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# It's All About The Workers

## Building a strong economy from the workers up

by Debi Kirchner, Education Committee

**A**s a candidate for President, Joe Biden vowed to base his trade policies on what he called a "worker-centered" approach to trade policy. So, when President Biden's Trade Ambassador, Katherine Tai, decided where to go on her first domestic visit, of course, she chose Flint, MI, where the middle class was born. It was also no surprise that, as part of the city tour given to her by U.S. Representative Dan Kildee, she agreed to hold a roundtable meeting about trade issues at the Local 598 Union Hall on June 21.

Local 598 President Ryan Buchalski, GM Chairman Eric Welter, Recording Secretary Judy Mosier, District Shop Committee De'Andre Jackson, Education Committee member Michelle Giorgis, Flint Area CAP Council President Art Reyes, and Steelworker Local 2659 President Bill Grias participated in a discussion with the Ambassador and Representative Kildee.

Prior to the roundtable discussion, Ambassador Tai visited Sit-down Memorial Park at the UAW Region 1D office and toured our plant. She was impressed with the park and said that seeing all the workers in the plant and watching the process through to the final line made her feel pride, as an American, that our workers produced such a great truck.

President Biden, she explained, believes that a strong economy needs to be built from the workers up, not the corporations down. Too often, we have failed when there are good ideas and bills passed regarding trade. They don't contain all of the elements needed to make them successful. Tai plans to correct this by working with other cabinet members and Congress to implement the President's plan to "Build Back Better" by building an economy that works for the people.

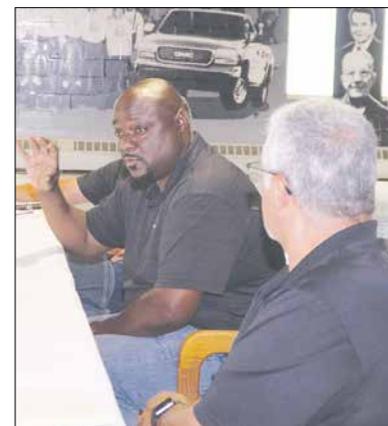
A goal of Tai and the Trade Representative's office is to use the language within current trade agreements, which in the past have not been fully utilized, to enforce negotiated provisions. Recently, they used the "fast



track" provisions in the USMCA (U.S., Mexico, Canada, Agreement, the old NAFTA) to ask Mexico to investigate if workers at a GM facility in Sialo were denied their rights during the contract ratification. They are also pushing the World Trade Organization (WTO) to hold companies responsible for forced labor and other worker mistreatment in their supply chains. She emphasized that they have been getting away with simply denying that they know what their suppliers are doing. This administration believes that if they don't know, it's time they found out and stopped it.

Fair Trade is essential to the success of our economy, and Tai will be doing her best to keep workers at the top of her agenda and to make sure that decisions made are done with our best interests at the forefront. To do this, she must understand how trade affects the workers, their families, and their communities. Her visit to Local 598, where she answered questions and listened to the panel's concerns, was just the start of this process.

If you would like more information on what is happening with trade policies, you can visit the United States Trade Representative website: [www.ustr.gov](http://www.ustr.gov).



# HAPPY JUNE, LOCAL 598!

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Ryan Buchalski**

June has been turning out to be as busy as ever, and we couldn't be happier to take on the challenges and tasks ahead. History is being made, as this world turns here at Local 598 and abroad.

The House passed legislation recently that would make June 19th, or Juneteenth, a Federal Holiday. June 19th marks the day that news of the Emancipation Proclamation Act reached Texas in 1865.

The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act moved through both House chambers quickly, with the House passing it just one day after the Senate. President Joe Biden signed the legislation and made history just before the holiday arrived.

Here in Flint, our city celebrated the holiday with a parade and other various activities. Mayor Sheldon

Neely, among others, was on hand to take part in the celebration.

UAW Local 598 had a special visit from an essential member of President Biden's cabinet. U.S. Ambassador of Trade Katherine Tai, along with our good friend Congressman Dan

Kildee, came to our Union Hall and spent over an hour. Ambassador Tai and Congressman Kildee held a roundtable discussion (*see photo below*) with some leadership and members of Local 598, as well as the Steelworker's Union President.

