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Meetings & Events December 2017

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All meetings @ USW Local 105 Union Hall Unless designated otherwise



Local 105 Nathaniel S. Payne Memorial Scholarship

pleased We are announce that Ascentra Credit Union has agreed to give us

\$2500 for our Local 105 Scholarship Program.

For this year instead of the normal Five - \$500 Local Union scholarships, we will have Ten - \$500 scholarships that will be awarded to children of members of USW LOCAL 105 (active or retired). These educational scholarships, valued at \$500 each will be awarded to any child (natural, adopted, step, foster or grandchild) of a USW member who has been in good standing for a period of 2 years prior to the date of the drawing (except for new hires with less than two years seniority). At the time of application each applicant must be enrolled fulltime in this fall's semester or quarter of college and plan to attend full time in the succeeding semester or quarter. Please see application for complete

Scholarship applications are available at the Union Hall. Completed applications must be received at the hall by Friday Jan. 5, 2018.





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Local 105 Scholarship Applications Received:

5	Student's Name	Sponsor	Date Rec.
19	Jacob Adams	Jeffrey Adams	11/30/2017
20	Ann Hart	Mark Flaherty	12/1/2017
21	Spencer Goettsch	Joetta Goettsch	12/4/2017
22	Mackenna Munson	Mrs. Wm Matthew	12/5/2017
23	Kellie Hugunin	James Hugunin	12/6/2017
24	Claire Straetker	Jeff Straetker	12/7/2017

105 Contest Continues

This week's number for direct deposit users to add to the cents of their deposit amount is 62. If the sum totals 105 you win a free T-shirt.



2017 Christmas Baskets are a Success!

Thanks to everyone that helped make the 2017 Christmas

Baskets possible. On Thursday, December 21st @ 5:00 pm we will get together at the "Learning Center" to pack 525 baskets! Those baskets will then be ready for pick up Friday December 22nd at the "Learning Center" from 6:00 am to 6:30 pm.

The success of this project is only possible because everyone at the plant pitches in to help and donates generously.

A special thanks to the USI coffee fund for donating \$200 and the Storeroom coffee fund for donating \$650 to the basket collection.

Thanks again for everyone's help in making this community project a great success and we will do it again next year.

The Christmas Basket Committee

Remember to recycle your aluminum cans in the bins labeled "Cans for Charity" throughout the plant to help contribute throughout the year.





Women of Steel Cheer Basket Notes:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Cheer Basket Raffle. The proceeds will go to making gear bags for foster children. The winners of the baskets were Rob Reid (Plate Mill) and Tony Wulf (Plate Mill).

With Deepest Sympathy:

The Family of: Kenneth Trafton (Retiree)

The Top Reasons Why the Republican Tax Bill is Bad for Working People

AFL-CIO Staff November 2, 2017

Working people have forced the House GOP to stall the release of a bad and unpopular plan to slash taxes for the rich by cutting services and tax breaks for working families. America's labor movement will fight every attempt by Donald Trump to give preference to millionaires and billionaires and hand working people the tab. Here are the top ways the Republican tax bill will hurt working people:

- 1. This bill is a job killer. The GOP tax bill would give companies a huge tax break for outsourcing. U.S. taxes on offshore profits would be eliminated, giving big corporations even more incentive to move jobs offshore.
- 2. Republicans are proposing to (partially) pay for tax cuts with drastic cuts to Medicaid, Medicare and education. The GOP budget includes \$5 trillion in budget cuts, including \$1.5 trillion in cuts to Medicaid and Medicare, an increase in the Medicare eligibility age from 65 to 67, and an end to Medicare's guarantee of health coverage.

- 3. But the GOP tax bill still won't be paid for, so we can expect Republicans to demand more budget cuts that hurt working people in the future. The Republican budget allows for \$1.5 trillion in tax cuts that are not paid for in the first decade, and these tax cuts are structured to cost even more in future decades. First the Wall Street millionaires throw themselves a party, then they stick the rest of us with the tab.
- 4. The GOP tax bill would increase taxes on many middle-class families, and most of its tax breaks would go to the top 1%. According to independent analysis of the previous version of the GOP tax plan, 30% of households making between \$50,000 and \$150,000 would pay more in taxes, while the richest 1% would walk away with 80% of the tax breaks. Republicans have made some adjustments to their tax bill, but it still is heavily weighted toward the top.
- 5. The GOP tax bill would punish states that make the kind of investments that create good jobs. Republicans are proposing to repeal the deduction for state and local income taxes, making it harder for states to raise enough money to invest in high-quality education, infrastructure and good jobs, and would lower property values.
- 6. The GOP tax bill would tax long-term care for seniors and people with disabilities. Eliminating the tax deduction for medical expenses would force many middle-class Americans who are chronically ill to pay thousands more in taxes each year and spend down their resources to qualify for Medicaid, and would prevent millions of Americans from deducting out-of-pocket medical or dental expenses from their taxes.
- 7. The GOP tax bill would kill construction jobs. Limiting the mortgage interest deduction at \$500,000 would discourage construction of new houses.

CALL 1-844-899-9913
TELL YOUR REPRESENTATIVE TO OPPOSE THE GOP TAX PLAN THAT HURTS WORKING PEOPLE IN ORDER TO CUT TAXES FOR THE RICH.

ARCONIC USW BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

Job Grades	Base S&A Benefit Amount	Average Weekly Employee Healthcare Contribution for 2018	Adjusted S&A Benefit Amount for 2018
1-4	\$377	\$43.53	\$333.47
5-8	\$391	\$43.53	\$347.47
9-12	\$403	\$43.53	\$359.47
13-16	\$420	\$43.53	\$376.47
17-20	\$437	\$43.53	\$393.47
21-24	\$455	\$43.53	\$411.47
25 and above	\$473	\$43.53	\$429.47

