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# Meetings & Events March 2021

| 3/11 | 4pm     | Comm. & E Board Mtg.         |       |                |   |
|------|---------|------------------------------|-------|----------------|---|
| 3/15 | 6pm     | Q-C Fed Delegates Mtg @Local |       |                |   |
| 3/16 | 6:20am  | Regular Business Mtg         |       |                |   |
|      | 7:20am  | 4                            | 44    | #              |   |
|      | 3:20pm  | 44                           | 44    | #              |   |
|      | 6:20pm  | 46                           | ıı    | 16             |   |
|      | 11:20pm | 44                           | 14    | и              |   |
| 3/17 | 12 noon | Local                        | 105-2 | (Sivyer Steel) |   |
|      | 3 pm    | Local                        | 105-2 | (Sivyer Steel) |   |
| 3/18 | 4:30 pm | Local                        | 105-1 | (Bowe Machine) | ) |

#### All meetings @ USW Local 105 Union Hall Unless designated otherwise

# Attn: All Active and Laid-off Members

The Election Notice has been mailed out. If you did not get one in the postal mail, that means it was sent to an incorrect address our local union has on file for you. Please inform the USW Local 105 union hall by calling 563 355-1181 or e-mail us at <a href="mailto:steelworkers105@gmail.com">steelworkers105@gmail.com</a> and leave us your name, clock number and current mailing address. The upcoming election will be by mail in ballots and we want to assure that all members receive ballots and have an opportunity to vote.





## **Special Retirement Pension**

- Must be hired in before 6/23/2006 to qualify
- Does not apply to Disability Retirement
- A one time payment in lieu of 3 months regular pension
- Amount is equal to 10 weeks pay (40 hours x vacation rate per week) plus unused vacation
- Special tax treatment in that Social
   Security and Medicare tax does not have
   to be paid or withheld on this payment
- Paid at end of first month of retirement or at the end of March following the year you reach 70 ½ for Age 70 ½ Required Distribution. You may arrange a direct rollover or transfer of your Special Retirement Pension payment to another employer's qualified plan or to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).

### Illinois - City Elections - April 6, 2021. Polls will be open 6 AM to 7 PM.

## EARLY VOTING AT THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Any voter may cast a ballot and needs no excuse, reason or ID. Persons voting early **do not** get to cancel their ballot and vote at the polls on Election Day.

Consolidated General Election Tuesday, April 6, 2021

**EARLY VOTING in County Clerk's Office:** 

March 12 -April 5

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\*In observance of Good Friday the office will be closed on April 2, 2021

The law prohibits a person who voted during the early voting period from voting at their regular vote center on Election Day. The votes cast during the early voting time period will be counted on Election Day.

For more information about early voting or voting locations, contact the Rock Island County Clerk's Election Department at (309) 786-8683.

#### Same-Day Voter Registration

#### **Consoldiated General Election**

#### **Election Day**

You can register or make changes to your registration at your home Vote Center by bringing in 2 forms of ID showing your current name and address. YOU MUST VOTE AT THAT TIME.

April 6, 2021

Tuesday, 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

## Vote by Mail - You do NOT need a reason or an I.D.

- The first day to make an application to vote-by-mail is January 6, 2021.
- The last day we can receive an app to get the ballot mailed in time is April 1, 2021.
- Ballots will be mailed March 12, 2021, and each day thereafter.
- Return postage for the ballots will be paid by the County within the United States.
- You can go to the County Clerks web page to print off an application or call the County Clerk's Office at 309-786-8683 and request that they send you an application.



## **Intent-to-Retire Incentive Program**

Dear Employee:

As an Arconic employee covered by the Arconic-USW and IBEW Contract, you're eligible to receive a \$500 payment, less applicable tax deductions, if you submit your Intent-to-Retire Notice to the Human Resources Department three full months in advance of your retirement date. Please note that employees who receive a voluntary quit package and/or retirement incentive package are not eligible to receive this payment.

Note: Intent to Retire Forms and instructions can also be obtained from the Local 105 Union Hall

Mar 02, 2021

# President Biden in new, powerful video: unions give workers power

https://www.usw.org/news/mediacenter/articles/2021/president-biden-in-newpowerful-video-unions-give-workers-power

President Biden is voicing strong support for organizing Amazon workers and for all unions, saying in a new video statement, "Unions put power in the hands of workers. They level the playing field. They give you a stronger voice for your health, your safety, higher wages, protections from racial discrimination and sexual harassment. Unions lift up workers, both union and nonunion, but especially Black and Brown workers." Watch his entire video message at the link below.

### https://youtu.be/50WwskG7q3A

# Excerpts from President Biden's speech above:

"Unions put power in the hands of workers, they level the playing field, they give you a stronger voice, for your health, your safety, higher wages protections from racial discrimination and sexual harassment," Biden said. "Unions lift up workers, both union and non-union, but especially Black and Brown workers."

"So let me be really clear, it's not up to me to decide whether anyone should join a union," the president said. "But let me be even more clear, it's not up to an employer to decide that either. The choice to join a union is up to the workers."