

# **Badger Lodge News**

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#### **United Lodge 66 Business Meeting** January 10th at 7:00 PM 1650 S 38th Street Milwaukee, WI 53215 414-671-3800 All lodge members are encouraged to attend **Contents:** Page 2: Lodge 66 Ops During **Covid-19 Situation** Page 3: Lodge 66 Christmas **Parties** Page 4: 2023 Meeting Dates Page 5: W3 2023 Leadership Classes Page 6:Keep your Information Up to Date

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#### **Office Hours:**

Suspended until notice due to Covid-19 guidelines. See pg. 2

All Contract issues must be settled by your Business Rep at District 10. *See Last Page* 

## UAW Local 180 Solidarity Day

#### By Wendy Greene

It was a cold blustery day, I bundled up and headed to UAW local lodge 180 on Kearney Ave. There were signs made from paper, laminated print outs, and huge car toppers readily assembled waiting to be put on cars or held in your own hands. There was a solidarity sign For all to sign their names on and there was also a microphone set up for speakers to talk. As time ticked by, supporters of UAW locals 180 and 807 trickled into the lot in large waves, many bearing license plates from Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota.

When walking into the union hall there were several people gathered setting up all the donations that were brought in; food, toys and clothes. There was also the option to donate money on the spot as you signed in.

As we all signed in and grabbed a crafted support union sign, one of the speakers gathered everyone together and directed us in singing "solidarity forever" together before speeches began.

After the song we heard from teachers, nurses, young workers, and we all stood, listened, clapped and chanted union power! It was very uplifting. Some of the speakers were Jody Spencer from the Racine AFL-CIO (retired postal worker) and



Supporters listening to the speakers

Stephanie Bloomingdale from the WI state AFL-CIO. We heard from retired workers from Case, the president of the local and many more individuals over the course of a hour and a half.

After the speeches had finished, the car caravan had began once we got back into our cars and we all set out in small groups touring the city displaying our car topper signs, honked our horns and made some noise! We had several cars that honked with us as they past. *See 'Solidarity Day' on pg. 3* 



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#### Lodge 66 Operations during Covid-19 Situation

The Executive Board of United Lodge 66 has made some decisions to protect the Membership and Office Staff of Lodge 66.

First of all we would like to encourage our members and their families to stay safe during this health crisis. Following the recommendations from the Federal, State and Local Governments is advised.

To protect our members and staff the office will be closed for drop-in traffic.

The office telephone will forward to Secretary-Treasurer Ivan Collins phone. The phone number for Lodge 66 is (414) 671-3800. The Lodge email is <u>lodge66@gmail.com</u>. The lodge address is 1650 S 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee WI 53215. Mail can be put in the mail slot at the office. Members are encouraged to do as much as possible through the mail. Emails and communications will be monitored. If an appointment needs to be made we will try to accommodate on an Individual basis. Several of the offices within the Machinists Organization will be staffed with reduced workforce. During these critical times we want to express to the membership that we will serve to the best of our ability and you are our main concern. The Brothers and Sisters of the Machinists Union will get through this challenge. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this major event.

In Solidarity,

Frank Riedijk

United Lodge 66 President

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### Lodge 66 2022 Christmas Parties

On Saturday, December 3rd we held our annual Children's and Adult's Christmas Parties. It was a fun, festive day shared with and for our members. A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers that helped with this years parties, without you all these parties wouldn't have been as successful as they were. Enjoy some photos from this years parties!



#### 'Solidarity Day' from pg 1

We ended up at the Case plant where there was a large crowd of union members and supporters walking the picket line. To see their smiles and cheers as they seen us coming down the road with our signs in support of what they were fighting for was moving and I am glad that I was able to take part in this event!



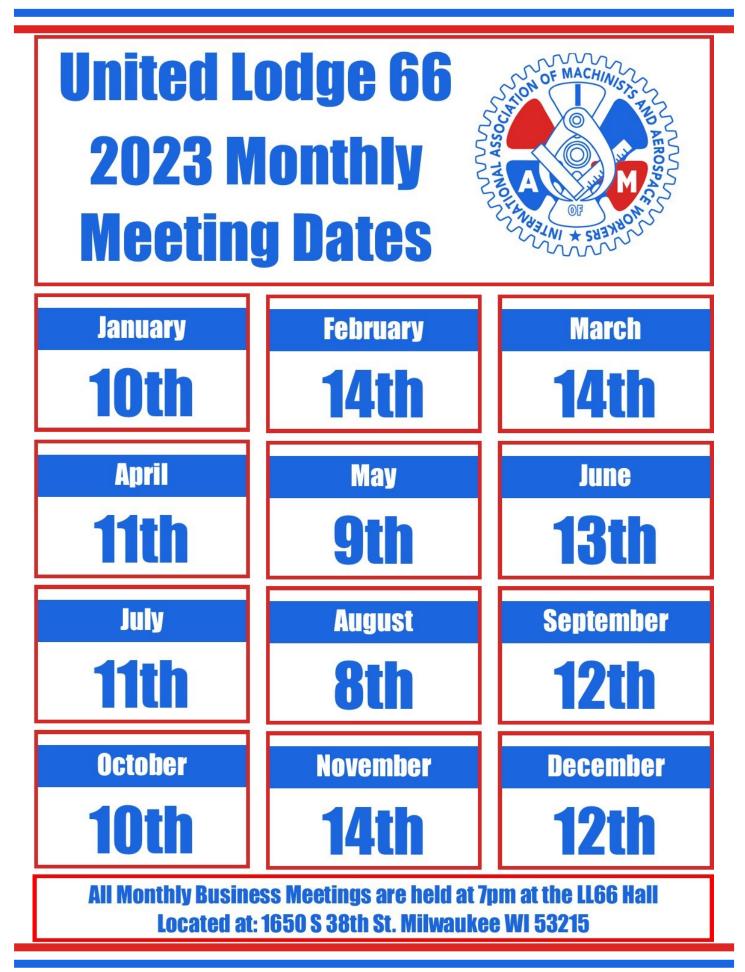
A look at many of the people that gathered to support UAW 180



