

Stewards Meeting Notes
Wednesday, April 28, 2010

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 11, 2010. The meeting will be held at the UAW Local 647 union hall, located at 10020 Reading Road, Evendale, Ohio. The 2nd shift will meet starting at 12:00 Noon. The 1st and 3rd shifts will meet starting at 3:30 PM.

14 Workers Killed at Work Each DAY!

Worker's Memorial Day is today, April 28, from 5:30 until 8:30 at the UAW hall. Guest speakers include Dr. O'dell Owens, MPH, Hamilton County Coroner, and Dick Gilchrist, Cincinnati Area Director of OSHA. Join us for Music, Food, and Drinks. **GOOD JOBS, SAFE JOBS, NOW!**

Far too many workers are killed on the job because the nation's safety and health laws are too weak to protect workers and penalties are too lenient to deter employers, finds the AFL-CIO report, "Death on the Job: The Toll of Neglect." Released in conjunction with Workers Memorial Day, **the report analyzes the 5,214 worker deaths and as many as 14 million injuries in 2008.** (Read more about it at www.aflcio.org.)

Teaming: The Co. and IAM are meeting to discuss and possibly finalize a Teaming concept for a pilot program for some of our construction workforce. A plan may be in place by May 10, 2010.

Safety: If you have been hurt on the job, it is important to contact a safety rep, work comp reps and your steward. Reporting an injury when it happens can save much time. Don't wait around.

Fall Protection: There is a safety bulletin out on defective latches on the Miller harness. If you can disconnect the buckle by only pressing one latch release tab, your harness is defective. Call fall protection, or get a new harness from the crib.

Uniforms: For all of the areas where management refuses to supply uniforms, the IAM is trying to allow the workers to rent their own uniforms and laundry service. The price could be as little as \$4.50 or less per week, depending on how many would use the service. That would include several sets of uniforms, laundry, and repair service. Talk to your steward if you may be interested in a program like this.

Union Clothing: There is a new outlet for union clothing in building 500. Contact Ed Woniger, Eric Kratzer, or Ron Williams if you would like to buy lodge logo items. For 2nd shift please see Greg Hensley. Knit caps are in stock now for \$8.00 and they will sell out fast!

Overtime issues: There seems to be problems with overtime in one of the building maintenance areas that have been combined. Some supervisors are requesting people and when they find out the people accepted o/t from another area, the supervisor cancels the need for o/t. The committee will work on those involved.

Upcoming dates to remember

- April 28- Worker Memorial at the UAW hall.
- May 11- Lodge meeting
- May 9- Mothers Day
- May 31- Memorial Day

Fraternally Yours,

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