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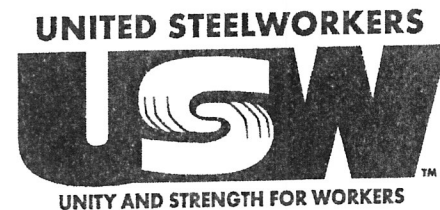
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Meetings & Events

March 2018

3/1	1:30pm	S.O.A.R. Meeting
3/15	12 noon	Local 105 Retirees Potluck
3/15	3:30 pm	Committeeperson Mtg. E-Board Mtg.
3/19	6 pm	Q-C Fed Delegates Mtg @Local 25
3/20	6:20am	Regular Business Mtg
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3/21	12 noon	Local 105-2 (Sivyer Steel)
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**All meetings @ USW Local 105 Union Hall
 Unless designated otherwise**

The Supreme Court will hear:

**Janus v. American Federation of State,
 County, and Municipal Employees, Council
 31, on Feb. 26.**

When working people have the freedom to speak up together through unions, we make progress together that benefits everyone. ... The last thing America needs is an assault on the freedom to form strong unions and speak up for ourselves and our communities.

Unfortunately, attacking the freedom of working people to come together is exactly what the *Janus v. AFSCME* lawsuit is all about. Although fronted by a lone state employee, the case is bankrolled by the National Right to Work Foundation and the Liberty Justice Center — the litigation wing of the Illinois Policy Institute — part of a network funded by billionaires and corporate CEOs who use their massive fortunes to tilt the playing field in their favor

Under current law, every union-represented teacher, police officer, caregiver or other public service worker may choose whether or not to join the union — but the union is required to negotiate on behalf of all workers whether they join or not. Since all the workers benefit from the union's gains, it's only fair that everyone chip in toward the cost. That's why 40 years ago a unanimous Supreme Court approved the kind of cost-sharing arrangements known as fair share.

The *Janus v. AFSCME* case is an effort by powerful corporate interests to outlaw fair share. ... It actually began as a political scheme by Gov. Bruce Rauner, who shortly after taking office issued an executive order and filed a lawsuit trying to ban fair-share fees.

(Excerpted from Roberta Lynch, executive director, AFSCME Council 31, column in the (Springfield, Ill.) State Journal-Register.)

Thanks Received:

"Thank you for all the help throughout my 25 years. Thank you for the watch, jacket, and hat. Thank you to all the great people I have come to know and work with." – Roger Anderson (Plate Mill Retiree)

105 Contest Continues

This week's number for direct deposit users to add to the cents of their deposit amount is 33. If the sum totals 105 you win a free T-shirt.

With Deepest Sympathy:

The Family of:
 Myrtle Wells (Retired Member)

Labor leaders claim 'very productive meeting' with Trump on NAFTA

<http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/labor-leaders-claim-very-productive-meeting-with-trump-on-nafta/article/2649669>

by Sean Higgins Feb 21, 2018

Six of the nation's top labor leaders said Wednesday they found common ground with President Trump during a private meeting on trade issues.

The meeting comes as the U.S. prepares for the seventh round of talks to renegotiate the 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement. The talks begin Saturday in Mexico City.

"Labor is united in its view that NAFTA is a disaster for working people and must be fixed. We had a very productive meeting which made clear to the president that a new NAFTA must create fair and balanced trade in North America. Real solutions for any new trade deal must dramatically improve workers' rights and raise wages and living standards in all three countries," the labor leaders said in a joint statement.

The leaders were: AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka; International Brotherhood of Teamsters President James P. Hoffa; Communications Workers of America President Chris Shelton; International Association of Machinists President Robert Martinez Jr.; United Steelworkers President Leo Gerard; and United Autoworkers President Dennis Williams.

Labor leaders have been among the fiercest critics of NAFTA, which they argue has sped up outsourcing of jobs and mostly benefited international corporations. It's a view that Trump has often espoused.

The talks have been strained, with Mexico and Canada rejecting proposals by the Trump administration to add an end clause to the deal and to allow nations to opt-out of the deal's investor-state dispute settlement system, proposals labor leaders had previously made. Trump and other administration officials have repeatedly said the U.S. would withdraw from the deal altogether if Canada and Mexico do not make concessions.

and Silvis, IL. Please call 563 355-9900 for more information.



USW Local 105 Civil and Human Rights Committee Movie Nights

On February 28, 2018 we will be showing Freedom

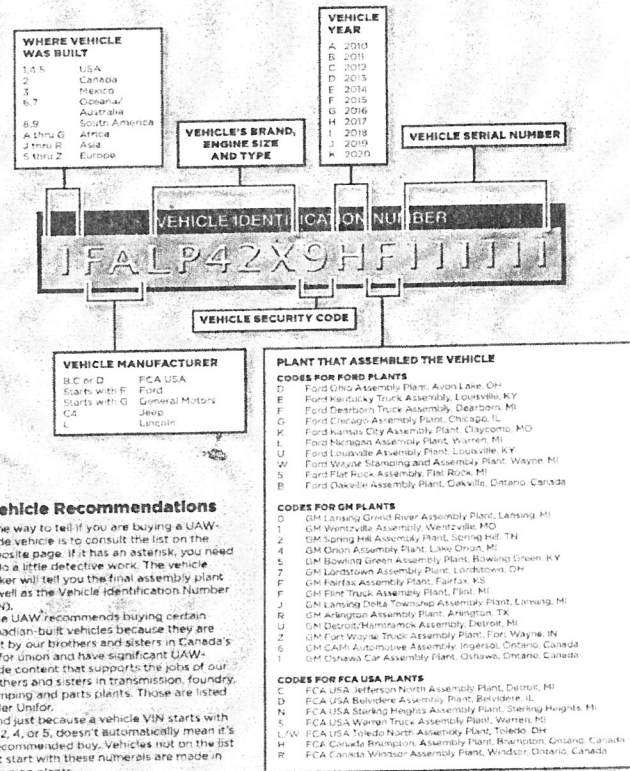
Riders a historical documentary. The film is based in part on the book Freedom Riders: 1961 and the Struggle for Racial Justice by historian Raymond Arsenault.

On March 29, 2018 we will be showing Cesar Chavez. Famed labor organizer and civil-rights activist Cesar Chavez is torn between his duty to his family and his commitment to securing a living wage for farm workers.

Both movie nights will be at the USW Local 105 Union Hall located at 880 Devils Glen Rd in Bettendorf and will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Water and popcorn will be provided by the committee.

What's in a VIN?



Free Tax Preparation

Quad Cities residents with a household income of \$57,000 or less are eligible for free tax preparation services offered through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program at 14 different sites. IRS-certified trained volunteers will prepare taxes at no cost. Residents can now schedule appointments by dialing 2-1-1 or 563.355.9900. Tax filing season begins February 1. (2-1-1 is United Way's confidential information and referral line.) Tax Preparation Sites are located in: Bettendorf, IA, Clinton, IA, Davenport, IA, East Moline, IL, Geneseo, IL, Moline, IL, Rock Island, IL,

Update Address and Phone

Does the union hall have your current phone number and address? Please call the hall at 563 355-1181 to find out. There will be a Forerunner mailing in the near future with an election notice of the Local 105 general election to active members and it will be sent to your last known address we have on file. Nominations will take place at the March Business Meetings.