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Meetings & Events
February 2018

2/15	12 noon	Local 105 Retirees Potluck
2/15	3:30 pm	Committeeperson Mtg. E-Board Mtg.
2/19	6 pm	Q-C Fed Delegates Mtg @Local 25
2/20	6:20am	Regular Business Mtg
	7:20am	" " "
	3:20pm	" " "
	6:20pm	" " "
	11:20pm	" " "
2/21	12 noon	Local 105-2 (Sivyer Steel)
	3 pm	Local 105-2 (Sivyer Steel)

All meetings @ USW Local 105 Union Hall
Unless designated otherwise

RU ready 4- Contract 2019??

January is gone and we are clicking off the days of February. Keep the conversations with our members going, discuss the issues that are important to us and what we would like to see in our next contract.

Recent action by Davenport Works management proves again that some of them are totally unable to lead and that we have plenty to work on at contract time if teams are going to be a part of our new contract.

On December 21st we met with Jorge Rodriguez and Nandu Srinivasan to discuss issues with our teams at the plant and the Union Bargaining Committee requested that we work on a plan to correct issues that we have identified. I presented a list of issues and was promised a follow up meeting but that has not happened.

Instead what has happened is that the company has found the time to implement changes to the Star Point Roles, eliminating some star point roles in their teams because they cannot manage them properly. The bargaining committee attempted to

work on solutions but in the end this was a cost cutting measure and has nothing to do with team development or need. The changes are different by department. The company fails to recognize that when we started teams in each department we had joint discussions about which star point roles would be good for the department teams and the manager had the final say on what star point roles would exist. Now they can't manage the star points so we lose out!

A plantwide grievance has been filed and we will file individual department grievances for those that were harmed!

Teams and Star Points will be on our list of Local Issues at Contract 2019!!!

How do we accomplish the changes we want and need? All of us as individuals must discuss our issues with each other we will start to prioritize the common contract issues that we want addressed. Then we need to continue to build our solidarity. We will plan activities and events throughout the year to help us build our solidarity.

Plan on attending our Local 105 Solidarity Event at the Mallards – Friday February 9th. Tickets are available at the hall for \$5.

Contract Survey – September 2018
 Contract Expiration – May 15, 2019
 Solidarity – Contract 2019 RU Ready 4 Contract 2019

Brad Greve - President

USW Local 105 Solidarity Night at the Mallards

USW Local 105 is having a solidarity night at the Quad City Mallards on Friday, February 9. The Mallards will take on the Indy Fuel starting at 7:05 p.m. \$2 beer and \$2 hotdogs will be available. Tickets are \$5 each and are now available at the hall.

Working People's Day of Action

A shadowy network of millionaires and billionaires have rigged the system to gain even more wealth and power at the expense of working people. Those same forces, with the support of Governor Bruce Rauner and the Trump administration, brought a case before the Supreme Court called Janus v. AFSCME. It threatens to strip Americans of our freedom to come together in strong unions and build the power in numbers we need to push back.

JOIN THE RALLY TO FIGHT BACK

SATURDAY, FEB. 24th – DOWNTOWN CHICAGO

CHARTER BUS LEAVES PLUMBERS HALL AT 8 A.M. PROMPTLY

LEAVING FROM: Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall
Local 25
4600 - 46th Ave., Rock Island, IL

Lunch and Drinks will be provided by Quad City Federation of Labor

USW Local 105 members should call the hall at 563 355-1181 to RSVP

Community Leaders Come Together To Introduce:

Mike Owen

Executive Director – Iowa Policy Project FACTS AND ALTERNATIVES ...but no “alternative facts”

The White House has spent a year misinforming the public about issues with what their own people call “alternative facts.” Let’s turn the discussion to the facts and honest context in state and national debates over public policy – whether it’s on wages, or taxes, or work support programs, or jobs. Mike Owen of the nonpartisan Iowa Policy Project will present on what legitimate research show on these issues, to help advocates in Iowa and Illinois promote a fact-based policy agenda on behalf of working families and opportunity for all.

Where: Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall, 4600 – 46th Ave., Rock Island, IL

When: Wednesday, Feb. 21st 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

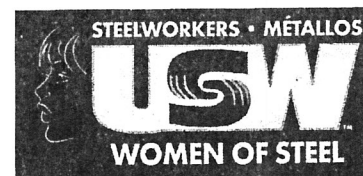
RSVP: You can RSVP to solidarity@quadcityfed.com or Genge.qci@gmail.com

If you have any questions, please call the Quad City Federation of Labor at 309 788-1303

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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.



International Women's Day March 8, 2018

Women of Steel Committee presents: A day of empowerment, fun and camaraderie. Join us from 12 noon till 7 pm at our union hall. Come for a little bit or stay for a while. We'll have food, door prizes, children ID kits and presenters of various fields to get information on health, self-defense, and community outreach.

Presenters: Fury Unlaced Self Defense, Union Plus, SENB Bank and Services, Susan G. Komen, Norma Leah Ovarian Cancer, plus our own Julia McMeekan and Bob Ryan.

With Deepest Sympathy:

The Family of:
Mason Ritter (Retired Member)
John Endresak (Retired Member)

Thanks Received:

“Thank you for the retirement gifts and 39 years of representation.” Joe Duda (IPS Retiree)

A. F. Kojetinsky Scholarship Programs

We have received information on their two annual scholarship competitions. The Memorial Scholarship with a value of up to \$5,200 was developed to help students planning to pursue a four year college degree and the Vocational (Career) Education Scholarship with a value of up to \$2,600 was developed for students who choose to pursue career or technical training as opposed to a four year college experience. Applicants can apply for these scholarships while they are still in High School. Stop by the hall for complete instructions and an Application for Certification form.

A.F. Kojetinsky Scholarship Program	Recommended Deadline for Application for Certification	Postmark Deadline for Application for Scholarship
Memorial	February 28, 2018	March 30, 2018
Vocational (Career)	April 30, 2018	May 31, 2018

DeVine named grand marshal of Grand Parade

(Reprinted in part from Quad City Times)
Patrick Raymond DeVine, 90, father of 10, grandfather of 27, and great-grandfather of 15 with one on the way, will be the grand marshal for Grand Parade XXXIII on Saturday, March 17.

He was employed 37 years at Alcoa, first as an equipment operator. After losing a leg in a work-related accident, he moved to the “hot line,” retiring in 1993. He also served as treasurer for the Aluminum Workers International Union, Local 105, for 19 years.