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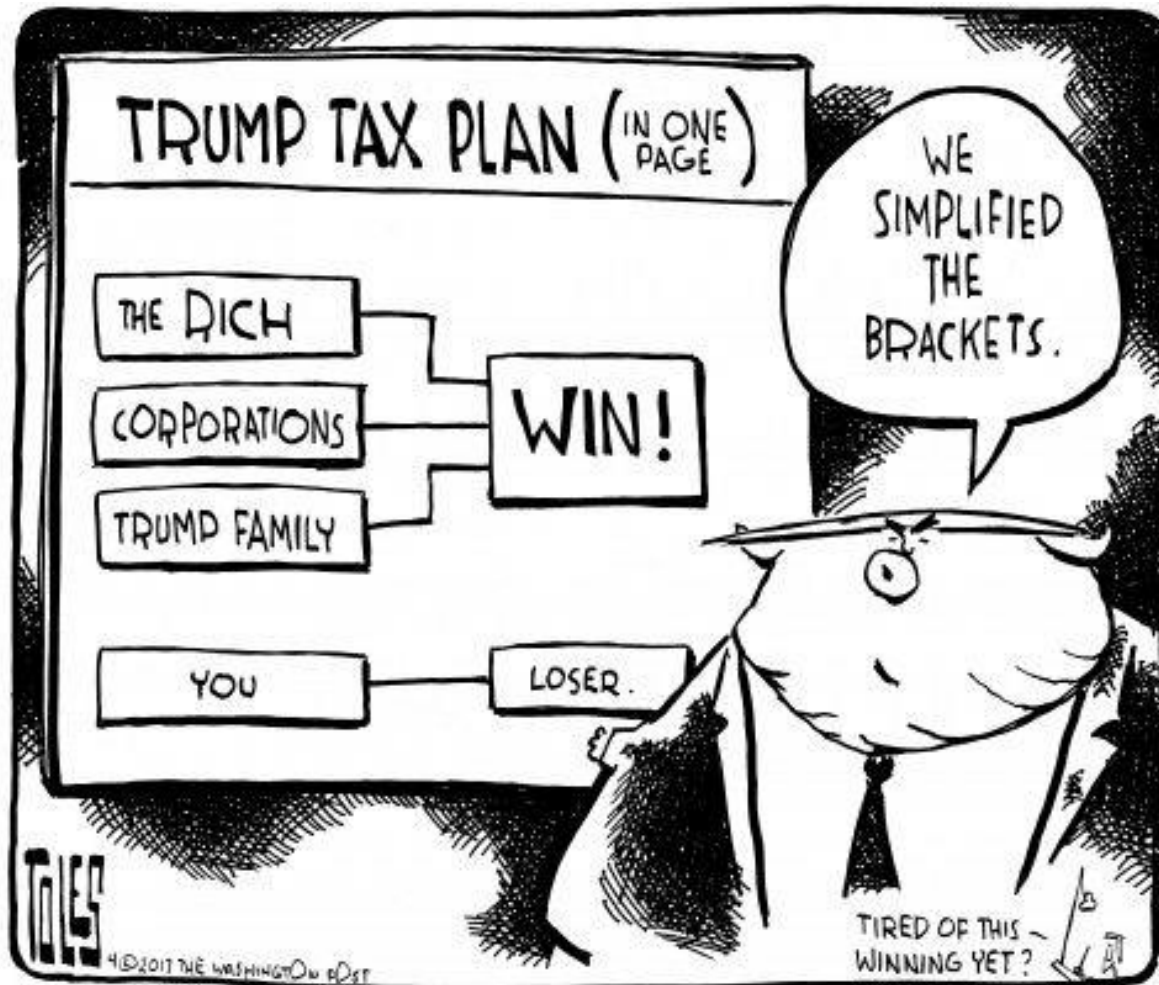
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OUR EDITORIAL POLICY

TO OUR READERS: This paper is the voice of your local and international union. This is our **only** vehicle for bringing to you, on a regular basis, the views and actions of the leaders you elected, so you can evaluate them. Through the paper we explain union policies and show how your dues are spent.

The paper is also the voice of the members. We welcome articles from UAW members and stories about our members.

