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Meetings & Events March 2025

3/13	cancelled	Comm. & E. Board Mtg
3/17		QC Federation of Labor
3/18	cancelled	Regular Business Mtg
	cancelled	" "
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3/20	4:30 pm	Local 105-1 (Bowe Machine)

CONTRACT EXPIRES MAY 16, 2026
PREPARE NOW – SAVE \$\$\$\$ –
62 WEEKS REMAINING

Business Meeting Update

Business Meetings for March are cancelled.

With Deepest Sympathy:

The Family of:

David Giebelstein (Retired Member)
Velma Hibbs (Brian Hibbs Mother)

American Income Life Insurance

Currently, all active union members have a \$1,000 Life Insurance Policy through ULLICO Insurance. This is the white piece of paper that you filled out that was stapled to your sign-up card to be a member of the Union. Once you retire, this policy goes away. If you filled out the beneficiary info on that paper, that's who it will go to. If you did not, it will go to your estate when you die, and it may be taxable. Contact your tax professional if you have questions.

Next week, information will be getting mailed out to all active members and retirees concerning your Accidental Death and Dismemberment policy thru American Income Life Insurance. This is a \$3,000 policy that would cover your death, if it was due to an Accidental Death or Dismemberment. Both active members and retirees are eligible for this benefit.

In this envelope, there will be a beneficiary card that you can fill out and mail back if you choose. If you do mail this in, it could prompt a call from American Income Life offering to sell you more insurance. This is a legit insurance company, but it is your choice, and you can refuse if you do not want this. We have received complaints in the past of members getting "hassled". If this happens, get the name of the insurance agent, and call the Union Hall so that we can report this to our contact at American Income Life. If you do not fill out the beneficiary information, your \$3,000 AD&D claim would go to your estate, and it could be taxable. Contact your tax professional if you have questions.



Two former USW Local 105 presidents pass away

Charles "Skip" McGill
On Saturday Feb 22nd former USW Local 105 President Charles "Skip" McGill passed away at Clarissa Cook Hospice House in Bettendorf. Skip hired into the Alcoa on July 30, 1990, to the Machine shop. Previously Skip had worked at our amalgamated unit Bowe Machine Shop. He retired from Arconic on January 1, 2022. Skip served as president of Local 105 from December 2002 to May of 2012 when he returned to the Machine Shop. Skip led the bargaining committee for Local 105 in the 2005 contract reopener and the subsequent 2006 contract negotiations in St. Louis. Skip was also a part of the 2010 contract negotiations in Cleveland, OH. Skip was a strong advocate for the Local 105 membership and was a long-serving member on the Joint Safety and Health Committee. Skip is survived by his wife, Susan; his sons Sean (Whitney) and granddaughter Ruby McGill, Ryan (Jamie Higginbotham). He is also survived by his siblings Sherida Behm, Rick (Marlene) McGill, Laura (Mary) Drumm, as well as his step-father, Robert Cobb and his fiancé, Pam. Additionally, Skip leaves behind several nieces and nephews.

Robert H. Cawley

On Sunday March 2nd former USW Local 105 President Robert "Bob" Cawley passed away at home. Bob hired into Alcoa on November 4, 1958, and retired on November 1, 2000. Bob served one 3-year term as president of Local 105 advocating on behalf of the membership. Most of his working time at Alcoa was in the transportation department driving a fork truck. When the transportation department was done away with Bob was a trucker in the Shear Room department. He is survived by his wife, Kristine Cawley of Milan; his son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Lori Cawley of Minnesota; his granddaughter, Jenny; and several great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and son, Michael Cawley.

Scholarship Opportunity

Mid-America Chapter of MSCJ has activated their scholarship program for 2025.

In 2024, they awarded twenty (20) scholarships totaling \$40,000 and overall the chapter has awarded almost \$550,000 in scholarships since the program's inception in 2007.

These scholarships are available through Arconic's membership with the MSCJ.

To register:

Go to: <http://Scholarships.mscl.org>

Create a profile

Register for the scholarship

Complete the application (essay & references)

Submit before April 1, 2025

A. F. Kojetinsky Scholarship Programs

We have received information on their two annual scholarship competitions. 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
Vocational (Career)	April 30, 2025	May 30, 2025

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.

Note this is now open to all employees, active or retired.

WELCOME

Welcome to these Recent New Members!

Co./Dept	Lname	Fname
Ingot Plant	Brown	David
Ingot Plant	Ellis	Thomas
Ingot Plant	McBride	Ronald
Insp-Pack-Ship	Ahlgren	Joseph
Insp-Pack-Ship	Chap	Hayden
Insp-Pack-Ship	Parker	Kali Ann
Labs	Mosley	Jasmine
Labs	Smith	Jennifer
Labs	Turner	Derrick
Labs	Villarreal	Juanita
Labs	Willits	Travis
Machine Shop	Timmerman	Jonathan
Plate Mill	Hunter	Stevie
Plate Mill	Wilmington	Tahlia
Roll Shop	Lopez	Ian

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UNION
NEWSPAPER TO
STAY IN TOUCH!**