The visit was Ambassador Tai's first domestic visit. It further demonstrates that President Biden's goal of a worker-focused trade policy is not all 'talk', but rather, a reality that we can all benefit from. The goal of re-empowering workers and minimizing the harmful effects of globalization are being taken seriously, and what better place to have that conversation than right here at 598!

The President's administration understands and respects workers and their right to bargain collectively. Having more substantial

labor standards outside of North America can also contribute to policies that are seen as fair and just, and put all workers on a level playing field.

*Workers of the world united!*

Ambassador Tai understands that the impact of trade policies is real and can (and does) directly affect worker's livelihoods.

We are so proud to have been a part of this important conversation and to have the opportunity to essentially make history together. It is more than refreshing to have an administration that would rather speak to workers and labor leaders first than just talk to corporations.

Thanks again to our friend from 'the Fighting Fifth', Congressmen Dan Kildee, for making everything happen. Also, thank you to all of the panel participants.

You have probably read or heard me discussing the Union workshops/classes for quite some time. I am very proud to report that we held



**Local 598 Financial Secretary Chad Fabbro, Flint Mayor Sheldon Neely, President Ryan Buchalski and VP John Jackson III celebrate Juneteenth.**

Committee, our dream has now seen the light of day.

Over 20 participants took part in our "pilot" classes, and the response was fantastic! But don't just take my word for it, hear it from them. Plans are being put together to hold two sessions per month, and the next participants will be drawn from 2nd shift. We will continue to provide communication on how you can be a part of the 598 experience. We look forward to the opportunity to share it with everyone.

The MOST group will be holding the 27th Annual Soberfest on Sunday, July 18th, at Union City Fields (*see back page for details*). We are pleased to showcase the recent updates at the fields, to our members and community at this event. With approval from the Local 598 Executive Board, a much-needed remodeling project has begun and is almost completed.

The Recreation Hall has been re-sided, and the pavilion was painted. *It looks great!* Union City Fields has seen many years, and with those years comes decay. You can only repaint a building so many times before you have to replace wood or siding. In addition to the structures, the bridge has also been modified and rebuilt to code.

We wish to thank our sisters and brothers who work for E&L Construction for a job well done. Please go check it out at Soberfest! This membership can undoubtedly be proud of U.C.F.

Local 598 continues to add new members, and we continue to meet them in our orientations every week. Welcome them to 598 as they make their transition out to the shop floor.

As we enter the summer and enjoy the outdoors, please be safe and as always, thanks for your hard work and dedication to Local 598!



our first 3-day session, June 15th through the 17th, here at Local 598. Through months of research and development, and the hard work and dedication of Debi Kirchner and the Education

## Union City Fields Fresh Look 2021



A much-needed remodeling project has begun on Union City Fields Hall and Pavilion. The UCF Hall now has new vinyl siding, which brings this building into the 21st century and stops the decay taking place on the structure. We were also able to paint the pavilion, which added a fresh look to our site. They are now working to bring the walkway bridge that runs from the parking lot to the pavilion area up to code and aesthetically pleasing for our members. We are very excited for Local 598 to have these buildings looking good and something the membership can be proud of.

# Actions Speak Louder Than Words

## SHOP CHAIRMAN REPORT

by Eric Welter



Juneteenth celebrates General Order No. 3, by General Gordon Granger in 1865, 2½ years after Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation ended slavery.

This really resonates with me. Can you imagine the celebration when President Lincoln made his proclamation and the painful reality that in some states, like Texas, nothing changed, and people still lived as someone's property?

Although free, they had no freedoms. Viewed by the public as slaves who shouldn't have been set free, they had no homes or way of making a living. These were people who were brought to another country in slavery, freed, then with no opportunities, fell right back into working for food and housing; not much different at all from the servitude they endured in slavery.

Society has evolved over the past 156 years, but the disparity

of opportunity and institutionalized bias continues to exist. The UAW is an organization made up of people based on equality. Since it is made up of people, it cannot be free from the influence of societal bias, but

it is committed to continue this journey of equity and inclusion.

Take a moment to reflect on the past but also think about what small things you can do to promote inclusion, because it takes a million small changes, not one large one.

The recent job fair in Flint went very well. We were able to recruit hundreds of candidates and we will begin bringing them in immediately. Currently, we are working through logistics to expedite orientations. We are deploying new employees based on the Saturday denials, while accounting for the ability to get them trained.

