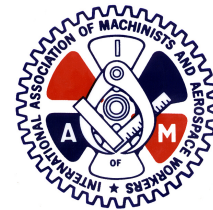


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January 2017

United Lodge 66 Business Meeting

January 10, 2017

7:00 PM

2609 W. Oklahoma Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53215
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*ALL Lodge Members are
Encouraged to attend.*

- **DAYTIME OFFICE HOURS - Tuesday thru Friday, 8AM to 4:30PM.**
- The deadline for articles for the December 2016 edition of the "Badger Lodge News", is November 19.
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Christmas Party on December 10, 2016



Children's Party and all got a chance to sit on Santa's lap.

Larry Morrow led a group sing.



Pepe Oulahan volunteered some Christmas songs for the children and later some Labor Songs for the adults ... one was 'The Long Road.'

A glimpse at the adult party.



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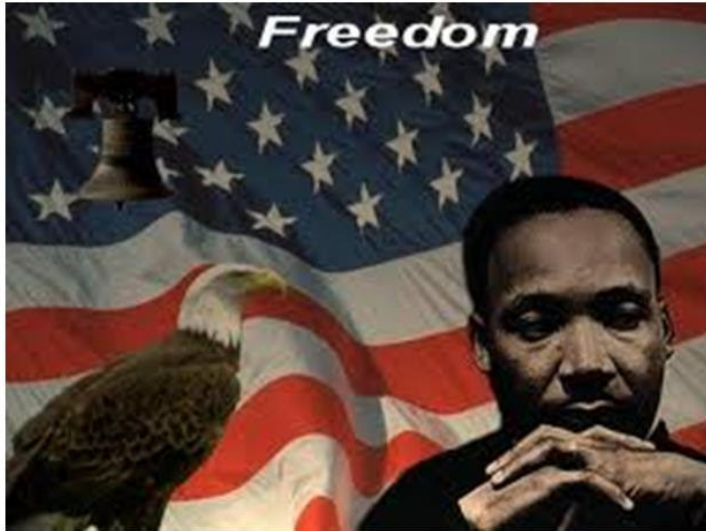
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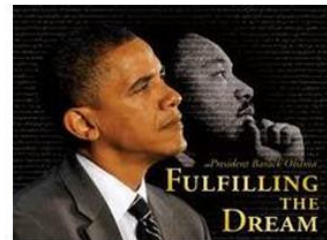
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'We must learn to live together as brothers or perish as fools'

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*"We Must Learn to Live Together as
Brothers or Parish Together as Fools"*



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Why Trump's Cabinet poses a unique threat to the working class

A Union staff member told veteran labor reporter Harold Meyerson late last month that Donald Trump's victory was "an extinction-level event for American labor." The president-elect's latest decision to tap franchise fast-food CEO Andy Puzder for secretary of labor makes that assessment look prescient. It's a fine example of the crude-but-ingenuous political hybrid Trump represents — one that makes him a singularly unique threat to American workers.

Trump ran his campaign on a set of reactionary populist promises to restore jobs, "make America great again," and lift up "the forgotten men and women" — i.e. the white working class. Now he's staffing the economic positions in his Cabinet with Wall Street financiers and corporate plutocrats: Former Goldman Sachs trader Steven Mnuchin for treasury secretary, billionaire investor and "king of bankruptcy" Wilbur Ross for commerce secretary, Goldman Sachs President Gary Cohn for head of the National Economic Council, and World Wrestling Entertainment co-founder Linda McMahon to head the Small Business Administration.

These people are either policy know-nothings, whose main qualification seems to be political and financial loyalty to Trump's campaign, or, in Puzder's case, they're basically the walking incarnation of the American right's most vicious anti-worker impulses.

Puzder is a hardcore opponent of any hike in the minimum wage; he opposed the National Labor Relations Board's decision to treat McDonald's as a joint employer of its franchises' workers; he opposed the Obama administration's extension of overtime benefits to millions of more workers; he has argued that safety net programs like food stamps and Medicaid simply discourage people from working; and, needless to say, he's a fan of cutting regulations and high-end taxes in order to free up business. One Labor Department investigation found about 60 percent of Puzder's own restaurants were violating labor laws in one way or another.

"Puzder as labor secretary is like putting Bernie Madoff in charge of the treasury," one organizing director for the Fight for 15 movement, which seeks a \$15-an-hour minimum wage, told *The American Prospect*.

