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## LOCAL 602

Bill Reed,  
President



We've arrived at that time of year where we look back on the accomplishments, struggles, lessons and experiences that shape who we are. Being able to connect the dots between our past experiences and the qualities we hold today gives us a clear vision of why we are the way we are. We can use this to re-enforce the qualities we want to keep, and help dispose of the qualities that aren't helpful. Life brings many blessings if we choose to see them. Getting up every day and knowing we have one more opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others is a blessing. Knowing we have family and friends who are just a phone call away is also a blessing. Likewise, if we are able to see the positive in every situation we face, we are blessed.

When looking back on our blessings and the good times we've had throughout this past year we shouldn't ignore difficult experiences ei-

ther. Though it's not healthy to dwell on past hardships, we should however come to terms with those situations as doing so will allow us to move forward. One of the most important hardships that should take priority are any broken relationships we may have. We should figure out how to own our part in such conflicts, how to apologize and how to take action to change our behavior and ultimately the situation. Too many times we alienate ourselves from others due to misunderstandings, pride or spite. Focusing on our negative hurts will destroy our happiness and does little to change our behavior or the behavior of those with whom we have conflict. It is always better to be the bigger person and put aside any differences we may have with someone, regardless if that person does the same.

With the holidays upon us, I encourage you to reach out those that may have not heard from you in a while. Life can become hectic, and that in turn can take our focus away from the things, or the people that really matter to us. Getting caught up in everyday life can certainly take you away from one other important person as well, you! Reflecting on previous versions of yourself inevitably makes you reflect on who you are today. In turn, this will help you develop insight into the best version of you for the future. Maybe you want to reconnect with qualities you used to have, or maybe you realized you still hold on to the same negativity from years before and want to change that.

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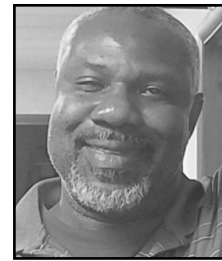
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Area UAW members donated to the Old News Boys again this year to help provide warm clothes for needy children

## LOCAL 4911

Muhammad  
Qawwee,  
President



Happy Holidays!

Happy Holidays to all the UAW Local 4911 brothers and sisters. Hopefully, everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends. As Christmas and the New Year approaches, please don't forget the reason for the season. Instead of stressing on how many gifts to get and how to pay for them, please think about giving back to a family or to your local communities.

I have chosen to volunteer in our local community with my family to help those in need during this holiday season. My kids have more than enough laptops, tablets, phones, etc... While helping someone else in need helps to show your kids how fortunate they are.

In fact, you don't have to wait until the holidays to help those in need. All year long, I volunteer

time and resources for homeless veterans. Being a veteran myself, this effort is near and dear to my heart.

Many of our members also give their time and help those in need. One of our veteran members, Dan Rubner, participated in the Veteran's Day Ruck March at FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek, MI on November 9th. The event was to raise necessities, support and awareness to veteran suicide, homeless  
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Either way, introspecting helps you learn about yourself and envision the person you want to be tomorrow.

This Holiday Season be determined to shift gears from thoughts of work and unfinished projects to relaxation and time spent with family and friends. No matter what you do though, be sure you to take time out for you in order to reflect on this past year's experiences and focus on the changes you wish to make in the coming year.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year!

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ness and also to let them know they are not forgotten. I would like to personally thank Dan and all other veterans and non-veteran members who also volunteer.

May all your holiday wishes come true and please be safe during this festive season!

In Solidarity

**LOCAL 652**

Randy Freeman,  
President



First, I would like to thank everyone for their support and hard work during one of the longest strikes in our history. I was so very proud of the way everyone came together and supported each other. And to make things even better is the way the community stood by us in a way that I have never seen before. Standing by us on the picket lines, bringing us food, drinks and warmth out to the lines. And we continue as always to give back to the community that supports us. Giving back in ways like your very generous donation of thousands of dollars and many volunteer hours to the Toys for Tots and Old News Boy. This demonstrates the very special relationship we have with our community and each other. Working together to improve things for all.

Take a minute to enjoy your families and friends during this holiday season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**LOCAL 1753**

Yvonne Vincent,  
President



Happy Holidays Brothers and Sisters.