This job fair, and the resulting candidates, was conducted outside of GM's normal hiring process. This opportunity was the result of

your Shop Committee digging in on the company and not accepting less for our people. The increase in available resources will improve time off, which is the most important thing in the summer.

In the last 5 years, the changeover in managers has been staggering. We have had 3 plant managers, 4 assistant plant managers, 3 personnel directors, 4 manufacturing engineers, 3 material directors, 4 paint shop area managers, 3 body shop area managers, 4 GA area managers.

All of these managers come in with their experience at other plants and think they need to change everything to be successful. This creates constant arguing about actions they want to take. They are confused because they were able to do these things at

their last plant.

Changing things just to say you are making changes will always be resisted, but it's constant. The change in staffing is magnified by the changes on the plant floor. Think about how many different supervisors and business managers you have had in the area you work. This can't be happenstance or without purpose, so I believe they want to change the culture in Flint, without understanding the culture.

Local 598 members work hard, but demand respect from management. That is the simplest way to describe Flint. Yet, they struggle with that respect. They may say all the right things, but their actions speak louder than words.

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Did you know that when you change your address at the plant – we have no way of knowing that at the Union Hall? You must either stop by or call the Union Hall and give us your new address.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**OLD**  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

House number and street

City State Zip Code

**NEW**  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

House number and street

City State Zip Code

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security# \_\_\_\_\_

Production \_\_\_\_\_ or Skilled Trades \_\_\_\_\_ Active \_\_\_\_\_ or Retired \_\_\_\_\_

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# FINANCIAL SEC'Y-TREAS REPORT

by Chad Fabbro

## Returning to Normal

Summer is here and I hope you are enjoying some time with the people you may have not been able to see in the last year and a half. As life slowly returns to normal, we are looking forward to finding a normal that is actually normal.



We have been busy trying to do some renovations at Union City Fields on Torrey Rd. If you have the chance, check out the new improvements. I hope you all can take some pride knowing that our Recreation Committee and E-Board have been working hard to make this a place for us to gather.

I would like to thank Laura Andrews-Dontje and Patrick Thornton II (both shown at right) for helping out with the power washing of the basketball court out there, as well!



# THIS MONTH IN LABOR HISTORY

Michelle Giorgis, Education Committee

## Equal Pay Act of 1963

During the early years of the 1930s, women were not entirely welcomed to the workforce, due to much of the culture believing women should be stay-at-home mothers and wives. The onset of WW II started to change the traditional culture, and labor shortages were at hand with alarming levels. As the fathers, sons, and husbands went off to fight in the war, it left a hell of a hole in the workforce. A big enough gap that women in the workforce jumped from 24% up to 37%.



Remember the culture that I previously mentioned? You know, the one where at the time, women were to be stay-at-home mothers? So, again, this same culture was introduced into the workforce by employers paying women substantially lower wages than their male counterparts for the absolute same work! *Equality?*

a vast number of women were needed to start working in the factories, but at a lower pay rate. That worried many that it would bring down the wages for all. The exact amount of work, the same capability, everything the same as everyone else, but pay? *Amazing!*

Shortly, the Union stepped in and began advocating for equal pay, hoping it would prevent

employers from undercutting the future wages of the jobs that their male companions once held.

Efforts to correct this wage gap issue escalated significantly during this time of unrest. The NWLB issued a General Order supporting equal pay for men and women of "comparable quality and quantity." This idea of "Equal Pay for Equal Work" was endorsed by the National War Labor Board, responsible for mediating labor disputes during World War II.

Three years later, in 1945, the U.S. Congress attempted to introduce the Women's Equal Pay Act, which would make it illegal for any company to pay women less than men for the same work. At this time, the idea and Act were unable to make their way any further. Congress struck the Act down.

F. Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act into law. This Act amended the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, which granted a minimum wage, time, and one-half for overtime when above 40 hours, and finally prohibited the employment of minors. Once amended, it gave equal pay for men and women in the same place. It was now illegal for working men and women to have different salaries for similar work.

The Equal Pay Act was one of the first federal anti-discrimination laws that addressed wage differences based on gender. Thanks to this law, we have now come closer to shrinking the wage gap between genders and inequality in the workplace. If an employer is found to violate the Act, they will open themselves up for potential lawsuits based on discrimination.