Indeed, Trump and his Cabinet can probably be relied upon to enact more or less the full sweep of the GOP's anti-worker agenda: Gut the safety net and public investment; cut pay, hiring, and benefits for federal employees; repeal Obama's executive orders on overtime pay, and more. A national right-to-work law may well be in the offing, which would further cripple the national labor movement. And replacing deceased Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia with another right-winger will also give the Court the 5-to-4 majority it needs to effectively impose right-to-work logic on all public employee unions.

To understand how brazen this sellout of his supposedly pro-worker bonafides is, it's instructive to look at how Trump treated Unions in his much-ballyhooed deal with Carrier. Trump unilaterally persuaded the manufacturer to keep several hundred jobs in the U.S., rather than move them to Mexico. But shortly thereafter, Chuck Jones, the president of United Steelworkers 1999 — the union that represents Carrier's workers — pointed out the inconvenient fact that Trump inflated the number of jobs he prevented from being offshored by about 300, while 500 to 600 jobs are still going to Mexico. Trump "halfway delivered" and "lied his ass off," as the Union president bluntly put it.

Trump responded in familiar fashion, firing off a series of blustering tweets that claimed Jones did a "terrible job representing workers," and that "if United Steelworkers 1999 was any good, they would have kept those jobs in Indiana. Spend more time working — less time talking. Reduce dues." A president-elect calling out and insulting a regular citizen by name is largely unprecedented in American politics, and Jones apparently received threats as a result.

But what's telling here is Trump's dismissal of United Steelworkers 1999's work, and his essentially right-wing insinuation that Unions encourage sclerosis.

Trump is an authoritarian. And like all authoritarians, he wants the adulation of the masses. So he's happy to ditch GOP ideological orthodoxy to throw voters the occasional scrap of economic populism. But being an authoritarian, he also wants zero democratic accountability. And Unions are one of the most powerful and effective institutions Western society has yet devised for making both the economic and political powers-that-be answerable to working people. Trump wants nothing to do with that. His combination of reactionary populist rhetoric with a Cabinet and agenda that looks set to smash the American labor movement to smithereens is not some mistake or oversight. It's a perfectly logical outgrowth of Trump's specific worldview.

That worldview, of course, has little to nothing to do with the free-market principles one usually associates with the GOP and devout conservatives. What Trump is committed to is the idea of the business kingpin, with Trump himself as the kingpin par excellence, and his loyal tribe of kingpin supporters and donors staffing his cabinet.

This brings us back to Puzder. He once waxed rhapsodic about how much more preferable machines are to human workers: "They're always polite, they always upsell, they never take a vacation, they never show up late, there's never a slip-and-fall, or an age, sex, or race discrimination case," he told *Business Insider*. Puzder's guiding philosophy seems to be that human workers should be made more similar to machines: In Trump-world, the purpose of workers is to be as cheap, compliant, disposable, and conveniently fitted to the needs of their overlords as possible. They are most certainly not to organize, make demands upon, criticize, or oppose the kingpin. But if they are good, the kingpin may reward them with a largely theatrical display of rescued jobs.

Trump's goal is neither a coherent set of pro-worker social values and policies, nor a coherent set of free-market social values and policies. Rather, his goal is the obedience of both realms to a central strongman, namely, himself.

The System is Rigged, It Is Corrupt

by doug curler

These are the words of our Demagogue President elect trump and his Alt Right followers. Well if it was so rigged or corrupt, then he would not have won. Then came along Jill Stein, the Green Party candidate, who did file several recount petitions and one was in Wisconsin. Some where I got an email asking for volunteers to observe the recount of the votes. I thought and answered, why not volunteer through this email and see what happens. To my surprise within two days I did not get another email but a call from a real person and so since I volunteered, how could I back down.

In two days I was involved in an online training session as well as hooked into a conference call on the process and what we are to do? 'You are only observers,' we were told 'and to note any changes in the votes from the official vote total and that after the recount.' We cannot challenge or do anything but simply observe.

So on Friday, December 1, 2016, I started by volunteering observer duties at the Antigo Court House. December 2 was my first day and it went fairly well once the recount workers got the process down. On their initial Antigo ward count, the vote total on November 8 and the recount vote was all wrong. What the November 8th pole workers failed to do is put each ward in a separate sealed election bag. Once the recount workers realized what was not done on November 8th, they had to sort all the ballots by wards! At the other table was a group doing a rural township and I heard a person say the November 8th pole workers had forgotten to sign off on the paper voting rolls from the touch screen voting machines. Both just shows how the pole workers forget some simple steps, never realizing there could be a recount.