While we welcome your contributions, we ask that they be constructive. All articles should contribute positively to the welfare of this union and its members, and we will accept no attacks on any union leader or member. We will accept a thoughtful discussion of all related issues in the letters column, and reserve the right to reply to those that seem to reflect a misunderstanding of the union and its policies.

We look forward to hearing from you.



UAW CALENDAR – MARCH 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 4:15 p.m. Interface R&F	2	3
4	5	6 4:20 p.m. Amalg Exec Bd Recreation	7 10:30 a.m. Retiree Board 12:00 Noon Retiree Chapter 3:45 p.m. Civil Rights	8 4:20 p.m. Women's Comm.	9	10 10:00 a.m. Lennox R&F
11 <i>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS</i>	12 4:20 p.m. CAP Comm.	13	14 4:20 p.m. Union Label	15 8:00 a.m. Retirees Staple 4:20 p.m. Comm. Services Consumer Affrs.	16	17 9:00 a.m. Amal. R&F Following Fisher R&F Ryerson R&F
18	19 4:20 p.m. Education Com.	20 4:20 p.m. Amalg Exec Bd	21 3:45 p.m. Ritchie R&F 4:20 p.m. Health & Safety	22 1:30/4:00 p.m. Lennox Stewards 4:00 p.m. Lennox Unit Brd. 7:00 p.m. W.C. CAP	23	24
25	26 4:20 p.m. Veterans Com.	27	28	29	30 Good Friday <i>OFFICE CLOSED</i>	31

CANCELLED:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, here's February 2018, I know you should never wish away time as it goes by fast enough, but I am glad to see January gone, come on Spring!

The Women's Committee had a very successful blood drive in January despite terrible weather that day. Enough blood was donated to save 51 lives! Great job!

Also, the Women's Committee and the Community Services Committee will be taking roses to the nursing homes in the area for Valentine's Day again this year. Everyone seems to really enjoy the flowers and a chance to visit.

We have a C.A.P. Conference coming up in March in Des Moines. Our delegates from Local 893 along with delegates from all over Iowa will be meeting new candidates and will also be lobbying our current legislators on issues that affect working families in Iowa. Never forget that the ballot box is directly connected to the bread box.

In closing, please remember to attend your Rank-N-File meeting and if you can spare a little time, join one of our committees, you will never regret it.

In Solidarity,
Rich Park

Retirees Helping

The following retirees helped assemble the Rank-N-File paper on December 14th:

Linn Ferguson
Richard Vajgrt
Joyce Elliott
Joyce Bollhoefer
Reita Acord
Don Dieleman
Donna Dieleman
Sid Hass
Sonya Kosnar

2018 C.A.P. FUNDRAISER

The UAW Local 893 C.A.P. Committee is currently selling raffle tickets for a Remington Shot Gun, Model 870 Express. The drawing will be March 12, 2018 at the Amalgamated C.A.P. meeting. Tickets are \$1.00 per tickets or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Please see a Union Steward or a C.A.P. representative to purchase tickets.

****DISCLAIMER: WINNER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REGISTERING AND LICENSING THE GUN**

Congratulations to all of the ham raffle winners. Thank you for your support.

Thank you to all that donated calendars for the residents of I.V.H. I was able to deliver over 500 calendars.
Marcella Stewart
Veterans Comm.
Co-Chair



2017 Report To The Membership

Retirees Committee

Candy Baker, Retirees Secretary

There were no meetings in January and February. In March we donated \$100 to the Senior Citizen Center. Sid and Mark painted the kitchen in preparation for the new floor covering the retirees area paying for. In May we donated \$100 to Relay For Life. The raffle we held raised \$500 to help with the kitchen remodel and Local 997 from Maytag gave us \$300 and it will be used toward the kitchen also. In October we donated \$100 to the annual Alzheimer's Walk and asked the Amalgamated match that. We donated \$150 worth of cookies (sugar) to the Veterans Home for Veterans Day.

