



LOCAL 974 NEWS

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16th Annual Laura Valentine Memorial Fundraiser for St. Jude

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Bags Tournament

May 18, 2019

at

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3025 Springfield Road, East Peoria IL

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RANDY DIEHL, President _____

Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

We held our bowling tournament on February 2nd at Sunset Lanes in Pekin. We filled the bowling alley again the year and everyone had a great time. We profited \$3,445.00 which goes into the Heather Henninger Scholarship Fund which is used for scholarships for our members' kids and grandkids. The scholarships will be awarded at the September General Council Meeting. If you are going to have a child or grandchild going to college next semester/year, please come over to the hall and fill out an application for the September drawing. The scholarships are for \$500.00.

I would like to remind and re-warn our membership of two (2) issues that we continuously get our membership walked out for. The first is AWOL, which is when an employee misses work for 3 days without notifying the company. Always call your supervisor and absentee hot lines that you might have and get a Dr.'s excuse beginning on the first day (if possible) that says you were unable to work for these days.

The second issue is insubordination. If your supervisor instructs you to do something that is not unsafe to do then do it. You can always call for your union representative and grieve the issue later. "Do it now, grieve it later."

We now have 3,159 active employees, 443 supplemental employees and 52 members on leave of absence.

In Solidarity, Randy Diehl



2019 UAW RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

12:00 A.M. --- 5:00 P.M.

Monday – January 28, 2019

Monday – March 25, 2019

Monday, May 20, 2019

Monday – July 22, 2019

Monday – September 23, 2019

Monday – November 25, 2019

For an appointment, please call Jane at (309) 264-2292 or go to redcrossblood.org

The above dates have been selected by Tony Baker, Donor Recruitment Representative, American Red Cross, and is subject to change if the hall is unavailable on any of these dates.

UAW Local 974 Retirees
Jane Evans, Blood Drive Coordinator



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INSURANCE & BENEFITS REPORT

JOHN ARNOLD _____

Hello everyone I hope your year is going well so far. Spring is here officially and at the time of me writing this article I'm hoping the temperatures are finally getting warmer. I want to touch on a subject that comes up every once in a while and that is life insurance.

If you retired on or before January 1, 2005 you still have a policy with MetLife. If you want to know how much the policy is worth you should call 1-888-228-1811. But the biggest issue I want to bring up is members' beneficiaries. A lot of people have not updated their beneficiaries since they retired. But I have dealt with members that have passed away and they had remarried since they retired but didn't update their beneficiary to their new spouse. So upon their passing their current spouse didn't get the payout from the policy, it went to the previous spouse. Unfortunately there is nothing that can be done to give that payout to the current spouse.

So I strongly urge everyone to contact MetLife and verify who is listed as their beneficiary. If it needs to be changed they can mail you the form to update that information. Please call MetLife at 1-888-228-1811.

For those that retired after January 1, 2005 but before March 1, 2011 you may have a policy with MetLife but you are paying a premium for that policy that is coming out of your pension check. That premium is different than the premium for your health coverage. I urge your group as well to verify your beneficiaries. This is just a suggestion for everyone because I don't want you or your spouse/dependents to have to go through the heartache of your passing only to find out that your life insurance is going to someone it shouldn't, or even going back to Caterpillar if you don't have a beneficiary listed.

I hope you all have a wonderful Spring and a great Summer. As always if you have questions or concerns please feel free to call my office.

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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**Drawing to be held at General Council Meeting
Sunday, April 14, 2019**

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APRIL 23
&
MAY 28

TIMES

10:00 AM
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1:00 PM

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Donald K. Ferris	R	01/01/19
William A. Nau	R	01/04/19
James A. Richardson	R	01/04/19
Paula J. Cooley	R	01/06/19
Larry L. Allen	R	01/07/19
Andrew Buhs	R	01/07/19
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John F. Keith	R	01/08/19
Ralph D. Savill Jr.	R	01/10/19
Eric R. Martin Jr.	R	01/11/19
Gerald D. Witzig	R	01/11/19
Billy W. Cupples	R	01/17/19
Raymon E. Reed	R	01/18/19
Howard L. Humphrey	R	01/18/19
David N. Copple	R	01/28/19
Charles W. Irvin	R	01/29/19
Darrell D. Parsons	R	01/29/19
Grady L. Vincent	R	01/29/19
Donald L. Stewart	R	01/30/19

February

Danny L. Lepretre	R	02/01/19
Charles C. Carter Jr.	R	02/01/19
Larry L. Duckworth	R	02/03/19
Cremolia Henry	R	02/05/19
Gerald L. Link	R	02/05/19
Rodney P. Laugel	R	02/05/19
Dale F. Myers	R	02/05/19
Raymond C. Moschel	R	02/09/19
Ralph L. Ochs	R	02/10/19
Terry E. Wys	R	02/14/19
John P. Cutshaw	R	02/14/19
John R. McCarty	R	02/14/19
William R. Krowlek	R	02/15/19
David P. Gibson	R	02/15/19
Ernest L. Hatten	R	02/16/19
David J. Michels	R	02/17/19
Jennifer L. Rademaker	A	02/17/19
Joseph R. Holzinger	R	02/17/19
Thomas L. Tyler	R	02/18/19
Larry W. Primm	R	02/19/19
Clifford E. Fisk	R	02/20/19
Judith A. Morris	R	02/23/19
Elzia E. Martin	R	02/26/19
Clarence E. Worley	R	02/27/19
John J. Schupp	R	02/27/19
Thomas D. Coovert	R	02/28/19

*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.

