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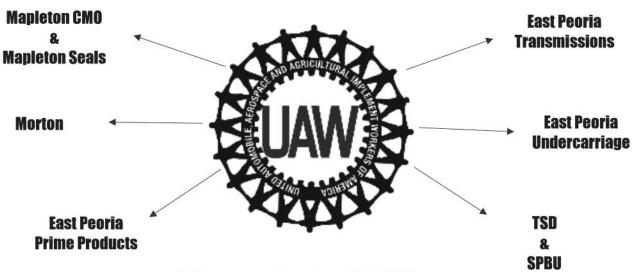


LOCAL 974 NEWS

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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When: October 16, 2022

Where: UAW Local 974

3025 Springfield Road

East Peoria IL

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Please feel free to bring your spouses and kids.

Food and beverages will be provided.

The purpose of this event is to bring our members together to promote solidarity. There will be people on hand to answer any questions you may have.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RANDY DIEHL, President

Greetings Brothers & Sisters,

We are approximately five (5) months from the expiration of our 6year agreement with Caterpillar. I will continue to try to communicate everything I can with all our members through emails and on our UAW 974 website: www.uawlocal974.org and Facebook website. Please consider joining the UAW Facebook page if you are on Facebook and make sure the hall has your correct email address.

We will hold a rally at the hall on Sunday, October 16th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. The hall will provide food and non-alcoholic drinks. Please feel free to bring your spouses and kids. The purpose is to bring our members together to promote solidarity and to make your negotiating team available to listen to suggestions and to answer questions. I also want everyone to know that all members are very welcome to attend Steward meetings on the 4th Thursday of every month at 8:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., and General Council meeting the 2nd Sunday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

We are going through all our surveys and dividing each demand into its own category. We will send the results to the International to combine with the other UAW represented Caterpillar locals so we can have a ranked list of our members demands. When this is all done the UAW negotiating committee will meet to start putting together a proposal that represents our memberships demands.

Stay safe and In Solidarity, Randy Diehl

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INSURANCE & BENEFITS REPORT – OCTOBER 2022

JOHN ARNOLD ————

Hello Brothers & Sisters! Fall has officially begun and it's the best time of the year. Cooler weather, football, pumpkin spice everything and of course my birthday at the end of the October. I hope you all are doing well and are enjoying this time of year as well.

When this paper comes out, we will be just over a month away from enrollment starting. Remember, if there are any changes you need to make this is the time to do so. I hope to have the new premiums for 2023 in my hands by the last week of October. Start looking on our website: www.uawlocal974.org at that point to see if I have posted them. Once I get the premiums from Caterpillar, I will put them on the website and our Facebook page.

Also, when this paper comes out, we will be about 5 months away from our current contract expiring. So please try to set some money aside between now and then on the possibility of a strike. The \$400.00 a week pay, and paid insurance will help if there is a strike. But having a cushion of savings will help even more. Please start or continue to come to the monthly General Council meetings the second Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. to get informed or ask questions.

For a lot of you this may be your first time going through an expiring contract. You are going to hear A LOT of rumors and talk on the shop floor. 99% of what you'll hear is meant to cause panic and division. PLEASE take everything you hear with a grain of salt. Unless you hear it from the Union Hall or personally from a grievance committeeman, always remember that it's just a rumor. If you are being told something that you get upset with or doubt is true, please call or come to the Union Hall to get the facts.

In closing, I'm heartbroken over the passing of a dear friend and someone I called a "second grandma." Jane Evans passed away on August 20th and she was a beautiful soul. Jane was a loving person with heart of gold, but you didn't want to get on her bad side. She was a very proud Union member and even stronger Democrat. Jane was very active in life with her church, family and Union. She was the Retirees Chapter President from August 2007 until her passing. Jane was the rock of this Union. It will be difficult and different to move on without her here. But she would want us to and be upset with us if we didn't. Jane honey, you will be missed very much by a lot of people. I know you are with Jack now and that brings comfort to my heart. I miss you and love you always.

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.

HAPPYRETIREMENT

Congratulations on your retirement. If you have recently retired from Caterpillar, please don't forget to come by the UAW Hall and pick up your Retiree hat, pin and membership card.



FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

JUDY POULSEN----

FINANCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 2022

JULY 2022	
Income	240,697.21
Expenditures	233,658.52
Excess of Income over Expense	7,038.69
Regular Dues received on:	3,242
Sub Dues received on:	6
Initiation Fees received on:	102
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	110,960.16
CAP Council	5,940.80
CAT Council	4,418.38
Retirees Dues PCT	134.55
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	128.48
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	6.20
TOTAL:	121,772.57

AUGUST 2022	
Income	249,201.05
Expenditures	<u>255,902.43</u>
Excess of Expense over Income	(6,701.38)
Regular Dues received on:	3322
Initiation Fees received on:	90
PER CAPITA TAXES:	
International Union UAW	110,858.15
CAP Council	5,935.21
CAT Council	4,420.17
Retirees Dues PCT	103.35
Labor Council of West Central IL	184.00
Ag Imp Council	128.76
IPS Council Pooled Arb Fund	5.21
TOTAL:	121,634.85

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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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UAW AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974 ELECTION NOTICE

RETIREE'S CHAPTER OFFICERS & REGION 4 RETIREE DELEGATES

The following members were elected by acclamation for Retiree's Chapter Officers & Region 4 Retiree Delegates for 2022-2025 term on Wednesday, August 17, 2022:

Retiree's Chapter Officers

Chairperson – Jane Evans

First Vice-Chair - Velma Walton

Second Vice-Chair - James W. Tabor

Recording Secretary - Sandra Haasis

Financial Secy - Thomas J. Bencher

Sergeant-At-Arms - Gary E. Hall

Guide - Dale Cassel

Trustee - Mark Haasis

Trustee - Steven C. Adams

Trustee - Garry Rendleman

Region 4 Retiree Delegates (10)

Steven C. Adams

Thomas J. Bencher

R Dale Cassel

Jane Evans

Mark Haasis

Sandra Haasis

Gary E. Hall

Garry L. Rendleman

James W. Tabor

Velma E. Walton

THERE WILL BE NO ELECTION IN SEPTEMBER

The new officers will be sworn in and take office immediately .

RETIREES ELECTION COMMITTEE

MIKE HOKE, CHAIRMAN

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UAW AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974 ELECTION NOTICE

RETIREE'S CHAPTER OFFICERS & REGION 4 RETIREE DELEGATE

The following nominations will open WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022, at 8:00 A.M. and close at 12:00 NOON:

Chairperson
First Vice-Chairperson
Second Vice-Chairperson
Region 4 Retiree Delegate (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.

ELECTION (IF NECESSARY) WILL BE HELD:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022

FROM 8:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

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

RETIREES ELECTION COMMITTEE

MIKE HOKE, CHAIRMAN



UAW AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974 NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS FOR TRIENNIAL ELECTION (2023 – 2026)

NOMINATIONS WILL OPEN ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022 AT 8:00 A.M. AND CLOSE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M. FOR THE FOLLOWING AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974 OFFICES:

PRESIDENT THREE (3) TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT GUIDE

RECORDING SECRETARY CHAIRMAN OF INSURANCE & BENEFITS FINANCIAL SECRETARY TREASURER UNIT BARGAINING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

PLANT WIDE SAFETY CHAIRMAN

Elected Unit Bargaining Committee Chairmen are automatic Members-at-Large to the Executive Board. Nominations will also open for the following Executive Board Member-at-Large positions, (1) from each Grievance Division as follows, including (1) Member-at-Large from Skilled Trades:

East Peoria Prime Product Division East Peoria Transmissions
Cast Metals/Seals Organization (Mapleton) East Peoria Undercarriage

Technical Services Division Global Distribution Center (Morton)
Specialty Products Skilled Trades – (1 Plantwide)

Nominations will be open for 16 CAP Delegates, and for Unit and Divisional Grievance Committeemen.