I would like to thank All of the supporters who helped us in our time of need. Thank you for your time. Thank you for your donated items. Thank you for your patience. Your solidarity helped keep our spirits strong. Members, when you are going to make a purchase, please take into consideration the businesses that supported us.

Even though we had missed our regular pay checks our plant did the best I have ever seen for the Toys 4 Tots gate collection of \$2000.64. Thank you members for helping those in need.

Our glove, scarf and mitten tree ( these donated items go to the elderly in need) can be seen at our Christmas Party held on December 12th from 1- 5 pm - thrown by our retirees. If you can't make it to the Christmas party there is a general membership meeting on Dec 18th at 2:15pm. These are Every month unless cancelled.

The 40 day strike has caused a lot of work in our plant. We are in emergency status and working 7 days a week. Over 30 new temporary workers were brought in to help out along with running a very lightly staffed 3rd shift. Please members try to be good role models for the temporary workers. We know how management can be, so be patient and look out for one another.

Our Local contract book is still being negotiated at this time.

Please everyone enjoy your holidays in a safe way.

**LOCAL 724**

Todd Collins,  
President



Greetings Brothers and Sisters. As you are reading this the Holiday Season in full swing. I would like to wish all of our members a Safe and Happy Holiday season with your family and friends. On the Local level our Alliance Interiors Unit recently ratified a new contract. Congratulations to Jeremy Hester and the rest of the bargaining team for the efforts and hard work. Our Bridgewater Unit, by the time you are reading this, will have voted on a tentative agreement and hopefully ratified a new contract as well. Thank you Kirk Nordberg and the rest of the bargaining committee for your hard work. I would like to say thank you to all of our members that were affected by the recent GM Strike. Roughly 1200 of our members were laid off due to the strike. Far too often the media talks about the UAW workers at GM and the severe impact that it had on them. The truth is that it affected all of the suppliers as well along with countless others. Thank you to the UAW GM workers for showing the world that it's still ok to Fight for a fair contract and dignity within the workplace. On behalf of the entire Local I would like to wish all of our members the happiest of Holiday seasons.

*"There is no power in the world that can stop the forward march of free men and women when they are joined in the solidarity of human brotherhood"*

Walter Reuther

**LOCAL 602**

Steve Delaney,  
Vice President



Veterans day was this past November eleventh. It is a holiday in America, and a day in which we take great privilege to honor all of our military veterans. On Sunday November 17th at Local 602, we had our 4th annual Veterans Day

Event to honor all our veterans past and present. The program was hosted by our veterans chair, Bernadine Ross and her committee. Bernadine is a 602 veteran who also proudly serves on the UAW Region 1-D color guard. The program was titled "United We Stand... In Service & Holding the Line." We honor all servicemen and servicewomen, because whether during peacetime or war, "A veteran is someone who at one point in their life wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount up to and including their life." They are an elite group of America's finest who truly understand the meaning of the phrase, "freedom isn't free!" All of them gave some and some gave all, so that every American can live free. Since November eleventh was a Monday this year, it enabled all UAW members to enjoy a three day holiday weekend. We also had our four day Thanksgiving weekend, which reminded me of how thankful I am to be a member of a union. Many of us take these things for granted. We need to be reminded of how privileged we are to be a part of the 10.7% of the United States workforce that belongs to a union. According to Wikipedia, that's down from 20.1% in 1983. In the private sector, workers that belong to a union fell below 7%. That level hasn't been seen since 1932. According to the Economic Policy Institute, Unions raise the wages of unionized workers by roughly 20% and raise compensation, including wages and benefits by about 28%. Paid holidays, health care insurance, training, higher wages and benefits aren't given by employers out of the goodness of their hearts. These economic improvements have been hammered out through collective bargaining. It's not a given though. Unions are under attack. In 2012 Michigan became a Right To Work state. Next, the civil service act of 2017 weakened the rights of state workers. In the past decade there has been a plethora

of legislation targeting the rights of unions. All the while Mexican auto work volume has grown seven-fold. Corporations will always try to exploit labor, and the only strength we have is to remain unified in our fight for social and economic justice. Solidarity forever!

