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Biggest Loser

It is not too late to sign up for the Biggest Loser competition. You have until Friday to weigh in for the first week, with weigh-ins on Thursday and Friday thereafter. Weigh-ins are conducted at AK Medical at any time of the day or night. The scale was put to the test yesterday, but it is still functional. The competition will last for twelve weeks. Each week the team with the highest percentage of weight loss, and with the most weight loss will win a prize. At the end of the competition the two overall winning teams will receive \$250 per team member. Getting paid to lose weight is a good thing, so turn in your forms to Medical today. Good Luck!

Membership Meeting

This month's membership meeting will be held at the Union Hall next Thursday, February 11 at 4:00 p.m. We will be seeking approval for this year's picnic at King's Island, and a few other items. Additionally, our year end financial statements for our Local Union are completed and will be available for your review. We made a lot of improvements financially compared to 2008, and would like to share that information with all of you. As always, food and drink will be provided. Also, we will be raffling a few gift cards to members who attend. Tell a buddy, bring a friend.

Safety Shoes

If you have not picked up your safety shoes since March 15 of last year, go to the safety store and pick some out. Members who are not special utility are entitled to one pair of boots each year.

Grievance Log

We have 202 active grievances in the system and await answers on two cases. Four members are discharged and 19 arbitrations are scheduled. 93 cases are still in the court system. We lost two accelerated arbitrations for members given formal warnings for insubordination. The department was idle. The members had chosen to clean up their cranes, while management had suggested they clean up the buggy line. Although the members cleaned the buggy line when it became apparent they were directed to do so, the arbitrators ruled that the issuance of a formal warning was appropriate given the circumstances. We won a regular arbitration for a member who had transferred to the steelmaking maintenance department. The arbitrator found that the Company's determination that the transfer was "unsatisfactory" was arbitrary and capricious. In other words, there wasn't any justifiable reason to return the employee to his old seniority section. The company was ordered to transfer the employee into steelmaking maintenance and to make him whole for all monies lost from the date he was 42-day returned until he is transferred back to steelmaking maintenance.

Verizon Wireless

Brad Bonds will be at the Union Hall from 1-5 p.m. today to save you money on your plans, phones, and accessories.

Movie Tickets

We have movie tickets to Danbarry Cinemas here at the Union Hall. After over ten years at \$4.00 per ticket, Danbarry raised the price to \$5.50 per ticket. It is still a good bargain compared to other theatres.

Yellow Ribbon Support Group

The Yellow Ribbon Support Center was founded by Keith Maupin, whose son Matt was taken prisoner and murdered in Iraq. The Good and Welfare Committee is meeting at the Union Hall on Saturday, February 13 at 8:30 a.m. to deliver our donations they have collected so far. We still have a week and a half to collect more items that our troops need. Wish list items can be brought to the Union Hall and will be sent in care packages to US military serving overseas. (NOTE: Everything must be travel size and non-aerosol and items are listed in priority.) Tuna salad with crackers by Brunswick, lip balm, 2 oz. Scope mouthwash, white socks, small gold bond foot powder, small tubes of sunscreen, AA and AAA batteries, and eye drops. Please think of our troops on your next visit to the grocery or drug store and pick up a few of these items and drop them off at the Union Hall. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

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