December 5th was my second day as an observer and my last. Most of the recounts were right on and those which were not only changed by two votes. Some of the recount workers were new but it seemed they had the process down and a bit more organized. There were two recount workers first looking at the absentee ballots and making sure all was correct so the counting of ballots went a bit faster.

As I sat there between the two tables paying attention to both groups I had time to check out my phone, with it of course on vibrate. All of a sudden one of the recount workers started to say, 'I do not allow any cell phones at my town voting location.' I just said ok to that and several of her other statements but by this time, regardless of need, kept using my cell phone. As I finished out by tour of observation and left the room, that person came running, and stated she was wrong and apologized. I accepted her apology and said I knew you were wrong but did not want to make a big issue. Then I stated, regardless what power you have in your township the only person in that room with power is the County Clerk and only she sets the rules.

So the recount did not change too many votes and the recount did not find too many of those millions of illegal votes as the demagogue President-Elect trump maintains. It also shows the Democratic process does work, with all of its small imperfections. **We all hope the fake news and lies do not wreck what has worked so well since the first Presidential election (at the time, only white men who owned property could vote) held from Monday, December 15, 1788, to Saturday, January 10, 1789.**

Why do we not go back to elections held over many days or as a National Holiday... obviously not going back to when only white men with property were allowed to vote ... something to ask your representatives in Washington, DC



ALL United Lodge 66 videos at:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/BadgerLodge>

Videos taken during 2016 Children's Christmas Party: <https://youtu.be/KuVrKc5hV9s>

Videos taken during 2016 Adult Christmas Party: <https://youtu.be/PZkEOldbzbG>

Video of pictures taken during Children's and Adult 2016 Christmas Party: <https://youtu.be/Uy7awtcSYkU>

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UnioNation rocks the labor movement!

*No, I'm not gonna let them change me
I ain't gonna let 'em break me anymore
Yes, we're sick of corporate greed
And with your help we'll plant a seed and let
it grow
(We Are the IAM by Linda Manekas and Cody Wilder)*

Richard Trumka, President of the AFL-CIO - and former president of the United Mine Workers of America - understands the role



Concert at W-3 -- the William W. Winpisinger Center in Hollywood, Md.

which workers' culture plays in the building of the labor movement. Some years ago, in a speech before a Labor Heritage Foundation concert in Washington, DC, he described America's labor songs as "our bricks and mortar."

"Songs," he said, "have given us courage to stand up and fight. They've been a camera when there were no photographers; they've

been a peacemaker when we needed calm. They've been an embrace when we needed solace. They've been our history books when we needed to remember our past, and they've united us when we needed a collective voice." Today we need that collective voice more than ever before. And we need it expressed in a way that touches our hearts and inspires us to action. This is the time for the music of unioNation to burst onto the scene and rock forward with songs of union pride and working-class solidarity.

UnioNation is a music project organized by the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers -- often referred to as "the IAM."

UnioNation is also the name of the band of 23 union members who, in 2013, came together at the William W. Winpisinger Center in Hollywood, Maryland to write, practice and perform 21 original labor songs.

"We want to reach a new audience," says Henry Bagwell, an IAM education representative who directs the Machinists Music Project and who hails from north Texas where he started off as a steward and volunteer organizer for the union. Bagwell credits Cody Wilder, an aerospace worker from Nashville with providing the spark for unioNation. In 2011, while attending a class at the Winpisinger Center, Cody wrote United We Stand, Divided We Fall as part of a class project. The opening lines of the song reflect the Machinists' long history as a militant industrial union.



*Twenty-four songs written, arranged and performed by IAM members.
Concert at W-3 -- the William W. Winpisinger Center in Hollywood, Md.*



Cody Wilder -- Local Lodge 735

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Long Road

lyrics by Joe Pepe'Olahan

It's been a long road to get to here
on a long road to get to go
It's been a long road to get to here
we got a long road still to go

Calling on Wisconsin, have you been to
Madison?
Did you hear about Ohio, have you been
to Benton Harbor?
You know they're standing up, in New
York City
Did ya hear what happened down in San
Diego?

Did you hear the bell, can you hear it
ringing?
Voices of freedom they won't stop sing-
ing in this place
We call America

Calling on Martin
Calling on Rosa
Calling on Cesar, we know you're still
there
Calling on Frederick and every word he
spoke
We know you're with us, we know you
still care

-- from unioNation,
Machinist Music Project

**From 1888 all the way up until now
Yeah, we've been through some hard
times,
but we managed somehow.
From Cheyenne to Cleveland, Seattle
to Arkansas
United we stand, divided we fall.**

(by Cody Wilder)

"Cody's song knocked me out," said Bagwell, "and I began wondering how music can break down barriers. I also wondered about whether or not there were other union members who might want to organize, inspire and motivate others through their music." In 2011, Bagwell sent out a call to IAM members across the U.S. and Canada; after receiving over 30 responses he sent out invitations to come to the Winpisinger Center for a week-long workshop.

