UAW Local 74
205 N. James St.
Ottumwa, IA 52501

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"The most important word in the language of the working class is solidarity."

-Harry Bridges

Snow Removal Bids

We are now taking bids for snow removal for the union hall. If you are interested, please submit your bid in writing at the union hall by Monday, November 16th.

LUCA Committee

- LUCA *(Local Union Communication Association)* exists to strengthen labor communications. Our local LUCA committee met on October 12th and established a private Facebook group for active members and retirees only. Here you can find any important news and information regarding our local. We encourage you to join the Facebook group so that you can stay informed! Click on the QR code to join!



- Our website is now live! Check it out and let us know if there is any other information you would like to see posted on it.

https://uaw74.org Note: do not put www. (UAW Local 74)

- In another effort to strengthen our communication, we are working diligently to make sure all of our members Information is up to date. Please take the time to scan the QR code and fill out the Google doc so that we can make sure your information is correct in our system.



UAW Local 74 Quick Tidbits

- We are not at 100% solidarity, we have 4 S.C.A.B.s. Dustin Ratzloff, Brody Long, Jesse Dobbins & Kathy Norman have chosen to drop their membership to UAW Local 74. That means these 4 individuals aren't paying dues so the local has to pick up their international per capita dues. If you see or know these people, please encourage them to rejoin UAW Local 74.
- Retirement Benefits - There has been some inquiring by members on retirement benefits such as cash balance, pension, and life insurance. To get this and much more information, go to *www.yourbenefitsresources.com/deere* - click on new user and follow the steps to create a user name and password.

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Free Will Donation Dinner

The Civil & Humans Rights Committee will be hosting a free will donation dinner right after the 3:45pm November membership meeting. Funds raised will go towards purchasing Christmas gifts for children in the community.

A Note from CI

Every day employees find ways to improve safety, quality and efficiency in their work areas. The Continuous Improvement (CI) process is designed to capture those ideas and turn them into lasting improvements. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the CI process whenever they identify a better way to do a job, reduce waste or improve a process. No idea is too small. Many of the best improvements come directly from the people doing the work every day.

Your CI team is here to help. Josh Reber and Eric Krantz serve as FLCI Representatives, Mary Loyd is the UAW CI Coordinator and Rachel Henderson serves as the Salary CI Coordinator. If you have an idea or would like assistance submitting a CI idea, reach out to any member of the team. Together we can continue making our workplace safer, more efficient and better for everyone.

Standing Committees

We are currently looking for members to join our standing committees. Membership participation in our standing committees is essential. These committees typically only meet once a month. If you are interested in joining a committee or want more information on what committees we have, please contact the hall 641-682-0897.

Newsletters

As we move into a more digital approach for the newsletter, please make sure your email address is updated with the hall before the end of the year.

Other options for receiving/viewing the newsletter include: our website (https://uaw74.org), our private Facebook group or stopping in to the hall for a printed copy. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Rachelle on Fridays at 641-682-0897.

UAW Local 74 Leadership

President: Stewart Nebel

Vice President: Phil Francis

Shop Chairman: Billy Weinhold

Committeeman 1: Michael DeWild

Committeeman 2: Travis Manship

Committeeman 3: Ron Hall

Recording Secretary: Ron Hall

Financial Secretary: Rachelle Duffield

Trustee's: Travis Manship

Eric Reyman

Wes Scholtus

Sgt. at Arms: Josh Gardner

Guide: Ryne Pickrell

Retiree Chairman: Tim Walker

Editor : Rachelle Duffield

Dates and Times

Steward Council

1st Thursday of each month– 7:15 a.m. & 3:45 p.m.

Retiree Executive Board

2nd Monday of each month - 11:00 a.m.

Retiree Co-op Dinner

2nd Monday of each month - 11:45 a.m.

Executive Board

1 day prior to the Membership Meeting - 3:45 p.m.

Membership Meeting

3rd Wednesday of each month

7:15 a.m. & 3:45 p.m.

Civil & Human Rights Committee

Monday before Membership Meeting- 3:45 p.m.

Education Committee

Monday Before Membership Meeting- 4:45 p.m.

Important Phone Numbers

Union Hall - 641.682.0897

United Healthcare - 1.888.533.3731

United Healthcare Vision - 1.800.638.3120

United Healthcare Dental - 1.800.996.7518

Optum Rx Prescription Drugs - 1.800.797.9794

John Deere Benefits Center - 1.844.689.7833

John Deere Pension Benefits Center - 1.844.689.7833