Unit 1, Fisher

Brad Fuller, Unit 1 Chair

2017 has come and gone. Time sure flies the older you get. At year end, we were at 257 Bargaining Unit employees. We had 23 retire last year and maybe more to come. Headcount is getting really low and now the company is going to hire to keep headcount where it is at or a little higher with maybe some more retirements to come. We have had a great year with pay plans and hopefully Fiscal 2018 keeps up that trend. In 2017, we did have a tragic death of our brother Craig Peterson. I hope we never have to go through a work fatality again! I hope we make sure nothing like this never happens again. Rest in peace Craig. At the end of 2016 we got the news that we won the Chris Strickland arbitration. Glad you're back Chris. 2017 was the year of TBX. We shipped 125 assemblies, which was a record for Fisher Marshalltown. We had some ups and downs with TBX, but all in all it was a great year for this product. So that brings me to the upcoming year. We will be having a lot of elections. There will be plenty of opportunities to get involved in some way. If you don't like the direction, try to get involved to change it. If we as a membership are united we have a lot better chance of changing the things that we aren't happy with. So hopefully this coming year will be a great year.

Education Committee

Jim Chance, Chair

Our committee had another busy year in 2017. We were pleased to have some new members orientations and welcome our new members. Some new videos were used from our UAW.org website and seemed to be well received.

With the changes in Iowa's Workers Compensation laws in the last legislative session, there was a need to update our members on the laws. We organized a class with our Worker's Compensation attorney and in conjunction with this, Steve Soddors gave a presentation on running for public office.

Once again, our committee conducted the "UAW Shoots for Safety" program by serving meals for the Hunter's Safety course participants.

Thanks to Mike, Sid, Robert, and Nick for the time that they donated through the year.

Union Label Committee

Brad Fuller and Dusty Brown

In 2017 Rick Miller, the Union Label chair retired. We would like to thank Rick for his hard work and service on this standing committee. We want to let you know that there will be some new and exciting things from this committee in the upcoming year and would like to invite anyone else that would like to join this committee with us. Union Label committee meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:20 p.m. at the Union Hall. We will try to educate through the Rank-&-File and postings in the plants in the future on buying Union Made and Made in the USA products. Help the future of manufacturing that we have left in this country and buy Made in the USA products.

WANTED

WW1 and WWII memorabilia ~ German, Japanese, USA. Cash paid.
Bruce Bodie - Phone: 641-752-7555

FOR SALE

Glock 40 cal., Model 22, Mint Condition!
Bruce Bodie - Phone: 641-752-7555

1984 Class C Winnebago Motorhome - \$5,000 or best offer - Call 641-488-2733

Meat Processing Equipment - Call Doug Nichols at 641-691-7035 for prices-
~Electric Meat Saw
~Electric Grinder
~Electric Tenderizer

10 person tent ~ never removed from box ~ unable to return to store ~ \$125.00 cash firm ~
Call 641-691-7669

Cherry Wood Hutch ~ \$85 OBO ~ Call 641-352-0599

Pontoon Party Boat ~ 2004 Voyager ~ 22 ft. ~ Mercury 50 HP 4 stroke ~ 2 awnings ~ Seats 12 ~
AM/FM/CD Player ~ Fish Finder ~ Navigation ~ With Cover and trailer ~ All in good Shape
\$12,000 ~ Richard Wilkening ~ 641-751-4522

2007 Travel Trailer Camper with Hitch ~ 27 ft. ~ By Trail Bay ~ New Tires ~ Fully Equipped ~
One Slide Out Unit ~ Excellent Shape ~ \$7,000 - Richard Wilkening ~ 641-751-4522

Tiller ~ True Value Lawn Chief ~ 5 HP ~ BXS Engine ~ Rear Tang ~ \$100 ~ Richard Wilkening ~
641-751-4522

Fire Wood ~ Hard Maple ~ \$65.00 pickup load ~ Call John at 641-753-5176

A Piece From Solidarity Magazine

Stronger Together: The Thread That Ties Us Together

It's not easy to define "union." Some reference collective bargaining and the improvements to wages, benefits and working conditions we make through negotiations. And for some, being organized is about fully appreciating the power of political action as, after all, everything we gain at the bargaining table can be wiped out at the ballot box. Others will describe the positive social change we are able to affect in our communities through our unions.

All of those descriptions are accurate. But there is also a thread that winds through all of them: the simple notion that we are stronger when we stand together and help one another. Gains at the bargaining table happen because the employer doesn't question our resolve to stand together. We've seen what happens when officials who support worker rights get elected (and what happens when politicians who don't ascend to office). And the very heart of social change comes from our mandate to stand in solidarity with those who are vulnerable and in need.

Union Label Committee presents Winter Fun the Union Way

by Onita Gagne

Happy New Year!