That's when the magic happened. Twenty-three musicians, poets, and

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The 2017 IAM Scholarship Competition is now accepting applications. The deadline for submissions is February 24, 2017.

Click [here to download applications and see eligibility rules.](https://www.goiam.org/news/departments/hq/scholarships/2017-iam-scholarship-competition/)

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The IAM awards scholarships to:

- Children of IAM members (parent or guardian) applying for college
- Children of IAM members (parent or guardian) applying for vocational or technical School
- IAM members applying for college

Since its implementation in 1960, the Scholarship Competition has continued to grow. This past year, 2015-2016, the IAM received 294 applications for scholarships. The 16 scholarships awarded were valued at \$72,000.

By convention resolution, IAM delegates determined that voluntary contributions to finance the Scholarship fund be set at 50 cents per member, per year. To date, 224 of the IAM's approximately 960 Locals have contributed. If your lodge has not adopted this resolution or has not contributed for this year, please give it serious consideration at your next lodge meeting.

You may call the IAM Safety and Health Department, which administers the scholarship competition, at 301-967-4708 to request an application packet to be mailed. Application packets have been sent to the local and district lodges.

Click [here for details on the 2017 IAM Scholarship competition.](https://www.goiam.org/news/departments/hq/scholarships/2017-iam-scholarship-competition/)

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songwriters - many of whom had never met each other or played together - gathered to perform their compositions in a two hour concert before a union audience . UnionNation's premier

performance won standing ovations.

The IAM booked the group to perform for 1400 cheering delegates at their convention in Toronto and, in the summer of 2013, Henry Bagwell - in his new-found role as music director and promoter - called the band back together to record a double CD at KMH Recording Studio in Lusby, Maryland. Shortly after unionNation was issued then IAM President Tom Buffenbarger, an avid Led Zepplin fan, urged members and local lodges to give the music project their enthusiastic support.

All of the 25 songs on the unioNation double CD - including "Long Road," "A Woman's Place," "Working Man's Pride," "Bone Tired," and "Rock and a Hard Place" - are artistically composed and professionally backed by talented musicians who work by day and play by night. This is a collection of voices which represent the values, the spirit, and the caring-for-each-other attitude of the everyday heroes and heroines who are America's working class. Bruce Springsteen would surely bless this project and the spirit of Pete Seeger is smiling somewhere.

I highly recommend unioNation as a holiday gift for friends and family. Unions wanting to thank officers, stewards and staff for their service should buy in bulk. A 14-page booklet of inspiring lyrics is included.

This is rocking solidarity music created by rank and file union members who are rebuilding our labor movement with spirit and verve. Buy copies of this double CD and give them away.

Purchase individual CDs or digitally download at [unioNation](http://www.unionation.com/). (<http://www.unionation.com/>) Or order CD by check written to "IAMAW" at William W. Winpisinger Center, Attn: unioNation CD, 24494 Placid Harbor Way, Hollywood, MD 20636. Price: \$20 plus \$2.69 postage. For bulk orders call 301-373-3300, ext. 115.

Rock and roll the union on!

Saul Schniderman

Editor

Friday's Labor Folklore

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Mar 26 - 31
April 23 - 28
May 7 - 12
July 9 - 14
Aug 6 - 11
Oct 8 - 13
Nov 5 - 10

