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United Steelworkers Local 105 Forerunner

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Meetings & Events February 2024

2/1	1:30 pm	S.O.A.R.
2/13	3:00 pm	Women of Steel
2/15	3:30 pm	Comm. & E. Board Mtg.
2/20	6:20 am	Regular Business Mtg
	7:20 am	" "
	1:30 pm	" "
	3:20 pm	" "
	6:20 pm	" "
2/21	4:30 pm	Local 105-1 (Bowe Machine)

With Deepest Sympathy:

The Family of:

Forrest Buckley (Retired Member)
Richard Mulvania (Retired Member)
(Gene Martzahn Brother-in-law)
Sandra Roehlk (Todd Roehlk Mother)
Lavern "Tom" Hines (Sherry King Father)
(Chuck Hines Father)
Mike Kitchen Grandfather)

Note from the Financial Secretary

If you received any money from the union in 2023, your W-2 was sent out on Tuesday January 23rd. If you do not receive it by January 30th, please call the hall and I will print a new one and get it to you.

Mike Nicholas - Financial Secretary



Union/Solidarity Night at the Quad City Storm

On February 3rd 2024 the USW Local 105 will hosting a Union/Solidarity Night at the Quad City Storm Hockey game!

Tickets for the event are available at the Hall and will be \$10.00 and you get a \$5.00 voucher back for food and drinks.

Get in the game and wear your Local 105 gear to show your SOLIDARITY!

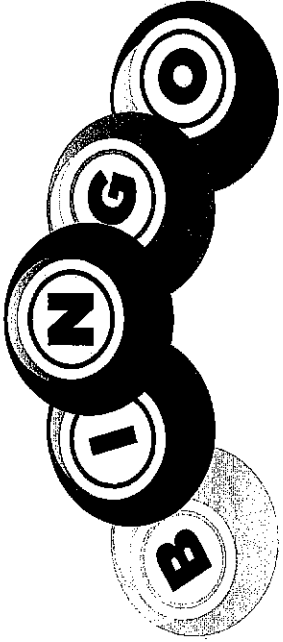
Business Meeting Update

Business Meeting for 3-11 is moving to 1:30pm for the month February.

Attention Retirees

In an effort to get you the weekly Forerunner in a timely fashion, we are doing a trial of sending the Forerunner via email each week. If you are interested, please contact the Union Hall at 563-355-1181 and provide us your email address or simply send an email to Steelworkers@uswlocal105.com stating you wish to be added to the email list.

Bingo at the Hall



Join USW Local 105's Civil and Human Rights Committee as they host Bingo at the Hall for their annual school supply drive fundraiser.

Where: USW Local 105 Union Hall, 880 Devils Glen Road, Bettendorf, IA

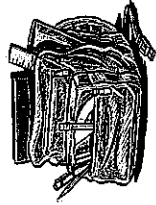
When: March 2nd, 2024, from 1pm until 10 games are complete. Doors open at 12:30pm
Cost: 2 bingo cards for \$15 or 4 bingo cards for \$25.

Prizes will be based on entries. Door prizes will be given out though the event. Baskets will also be raffled off.

Call the Hall today to reserve your spot 563-355-1181. Only 50 spots will be available for this event. Bring your own drinks and snacks.



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Flexible Spending Accounts

Health care accounts: \$570 can roll over into 2024 up from \$500 for 2023. You have until March 31st, 2024 to submit claims for eligible 2023 expenses.

Dependent care accounts: NO Money can be rolled over into next year, IRS regulations.

Texas Retirees

Retirees are invited to attend the monthly gathering on the 2nd Wednesday of January through March 2024 at Mr. Gattis Pizza on 2nd Street in McAllen Texas. Please contact Gerry Hueser at 563-340-3132 for details.

**BE SURE TO
READ YOUR
UNION
NEWSPAPER TO
STAY IN TOUCH!**

United Way's free tax preparation program set to open Feb. 1

QUAD CITIES, IOWA/ILLINOIS (Jan. 17, 2023) – United Way Quad Cities is now accepting appointments for its free tax preparation program. Appointments begin Feb. 1 through April 12, to help Quad Cities families prepare their income taxes free of charge.

United Way QC's free volunteer tax prep service, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), last year helped thousands of local individuals and families.

Individuals and families who, in the past year, earned up to \$64,000 and are a resident of Scott or Rock Island counties are encouraged to schedule an appointment or learn more by visiting www.unitedwayqc.org/vita.

Appointments are limited and are expected to fill quickly. Walk-in services are available at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center in Rock Island.

What to know before you go

Through VITA, United Way QC helped bring 3,301 Quad Citizens one step closer towards financial stability through their tax returns last year, totaling over \$3,082,917 in federal refund dollars.

"United Way QC's free tax preparation service is yet another way, we're helping our neighbors build a sense of stability," said Max Bigalk, VITA Coordinator at United Way Quad Cities. "Federal tax returns are especially important for households in lower income tax brackets, as that money is often used to help pay for basic needs like food, shelter and utilities or starting an emergency savings fund for unanticipated events like losing a job."

Locations include the following:

In-Person Tax Filing (appointments required, schedule online at www.unitedwayqc.org/vita):

Ascentra Credit Union, 2019 Grant St., Bettendorf

Friendly House, 1221 N. Myrtle St., Davenport

Davenport Public Library – Eastern Branch, 6000 Eastern Ave., Davenport

WIU – Quad Cities Campus, 3300 River Drive, Moline

Moline Public Library, 3210 41st St., Moline

Rock Island Senior Center, 2221 11th St., Rock Island

Rock Island Township, 2827 7th Ave., Rock Island

Walk-in Tax Filing (during select hours):

The Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 630 Martin Luther King Drive, Rock Island

To register for United Way QC's free volunteer tax prep service, please visit www.unitedwayqc.org/vita. You can also call to schedule at 563-355-4310.

For more information about VITA, please contact Max Bigalk, VITA Coordinator, at mbigalk@unitedwayqc.org, or dial 563-344-0352.

The Quad Cities VITA Coalition is led by United Way Quad Cities, in collaboration with AARP of Western Illinois and AARP of Eastern Iowa.