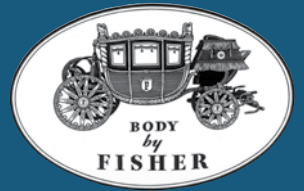




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CONFRONTING OPPRESSION, ADVANCING EQUITY: *A Call To Action Within The UAW*

"Let's be the union that lives up to the belief that an injury to one is an injury to all."

STEPHANIE RILEY

from the **PRESIDENT'S DESK**

For nearly nine decades, the United Auto Workers (UAW) has stood as a pillar of strength for working people – a force that has fought tooth and nail for economic justice, collective bargaining rights, and a dignified life for its members. But while our union has championed fairness on the assembly lines and in contract negotiations, we must also be honest and courageous in confronting challenges that persist within our own house; namely, the issues of oppression and inequality that still shape the lived experiences of many UAW members.

A Legacy of Strength, A Future of Accountability

From the *Flint Sit-Down Strike* in 1936 to the *Stand-Up Strike* of 2023, the UAW has a proud legacy of defiance against exploitation. However, as with any institution shaped by history and humanity, we are not immune to the structural and interpersonal dynamics that perpetuate racism, sexism, ableism, xenophobia, and discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

There are Black and Brown workers who have risen through the ranks of union leadership, but many still feel the weight of underrepresentation and unequal access to opportunity. There are women who have broken through barriers, yet continue to encounter harassment and bias. There are LGBTQ+ members who give their labor and loyalty to this union, but remain uncertain about where they truly stand in our collective identity.

The Shop Floor Isn't Always Equal

In some workplaces, workers of color are disproportionately assigned to the hardest, dirtiest, or least desirable jobs. In others, pregnant workers and caregivers – disproportionately women – are penalized for needing flexibility. Immigrant members often face language barriers that isolate them from meetings, materials, and decision-making. These are not isolated incidents. They are symptoms of deeper patterns, ones that demand our action – not just as leaders, but as fellow union members. Solidarity must be more than a slogan. It must be a practice rooted in listening, in dismantling bias, and in building new structures that reflect our values.

Equality is a Union Issue

Oppression in the workplace undermines the very fabric of unionism. When members are divided – by race, by gender, by identity – it weakens our collective power. Conversely, when we create a culture of true inclusivity, we build a union that is stronger, smarter, and more resilient.

Equality isn't a side issue – it's a union issue. It's about who gets to speak, who gets to lead, who feels safe, and who feels seen. It's about ensuring that every contract negotiation reflects the needs of all members, not just the most powerful. It's about making anti-discrimination enforcement real and effective in every Local. And it's about empowering members at the margins to become leaders of the movement.

Steps Toward Justice

Progress requires intention. That means...

- **Mandatory anti-bias and equity training** for Local leadership and stewards
- **Translation and accessibility efforts** to include all members in organizing and communications
- **Clear, confidential reporting mechanisms** for discrimination and harassment
- **Dedicated equity caucuses** within Locals to elevate voices from historically marginalized groups
- **Equity audits and data transparency** on hiring, promotions, and grievances

These are not radical demands. They are necessary steps if we are serious about living our values.

The Union We're Building

Our union is in the midst of a democratic transformation. Members are stepping up, speaking out, and demanding more from leadership. This is a moment to deepen that change by ensuring that justice within the union is as central as justice at the bargaining table.

Let's be the union that doesn't flinch from self-examination. Let's be the union that lives up to the belief that an injury to one is an injury to all. And let's be the union that writes a new chapter. One where every member, regardless of who they are, knows they belong.

Solidarity forever – and for everyone!

President Riley

Congratulating A Commitment To Serve...



Local 598 President Stephanie Riley congratulates Rodney Haggard, newly elected as the Alternate Committee-person to the Beacon O&M Bargaining Committee.

Production Issues

"They cut the job and, in response to our protests, they said they would work overtime, but then didn't."

ERIC WELTER

SHOP CHAIRMAN



Starting in June, the Cost-of-Living Allowance (COLA) will increase .29 cents to .95 cents per hour, before shift premiums or overtime rates. This is the point where it makes a difference and goes beyond the bonuses that were in lieu of COLA.