GRIEVANCE DIVISION COMMITTEEMEN:

Four (4) to be elected from EACH:

East Peoria Prime Product 1 - 1st shift from Building SS

1 - 1st shift Building LL/NN

1 - Other than 1st shift Building SS
 1 - Other than 1st shift Building LL/NN

Cast Metals/Seal Organization (Map) 1 - 1st shift (CMO)

1 - 1st shift (Seals)

1 - 2nd shift (CMO/Seals) 1 - 3rd shift (CMO/Seals)

Three (3) to be elected from EACH:

Morton (Global Distribution Center) 1 - 1st shift

1 - Other than 1st shift

1 - Any shift

East Peoria Transmissions 1 - 1st shift

(Bldgs. KK, LPP, MM2) 1 - Other than 1st shift

1 - Any shift

Two (2) to be elected from EACH:

East Peoria Undercarriage 1 - 1st shift

(Bldgs. BB, EE, GG & HH) 1 - Other than 1st Shift

Technical Services Div. (Tech Ctr & PPG) 2 - Any Shift

Specialty Products (Mossville & Peoria) 2 - Any Shift



All Unit 1 Grievance Committeemen will automatically be entered in the Grievance Committee Chairman's election unless a withdrawal slip for Chairman is received. In the event all Committeemen withdraw from a Chairman's race, all withdrawal slips will be invalid and all members entered.

UNIT GRIEVANCE COMMITTEEMEN:

Unit 4, Tazewell Machine One (1) opening:

(1) Bargaining Committee Chairman

Unit 6, City of Delavan One (1) opening:

(1) Bargaining Committee Chairman

Unit 9, Mason City Public Works One (1) opening:

(1) Bargaining Committee Chairman

Unit 10, Mason City Police One (1) opening:

(1) Bargaining Committee Chairman

Unit 12, Village of South Pekin One (1) opening:

(1) Bargaining Committee Chairman

ALL NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE NOTARIZED UNLESS PERSONALLY HANDED TO AN ELECTION COMMITTEE OFFICER. PRINTED NAMES ON THE NOMINATION FORM SHOULD REFLECT HOW THE CANDIDATES WISH THEIR NAMES TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AT THE AMALGAMATED UAW LOCAL 974 UNION HALL (8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.).

LAST WITHDRAWAL DATE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.

A MEETING WILL BE HELD ON <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>DECEMBER 3, 2022 AT 11:00 A.M</u>. TO DRAW FOR POSITION ON THE BALLOT AND REVIEW ELECTION RULES.

RULES: In order to qualify for candidacy in the coming election, the following rules must be complied with:

- Candidates must be able to comply with eligibility requirements of the International Constitution and the Local bylaws.
- Candidates for all offices must work in their respective Divisions at time of acceptance and shall so indicate on their acceptance form.
- 3. Candidates or their designated representatives, who must be a member in good standing, will be permitted to draw for position if they so desire.
- 4. No member will be permitted to accept nominations for more than one (1) Executive Office.
- 5. Withdrawal of nominations will be limited to three (3) working days following close of nominations.

ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT A LATER DATE

UAW Local 974 Election Committee





AMALGAMATED LOCAL 974 ELECTION NOTICE



LOCAL 974 ELECTION COMMITTEE for 2023-2026

NOMINATIONS WILL BE OPEN ON **MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022**

AND CLOSE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.

40 ELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED

LAST WITHDRAWAL DATE WILL BE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.

DRAWING FOR POSITION ON BALLOT WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022 AT 11:00 A.M.

THE ELECTION OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022 FROM 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM DURING THE GENERAL COUNCIL/MEMBERSHIP MEETING

AT THE UAW LOCAL 974 UNION HALL 3025 SPRINGFIELD ROAD IN EAST PEORIA IL 61611

This election will be conducted by the Special Election Committee

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST CONFORM TO THE INTL CONSTITUTION & LOCAL BYLAWS

Election Committee candidates must (in order to have their names on the ballot) have been a member of the Local Union in continuous good standing for a period of not less than one (1) year immediately prior to being nominated.

PLEASE NOTE: If you will not be present at the drawing, your nomination petition must be notarized. You are personally responsible for turning in your own nomination at the Union Hall where a nomination box is provided.

John Arnold, Chairman, Local 974 Special Election Committee Bobby Koller, Co-Chairman, Local 974 Special Election Committee



VOTE YES!

This November, workers are first on the ballot in Illinois, and we need to have their back. The Workers' Rights Amendment will update our state constitution to guarantee the right to join together with your coworkers to organize and bargain collectively for pay raises, better benefits, and improved workplace safety, helping us build an economy in Illinois that works for everyone, and put an end to pay cuts that are only designed to make wealthy CEO's richer.

