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March 24, 2026

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

Re: UAW Region 4 – LGBTQ+ Event: June 8-13, 2026

DETAILS FOR THE ABOVE-REFERENCED EVENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Region 4 has opened this event to all UAW members including retirees
- Conference & PGC Hotel Registration: Now through May 29, 2026
- Travel Day for E-Board Members: Sunday, June 7th (PGC Hotel check-in, no earlier than 2 p.m.)
- Meeting for E-Board Members: Sunday, June 7th at 3 p.m.
- General Travel Day: Monday, June 8th
- Conference Registration: Monday June 8th 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Conference Opener (**Attendance is Mandatory**): Monday, June 8th at 5 p.m.
- Event Adjourns: Saturday, June 13th after the parade
- Travel Day: Saturday, June 13th

Conference Registration:

- Registration Website - <https://conference.uaw.org/region4/lgb.php>
- Username: 2026region4/Password: registerLGB
- Enter your PGC lodging confirmation number (if applicable).
 - **If you are staying at the PGC**, complete the hotel reservation step *before* the conference registration.

PGC Hotel Reservations: *NO PETS ARE ALLOWED*

- Rooms will be available on a first-come, first-served basis for \$70 nightly.
- Each room has two beds. We encourage double occupancy whenever possible.
- PGC Hotel check-in begins: Monday, June 8th at 3 p.m. Check-out: 10 a.m. Saturday, June 13th.
- Reserve rooms by contacting Holly at hskoog@uaw.net or (847) 459-3888. If you get the office voicemail, leave a message with:
 - The room request and email address for confirmation and/or follow-up.
 - When making reservations, indicate if the delegate(s) has special room requirements.

*A confirmation number will be emailed to you once the reservation has been received.

Fees: Non-refundable

- Registration - \$325 per delegate (which includes the cost of meals and materials). The first meal served will be breakfast on Tuesday, June 9th, and the last meal will be breakfast on Saturday.
- **Guest - \$50 fee per day for those delegates who choose to bring a guest to the conference.**
- **ONLY** checks or money orders will be accepted for registration and guest fee payments. We are **unable** to accept credit/debit cards.

Send payments no later than Friday, May 29th, to:

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

Make checks payable to: UAW Region 4 Activity Fund.

Notate - LGB on the memo line.

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Please ensure the PGC Hotel is full before seeking area lodging. When PGC Hotel rooms are sold out, reduced rates have been arranged at the following Ottawa hotels:

- Fairfield – 815-431-8955
- Hampton Inn – 815-434-6040
- Super 8 – 815-434-2888

*We **STRONGLY** encourage avoiding the Holiday Inn as it was built by non-union labor.

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 for the registration and lodging in full. Financial assistance is granted on a reimbursement basis.**

Please Note: This call letter has been posted on the UAW Region 4 website: <http://region4.uaw.org>. Additional questions should be directed to Rory Dolan, our Region 4 Education Coordinator, at (847) 459-3888.

This conference marks our 5th annual LGBTQ+ Conference celebrating diversity. This year’s conference will focus on “How to Become Better Allies”. We will have a mixture of workshops and plenaries exploring ways to use our solidarity to fight bias in our workplaces and communities.

Once again, participation is open to all UAW Regions Nationwide and Retirees, subject to their Local’s approval and a capacity limit of 125 attendees.

We will be participating in a community service project this year. Please plan to bring appropriate work attire, as we will be assisting the Humankind Initiative in building raised garden beds for their community garden.

We are planning to celebrate the 5th anniversary of this Conference with a Formal Prom during this event, so be sure to pack you best cummerbund and corsage. This conference will culminate with participating in the Ottawa Family Pride Festival Parade and associated activities, which will be held throughout the day on Saturday, June 13, 2026.

In solidarity,

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cc: Lucas DeSpain, Assistant Director

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| The LM2 for this conference is: | |
| Representation | <u>98%</u> |
| Administrative | <u> </u> |
| Political | <u>2%</u> |