We have a number of production standard issues in the Body Shop that the committee is handling. First, the plant cut a job out of the Weld Monitor group that was responsible for weld destruct and covering absenteeism. This has resulted in the plant falling behind on the federally regulated destruct work. They cut the job and, in response to our protests, they said they would work overtime, but then didn't.

We have members who are being put on notice for over cycles when they are plus to their build. The operator can run

the cell faster than the time indicated on the SOS. This has historically resulted in members overbuilding and gaining additional break time. The plant is currently not allowing the extra break time and are putting people on notice for stopping even though they overbuilt.

YB 5 is another job cut that doesn't work. It works once in a while, but has to be continually supplemented. They add working breaks and lunch or an extra person, which puts pressure on other cells and Material. The GMS Team, the Core Team and the Committee are working together to go through the jobs and make sure the paperwork is correct and people are getting credit for everything they have to do. We found things like they were missing 40 pages on the job write up. These types of issues have to be fixed to put this in a proper production standard which protects our people.

If you have had some trouble getting popcorn, I am happy to announce that we were able to buy a new popcorn machine, the "Burnt Kernel 2.0." It has a larger capacity and has a dedicated electrical plug. We now have no issue keeping up with demand, so please come to 5th Avenue and enjoy some popcorn and support the Toys for Tots program.



Members Gain Tools To Support Community



**by Britta Rusaw,
Education Committee**

Members attended the AFL-CIO United Way Community Services Conference at Black Lake Conference Center. There they learned vital tools to help support their communities.

This year's workshop theme was "Promoting literacy" where members built miniature libraries to take back to their community.



Local 598 members who attended the conference.

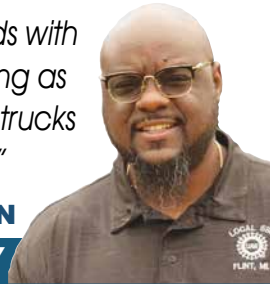


Can't wait to meet your family!

"I look forward to seeing all the kids with wide open eyes and jaws dropping as they see how the best heavy-duty trucks in the world come together."

D'ANDRE JACKSON

RECORDING SECRETARY



Let me start by saying happy belated Mother's Day to all the moms out there. *You know we love you!*

During our 2022 Local Contract negotiations, Chairman Eric Welter and the Shop Committee had our working moms in mind by getting a signed commitment from the company to implement designated lactation rooms across the site for our mothers to be able to pump in a private and clean location.

If you have any ideas to improving the lactation rooms or any complaints and or concerns, please first start with your Group

Leader and escalate as necessary to hold the company to the signed commitment.

Wednesday, June 25th is *Family Day* at Flint Assembly. I look forward to seeing all the kids with wide open eyes and jaws dropping as they see



how the best heavy-duty trucks in the world come together. It truly is a sight to see how thousands of parts come into a building and then roll off the line in the form of a badass truck. Make sure you bring all the naysayers of your family too, those who don't believe how hard you work on a daily basis. Trust me, when they see how hard you work for your money, it will slow down the calls to borrow money. *LOL! Sike!*

There will be fun activities and vendors on site as well as a gift basket raffle by our Women's Committee, with all proceeds going to *Making Strides Against Breast Cancer*. Let's help keep our Women's Committee the #1 fundraiser in Genesee County for *Making Strides Against Breast Cancer* by buying some raffle tickets.

I can't wait to see you there and meet your family, so please make sure to introduce them to me. *God Bless!*

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CHAD FABBRO

FINANCIAL SECRETARY



Dear Members of UAW Local 598,


I hope this article finds you well. I'm pleased to share some positive news regarding our Union's financial health. Through careful management and responsible stewardship, our financial state remains strong and stable. This allows us to effectively represent your interests and support our collective goals.

On a more enjoyable note, our dedicated Recreation Committee has been working hard to plan some exciting upcoming events for our membership. Keep an eye out for more details coming soon. We encourage everyone to participate and enjoy these opportunities to connect and have some fun together! I personally look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, as Memorial Day approaches, I want to take this opportunity to remind everyone to take the time to enjoy your well-deserved paid holiday, which was secured through our collective bargaining efforts. Please remember the significance of this day as we honor those who have served our country.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend.