During the trials of the world being fought upon foreign soil,



## Notary Services available at the Union Hall

AVAILABLE TO ALL UAW LOCAL 598 MEMBERS

Call Recording Secretary Judy Mosier to schedule an appointment

238-4605, ext. 17



On June 10, 1963, President John

# Local 598 Veterans Committee Respects Our Nation's War Heroes

## RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT

by Judy Mosier



Crutchfield, and Jessica Horner was spent at McFarlan Veterans Memorial Park in downtown Flint. A 9:30 a.m. service was held, honoring those who gave their lives in defense of the United State and the freedom of rights of other nations throughout the world.

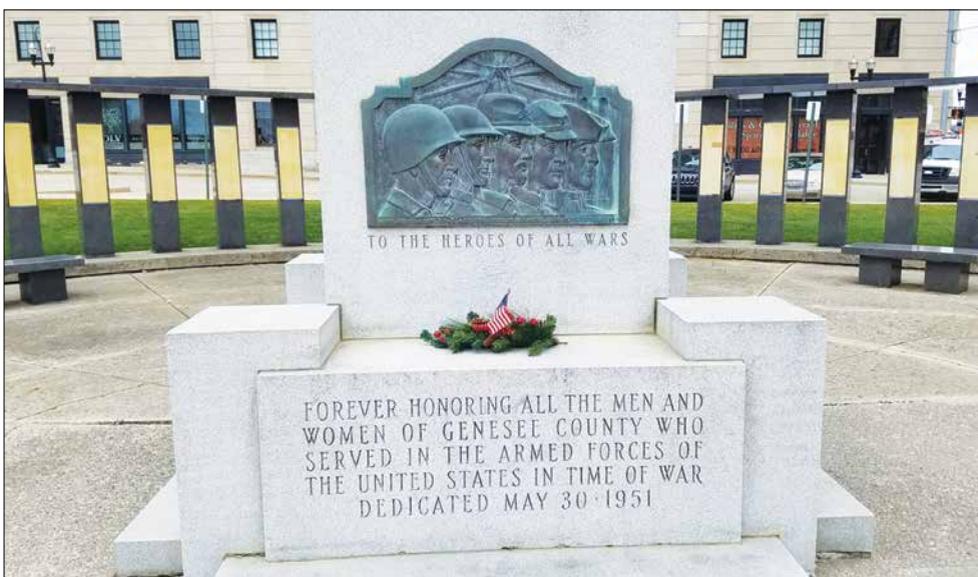
From the Executive Board and members of Local 598, thank you for your service, hard work, and dedication to Local 598 and Veterans everywhere.

Many thanks to our Local Veterans Committee. They are continuously involved in volunteering their time and work diligently to honor our Veterans throughout the year. They never miss an opportunity to serve our Veterans and our communities.

On Memorial Day weekend, while many of us were enjoying the long weekend with cook-outs and family events, these brothers and sisters dedicated their time to serving others.

They started on Friday, May 28, at Great Lakes National Cemetery, where they placed flags on our fallen heroes gravesites. They returned on Tuesday, June 1, to help retrieve the flags.

Memorial Day for Dave Garcia, Tony Delgado, Bill



## CLASSIFIEDS SERVICES FOR SALES FOR RENT

Due to the increased number of want ads/services we are receiving, ads must be submitted monthly and will be run on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Limited to ads/services submitted in a Local 598 member's name only.

### FOR SALE

**16 ft. Bass Boat**, electric start, 25 Evinrude troll motor, BP pump, motor lock, spare tire, two batteries, trailer and spare tire. \$3,500.00 – Call 810-238-4479.

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**TWA Fence**, all fences, commercial and residential. Call (810) 691-4454.

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**A.R.S. Construction**, all roofs. Best material, pricing and workmanship. Licensed, insured, 20 years' experience. Call 866-722-1311.

## DEADLINE FOR OUR EYE OPENER JULY 2021

All advertisements, notices, photos and articles must be submitted by **THURSDAY, JULY 15** for consideration.



## What's in it for me?

The ads in the **EYE OPENER** help pay for the printing and mailing of the newspaper you are reading. The businesses running the ads are union supporters. The offers they make are often only available to members of our union. It is in our own interest to spend our valuable union dollars with union-friendly businesses.

**Support those who support us!**  
It's the Union way.

## IN MEMORIAM

The Officers, Representatives and members of Local 598 extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of these deceased retirees.