**LOCAL 652**

Ben Frantz,  
Vice President



Positive, hectic year

As we approach the Holiday and Christmas season, I took a moment to reflect on the past year. Wow! A few words I could use to describe this past 12 months could be, hectic, scary, uncertain, trying or even dangerous. I could look back and see all of the stress and pressure we had during the historic strike we entered into, or the uncertain future I spoke with so many individuals about over this past year and say, yep, another bad year. At first glance, these are the memories that pop to the forefront when reviewing 2019. I decided not to settle for that this year. When I really gave my memories time to present themselves, I came upon something far more satisfying for this year. I looked back and realized the journey that my wife and I went on, bringing our marriage so far forward and becoming even better best friends than we already were; after 21 years of marriage and over 25 years together, we could settle for the norm, we didn't, that's my favorite memory of the year by far. I remembered seeing family working hard for themselves to move forward in amazing ways and bettering their lives both emotionally and financially. I realized how blessed my family was this year to avoid any close personal family losses, that had become almost regular in our family in recent years. During this wonderful season, I hope you all can try to do the same as I have this year and give your memories time to soak and pick out some of the positive memories for the year. Life is not easy and they don't give it away, we must earn our lives and

we must work hard to create what we want in life. As humans, we all have struggles that can take us negative and that can become our normal, try to push beyond that this year. During this season, I ask that we all take some time for personal introspection and see if we are being a light to our family and our community or have we lost focus and become a drain on the emotional resources of our family and friends by not allowing the positive to shine through in our lives. I know as this year comes to an end, I am looking forward to all of the adventures that 2020 has in store. I hope every one of you have a wonderful Christmas and holiday season.

**LOCAL 652**

Bob Smith,  
Fin. Secretary



For What It's Worth...

A heartfelt "Thank You" to everyone who participated in the recent GM/UAW strike. Whether you worked the picket lines or were a cog in the machine behind the scenes know that you were noticed and appreciated for all that you did!

It was a long, difficult situation and you, the Local 652 membership handled it in the best way possible. Like you do day in and day out with every problem you confront... you came together, did the right thing and proved without a doubt that you are one of the best (my opinion The Best) member-

ship in the UAW! From top to bottom, inside and out you did what needed to be done properly, with dignity, integrity, respectfully and most of all, with solidarity! I can't say enough about your attitude, willingness and perseverance! Fantastic job! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Keep in mind the support of others... donations of time, food, etc. that came from the community. The local community supported us to a level that I would have thought impossible in years past. I can't begin to list all that helped, there are just too many! Luckily we have a website, [www.uawlocal652.com](http://www.uawlocal652.com) that has the entire (if we missed anyone please let us know) list of people, businesses, labor groups, organizations and others who helped to keep you warm and fed, focused and able to carry on. Don't forget them! We can give back a little by frequenting their businesses, supporting them as they supported us. It's the right thing to do!

There's an old saying that no one wins in a strike. Too much is lost on both sides to ever regain. I don't think the originator of this saying was looking deep enough. I see a win for us as a labor group. We came together and proved to ourselves and everyone else that we are united, we're willing to take on the challenges and we WILL come out on top! You've made me very proud to be a member of Local 652 and you have every right to be proud of yourselves!

Thank You from the bottom of my heart!

P.S. Oh! And Merry Christmas!!!

**LOCAL 724**

Deb Abent,  
Fin. Secretary



Happy Holidays

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Each year our Holiday Tree of Warmth has been a big success because of all of you, so we need all your donations again this year to provide our families in need with new hats, mittens, gloves, scarves to put on the tree. We will get these gifts to the needy people in our community.

Please drop off your items from December 2nd thru December 23rd at Local 724 Union hall during these hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Or drop at your worksite.

Our sincere thanks ahead of time; I am sure that with your help we will have another successful drive.

I know everyone will be out shopping. Let's remember to buy American and buy Union. With so many of Union brothers and sisters in need, let us help our own this holiday season!

**LOCAL 4911**

Rose  
Van Schoick,  
Fin. Secretary



Happy Holidays!

The hustle-bustle of the holiday season is upon us and winter is finally here. As many of us hibernate inside during the winter months, we have the opportunity to reflect upon all of the wonderful things in our lives for which we are blessed and for which we are thankful.

Please keep in mind those that may be less fortunate this holiday season. Volunteer opportunities, food and clothing requests are abundant at many community organizations, such as the City Rescue Mission, Volunteers of America, local area food banks, your local church, etc.

