doesn't happen again.

I have had the honor of attending this event for UAW. OSHA saves thousands of lives each year but is now at risk. This Workers Memorial Day marked the 54th anniversary of the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act taking effect, enshrining into law the basic guarantee that workplaces should be “free from recognized hazards that could cause death or serious physical harm to employees.” OSHA’s existence has since become fundamental to the health and safety of workers across the country. Since its passage, the OSH Act has saved the lives of more than 712,000 workers and reduced jobsite deaths by almost two-thirds, even as the size of the U.S. workforce has more than doubled.



What's at Risk

- effectively eliminating the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), the sole agency responsible for research that informs OSHA policymaking with evidence-based assessments of injury and fatality risks and actionable guidance for employers to use to improve safety;
- closing down 11 OSHA offices in states with the highest workplace fatality rates;
- eliminating 34 offices of the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), which protects coal miners from hazards like black lung disease;
- pausing a new rule on silica exposure to prevent coal miner disease and death from silicosis;
- allowing Musk to access sensitive OSHA data that could compromise ongoing investigations of alleged violations (including analysis of hazards that caused fatalities) and increase the risk of retaliation against injured workers and whistleblowers.

Together on this worker Memorial Day, let us ensure our members who lost their lives due to unsafe workplaces have not died in vain. Continue to fight as the UAW has done for decades. Demand stronger contractual language and work with local state and federally elected officials to enact stronger workplace health and safety regulations for workplace health and safety for all Americans.

Let us take this final moment to remember the immortal words of Mary Harris
“Mother Jones, Pray for the dead and fight like hell for the living”

In solidarity,
Shawn P. Fain
President and Director UAW Health and Safety Department



NEED A WORK SHIRT?

**THE UNION HALL HAS
UAW SHIRTS & VETERAN SHIRTS
FOR SALE**

\$16.00 for UAW Shirts
\$19.00 for Veterans' Shirts

Remembering Our Brothers and Sisters

March

Jerry E. Evans	Mapltn	R	03/01/25
Paul R. Kincaid	TTTD	R	03/02/25
Richard L. Canopy	Morton	R	03/02/25
Robert W. Mott Jr.	Moss	R	03/08/25
Basil B. Braman	TTTD	R	03/08/25
Wayne M. Smith Jr.	TBU	R	03/09/25
Timothy E. Lacey	Mapltn	R	03/09/25
Lony R. Shawgo	TBU	R	03/10/25
Gregory L. Bussell	TBU	R	03/13/25
Michael W. Friedrich	TTTD	R	03/13/25
Floyd E. Bumbalough	Moss	R	03/13/25
Jimmie N. Logan	TTTD	R	03/13/25
Kenneth L. Van Dyke	Morton	R	03/14/25
William G. Yemm	TTTD	R	03/15/25
Terry J. Decker	Mapltn	R	03/18/25
William D. Hardesty III	TBU	R	03/18/25
Eddie K. Weaver	TTTD	R	03/24/25
Judith M. Hulett	Moss	R	03/24/25
Wesley F. Remmert	Morton	R	03/25/25
Hugh L. Bradford	TSD	R	03/29/25
Lendel G. Walters	Mapltn	R	03/29/25
John B. Fielder	Mapltn	R	03/29/25

April

Philip K. Freeman	Moss	R	04/02/25
Jo Ann Hagen	TTTD	R	04/04/25
Randy O. Wooding	TTTD	R	04/06/25
Charles L. Baker	Moss	R	04/06/25
Joe L. Beach	Morton	R	04/08/25
Henry R. Wiseman	TTTD	R	04/10/25
Andrew M. Scott	TTTD	R	04/11/25
Billie W. Long	TBU	R	04/14/25
Lee E. Falk	Moss	R	04/19/25
Michael D. Buck	TTTD	R	04/22/25
Leo T. Delinger	Moss	R	04/22/25
William F. Peters	TTTD	R	04/28/25
Carroll L. Matheny	Moss	R	04/28/25

*Forever
Remembered
Forever Missed*

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.

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**UAW AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974
ELECTION NOTICE**



**RETIREE'S CHAPTER OFFICERS
&
REGION 4 RETIREE DELEGATES**

The following nominations will open **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025**, at 8:00 A.M. and close at 12:00 NOON:

**Chairman
First Vice- Chairman
Second Vice-Chairman
Recording Secretary
Sergeant-At-Arms
Guide
Three (3) Trustees
Region 4 Retiree Delegates (10)**

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.

ELECTION WILL BE HELD:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

The new Officers will be sworn in and take office immediately after the election.

RETIREES ELECTION COMMITTEE

WILLIAM SMITH, CHAIRMAN

RETIRES CHAPTER UAW LOCAL 974

WEDNESDAY POTLUCKS (Dinner begins at 11:30 a.m.)

JUNE 18TH & JULY 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 (Bus Trips leave at 8:00 a.m.)
Tuesday, June 24 – Bally’s Quad Cities Bus Trip
Wednesday, July 23 – Catfish Bend Bus Trip



For questions concerning the trip call Velma Walton at (309)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.

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