Shown below is the most recent Strike & Defense Fund report from our International Executive Board (IEB).



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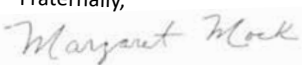
RE: In'l Union Strike & Defense Fund Report – February 2025

The following is a summary of Strike Fund Income and Expenditures for the month of February 2025.

NET WORTH JANUARY 31, 2025	\$778,029,126.92
INCOME FOR FEBRUARY 2025	
Dues Per Capita Taxes	6,778,039.41
DISBURSEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2025	<u>2,425,098.48</u>
NET WORTH, FEBRUARY 28, 2025	<u>\$782,382,067.85</u>

There was one strike during the month of February.

Fraternally,



Margaret Mock
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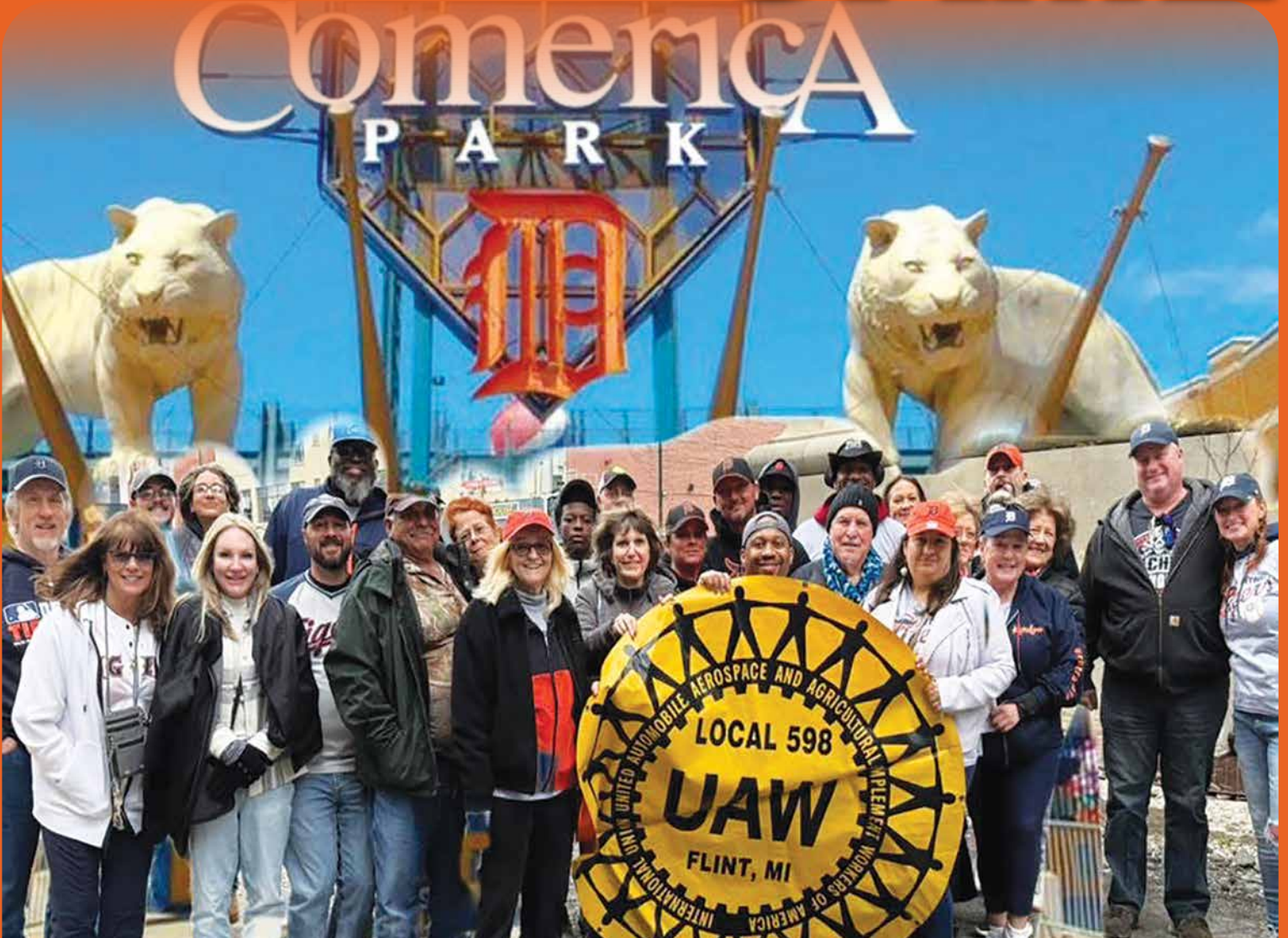
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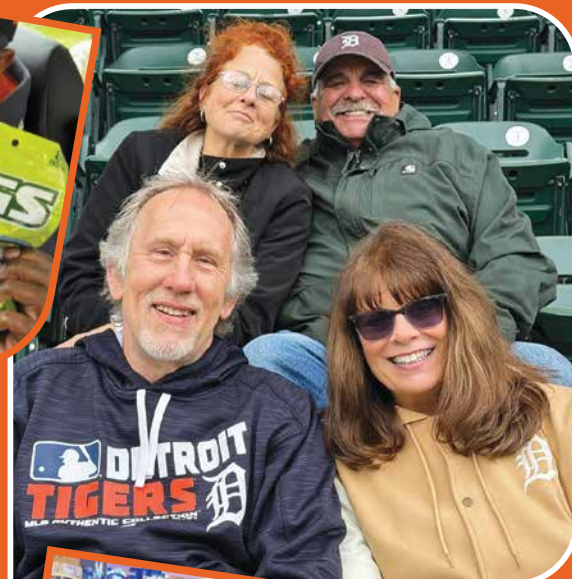
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and a special thanks
to the Recreation
Committee for arranging
a fun time with family
and friends.





Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: **Union Values for a Stronger Future**

by Becky Haughey,
Education Committee

At UAW Local 598, we believe a stronger union is a diverse and inclusive one. Our strength

has always come from solidarity – standing together across race, gender, background, and belief to fight for dignity and justice on the job. As the workforce grows more diverse, the labor movement must meet the moment. That means not just protecting every worker's rights, but also challenging inequality where it exists, both inside and outside the plant.

What DEI Means for Union Members

- **DIVERSITY** ensures every worker – Black, White, Latino, Asian, Indigenous, immigrant – is seen and valued.
- **EQUITY** ensures everyone has fair access to opportunities, training, and promotion, regardless of background.
- **INCLUSION** means no one is left out of the conversation or the decision-making.

These aren't just buzzwords – they're union values.

What is the role of the Union?

- Advocating for non-discrimination protections in contracts.
- Supporting anti-harassment policies and training.
- Lifting up the voices of women, LGBTQ+ workers, and workers of color.
- Ensuring leadership reflects the diversity of the membership.

We don't tolerate division – we build unity. That means when one member is mistreated or overlooked, we all speak up.

Building a more inclusive Union

You can help build a more inclusive Local in several ways...

- Join the UAW Civil and Human Rights Committee.
- Stand up for coworkers who face discrimination or exclusion.
- Mentor newer members, especially those from under-represented groups.
- You could also ask to take part in training and education on equity and workplace justice.

Solidarity only works if it includes everyone. Let's continue to build a local that represents the best of who we are – and who we can be together.



The only effective answer to organized greed is organized labor

by Edward "Skippy" Thompson, Education Committee

Ibelieve that when people come together in solidarity, they can accomplish great things. Many of us take for granted the right to join a union. I recently attended a class on organizing new union members and learned about all the hard work that goes into workers getting the chance to join a union.

Did you know that only 13.4 percent of workers in Michigan are unionized? We are above the national average of 10 percent, but still less than I expected. It has been said, "The only effective answer to organized greed is organized labor." We all benefit when there are more union workers.

So, what happens when someone wants to organize a union where they work? To organize a union, workers first need to find others who agree on the need for a union.

They then decide which union (e.g., UAW, Teamsters, UFCW) would best represent their workplace. Union organizers from the national union will assist in the rest of the process.

An organizing committee is formed, made up of dedicated workers from various departments and shifts. This committee works to build interest in joining the union by holding meetings, distributing informational materials, and addressing workers' concerns.