You may also call 2-1-1 to ask for  
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suggestions regarding the needs of different organizations. They will help match your blessings of gifts/food/dollars to an agency that is in need as well as give you a location for the organization if you are dropping off your gifts.

I wish you a Happy New Year that will ring in with many blessings throughout the year for you and your family!

Retiree Chapter

If you are a Retiree of UAW Local 4911, please be certain our office has your updated contact information. (Please call Rose or Becky at 517-372-7201 for any updates.) One of our 2020 goals is to create a retiree communication to help keep you informed of our retiree meetings, events and activities. Currently, the retirees meet on the fourth Wednesday of even calendar months (2, 4, 6, etc.). Meeting times are at 2pm at 1010 River Street, Lansing, MI.

Please join us for fellowship and socializing to help plan future fun events and activities!

**LOCAL 652**  
Scott Lounds,  
Rec. Secretary



First off, I would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays. 2019 has been a historic year for the nation and the UAW. For our country we started the year by seeing a record number of women sworn into congress, but followed that up with the Mueller report, a trade war with China, and impeachment hearings. The UAW had a historic strike against GM right along side, indictments, resignations, and prison sentences. It has certainly been a year that could make a person question their faith in our institutions.

When I sat down to write this piece I considered ranting about the abuses of power by our leaders, both within our Union and within our country and the costs of greed, arrogance, and hubris. Or maybe a diatribe about the scabs who crossed the picket lines and still accept everything the Union secured for them. But, it felt like that would not be in keeping with the spirit of the season. Instead, let me just say that it has

always been true that Nations, peoples, organizations, and individuals stray from the path. It follows that when this happens it falls to those who remain, who are left amid the rubble, to find their way back to the path. So that is my hope for everyone this Holiday season and into the new year, to help our Union, our Country, and ourselves find the right paths forward and to help others do the same.

**LOCAL 602**  
Marta Bobillo  
Retiree



Greetings sisters and brothers;

2019 is coming to a closure, and this makes me to reflect on the struggle our union has endured for years. Recently, GM put us to the test again this fall. In a true act of solidarity, we walked out together and made the sacrifice with our families by our side not knowing the outcome. We endured the hardships. We found out that we still are a strong union that fights in solidarity. We may not have received everything we asked for, we all recognize that at the end of the day we still have a job, benefits and a future.

United we stand.

I would like to thank all our retirees that came out and helped in every capacity. Your selfless acts of generosity were very much appreciated! Thank you also to our brothers and sisters in other unions, our community and businesses that offered selfless outpouring of support. Experiencing this helped restore my beliefs that there still is many good caring people in this selfish world.

From my family to your family I want to wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year full of love, health and happiness.

Love, Peace and Justice.

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**LOCAL 652**  
Mike Bauer  
Retiree

Seasons Greetings to all. Wishing everyone safe and happy holiday season and a Happy New Year.

The following is our monthly schedule of events:

First Tuesday of the month is Bingo. Games start at 10:00 a.m. Participants bring your own snacks. If the Lansing School District is closed due to inclement weather our Bingo game will be cancelled.

Third Tuesday of the month is our potluck dinner and business meeting. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Dinner starts at noon.

Fourth Tuesday of the month is cards starting at 10:00 a.m. Participants bring your own snacks. If the Lansing School District is closed due to inclement weather our Card game will be cancelled.

Our monthly events are for Local 652 retirees, surviving spouses and associate members only.

Anyone interested in attending Black Lake Retiree Conference that hasn't been before contact me at 517-372-7581 ext. 147. Leave your name and number and mention Black Lake. I will get back with you. I am handling only 652 retirees.

Region 1D Travel Committee is having a trip to Chicago, May 4 - 8, 2020. Cost is \$564 per person, double occupancy. Contact Diane Bauer (517) 627-5895 for more info or to sign up. We are also planning a trip to The Ark, September 28 - October 2, 2020.

Region 1D Euchre dates for the spring tournaments are now available.

April 3, 2020 - UAW Local 167 in Wyoming. Local 167 is located at 1320 Burton St. SW, Wyoming. Tournament starts at 10:00 a.m.

April 17, 2020 - UAW Local 659 in Flint. Local 659 is located at 4549 Van Slyke Rd., Flint. Tournament starts at 10:00 a.m.

April 17, 2020 - UAW Local 467 in Saginaw. Local 467 is located at 2104 Farmer St., Saginaw. Tournament starts at 1:30 p.m.