Leadership II

Mar 19 - 24
May 14 - 19
July 16 - 21
Sept 10 - 15
Oct 15 - 20

Advanced Leadership

Apr 2 - 7
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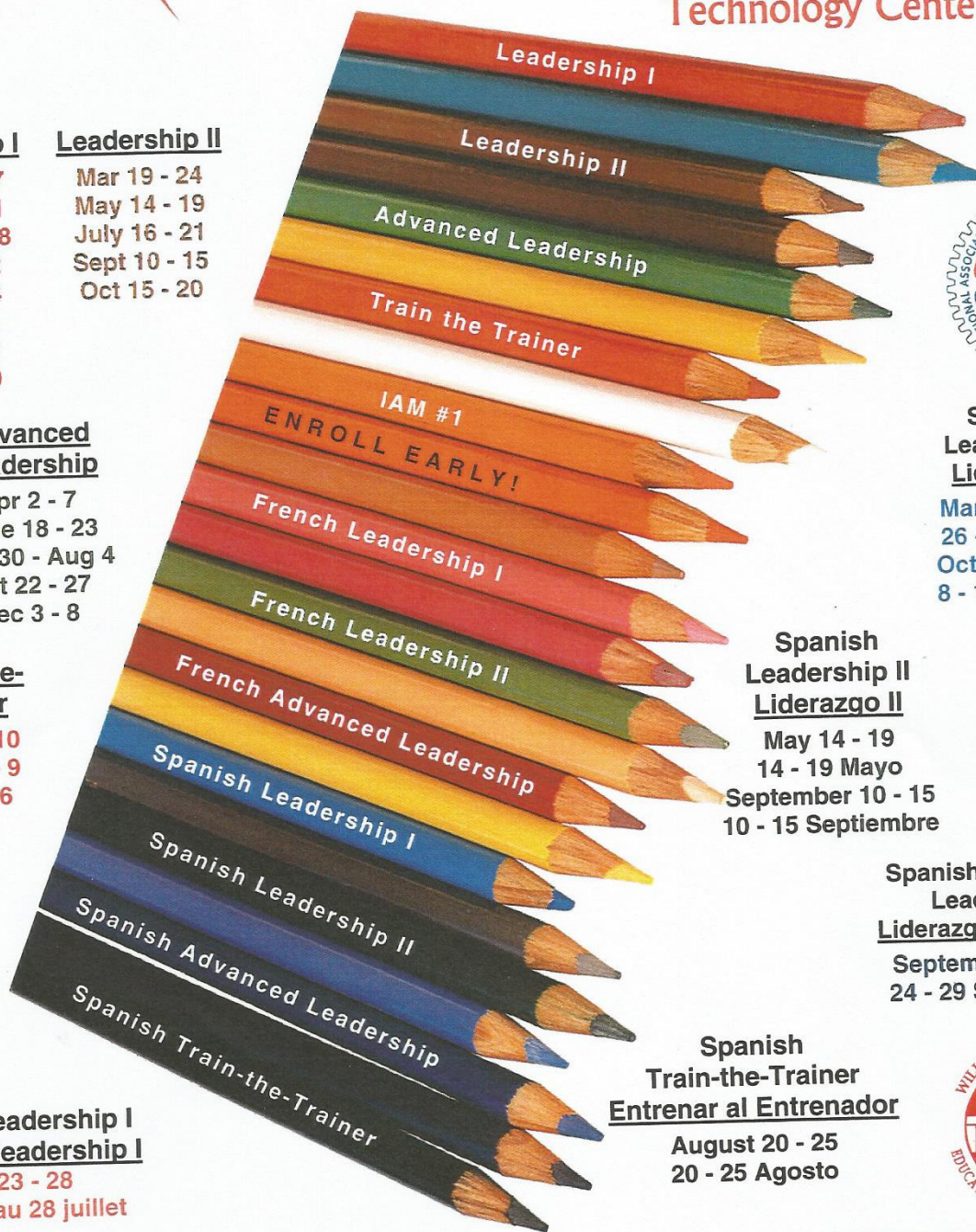
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23 juillet au 28 juillet

French Leadership II Cours de leadership II

July 30 - August 4
30 juillet au 4 août

Advanced French Leadership Écoles de Leadership Avancé

July 30 - August 4
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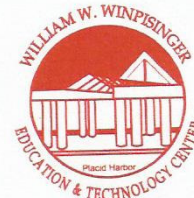
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24 - 29 Septiembre

Spanish Train-the-Trainer Entrenar al Entrenador

August 20 - 25
20 - 25 Agosto



**Contact your Local Lodge
President immediately to
inquire how to enroll.**

Spanish Leadership Working Group Builds Toward Future

from www.goiam.org, IMAIL

The Spanish Leadership Working Group (SLWG) recently met at the Winpisinger Center to review and update class material and plan for 2017 Spanish Leadership and Spanish Staff classes.

Members collaborated and brainstormed about the best methods to support and strengthen the IAM. Discussions on outreach to participants for the Spanish Leadership classes, the student's subsequent return to their lodges and communities as prepared activists, and the importance of involvement were vital topics.

"As always it is truly a pleasure and an honor to be a part of this group," said SLWG member Adriana Picasso, a Local 1759 (District 141) Steward at United Airlines. "With the experience and support of the instructors that founded the very first Spanish Leadership 10 years ago, we look forward to welcoming the next generation of instructors to the 2017 Spanish Leadership Working Group."