The process requires strong communication and organizational skills, as it involves engaging with workers and addressing their issues. Employers may resist unionization efforts, sometimes using tactics like "Captured Audience meetings" to dissuade workers from joining the union and it can be incredibly stressful for all involved.

In November 2024, the National

Labor Relations Board (NLRB) declared the 75-year-old law that allowed these meetings to be a violation of the law. Recently, Michigan legislators introduced a bill to make it illegal here. Despite these challenges, the organizing committee's persistence and dedication are crucial for success.

When the Organizing Committee believes there is enough interest in having a union, the NLRB is contacted, and they request a vote be held. The NLRB runs the election. If successful, the new union workers choose a Bargaining Committee and negotiations begin for the first contract.

At the last Constitutional Convention, delegates voted to add Organizing as a standing committee. If you are interested in volunteering with organizing drives, call and talk to one of the officers at the Union Hall.



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As of May 2025, over 20% of federal student loans – affecting more than 9 million borrowers – are currently in default. Many of these loans are more than 90 days delinquent. Loans are officially considered in default after approximately 270 days (or 9 months) of missed payments.

The Trump administration has reinstated aggressive collection efforts aimed at recovering funds for defaulted loans. These actions include wage garnishments, tax refund seizures, and potential reductions to Social Security benefits. The resumption of loan payments places a significant burden on borrowers and exacerbates broader economic challenges, such as inflation and rising interest rates.

While many borrowers have voiced concerns about difficulties communicating with loan servicers – particularly when applying for repayment plans – there are options available. Borrowers facing default may want to consider enrolling in a loan rehabilitation or consolidation program. By making nine consecutive on-time payments, it is often possible to have the default removed from their credit report and restore the loan to current status.

It is crucial for borrowers to take proactive steps to stay on track by staying informed about their options. Explore loan rehabilitation or repayment programs that align with your financial situation. For guidance on addressing repayment challenges, borrowers can contact Federal Student Aid's Student Loan Delinquency and Default division or consult the full list of federal loan servicers available online.

Cynthia R. Neeley
Michigan State Representative
70th District



Thank You!

Hello, I just wanted to say **thank you** to Local 598.

I was involved in a wreck back in February that required my driver's door to be replaced and on that door was a "built by Local 598" sticker. Having that decal on my truck brings me pride since I've had five family members retire from various plants in Flint. My aunt has retired from the 598 and my cousin currently works at that plant.

The body shop I took my truck to reached out to you and you sent new door stickers to go on my truck and a back window decal. I truly appreciate that because I know y'all didn't have to do that.

I will continue to show my support for Local 598 as long as I own this truck. From North Carolina, thank you again and keep building good-quality trucks.

Health Benefits

"Remember to take advantage of these funds."

JANET WOODSON

RETIREES CHAIR



Hello retirees, we have great news for 2025! You will have \$600 available in your new Healthcare Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) account. You should have received your Trust HRA benefit brochure by now. Please read it, and *do not throw it away*. There are step-by-step instructions in your



Benefit Rep. Kathy Elsner explains the new WEX benefit card.

brochure. **Some things to know:**

- The Trust funds the account – *not you*.
- HRA money can be used for any tax eligible dependent, including spouses and dependents.
- We don't have to pay taxes on HRA dollars.
- It's not part of your income.

You will receive a WEX HRA debit card when you receive your brochure. Please take the time to read this important information carefully, page per page. At our next meeting, June 12, 2025, Benefit Rep. Kathy Elsner, will be here to answer any questions.

Kathy has informed me that some of you are not using your OTC benefit

card. This is \$350 that can easily be used at your pharmacy to buy items like first aid supplies, vitamins and supplements, dental care items, personal hygiene products, and over-the-counter (OTC) medications. Remember to take advantage of these funds because they do not roll over to the next year.

Important Note: The OTC card and the new WEX card are two different benefits totaling \$950 additional money that we don't have to spend out of our pension and Social Security. Let's make sure we use these benefits.