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April 24, 2020 - UAW Local 602 in Lansing. Local 602 is located at 2510 W Michigan Ave., Lansing. Tournament starts at 10:00 a.m.

You do not need a partner to play. You are welcome to play at all tournaments.

For any of our members or their families, who are ill or have lost a loved one, know that we are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers.

Condolences to all families who have had a loved one pass.

The Lansing Labor News is now online. You may access it at [www.lansinglabornews.org](http://www.lansinglabornews.org)

The Food Bank could use our help. If possible, bring canned goods to donate when you attend retiree events. No expired food please.

Send your change of address to: Lansing Labor News, 210 Clare St., Lansing, MI 48917 Please include your current address and the old address when requesting the change.

If you have benefit questions, contact a benefit rep for answers. 517-372-7581 ext. 500

You may contact me at the following email address: [retiree652@hotmail.com](mailto:retiree652@hotmail.com)

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### LOCAL 1753

Laura Clark  
Retiree



First off, apologies to any retiree who went to World Buffet on Oct. 10. The meeting was moved to the hall. I was still on vacation at the time. T-shirts were discussed. They were purchased for active workers who were on strike at the time.

Now the November meeting. I can tell you all about it! We invited the VEBA folks in to talk benefits. We had not had them in for a while as there had been no changes. Great meeting. I had good feedback both that day and later. We discussed a little business and suspended the rest. That gave us more time for benefits. The talk was informational. The overview ended and ques-

tions were flying. Everyone got all of their questions answered. Delicious Thanksgiving dinner, choice of ham or smoked turkey and all the fixings. Finley's did a good job, we could do that again.

Next up is the Christmas Open House, December 12th at the hall from 1 to 5 pm. The giving tree is up with hat, scarves, and mittens for kids and warm bedroom slippers for the elderly. You can bring something to add if you like. The most important thing to bring is you! We will have food and drink, let's be merry! The first meeting for the new year is January 9th. Come get your calendar for 2020.

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### Sparrow Health System Claire Corr



Dear Union Brothers and Sisters,

A sincere THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered and/or donated to the Old Newsboys! I can't believe this Sales Day wasn't the coldest day of the year or that we didn't experience Snomageddon. For as long as I've been involved, each year we have battled a hefty dose of Mother Nature. This year, She was kind. When you see Matt Bowen, UAW Local 652, give him a hug, tell him thanks, razz him a little bit. You see, Matt stepped up to the plate and volunteered to play Logan, our Old Newsboys mascot, for the entire Sales Day.

As fun as it may look, it is a daunting task to wear the costume; to navigate obstacles, hear, breathe, see, etc. By the end of the day, he was exhausted, but he had an extra skip in his step and a smile on his face because he knew he made a difference for the children in our region. The Old Newsboys is appreciative for his time and humor.

This will be the last article I write for the Lansing Labor News. Sparrow has eliminated the Labor Liaison position, effective December 31, 2019. I have been a dues-paying member of UAW Local 2256 for the past 25 years. My UAW relationship began at BCBSM, a unit of Amalgamated UAW Local 2256, where I worked

for 20 years, representing the Lansing employees, and helped negotiate 3 contracts. I served as the Recording Secretary at the local level for 12 of the 25 years. Most recently, I have been your labor liaison at Sparrow, helping union members navigate healthcare and so much more! You helped me cultivate this program at Sparrow and weave it into our union community. Sparrow became an extension of our union family. As I write this article, my eyes fill with tears, remembering all the good times, the struggles, community service, the politics, the joy, becoming family, attending conferences, Black Lake, crying with members, holding a union member's hand when they are dying, and countless other memories, too many to mention. I will be forever grateful for the time I spent with each one of you. I found this quote that sums up how I feel, *"It's not the goodbye that hurts, but the flashbacks that follow"* ~ author unknown

In Solidarity,

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### Capital Area United Way Dean Poggiali



Here's hoping that your Thanksgiving was filled with family, friends, faith & food. When we have time to spend with loved ones, it helps us recharge our emotional batteries.

During the recent work stoppage, The Capital Area United Way worked with area non-profits to make sure we can assess the needs. The 2-1-1 call center was the referral for those looking for resources. The 2-1-1 call center then would determine any resources available and make them aware of the programs.