As families across Illinois and the entire country struggle with the rising cost of everything, there has never been a more critical time to enshrine these crucial rights. The Workers' Rights Amendment puts more money in the pockets of working families by guaranteeing workers' rights to join together to negotiate for pay raises, lifting worker pay to help deal with rising costs.

That's not just good for workers; it's good for our state, economy, and communities. When we all do better, our state will be stronger, and putting more money in the pockets of working people will help stimulate our local economies and revitalize small businesses that have struggled to draw in customers during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Voting yes for workers' rights will also help create great jobs for Illinoisans without college degrees, increasing the number of good-paying jobs for workers who are too often left out. Helping these folks find better economic opportunities will ensure that families across the state can count on making an honest day's pay for an honest day's work.

While the economic benefits of the Workers' Rights Amendment are incredible, voting yes for the Workers' Rights Amendment will help us make our neighborhoods safer by giving emergency responders like firefighters, nurses, and paramedics the training, equipment and support they need when they risk their lives to keep us safe.

With the Workers' Rights Amendment, nurses and emergency responders can negotiate for the training, safety equipment, and staff levels they need to be safe on the job while caring for Illinoisans in life-threatening situations.

The Workers' Rights Amendment also protects every Illinoisan's ability to raise workplace safety concerns without fear of retaliation. We all know how important it is to ensure our shops are operating safely; the workers' rights amendment will ensure workers everywhere have the tools they need to do that.

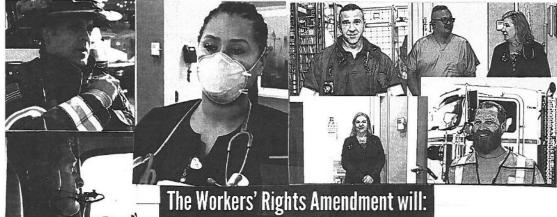
On November 8th, we have the opportunity to vote for ourselves and other workers first. The Workers' Rights Amendment will be first on your ballot, putting workers and their families first, not politicians.

Vote Yes for the Workers' Rights Amendment this November.



WORKERS' RIGHTS A M E N D M E N T





- Protect worker safety, including proper protective gear, adequate staffing levels, and safe working conditions.
- + Pave the way to better pay and benefits.
- Protect workers who speak up about unsafe and unfair working conditions from employer retaliation.
- + Ensure workers have the proper training to do their jobs well and do them safely.

VOTE YES FOR WORKERS

TAKE ACTION

SCAN BELOW TO COMMIT TO VOTE!



Vote Yes!

WORKERS'
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AMENDMENT

www.WorkersRights.com

To see more 2022 UAW election information visit:

https://region4.uaw.org/2022-election-endorsements or

https://www.facebook.com/peoriaarea.cap.9

Below is a list of website resources where you can (or will soon be able to) find the current list of Illinois candidates endorsed by the UAW.

Resource	Web Address
UAW Illinois CAP Facebook Page	https://www.facebook.com/Region-4-UAW-Illinois-CAP-Community-
	Action-Program-108171451421194
Region 4 UAW Facebook Page	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?
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Region 4 Website	https://region4.uaw.org/
UAW International Website	https://uaw.org/

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By Loren Meyers, Plantwide Safety Chairman

Summer of 2022 is almost over. Students are back in school and we will soon see another year go by. 2023 is going to be an important year as our 6-year contract comes to an end in March 2023 and we start negotiation for another contract. If we stick together in solidarity and support our bargaining team, we will be successful together.

Another UAW assembler at KK was injured performing his job and managements answer was to retaliate by giving the employee a verbal warning for not reporting the unsafe issue earlier. Now let's back up a little and fill in some key factors:

- 1. The assembler was trained to do the job the same way as all the assemblers that per formed the job.
- 2. The assembler informed his supervisor that the job was hard on his body and wanted to move out of the position.
- 3. The Manufacturing Engineer, Team leads and Supervisor were all aware the assemblers were performing a task that was not on standard work because of a supplier torquing issue.
- 4. A Company safety investigation was done, the process was changed and several weeks had passed but when the injury became a recordable and the assembler was reprimanded.