At our last Retiree Chapter's meeting, we discussed our upcoming casino trip on June 19th to Little River Casino in Manistee. We'll be doing a daycation trip, at a cost of \$25.00 per member and \$35.00 for non-members. Each guest must play \$20.00 to trigger the promotion to activate, which is available for slot play only.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Sunday, June 1, 2025 – 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
1st ANNUAL RUBEN BURKS MEMORIAL FUNDRAISER
Light refreshments and entertainment.
Local 598 voted to purchase two tables, so if you are interested in attending this wonderful event, call me at 810-238-4605 to reserve your spot.
- **Thursday, June 19, 2025 – LITTLE RIVER CASINO DAY TRIP**



to all of our soon-to-be RETIREES.

We hope to see you at our **CHAPTER MEETINGS** held on the second Thursday of each month at the Local 598 Union Hall at 12:00 noon.



Devin Powells (9/1/25) and wife Paulette



Rosemary Alvarado (9/1/25)



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Thomas Britten (9/1/25) and wife Cheryl



Jim Hatfield (8-1-25)



David Monahan (9/1/25) and wife Natalie



Serena Castellon (6/1/25)



Louis Pastor (8/1/25) and wife Janice



Thomas Lamson (9/1/25)

IF YOU ARE RETIRING SOON, PLEASE STOP BY THE BENEFITS OFFICE or the Local 598 Union Hall and get your picture taken for an upcoming issue of the EYE OPENER.



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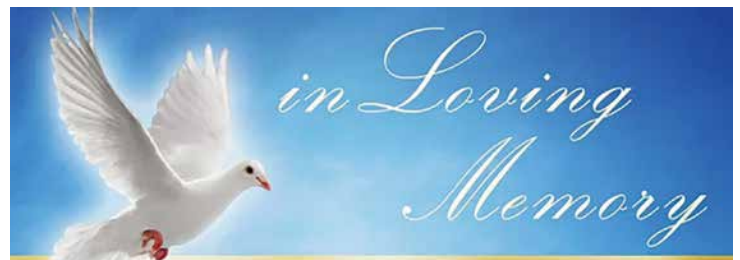
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OUR NEXT UNION MEETING

will be held at 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

LOCAL 598 UNION HALL

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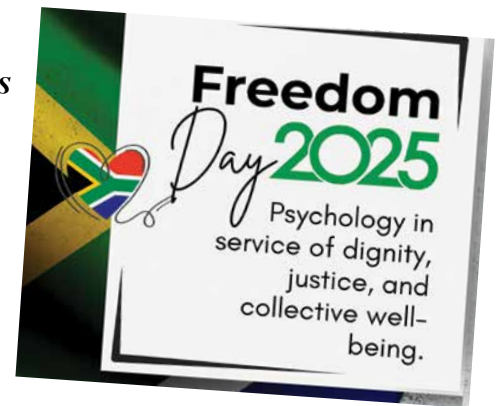


JUNE TEENTH FREEDOM DAY

June 19th was designated a National Holiday in June 2021 as then-President Joe Biden signed a bill designating **JUNETEENTH** – the longstanding commemoration of the end of slavery in the United States – as a federal holiday.

*Thank you to our
UAW National Negotiators
for making sure this day
was a paid holiday.*

Look for the display from our **Local 598 Diversity Committee** to learn more information about why **'FREEDOM DAY'** is so important to our country's history.



REGION 1-D WOMEN'S COUNCIL

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Ruben Burks Scholarship



The UAW Region 1-D Women's Council is a unified women's labor group working to promote the union and union ideas in the community. We also encourage women to continue their education by proudly sponsoring yearly college scholarships, in the name of our founder Ruben Burks, for women furthering their education.

Our departed Union Brother Ruben Burks, former UAW Secretary-Treasurer and Region 1-D Director, recognized the need for education for our young people. To honor our mentor, the Council is sponsoring the Ruben Burks Scholarships and is proud to celebrate giving scholarships since 2003.



Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Women between the ages of 17 and 35
- Complete the application form
- Proof of college/university acceptance
- Grade point average of 3.00 or better (official transcript required)
- Two letters of recommendation (academic/professional)
- Attach Personal Statement or Essay, including your educational goal explaining your goals and why you deserve the scholarship
- Community service and/or volunteerism (documentation required)

DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS JUNE 28, 2025. Applications received after that date will not be considered.

Please mail application and supporting documentation to: **UAW REGION 1-D WOMEN'S COUNCIL**
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