Wendy Greene and Hunter Scott



The vehicles ready for the car caravan





### **2023 LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS**

LEADERSHIP I 01-23 to 02-02 Online 04-16 to 04-21 05-21 to 05-26 06-04 to 06-09 07-16 to 07-21 07-30 to 08-04 08-20 to 08-25 10-22 to 10-27 11-27 to 12-07 Online

LEADERSHIP II 03-13 to 03-23 Online 04-30 to 05-05 06-11 to 06-16 07-23 to 07-28 09-17 to 09-22

ADVANCED LEADERSHIP 03-12 to 03-17 06-25 to 06-30 10-01 to 10-06 TRAIN-THE-TRAINER 02-19 to 02-24 05-14 to 05-19 08-27 to 09-01 10-15 to 10-20

LEADERSHIP I & II FRENCH 07-09 to 07-14

ADV. LEADERSHIP FRENCH 07-16 to 07-21

LEADERSHIP I SPANISH 06-18 to 06-23 10-15 to 10-20

LEADERSHIP II SPANISH 02-19 to 02-24

ADV. LEADERSHIP SPANISH 11-12 to 11-17



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UNITED LODGE 66 MACHINISTS UNION



## MEMBERS OF LODGE 66

It is your responsibility to:

- Keep your address current at your Union office.
- \* Let us know if you are on a medical leave.
- \* Let us know if you have been laid off.
- \* Let us know if you have quit.
- \* Let us know if you have been fired.
- Let us know if you have retired.

For contract issues, call your Business Representative at District No. 10. Lodge 66 only handles your membership information. District No. 10 is located at 107 Warren St., Ste 2, Beaver Dam, WI 53916 (920) 219-4919 then extension:

Ext.

- 1 Alex Hoekstra, Director
- 2 Scott Parr, Assistant Director
- 3 Di Ann Fechter, Business Representative
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- 8 Greg Pursell, Business Representative
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- 7 Joseph E. Terlisner, Business Representative



Update your contact info!

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Make your checks payable to IAM D10 CAS and mail to the address at the bottom of this flyer (any dues not deducted from your normal paycheck are your responsibility to pay directly - either the full amount of dues or the \$2.00 monthly out of work dues).

We need the above information from you!

Communicate your work status to your Union office. It saves time and money!

\*\*\*It's best to send updates via regular mail or e-mail.\*\*\*

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#### Attn: Wisconsin High School Students

## Win \$\$\$ for Essays on Labor History!

The Wisconsin Labor History Society announces its Essay Contest for the 2022-23 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 could win cash prizes:

First place: \$500; Second place: \$300; Third place: \$200;

Honorable mention (up to five): \$100.

#### What to write about ...

All Wisconsin high school students have ready access to labor history. Check with parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts. Also, neighbors and family friends. Ask to interview them and then write your essay. Only 750 words. Also, you may do independent research on topics of labor history. Check the Wisconsin Labor History website (<u>www.wisconsinlaborhistory.org</u>) for resources and other ideas.

#### **Contest 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 submitted by email in Microsoft Word or as a PDF file. Submissions must include a cover sheet with the following information: 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 at <u>kayeh@uwgb.edu</u>.

Deadline for submissions is Feb. 15, 2023.

Send your essays to the following email address: <u>info@wisconsinlaborhistory.org</u>. Put "essay contest" in subject line.

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## **Seniors Corner: Many Inflation Reduction Act Provisions Set** to Take Effect in January

#### From retiredamericans.org

On August 16, 2022, President Biden signed the Inflation Reduction Act into law, setting into motion multiple provisions that will bring down skyrocketing prescription drug prices for millions of Americans.

- Many of those provisions will begin in January including:
- Insulin co-pays will be capped at \$35 per month for Medicare beneficiaries;
- All recommended adult vaccines will be free for Medicare beneficiaries;
- Corporations that raise the price of drugs sold to Medicare faster than the rate of inflation must pay rebates back to Medicare;

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must identify the 100 highest-priced drugs and select the first 10 for price negotiation

In addition, Medicare will begin to cover medically necessary dental procedures beginning in January. Also, over-the-counter hearing aids are available now, following an Executive Order signed by President Biden in October.



"It took many years of activism to get here, but in two weeks drug prices will finally begin to come down," said Executive Director Fiesta. "Alliance members should be proud of the role they played in making this a reality."

## **Upcoming Events and Important Dates:**

Milwaukee Area Labor Council Delegate Meeting Wednesday, December 7th at 6:30 PM Milwaukee Labor Temple 633 S. Hawley Rd.

Milwaukee, WI

District 10 Business Meeting Monday, December 12th At 7 PM Satellite Meeting @ Lodge 66 1650 S. 38th Street Milwaukee, WI Lodge 66 Business Meeting Tuesday, December 13th at 7 PM Local Lodge 66 1650 S. 38th Street Milwaukee, WI Deadline to submit articles for the next Badger Lodge News is

December 23rd

Submit articles by email:

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