As the political and legislative landscape heats up around issues affecting labor, it is critical for unions to grow by organizing in every region and demographic. One of the fastest growing sectors in the workforce are Spanish-speaking workers. Spanish Leadership classes are a key opportunity to educate these members.

The W3 Spanish Leadership and Staff classes for 2017 are as follows:

- March 26-31: Spanish Leadership I
- April 2-7: Spanish Collective Bargaining (Participants Assigned by GVP)
- April 30-May 5: Spanish Organizing I (Participants Assigned by GVP)
- May 14-19: Spanish Leadership II
- August 20-25: Spanish Train-the-Trainer
- October 8-13: Spanish Leadership I
- September 10-15: Spanish Leadership II
- September 24-29: Spanish Leadership Advanced

Local lodges, districts, stewards and officers are encouraged to identify and enroll Spanish speaking/bilingual members. Like the English-language Leadership programs, the Spanish Leadership programs build a solid understanding of trade unionism and provide participants with the skills and tools they need to effectively represent and grow the membership.

Please note that enrollments in any of the Spanish Leadership programs do not count against your Lodge's regular Leadership school allotments. Click here to download enrollment forms in either Spanish or English directly from the Winpisinger Center's website.

If you have any questions about the Spanish Leadership Programs or need any additional information, please contact Edmundo Osorio at 301-373-8814 or email: eosorio@iamaw.org.



<https://winpisinger.iamaw.org/>

Click on or copy and paste to see your Machinists Union Education to see what is available to all members ... if you want to get involved and not just sit back and wait?



The Wisconsin Labor History Society (<http://www.wisconsinlaborhistory.org>) is pleased to announce the availability of a six-part video series, "An Historical Overview of Labor Unions in the United States." Each segment is heavily illustrated and takes us through the struggle to organize from centuries past to the present day.

View the first segment: Copy and paste this link for some honest education:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sTN0IXAdx08&feature=youtu.be>

United Lodge 66 Christmas Party setup crew or did functions the night of the party to make it happen. Absent were our two resident bartenders!

W3 Center Prepares Ocean Spray IAM Members for Contract Talks

from
www.goiam.org/
IMAIL

The IAM Local 66 Negotiating Committee, along with a staff member from District 10, recently participated in the Negotiation Preparation for Bargaining Committees program at the William W.

Winpisinger Center in Hollywood, MD. The Committee represents employees at Ocean Spray Cranberries in Kenosha, WI, a leading producer of cranberry sauce and juice drinks.

The current contract with Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc. expires March 1, 2017. Recognizing that this promises to be a difficult round of negotiations, the Committee strategized to bring a fair and transparent contract to its members while improving wages and benefits, addressing rising health care costs and securing union jobs for now and into the future.

"The week at the Winpisinger Center gave the Committee an opportunity to strategize and put a plan in place to address issues and concerns prior to, during and after the negotiating process," said District Representative Joe Terlisner. "The Committee worked hard, and they leave the Center better prepared to advance the needs of the Union members they serve."



Front row, from left: Joe Terlisner, Kenny Mullan and Mike Oettel. Back row, from left: Hunter Scott, Jon Zancanaro and Matt Maier.



WISCONSIN LABOR HISTORY SOCIETY

Preserving and promoting the study of worker history

High School Students! Win Prizes In Labor History Essay Contest

The Wisconsin Labor History Society announces its Essay Contest for the 2016-2017 School Year for Wisconsin high school students (Grades 9-12).

Win cash prizes up to \$500. Write essays of about 750 words on the topic:

"Unions have been important to my family and my community because..."

Students are urged to interview family members, neighbors, friends or others for their stories about work and unions. Teachers are urged to assist students in their efforts.

Up to eight students could win cash prizes: First place, \$500; second place \$300; third place: \$200; honorable mention (up to five) \$100.



LOTS TO LEARN ABOUT WISCONSIN'S WORKER HISTORY!

One of the memorable moments in the state's history occurred in 2011 when massive rallies involved thousands of workers and their families in protesting the enactment of legislation that would end collective bargaining rights for public employees.

More information about this and other important events in Wisconsin's worker history can be found on our website:

www.wisconsinlaborhistory.org

Rules: Essays should be approximately 750 words in length. They will be judged on understanding, evidence of original research, writing style and significance. Essays must be typed, double-spaced, on white paper. Two copies must be submitted (One may be a photocopy.) Please be sure to provide the following information on the cover sheet: Your name, address, home telephone number, your email address, your grade in school, name and address of your school, and, if you were encouraged or assisted by a teacher, the teacher's name. (Also, list your family's union membership, if applicable.) If you have any questions, contact: Harvey J. Kaye (920-465-2355 or kayeh@uwgb.edu).