- ANDERSON, EDWIN R. (RETIRED)
- BROWN, JOHN (RETIRED)
- MILLER, CHARLIE (RETIRED)
- SPRINGSTEEN, DONALD C. (RETIRED)
- TRASK, BEVERLY (RETIRED)
- GUY PATTERSON (RETIRED)

# FLAG DAY

UAW Local 598 Veterans Committee held a ceremony on June 14th, in observance of Flag Day 2021

Flag Day falls within National Flag Week, a time when Americans reflect on the foundations of the nation's freedom. The United States flag represents freedom and has been an enduring symbol of our country's ideals since its early days. During this time, Americans remember their loyalty to the nation, reaffirm their belief in liberty and justice, and observe its unity.

They started the day by refurbishing the landscaping around the War memorial. They replaced the United States Flag that was on display with a new one and finished the event by dedicating a Memorial Bench and presenting it to the Officers, which was placed North East of the Memorial Marker.





did emancipation end slavery throughout the United States. But not all states were on board with the freeing of slaves, even after the Emancipation Proclamation became law. It took another two years before Galveston, Texas would realize that their slaves were now free to go out and live their lives. June 19, 1865 was officially recognized as

there are a few states that celebrate Juneteenth as a paid holiday, including Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, and Washington.

June is Pride Month. Pride Month is when the world's LGBTQ communities come together and celebrate the freedom to be themselves and to reaffirm the commitment to equal opportunity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, and transgender people. It is also the time to reinforce that employment discrimination, based on one's sexual orientation or gender identity, is simply unacceptable.

It is a time to reaffirm that America's foundation was built upon the words of the Declaration of Independence, which states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that their Creator endows them with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

I must give a shout out to the UAW for the announcement of a UAW/LGBTQ caucus as part of the Civil Rights Committee.

In conclusion, this commemoration month should resonate with people to recognize the importance of learning about history. If we don't acknowledge our wrongdoings as a country, we will become ignorant of people's suffering before us. While it is vital for us to teach children about specific events, it is also important for adults to learn, as well. I choose to believe America can change.

Independence Day for African Americans.

As I look around today, not much has changed. Racism, bigotry, hate, and intolerance are still all too alive in the world. Just as the slaves of Galveston knew that emancipation is only the first step toward true freedom and, just as those who crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge 50 years ago knew their march was far from finished, our work today remains undone. People still hate each other for nothing more than the color of their skin. It remains far too easy for dangerous people to get their hands on a gun. We cannot honestly say that our country is living up to its highest ideals.

Juneteenth has never been a celebration of victory, or an acceptance of the way things are. Instead, it's a celebration of progress. It's an affirmation that despite the most painful parts of our history, things do get better. Currently,

For most Americans, July 4th was marked as the first day of the independence movement of Americans. However, the descendants of African Americans were not included in the celebrations, because they were not free. They were still in bondage. So, on the eve of January 1, 1863, enslaved and free African Americans gathered in churches and private homes across the country, awaiting news that the Emancipation Proclamation had taken effect. At the stroke of midnight, prayers were answered as all enslaved people in the Confederate states were declared legally free.

Union soldiers, many of whom were black, marched onto plantations and across cities in the South, reading small copies of the Emancipation Proclamation, spreading the news of freedom in the Confederate states.

Only through the Thirteenth Amendment



# GOLF TOURNAMENT

**4-Person  
GOLF  
Scramble**

## Sunday, August 22, 2021

OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES  
ALONG WITH RETIREES OF LOCAL 598

**Registration:**  
6:30 - 7:30 a.m.

**Shotgun Start:**  
8:00 a.m.



\$45<sup>00</sup> PER 598 MEMBER or \$180<sup>00</sup> PER TEAM

**INCLUDES:**

- 18 Holes w/Cart
- Prizes
- Refreshments
- Lunch At Turn
- Meal Following

**List of Players** Must have a GMIN# in order to verify membership

(PLEASE PRINT) NAME (\*denotes captain) Phone Number

\* 1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Date entry fee received \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt number \_\_\_\_\_

Entry forms must be turned in at:  
LOCAL 598 UNION HALL

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 2021**  
*(or until first 36 teams are registered)*

Payment of entry fees must accompany forms.  
**DON'T DELAY – LIMITED OPENINGS**

Entry forms will be available in the Work Center or at the Union Hall

# UAW Local 598 & You Educational Workshops at Local 598



words from the Sheriff...

