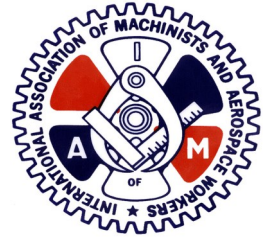


# Weekly Update

## IAMAW LOCAL LODGE 1943



March 27, 2024

*All Groups:*

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### Delegates to the 41<sup>st</sup> Convention of the Grand Lodge

The 41<sup>st</sup> Grand Lodge Convention will be held September 1-6, 2024 in New York City. This convention is required by our IAMAW Constitution to be held every 4 years for the purpose of amending said Constitution. Our Local will be sending 8 delegates to represent the Local, with 8 alternates. Nominations for representative delegates and alternates will be held at our next membership meeting. This meeting will be on April 11, 2024, at 4:00, at your Union Hall - 1100 Crawford St., Middletown, OH 45044. Any member in good standing may nominate up to 8 members to serve as delegates to the convention. Nominated members must have been in continuous good standing in Local Lodge 1943 for at least 1 year. The election for the delegates will be conducted in May. Nominations must be made at the meeting. If you would like to be nominated as a delegate but cannot attend the meeting, you may have your Committeeman, Union Representative, or another member, nominate you at the meeting.

**This election will be held on May 8th, from 4am to 5pm at your Union Hall.** You may request an absentee ballot. The absentee ballot request form is available at your Union Hall and must be turned in to the Recording Secretary by 12pm on April 23rd, 2024. Absentee ballots will be granted to those who meet one of the following criteria:

- You reside more than 25 miles from the Local Lodge polling place
- You are on leave due to a verified illness
- You are on a leave qualified under the US Family Medical Leave Act
- You are on vacation
- You are on official IAM business
- You are on employer travel assignment
- You are on military leave

### Raffle - Landscaping Blocks

The fence project resulted in the elimination of some landscaping. The excess landscaping blocks were raffled off to members who were interested. Out of 42 members who entered the winner of the raffle was Bodie Jones.

### Contact Information

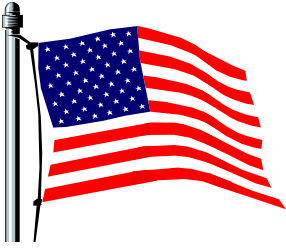
Have you recently moved? Changed your legal name? Got a new phone number? Switched to a new email address? Please take the time to update your contact information: Call Barb at your Union Hall at 513-423-6573.

### Solidarity Committee

There is a new committee being launched that will focus on the labor movement in our area. The Solidarity Committee will be made up of committee members who will attend and support labor actions, picket lines, rallies, and like events here in Southwestern Ohio. If you are interested in joining this committee, you can sign up during the next membership meeting or contact Mike Fink by email at [mfink@LL1943.org](mailto:mfink@LL1943.org)

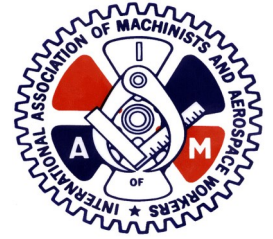
### Gauging Interest in a Texas Hold Em and/or a Pitch Tournament

We are considering putting together a Texas Hold Em and/or a Pitch tournament in the coming months for a Guide Dogs of America fundraiser. We will determine a percentage to split with the winners. If you have ideas and would like to be a part of planning, dealing and or playing send an email to Willie Parman [wparman@LL1943.org](mailto:wparman@LL1943.org) to discuss. This would also be another event for us to get together as a Union. In solidarity!