During a Company safety investigation, the injured employee is asked to fill out a questionnaire about the accident. One of the questions asked: *if there is anything that the employee could have done to prevent the accident.* This is a trap enforced by the company to place blame. It is a fact the trauma from an injury can cause guilt, anxiety, and stress, a form of PSTD. An injured individual experiencing strong emotions from an injury feels fault:

- "If only I'd left work a few minutes earlier."
- "I should have said something sooner."
- "I should have seen that he was coming for me."
- "Why wasn't I more careful?"

It's easy to use the advantage of hindsight to see the "mistakes" we made. In reality, we almost certainly overstate our own responsibility for the traumatic event, and as a result feel unnecessary guilt. All the same, it's a common response after a trauma. It is toxic and dishonest for management to use it for disciplinary action. *Values in action*

Another Safety issue in another part of building a UAW member who has had previous back surgery was asked to run an autoloader machine that has to be hand loaded because management has made no effort to fix the autoloader in four years. The weight of the parts going into machine are over the lifting requirements set by standard work. Because the autoloader is not operational, the area has been poorly modified to hand load oily parts without a hoist to where the operator has to stretch up to 3 feet to place parts. The UAW member reported this to his supervisor whose response was that it was not a safety issue because all other shifts are doing it and they are not complaining.

If you look at both of these incidents, the hazards were there in the open and could be identified but because management has given up on identifying hazards and chooses a more aggressive approach of placing blame and pitting employees against each other to keep the line producing only produces a workplace with a toxic environment of fear.

Don't fall into Managements trap. When you see a hazard, report it to your Supervisor, Not a team lead, they are part of the trap. Ask for a UAW safety representative; if one is not available ask for your steward. If you are involved in an accident, tell the truth but be careful of the statement you give and what you say. Every word will be used against you. If you go into a meeting with management for any reason and feel that any Disciplinary or adverse action is being taken, invoke your Weingarten Rights immediately.

RETIREES CHAPTER UAW LOCAL 974

ALL POTLUCKS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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.



Tuesday, October 25 – Isle of Capri Casino
Tuesday, November 22 – Catfish Bend Casino
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, First Vice President • James W. Tabor, Second Vice President
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20TH SAFETY MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH ISLE OF CAPRI CASINO BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27TH STEWARD MTNGS – 8:00 AM; 1:00 PM; 3:00 PM; 4:00 PM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31ST HALLOWEEN

NOVEMBER 2022 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DEADLINE – (DEC. ISSUE)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH EXECUTIVE BOARD MTNG – 12:00 PM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH GENERAL COUNCIL MTNG – 1:00 PM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH SAFETY MTGS – 8:00 AM; 12:00 PM; 4:00 PM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND CATFISH BEND CASINO BUS TRIP – 8:00 AM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH THANKSGIVING – (UNION HALL CLOSED)

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BARGAINING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOBBY KOLLER —————

Greetings Brother and Sisters,

We continue to get closer to a new contract. Six (6) months from now we will either be signing a new contract or not.

Current docket numbers are 8 issues and 4 just cause. On August 4, 2022, we went to arbitration for a member from Morton that was terminated for not returning from a medical leave of absence. Directly before the arbitration was to begin the member accepted a buyout offer from the Company.

The last week of August myself along with the negotiating team from all our Locals in Region 4 went to training for negotiations and strike preparation. I found this training highly informative and definitely showed what level of solidarity is needed throughout the negotiations. Later this month we will be holding a rally. I hope to see all our members and their families here. We will be here to answer any questions our members have. Everyone on the negotiation team from our local will be present. Come out from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on October 16th and meet the negotiation team and enjoy some food.

The steward meetings have been going well and I will be discussing what we learned at recent training in the next steward meeting on September 22, 2022. I continue to give our stewards a copy of an arbitration case to show them what the final results on grievances that had merit and making it to arbitration. I also give our stewards information they can pass on to their members in their allocation unit as well. Some information can't be shared on social media and or Facebook pages. For any detailed questions that maybe sensitive, please plan to come to the General Council meetings each month on the second Sunday at 1:00 p.m. Anyone that wishes to attend a stewards meeting is more than welcome, you do not have to be a union steward to attend. So, if Sundays are hard for you to make, feel free to attend a stewards meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month. Steward meeting times are 8:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

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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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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