## CHRISTOPHER R. SWANSON



Picture someone in your mind, alive or deceased, who poured their life into yours. I'm willing to bet what they did for you made you who you are today.

When we experience these selfless acts of service, they become "time-stamped" memories that form the foundation of how we treat others.

Last month, I had the privilege to recognize one of your own, Shonda Edgerly, who was nominated for her selfless acts of service to others. During the pandemic, Shonda scheduled, prepared delivery of breakfast, lunch, and dinner to our three area hospitals: Ascension Genesys, McLaren-Flint, and Hurley Medical Center.

Imagine a nurse, physician, or chaplain who had just grieved with a wife who lost her husband of 40 years to COVID-19, or a traumatic diagnosis delivered to a family and the raw emotions involved. From there, these medical heroes stumble to a quiet break room to gather their composure, and waiting for them was a delicious meal from UAW Local



#598. That's love! That's union strong!

Stay the course, my brothers and sisters! Keep doing what you're doing. Keep building the world's best trucks that fill every street in America! Keep giving to people who don't even know your name! I'm proud to serve shoulder to shoulder with you.



# RETIREE REPORT

by Janet Woodson, Retiree Chair

## Puzzle Contest Paying Off

It's great to have so many enter our last word puzzle. Winners will receive a \$25.00 gift card.

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|------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Billie Keels     | James Salyer   | Elnora Davis       |
| Bertha Fant      | Marvin Maher   | Gregg Frost        |
| Brenda Wolington | John Allen     | Shirley Blassigame |
| Felicia Nunn     | Minnie Blake   | John Bollinger     |
| Fate Nelson      | Joseph Travis  | James Gillespie    |
| Dominick Gale    | Anthony Kondel | Byers              |
| Tom Holton       | Ruby Congdon   | Sandra Fejedelem   |

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

We are planning a cookout for the retirees on July 21st. I hope you all do your best to attend this event. It will be so good to see you all again.

The Retiree Crossword Puzzle submission deadline is July 16th. If all goes well, we hope to have a meeting on September 9th, and our golf outing is set for August 13th.

Great to see Juneteenth signed into law by President Joe Biden as a National Holiday.

#### A special note from Marta Lois –

“On May 23, 2021, I participated in Climb for American Lung Association at Comerica Park in Detroit. This is my 9th year with my daughter, Bernadette.

I would like to thank UAW Local 598 for the donation. I raised over \$1,800. In all 9 years, I have raised close to \$10,000. This was my last year to climb steps. I came in 1st in my category 70 and over. The climb was 1,077 steps and I did it in 16.48 minutes.”

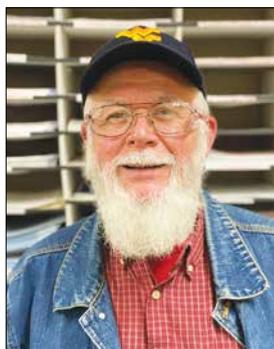
Thank you, Marta Lois



The Officers, Staff and Members of Local 598 extend our sincerest thank you and congratulations for the many years of dedicated service by our recent retirees. We encourage all newly retired members to join our Retiree Chapter.



Tammy “Mama Love” Reinhardt with Financial Secretary Chad Fabbro



David Hodges



July retiree Donald Kaczmarczyk with VP John Jackson III



Alan Ladd



John Glover



Louis Foust



Todd Roddie

#### Local 598 Retirees (not pictured)

- |                                |                                  |                             |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CHISSUS, STEVEN E.<br>7/1/2021 | FLOOD, GERALD B.<br>7/1/2021     | KORN, JAMES A.<br>7/1/2021  |
| CUTEAN, GEORGE<br>7/1/2021     | HACKMAN, ARTHUR J.<br>7/1/2021   | KUPTZ, KURT T.<br>7/1/2021  |
| DIEHL, MARK W.<br>5/1/2021     | HULL-RYAN, DENISE R.<br>7/1/2021 | SEDER, DIANA L.<br>7/1/2021 |

