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Meetings & Events April 2020

4/16	3:30 pm	Committeeperson Mtg. E-Board Mtg.
4/20	6 pm	Q-C Fed Delegates Mtg @Local 25
4/21	6:20am	Regular Business Mtg
	7:20am	" " "
	3:20pm	" " "
	6:20pm	" " "
	11:20pm	" " "
4/22	12 noon	Local 105-2 (Sivyer Steel)
	3 pm	Local 105-2 (Sivyer Steel)

All meetings @ USW Local 105 Union Hall
Unless designated otherwise

All,

A lot going on in the world with the COVID-19 virus outbreak. We continue to push the company on all fronts to get more information and direction.

Bart and I were on a call with Staff Rep - Jeff Hartford and District Director Emil Ramirez to finalize a proposal from the Union to the company on leave for the various needs of our members due to either having symptoms of the virus or other viruses and just taking care of children due to schools being closed. We will send our proposal to the company today and then meet with them tomorrow morning to try and get this finalized ASAP.

The company continues to try and procure more hand sanitizer and other cleaning supplies but we are behind the curve due to others hoarding those supplies. We do have

bleach water available in spray bottles to clean surfaces with and will continue to keep that available.

The company has created a COVID-19 Team but did not reach out to us to be involved. I have communicated to the company that I need to be a member of this team. I am waiting for a response.

Attached are 2 documents explaining the TeleDoc service that we have available. This may be something that will work for the situation we are in today since doctors offices are requesting that you call ahead anyway.

Attached also is a communication from Highmark concerning waiving fees for COVID-19 testing.



Be calm. Be safe.

The world has changed a lot in the last few days. One thing that hasn't is Highmark's commitment to the health of our community. For over 80 years we've stood with our members through many crises. **Here's how we're working to help you through this one.**

Because you should always know what to do if you feel ill during this outbreak, we've developed a set of easy to follow steps on where to go and when.

<https://faqs.discoverhighmark.com/>

Highmark will cover **Coronavirus, or COVID-19**, testing at 100% when recommended by a medical professional. This means copays, deductibles, and coinsurance do not apply for this testing. This applies to most Medicare Advantage, Affordable Care Act, and select employer plans; however, please check with Member Services to see if this applies to your plan. Use the number on the back of your card.

Urgent Questions? Call 1-800-241-5704

Where do I go if I think I may have Coronavirus?

First, don't panic. Your symptoms could be allergies, common cold, or flu — but it's best to be sure. You have a few different options for receiving care. If you're showing symptoms, such as fever and cough, the safest place to be — for you and for everyone else — is in your home.

Contact your primary care physician

They can help you get a Coronavirus test at the right location if they determine you need one — and prescribe medications as well. (No doctor? Visit an urgent care center — but please call in advance to let them know you're coming and why.)

In case of medical emergency, call 911.

That means difficulty breathing or another emergency medical condition. It is recommended to call the ER so they can prepare for your arrival and limit your exposure to others.

Constitution Convention

Nominations for the International Constitution Convention Delegates will take place at the April 21, 2020 Monthly Business Meeting. Nominees must meet the business meeting attendance requirement to be eligible. The USW International Convention will take place August 3-6, 2020 in Las Vegas, NV.

We will be electing delegates at the May Regular Business Meeting on May 19, 2020.

Anyone nominated that wants to be on the ballot must *submit to the Financial Secretary (Mike Nicholas) written acceptance by midnight of the 5th day (calendar days) following nomination which is midnight Sunday April 26, 2020. In the absence of the Financial Secretary, it may be submitted to an Executive Board Officer.*

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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 54. If the sum totals 105 you win a free T-shirt.



S.O.A.R. meetings scheduled for April and May of 2020 have been canceled out of an abundance of caution regarding the COVID-19 virus. The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, June 4 starting at 1:30 p.m.

SOLIDARITY MARCH/PUB CRAWL CANCELLED!

The Solidarity March originally scheduled to take place April 4 in Eldridge, Iowa is cancelled. Iowa bars and restaurants have been ordered closed due to the temporary public health disaster emergency.