Hats off go to the CAUW Board who approved the dislocated worker fund. The CAUW approved a dislocated worker fund that helped those in need with up to \$500.00 for rent, mortgage, utilities, etc. Many of our members were able to get assistance from the fund.

The UAW members on the Board,

Randy Freeman, Bill Reed, and Amy Castanon provided a clear voice to those on the Board who needed clarity of the impact of the strike and subsequent layoffs.

Additionally, dozens of families were helped with food & household items during the strike/layoff. By utilizing the 2-1-1 call number they were referred to myself and then we coordinated getting them some resources. If anyone impacted by the recent strike and/or layoff is in need of food resources they can still call 2-1-1 and mention that they were impacted by the recent strike at GM by either directly on strike and/or layoff. There were approximately up to 500 members assisted which includes the family. There could be more helped that live outside of the Central MI 2-1-1 coverage area.

Worksite United Way outreach is still ongoing with some of the supplier facilities to continuing with campaigns.

The Capital Area United Way is also involved with the 2020 census. There will be workgroups within the Clinton, Eaton & Ingham counties, along with a tri-county group.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is also looking for volunteers for the 2020 tax preparation season. They will be holding orientation sessions soon.

Please contact me if you would like more information.

The annual Walk for Warmth will be held at various sites in the area. Traditionally the walk takes place the last Saturday of February. As details are clearer, we will send out information.

Also, the annual Community Services classes are set to begin tentatively on Monday February 10, 2020. The schedule and the call letter still are being developed, so look for something after the beginning of the year.

Thanks go out to all those that have helped our community and its citizens. Without our

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*Warmest thoughts  
and best wishes  
for a wonderful  
Holiday Season  
and a very  
Happy New Year*

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**Local 724's  
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General membership meeting second Tuesday on the month at 5pm



*We wish you happy holidays  
and a bright New Year !*



*Randy Freeman, President  
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Jake Jacobson, Avancez Chair*

*From the officers and unit chairs of the  
GM, GM LOC, YFAI, Ryder, and Avancez units of  
UAW Local 652*



**Merry Holidays from  
Local 1753  
Executive Board  
and  
Shop Committee**

**Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year**



**From Local 602 Retiree Executive  
Board and Members**

*Marta Bobillo, Chairperson  
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Veronica Johnson, Financial Secretary  
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Pauline Wireman, Trustee - Greg Brunette, Sergeant-at-Arms*

**Wishing you a  
Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year  
filled with peace  
and happiness**

**UAW Local 4911**



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volunteer commitment, our hard-earned monies and our voice, the disenfranchised in the community would continue to struggle.

May the blessing of peace and love be with you and yours as we enter 2020. Let's hope we can continue to prosper and grow our community.

### UAW Local 602 Obituaries

Steven McClure – son of Ken McClure, Material Body Shop  
 Melissa J. Cook – Spouse of Todd Cook  
 Cloyse G. Horton – Retiree  
 James W. Lifford – Retiree  
 Susan Mast - Retiree  
 Faye Pelton- Retiree  
 William Faunce- Retiree  
 Connie L. Kiernan - Retiree  
 Gerald Gottleber- Retiree  
 Lois Molton- Retiree  
 Judith Perry- Retiree  
 Chris Vargas- Retiree  
 Verna Rodgers- Retiree  
 Jerome Ballard- Retiree  
 John Guthrie- Retiree  
 Sabrina James – Retiree  
 James Bibbs – Step Dad of Larry King, EAP Representative  
 Betty Hunsaker – Mother of Robert L. Hunsaker, Quality Control Gen Assembly  
 Amanda “Molly” Garcia – Spouse of Adislado Garcia, Retired  
 Joshua M. Clark – Son of Mike P.

