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**INTERNATIONAL UNION, UNITED AUTOMOBILE, AEROSPACE AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT WORKERS OF AMERICA-UAW**

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March 8, 2024

**To: All Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Financial Secretaries  
Region 4 UAW**

Greetings:

Region 4 UAW will hold a Political Activist Training Conference on May 8-10, 2024, at the UAW Pat Greathouse Education Center, 1000 East Center Street, Ottawa, IL 61350. On-site registration will be held in the Education Building on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 4-5 p.m. and will resume on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. The conference will begin thereafter at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude by 1 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024. Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> should be allowed as a travel day for locals with a long-distance commute.

A silent auction will be held during this event. We encourage participants to donate an auction item. All items must be "Made in USA."

This conference will include workshops to educate, energize and train activists to help build our union for the future. Attendees should be any member or local leader who has an interest in beginning or increasing their union involvement. As with all of our training opportunities, we welcome first-time attendees to jump start their union involvement.

**REGISTRATION:** Registration for this conference will take place online at <https://conference.uaw.org/region4/pat.php> and will close on April 26, 2024. The username is 2024region4 and the password is registerPAT. However, at this time, the registration fee and PGC lodging cost (if applicable) will still need to be mailed to the Region 4 Office. Instructions on how to best use this system are listed below.

1. If you plan on lodging at the PGC, please call Tamara at 815-433-2500, Ext. 101 for a reservation/confirmation number first. If you will not be lodging at the PGC, proceed to Step 2.
2. Register at <https://conference.uaw.org/region4/pat.php> and enter your PGC lodging confirmation number (if applicable).
3. Mail applicable fees to the address listed below.

**Region 4 UAW  
900 E. Center Street  
Ottawa, IL 61350  
Attn: PAT**

**Registration Fee:** The cost is \$170 per delegate (which includes the cost of meals and materials and is non-refundable). Registration fees must be received by the Regional Office no later than Tuesday, April 26, 2024.

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**Note to Financial Secretaries:** Checks should be made payable to “UAW Region 4 Activity Fund” and the notation part of the check should mention “P.A.T.”

**Meals:** The first provided meal will be breakfast on Wednesday and the last will be breakfast on Friday.

**Financial Assistance:** Scholarships are being offered by the UAW Region 4 Retired Workers, which will provide up to \$1000 for each member attending, subject to Director’s approval. This covers registration, lodging, and the remainder will help offset mileage or lost time. To be considered for financial assistance, locals must make a written request to me and attach their last three (3) monthly financial statements. \*Scholarship recipients must still pay registration and lodging in full. Financial assistance is granted on a reimbursement basis.

**Lodging:** Rooms at the Pat Greathouse Center are available at \$70.00 per room, per night. Each room has two (2) beds; we urge members to double-up, when feasible, to ensure that as many delegates possible can stay on the property. Please contact Tamara at 815-433-2500, ext. 101 to make room reservations for the Center.

**If you get the office voicemail, please leave a message with your request and your email address for confirmation and/or follow-up.**

You will be emailed a confirmation number once your reservation has been received. When making reservations, please indicate if the delegate(s) has special room requirements (PGC management will not change rooms during the check-in process).

**PGC Hotel check-in will begin on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 4 p.m. Check-out will be by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> (and on Saturday, May 11, 2024, for those traveling that day).**

It is imperative to fill the hotel rooms at the PGC, before seeking area lodging. However, in the event rooms at the PGC become sold out, we also have negotiated rates at the Comfort Inn (815-433-0029), Fairfield Inn (815-431-8955), the Super 8 Motel (815-434-2888), and the Quality Inn (815-433-9600). Ask for the UAW rate – All rates are subject to availability. I suggest avoiding the Ottawa Holiday Inn—it was built by anti-union contractors.

\*The Hampton Inn-Ottawa is temporarily closed for construction.

You may visit <http://region4.uaw.org> if extra copies of this call letter and registration form needs to be downloaded.

Additional questions should be directed to Bradley Schwanda, our Region 4 Education Representative, at 847-459-3888.

Fraternally,



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Region 4, UAW

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cc: Lucas DeSpain, Assistant Director  
All Region 4 Staff

**ATTENTION FINANCIAL SECRETARIES**

The LM2 for this conference is:

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| Administrative | <u>    </u> |
| Political      | <u>10</u>   |