Welcome to 2018! In January we celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. It also has several weird and wacky holidays, a few of them are Chocolate Cake Day, Bean Day, Bittersweet Chocolate Day, National Popcorn Day and National Blonde Brownie Day!

Now that we are well into the winter months a lot of us look forward to getting out to go skiing, snowboarding, snowmobiling, etc., with family and/or friends. There are several ski resorts in Michigan to choose from including Tree Tops and Crystal Mountain to name a couple. Michigan also has hundreds of miles of snowmobile trails for a person to ride and explore our great outdoors. There are a lot of American made items that you can buy that will help you get all the pleasure you can out of snow.

SNOWMOBILES:
Arctic Cat

SNOWBOARDS:
Unity
Venture

ICE SKATES:
Lake Placid



If you are an ice fishing enthusiast, you might be going out to do a little fishing on the weekends...

ICE FISHING:
HT Enterprises

SKIS:
Line Skis
Shaggys Copper Country Skis

SNOWSHOES:
TSL
Northern Lites

ICE FISHING SHANTY:
Cart Blinds



Are you seeking a winter get away?

LUGGAGE:
Tough Traveler
Red OXX

HOTELS:
Marriot
Best Western
Comfort Inn
Holiday Inn
Hilton

RENTAL CARS:
Hertz

Others that stay here will need tools for snow removal.

SNOW BLOWERS:
Cub Cadet
Simplicity
Snapper

THEME PARKS:
Disney World
Universal Studios
Six Flags
Sea World

AIRLINES:
United
American
Delta
Jet Blue

TRAVEL TRAILERS:
Airstream

SNOW SHOVELS:
Global Industrial

There are hundreds of items available to purchase to help you get more out of your winter months, this list is just a sample of what you can find. As always, the Union Label Committee is asking that you buy union/American made products whenever you can to keep Americans working!

UAW LOCAL 893 VETERANS COMMITTEE BOWLING FUNDRAISER

WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

TIME: 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

**WHERE: WAYWARD SOCIAL
(FORMALLY KNOWN AS TOTEM BOWL)**

WHO: LOCAL 893 MEMBERS & FAMILY

**COST: \$12 per ticket which includes
shoe rental and 2 hours of
bowling**

There will be door prizes and a 50/50 raffle.

**Tickets can be purchased from the UAW
Secretary at the UAW Hall or on the day of
the event at the door.**



UAW Local 893:

The MHS After-Prom Committee extends its heartfelt thank you for your generous support. Thank you so much for your \$50 donation. We so appreciate your support.

Carrie Loney

UAW:

Thank you for your continued support of the Ferguson Community Center. Your donation will be used for operating expenses and payment on our roof loan. As funds come in, we will work on much needed projects and repairs. Your donation is tax deductible. Thank you for your donation!

Ferguson Community Center Board

Dear Local 893 – Unit 1:

Just want to say thanks to all for my retirement collection. It was a pleasure working with all of you.

Shirley Brawner

Dear UAW 893:

On November 9th, Elgin Spence presented me (Mary Moody), Nathan's daughter, with a beautiful bible on my dad's behalf. Just wanted to tell you all thank you so much and to let you know I'm using it, I love it, and I think of my pop every morning when I use it.

God Bless!

Mary Moody

Dear UAW 893:

Many thanks for attending Scott's visitation and for the bible.

Jim and Kathie Speas

Missy Potter

Dear UAW 893:

Thank you for your kindness and for the bible in memory of Gary.

From the Family of Gary Gratopp

Dear UAW 893:

Thank you so very much for the bible.

Barb Bond & Family

Dear UAW 893:

Thank you for remembering Steve with your donation.

The Priske Family

Unit 11, UAW Local 893:

I want to thank everyone who contributed to my retirement. It was a very unexpected surprise!! Also, greatly appreciated. Take care all Lennox employees.

Gretchen Hines – 2102 – A number I can't seem to forget

Financial Organization and Retirement Planning

Date: Tuesday, March 13th, 2018

Time: 4:20 p.m.

Place: UAW Hall Basement

Presented By:

UAW Local 893 Education Comm.
Freedom Financial Group

This meeting is for UAW Local 893 members, retirees, and spouses. There is no cost or obligation to attend.

All members of Local 893 are encouraged to attend, but if you are already retired or over the age of 52 you should not miss this meeting!

Refreshments and snacks will be provided.