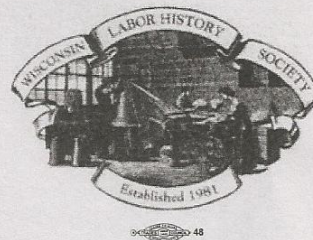
Submissions must be postmarked Feb. 15, 2017 or before. Send completed essays to:

**Prof. Harvey J. Kaye, Center for History and Social Change
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Christmas Party Pictures



A family event



Where is the food?



Winners of raffle for Harley Jacket and Vest

Calling All IAM Veterans: We Have Resources to Help

The IAM has great respect for the men and women who have served our country in the Armed Forces. In a move to support those in our own ranks, the delegates at the 39th IAM Grand Lodge Convention passed a resolution to implement the IAM Veteran Services Program.

The mission of the IAM Veteran Services Program is to provide assistance, guidance, and pertinent information to the membership for the betterment of IAM military veterans.

Visit the GoIAM [Veterans Services page](https://www.goiam.org/departments/headquarters/veteran-services/) (or copy and paste: <https://www.goiam.org/departments/headquarters/veteran-services/>) for information and updates on the progress of the implementation of the Veteran Services Program.

“The IAM is very proud to have a great number of military veterans as members, and many members in jobs that directly support our military,” said IAM General Vice President Diane Babineaux. “We are excited to see what the future holds for the Veteran Services Program and the great benefit that it will have for our veterans.”

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Anyone interested in the Veteran Service Program should contact GVP Diane Babineaux’s office at 301-967-4505. Feel free to pass along information and pictures of events pertaining to veteran IAM members to dbabineaux@iamaw.org.

If you are an IAM military service veteran and haven’t filled out a [contact information sheet](https://www.goiam.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/images_articles_headquarters_departments_retirees-community-and-membership-services_veterans_veterans_contact_information_sheet.pdf), (copy and paste: https://www.goiam.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/images_articles_headquarters_departments_retirees-community-and-membership-services_veterans_veterans_contact_information_sheet.pdf) please do so.



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Seniors Corner

Rep. Tom Price Selected as Secretary of Health and Human Services

On Tuesday, President-elect Trump named House Budget Committee Chairman Tom Price of Georgia to be Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Rep. Price has spent years trying to privatize and cut Medicare and slash Medicaid.

Following the announcement, **Rep. Price told reporters he plans to convert Medicare into a voucher system as early as the fall of 2017**, and Speaker Paul Ryan wants to move even more quickly than that. In the past, Price has promised to cut benefits and change Medicare into a voucher program, effectively ending guaranteed benefits and turning it into coupon-care. As secretary, Price will also have significant control over Medicare Part D and policies affecting the price of prescription drugs.

"The Alliance is deeply troubled by the nomination of Rep. Tom Price as secretary of HHS," said Robert Roach, Jr., "Rep. Price has made a career of attacking Medicare and has earned just a 4 percent lifetime score from the Alliance in the Congressional Voting Record. His views on privatizing Medicare and ending guaranteed health care benefits are out of touch with the needs and beliefs of American seniors."

"The members of the Alliance will fight Trump, Price and House Speaker Paul Ryan every step of the way," said Richard Fiesta, Executive Director of the Alliance. "We will not stand by and let a program that Americans have paid into for decades, which has provided health care to millions of seniors and saved families from bankruptcy, be destroyed."

We will be delivering petitions against turning Medicare's guaranteed benefits into a voucher program next week to Speaker Ryan and Senate Majority Leader McConnell – make sure your name is included by clicking here.

Alliance members will be visiting their members of Congress in their home districts in December to demand that they support Medicare's guaranteed earned benefits and oppose vouchers. If you will participate, please sign up here.

Trump's Social Security Point Man's Views on Privatization

Tom Leppert, former mayor of Dallas, was named to the president-elect's transition "landing team" for the Social Security Administration (SSA) recently, raising serious concerns about the future of Social Security. In 2012, Mr. Leppert ran an unsuccessful Senate campaign in which he advocated for raising the retirement age and shifting Social Security toward private retirement accounts.

"Mr. Leppert is another example of Donald Trump surrounding himself with people who discredit his campaign promises," said Mr. Fiesta. "Throughout the campaign, President-elect Trump vowed to protect our hard earned Social Security benefits and avoid any cuts. Now, however, he has chosen someone as his Social Security point person who wants to slash Social Security."