RETIREEES CHAPTER UAW LOCAL 974

WED. POTLUCKS – APRIL 17 & MAY 15

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, April 23rd – Catfish Bend

Tuesday, May 28th – Jumer's Rock Island

For questions concerning the trips 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

Jane R. Evans, President

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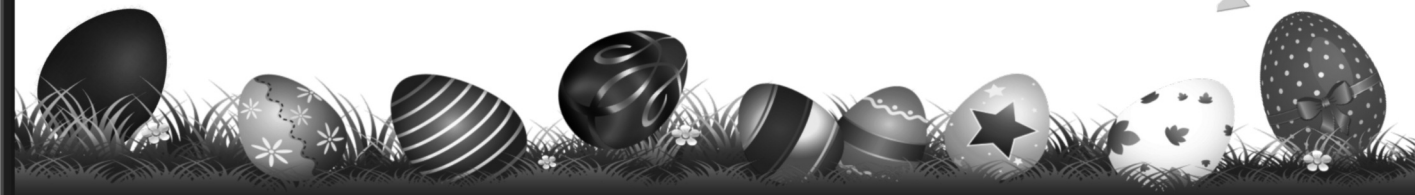
APRIL 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 13th	EASTER EGG HUNT
SUNDAY, APRIL 14 th	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 PM
SUNDAY, APRIL 14 th	GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 th	RETIREES CHAPTER MTNG & DINNER – 11:30 AM
THURSDAY, APRIL 18 th	SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM
FRIDAY, APRIL 19th	GOOD FRIDAY (UNION HALL CLOSED)
SUNDAY, APRIL 21st	EASTER
TUESDAY, APRIL 23rd	CATFISH BEND CASINO BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM
THURSDAY, APRIL 25 th	STEWART MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 4:00 PM



Happy Easter



*Happy
Mother's Day*



MAY 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<i>WEDNESDAY, MAY 1st</i>	<i>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – (JUNE PAPER)</i>
<i>SUNDAY, MAY 12th</i>	<i>MOTHER'S DAY - (All Meetings Cancelled)</i>
<i>WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th</i>	<i>RETIREEES CHAPTER MTNG & DINNER – 11:30 AM</i>
<i>THURSDAY, MAY 16th</i>	<i>SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM</i>
<i>SATURDAY, MAY 18th</i>	<i>16th LAURA VALENTINE MEMORIAL 12:00 PM</i>
<i>MONDAY, MAY 20th</i>	<i>UAW RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – 12:00 PM</i>
<i>THURSDAY, MAY 23rd</i>	<i>STEWART MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 4:00 PM</i>
<i>MONDAY, MAY 27th</i>	<i>MEMORIAL DAY – (UNION HALL CLOSED)</i>
<i>TUESDAY, MAY 28th</i>	<i>JUMER'S ROCK ISLAND CASINO BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM</i>



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UAW Local 974 Women's Committee

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BARGAINING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

MIKE ATKINSON _____

Greetings Brother and Sisters,

February and March were pretty busy. On February 14th we had a docket meeting with the company to go over issue grievances from the East Peoria facilities. We brought six (6) grievances, three (3) of these grievances were withdrawn by the Union. Two (2) grievances were held open by the UAW and one (1) was held open by the company. The International was at the hall a lot getting prepared to take three (3) grievances to arbitration in March.

March 19th – East Peoria – Shane Steveson 3 day suspension for work performance.

March 20th – Morton – Stephanie Mc Farlane discharge misrepresenting her injury.

March 26th – Mapleton – Settled Nikki Bankes overtime, the company agreed to pay 4 people 8 hours pay.

After 3 years of getting different dates on closure for Building HH, it is supposed to be done sometime in June. They have been moving machines out for the last year and a half. Some of the machines ended up in KK, most of them went to Mexico.

The company announced a R.I.F. on March 4th at the time of the announcement between Building HH & KK there was 66 employees that were on TLO for 3 to 4 weeks that were supposed to return to work by March 11th. The KK Committee worked hard to make sure the company conducted the R.I.F. process per the agreement.

The company agreed to temporarily return GDI work to the bargaining unit in accordance to the provision of Section 16.10 of the Central Agreement. This will affect about 80 jobs coming back to the UAW members.

After making all the moves from KK and HH, no full-time employees or a lot supplemental employees had to go to the street.

As of 3/8/19 we have 11 issue grievances and 5 just cause grievances on our docket.

On April 3rd International Representatives Tom Weber, Assistant Director and Ray Curry, Secretary Treasurer & Director of AG IMP will be here at the hall from Detroit to have a meet and greet. We are calling out all of the Committee Chairmen for this event.

On April 16th & 17th Randy Diehl and I along with Committee Chairmen Matthew Butler and Matthew Diebel will be attending the Spring AG IMP Conference in Ottawa, IL.

I hope everyone has a Happy Easter.

In Solidarity Mike Atkinson, Bargaining Chairman

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DAVE STOENS _____

FINANCIAL REPORT APRIL 2019

JANUARY 2019	
Income	218,854.10
Expenditures	191,104.10
Excess Of Income over Expense	27,750.00
Regular Dues received on:	3,556
Initiation Fees received on:	29
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	111,457.06
CAP Council	5,961.79
CAT Council	4,433.57
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	141.28
Retirees Dues PCT	69.55
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	7.15
TOTAL:	122,254.40

FEBRUARY 2019	
Income	243,945.48
Expenditures	192,147.96
Excess of Income over Expense	51,797.52
Regular Dues received on:	3,588
Bonus Dues received on:	3,064
Initiation Fees received on:	37
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	113,520.83
CAP Council	6,074.20
CAT Council	4,541.19
Retirees Dues PCT	548.60
Ag Imp Council	141.20
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	5.00
TOTAL:	125,015.02





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