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USW Local No. 105-1

Bowe Machine

Notice of Nominations and Election

At 4:30pm Wednesday, March 20th, 2024 at the Union Hall 880 Devils Glen Road, Bettendorf Iowa and during the Monthly Membership Meeting, Nominations will be accepted for the Local Union Offices of President, Unit Secretary, and Unit Griever.

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.

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.

Scholarship Information

A.F. Kojetinsky scholarship forms are available at the hall. Students graduating between 1/1/24-7/1/24 are eligible. One \$2,600 scholarship is available for a student seeking a vocational (career) education and \$5,200 for students seeking a 4 year college degree.

2/22 4:30 pm Local 105-1 (Bowe Machine)

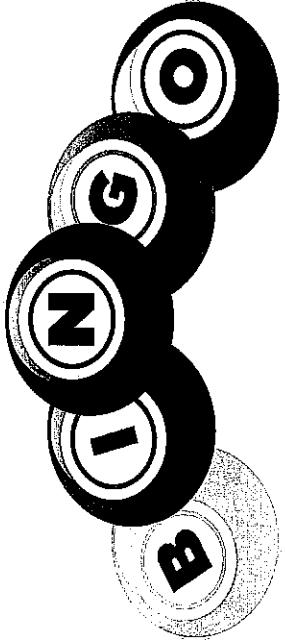
Meetings & Events February 2024

3/7 1:30 pm S.O.A.R.
3/14 3:30 pm Comm. & E. Board Mtg
3/18 Quad City Fed. Of Labor
3/19 Regular Business Mtg
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11:20 pm " "
4:30 pm Local 105-1 (Bowe Machine)

Meetings & Events March 2024

3/21 4:30 pm Local 105-1 (Bowe Machine)

Bingo at the Hall



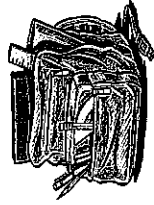
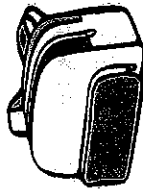
Join USW Local 105's Civil and Human Rights Committee as they host Bingo at the Hall for their annual school supply drive fundraiser.

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 through 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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- Pet care and home repair

Issues or Problems?

If you need help with an issue or a problem, please call the hall for help as soon as possible. We are receiving a lot of calls on Friday afternoons. We have a hard time getting issues addressed that late in the week. Those usually don't even get looked at until the following week. It is best to raise concerns to the hall earlier in the week.

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MIDNIGHT UPDATE: 2/15/24

In Iowa, right at midnight, ANTI-UNION legislation passed committee and will be eligible for floor debate in the Iowa Senate. Seven Republicans FOR and four Democrats/one Republican AGAINST.

Whether you are a union member or not, your voice is needed. We all know that unions raise the standard of living for all workers and an attack on one of us is an attack on the livelihoods and rights of all workers.

The bill requires a public employee union to go to court if the public employer fails to send in an employee list to the state labor board or the union will be decertified. The bill threatens to take away the union of our great public employees in the State of Iowa for something they can not control. The only option for the union is to take the public employer to court which costs money and resources.

We are calling on everyone to take action on the union busting bill [SB3158](#) and contact Iowa Senators and most importantly YOUR Senator. → [Find Your Legislator](#).

Please keep your comments respectful and it's ok to be brief but tell your story. It's always a good idea to leave your name, address and contact information.

It is best to write your own email and use your own words and experiences.

Email your Iowa Senator HERE -

<https://act.aflcio.org/letters/ssb-3158-anti-union-bill>

Email, call, attend a forum, show up to rallies or press conferences. We need collective action. We can see what happens in pro-union states when we get active. Michigan just reversed Right-to-Work and expanded public worker collective bargaining. Start today!



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