Incoming OMB Director Supports Cuts to Medicare and Social Security

House Freedom Caucus Leader Mick Mulvaney of South Carolina, who has supported drastic cuts to Social Security and Medicare, will be Director of the Office of Management and Budget under Donald Trump.

As a member of Congress, Mulvaney has introduced numerous bills that have attempted to cut government spending, particularly on Medicare and Social Security. His argument has been that the programs need to be reformed in order to avoid bankruptcy. At times he sided with Democrats to reduce defense spending.

"Retirees are going to have our work cut out for us," said Robert Roach, President of the Alliance. "Nominees like Rep. Mulvaney, and Price for Secretary of HHS, are going to try to push the new president to the extreme right. We must remind all elected officials that Medicare and Social Security are benefits that we have earned over a lifetime of work. They must be protected for both current and future retirees."

During the presidential campaign Trump promised not to cut Social Security or Medicare, but he has been silent on the issue since then. Trump's nominee for Secretary of Health and Human Services, Rep. Tom Price, has worked with House Speaker Paul Ryan to "reform" Medicare by ending guaranteed health benefits and turning Medicare into a privatized, voucher system

Editors Note: the election is over but still a big thank you to Union members/retirees who did vote for Demagogue trump and against their own economic interest and that of America.

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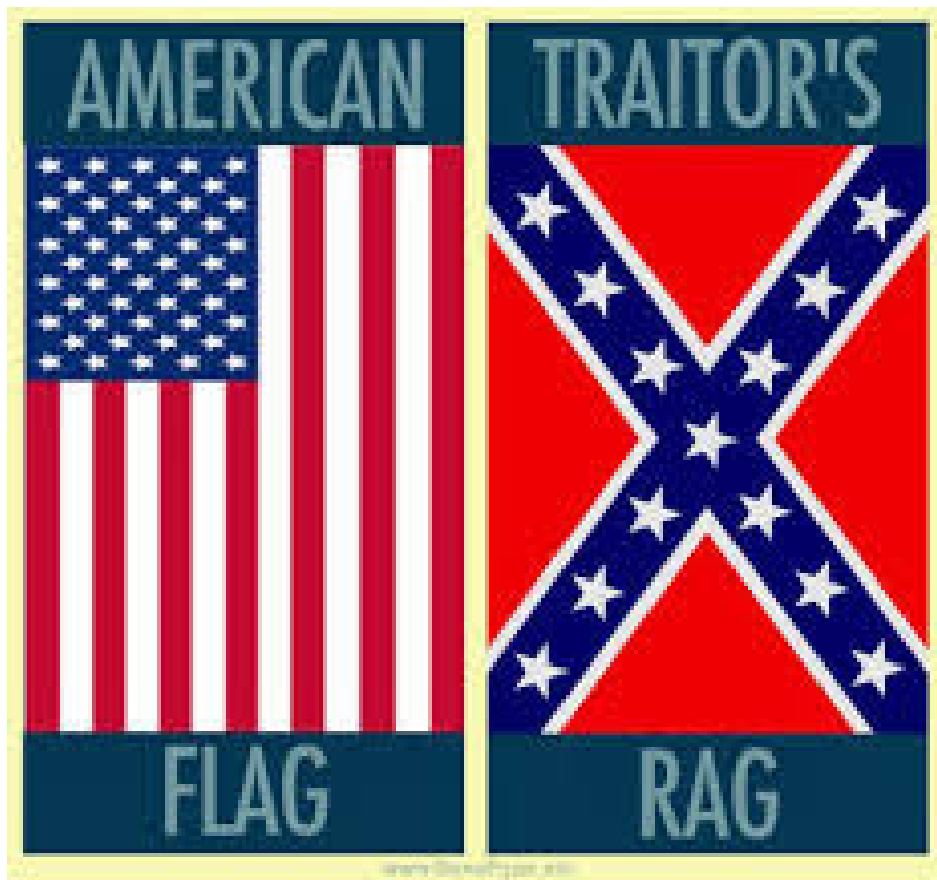
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Activities for You and Your Family

- **Milwaukee Area Labor Council** delegate meeting: **January 4, 2017** at **6:30pm**, new location at Juneau Complex, in auditorium, 6415 W. Mount Vernon.
- **Machinists Union William W. Winpisinger Education and Technology Center** class schedule is available (<http://winpisinger.iamaw.org/courselist>) or at your Union office. Or come to any Union meeting and just ask. This center is open to all members, you just need to be active and want to be the future leader at your worksite or at United Lodge 66.



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