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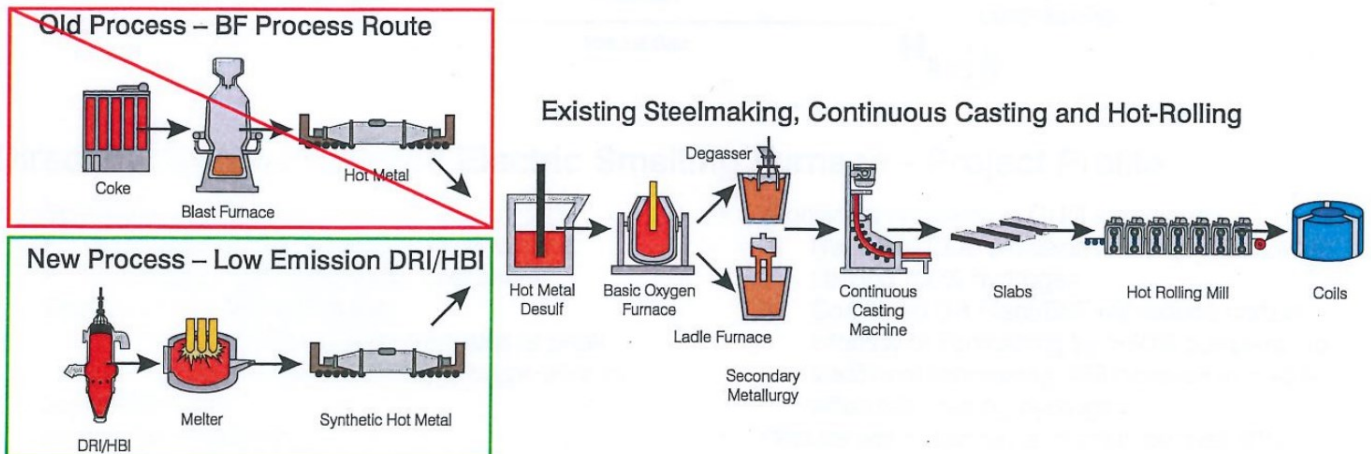
Cleveland Cliffs:

### Massive Investments Marked For Middletown Works

**Cleveland-Cliffs, PRESS RELEASE** - “Cleveland-Cliffs announced Monday that two of its projects have been selected for award negotiations for up to \$575 million in total funding from the United States Department of Energy (DOE) to pursue two decarbonization investments at Middletown Works in Ohio and Butler Works in Pennsylvania. Following successful negotiations, these projects will allow for substantial reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across the Cliffs’ footprint and will also create efficiencies that meaningfully drive down operating costs while securing and growing good-paying Union jobs. This federal funding is being made available through DOE’s Industrial Demonstrations Program funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the Inflation Reduction Act.”

“If awarded, the Company would replace its existing blast furnace at its Middletown Works Facility in Middletown, Ohio with a 2.5mtpa Hydrogen-Ready Direct Reduced Iron (DRI) Plant and two 120 MW Electric Melting Furnaces (EMF) to feed molten iron to the existing infrastructure already on site, including the BOF, Caster, Hot Strip Mill, and various finishing facilities. Middletown will maintain its existing raw steel production capacity of approximately 3 million net tons per year and will no longer use coke for iron production. The EMF technology is well established and, together with the injection of hydrogen in blast furnaces, is a preferred route for meaningful reduction in carbon emissions for integrated steelmakers worldwide.”

“This investment will secure 2,500 jobs at Middletown Works, where the unionized workforce is represented by the International Association of Machinists (IAM). The flex-fuel DRI plant and EMFs will require 170 additional jobs. The project will result in 1,200 building trades jobs during peak construction.”



### Step III Bids (Plant Wide)

There is 1 Step III bid this week:

EGL Operations (Est. Vacancies 4)

This bid was posted on Monday, March 25, 2024, and will be removed at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. You can sign this bid at the Pass and Visitor Center near the Main Gate adjacent to Cliffs Medical.

### Pipefitting Class

We will be having a pipefitting class start April 1st and it will conclude on April 26th. This is for those who have accepted a pipefitter/welder position and have been certified 6G in welding. Contact your Section Manager for availability to attend.

### Boot Truck Closed For Good Friday

The boot truck will be closed this Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> for the Good Friday holiday. Normal operations to resume on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

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