Clark, Retired  
 Gale Lemon – Retired  
 Sue A. Figel – Retired  
 Stephen A. Pettinger – Retired  
 Wayne A. Parish – Retired  
 Sabrina J. James – Retired  
 Vonda Goldshie – Sister of Lane Smith, GA – Engine Dress  
 Steven Thomas McClure – Son of Kenneth McClure, CORE – Delta  
 Larry G. Smith – Retired  
 James Kerr – Retired  
 Larry F. McKone – Retired  
 Robert E. Redman – Retired  
 Laura Kaplanis – Active, Body Underbody Pans  
 Daniel N. Fulger – Retired  
 Rosemary Simon – Mother of Dennis Simon – Body Underbody Pans  
 Vicki Batchelder – Mother of Thomas Patchett – Materials Final  
 Robin L. Kosloski, Retired – Mother of Jeff Kosloski, District Shop  
 Larry A. Huhn – Retired  
 Peter W. Gillespie - Retired  
 Gary T. Puente – Husband of Gerry Puente, Quality Control  
 Rosemary Simon – Mother of Sue Blemaster, Retired  
 Charlie Prince – Retired  
 Betty J. Horne – Retired  
 James L. Fox – Retired  
 Clarice Murphy – Mother of Gwen Bayne, Retired  
 Glen Anderson – Father of Rhonda Hawrylo, Retired

Sandra Taylor – Mother of Laura Hodges, Active, GA Trim 1  
 Connie Platte – Mother of Patrick Platte, Active, GA Trim 1

### UAW Local 652 Obituaries

Susan Bailey – Spouse of Thomas Bailey, Sister-in-Law of Wallace Bailey  
 Milton Collins – Retiree  
 Dorrene Cooper – Retiree, Mother of Denise Alden  
 Thomas “Tom” Cooper – Retiree, Spouse of Billie Cooper  
 Odessa “Renee” Covell – Spouse of Roger Covell  
 Leonard Davis - Member  
 Beverly Deloach – Retiree, Sister of Clifford Jones  
 Delbert Frazier – Father of Lisa Swan  
 Manases Gauna – Retiree, Brother of Ruben Gauna  
 Joseph Glowacki – Retiree, Father of Dawn “Renee” Thelen, Father-in-Law of William Thelen  
 Marceline May Guernsey – Mother of David Guernsey  
 Sharon Holbrook – Retiree  
 Jometric Johnson - Member  
 Patricia A. Krawczynski – Spouse of John Krawczynski  
 Josephine Lewis – Retiree  
 Laura Sue Piechowiak – Grand-

mother-in-Law of Dennis Sturgis  
 James Pugh –Member, Step Brother of Steve Peck  
 Manuel Raby – Retiree  
 Rosemary Simon – Mother-in-Law of Al Fedewa  
 Robert Smock – Retiree  
 Keith Van Ham – Member  
 Hugh “Bill” Wilson Jr. – Retiree  
 Michelle Young – Sister of Tony Worden  
  
 Thank you's were received from the following families:  
 The William Hallenbeck Family  
 The Faith Hamilton Family

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Lansing Area Retired Workers Council Summer Luncheon





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**NOMINATION AND ELECTION NOTICE**

Retirees Chapter 881

UAW Local 4911

Nomination of Local 4911 Retiree Officers

Nomination for the offices of Chair, Vice Chair, Recording Secretary and Financial Secretary will be conducted at the date, time and place indicated below:

Date: January 9th, 2020

Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm

Place: UAW Local 4911 Office

Candidates must submit a written acceptance of nomination in person (no emails or phone calls will be accepted) to UAW Local 4911, 1010 River Street, Lansing, MI 48912, by 3:00 pm, on Thursday, January 9, 2020.

Election of UAW Local 4911 Retiree Officers

Date: January 16th, 2020

Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm

Place: UAW Local 4911, 1010 River Street, Lansing, MI 48912

RUN-OFF ELECTION (if necessary)

Date: January 23, 2020

Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm

Place: UAW Local 4911, 1010 River Street, Lansing, MI 48912

LaYvonn Beatty, Local 4911 Election Committee Chairperson



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**UAW Local 602 ELECTION NOTICE**

Four (4) Positions

*Must be a member of Local 602 for one (1) year to be eligible to run for office*

**Financial Secretary-Treasurer**

**Trustee**

**Community Services Chairperson**

**\*Team Solutions Unit Chair**

(Term ends June 2020)

All active LDT & Team Solutions Unit members and retired 602 members in good standing are eligible to run or vote in these positions.

\*Only 602 members in the Team Solutions Unit in good standing are eligible to run or vote for this position.