## Retirees Crossword Puzzle

### PAST and PRESENT LEADERSHIP

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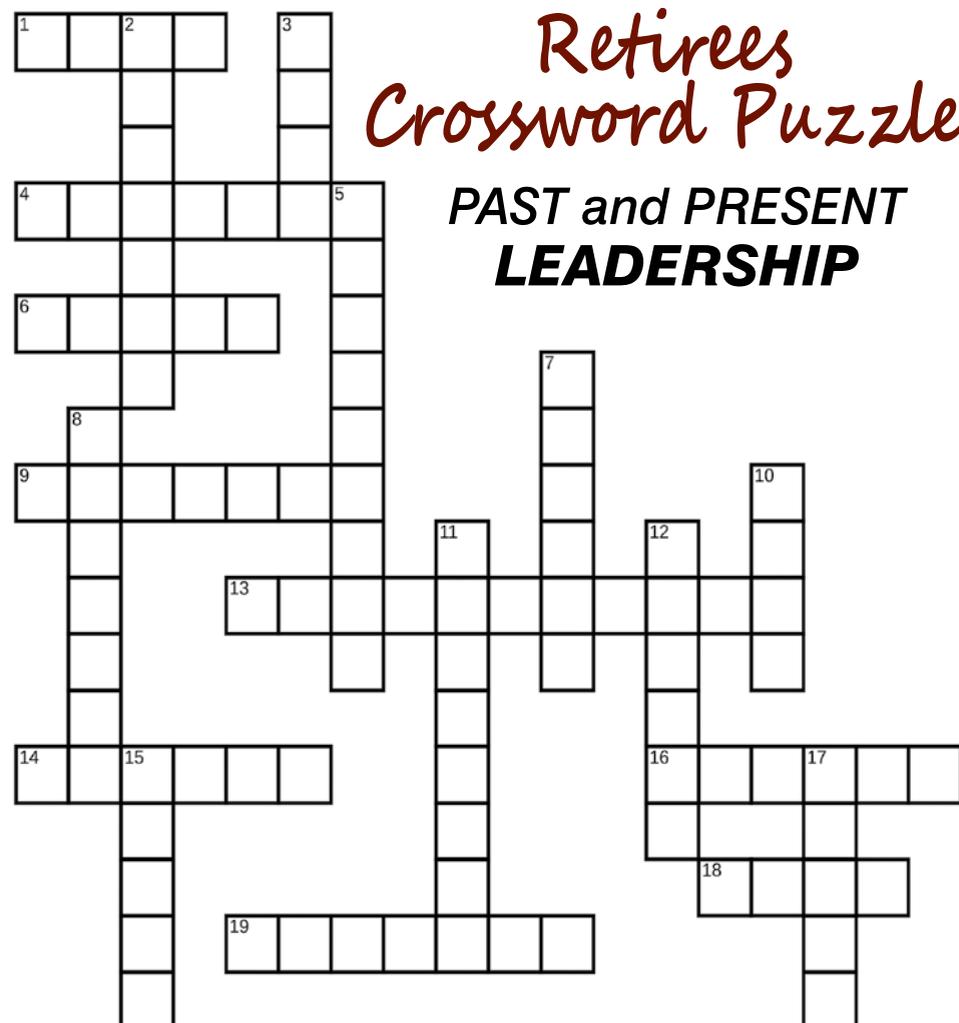
- 1 He was president for several terms and now retired, a weightlifting champion
- 4 Served a long time as retiree Chair his wife, Mary, by his side
- 6 He was retiree chair after Ron and before Janet
- 9 At home he is third, but he is #1 as our Vice President
- 13 Part of a power couple, he was the Local 598 Retiree Chair while his wife was chair of Local 651
- 14 This John was our president at one time, but also was on the Shiawassee County Board of Commissioners at the same time
- 16 Our Union Hall is named after him
- 18 The father of White Shirt Day
- 19 A barrier breaker, she is both the 1st female and 1st person of color Retiree Chair

#### DOWN

- 2 Retired 30 years, he watches over the retiree funds
- 3 His last name is hard to spell, but this president can't be called a "pee wee" when it comes to loving our UAW Local 598 history!
- 5 A war vet who was our longest serving president
- 7 Our motorcycle riding money man
- 8 When not driving one of her "classics" she is the retiree Recording Sec'y.
- 10 Perfectly professional in her pink office preparing our minutes (and as a perk, her notary services are free)
- 11 He was Recording Sec'y and Financial Sec'y then, loves to play golf now
- 12 He held every office at the Union Hall before becoming an UAW auditor
- 15 Her friends call her "Red" and she was our 1st women officer as Rec. Sec'y
- 17 He already has a spot in this puzzle but as former IC Director and UAW Financial Sec'y, he deserves two!

#### Retirees Crossword Puzzle Word List Hints (see page 11)

- |       |        |         |          |        |             |
|-------|--------|---------|----------|--------|-------------|
| BERT  | DIANE  | JACKSON | MATA     | ROBERT | SAMDUNCAN   |
| BURKS | FABBRO | JUDY    | PERKINS  | REUBEN | THURMAN     |
| CLARK | FEDEWA | MARYSUE | PHILLIPS | RYAN   | WEATHERFORD |
|       |        |         |          |        | WOODSON     |



# SUNDAY, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>

## 27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL 2021 CELEBRATION SOBERFEST *of Recovery*



# Union City Ball Fields

4151 Torrey Road Flint, MI

- M.O.S.T. Softball Tournament
- Union City Trout Pond - 11:00AM
- Horseshoes - 12:00PM
- Magic & Escapes Entertainment - 1:00PM
- Euchre Tournament - 2:00PM
- Michigan Wrestling Organization - 3:00PM
- Kreatures of the Night face painting



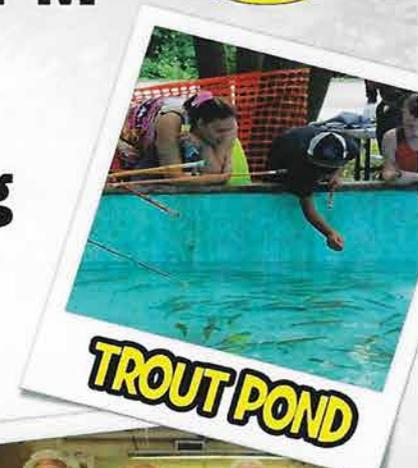
**Box lunches, raffles, dancing  
and much, much more!**

# 8AM TO 5PM

# RAIN OR SHINE

# CLEAN SOBER FUN!

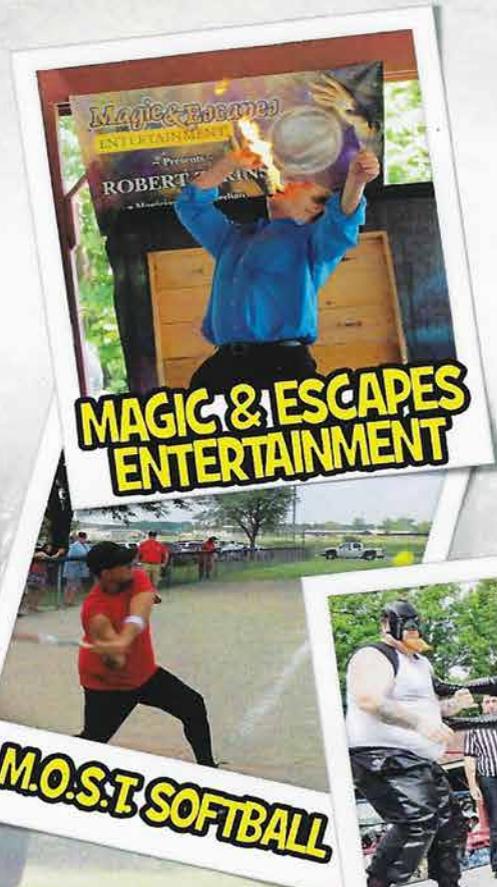
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**TROUT POND**



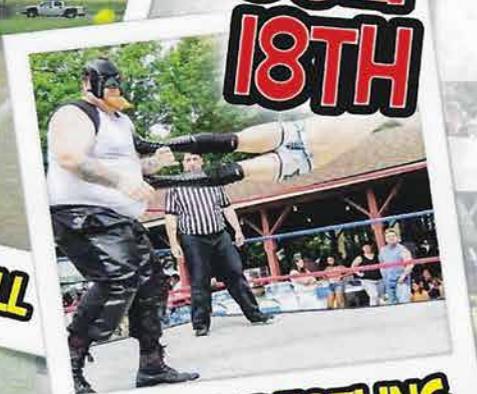
**FREE BIKE RAFFLES**



**MAGIC & ESCAPES  
ENTERTAINMENT**



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**MWO WRESTLING**

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