Open nominations will be accepted at the Union Meeting on Sunday, January 12, 2020  
Sign-Up begins 7am Monday, January 13, 2020 until \*6:30pm Friday, January 17, 2020  
at UAW Local 602 Union Hall 2510 W Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48917

*\*Extended Hall hours to accommodate first shift.*

24 hour election, voting begins at 11am Tuesday, January 28, 2020  
until 11am Wednesday, January 29, 2020 **only** at the  
UAW Local 602 Union Hall, 2510 W. Michigan Avenue,  
Lansing MI 48917

*RUN-OFF (if necessary) will be held at the same time and location on Wednesday & Thursday, February 5 & 6, 2020.*

**MUST HAVE YOUR PHOTO ID, GATE CARD, OR CURRENT UNION MEMBERSHIP CARD TO VOTE**

*Brian Stead*  
Brian Stead, Chair  
Elections Comm

*Jerry Smith*  
Jerry Smith, Co-Chair  
Elections Comm

*Kevin Barlum*  
Kevin Barlum, Co-Chair  
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Jennifer Hoerauf, Co-Chair  
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*Bill Reed*  
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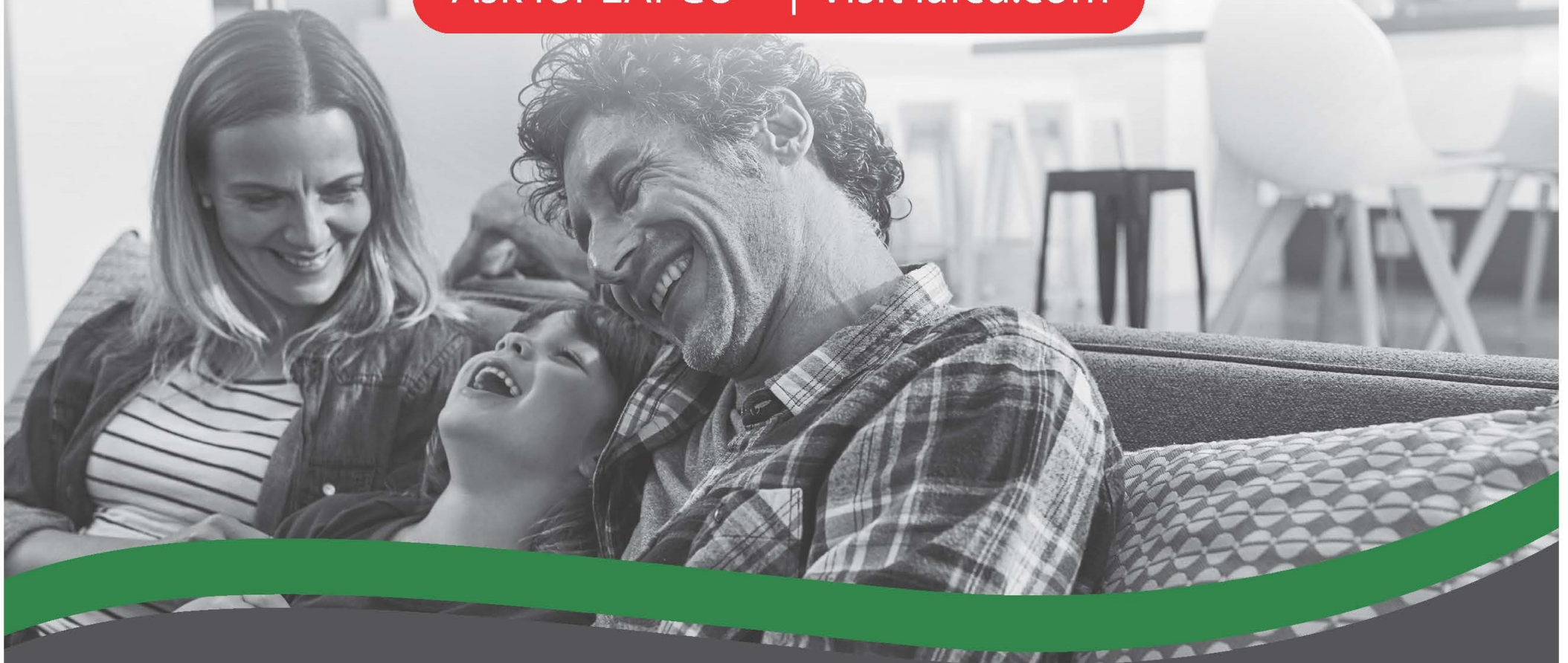
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