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To Local 1010 Members:

March 12th, 2021

Sisters and Brothers.

This week was nominations for the upcoming election. Good Luck to all that are running for positions.

Tuesday afternoon was the kickoff here at Indiana Harbor by the Cliffs safety group for the Safety Transformation Rollout. This power point presentation that lasted 2-3 hrs., outlining Cliff's strategy on partnering with the Union to provide a safer, more strategic approach to safety. This approach has been adopted by their previous AK Facilities with reductions of overall injuries and injury rates, less than half of what we had under A/M. This safety integration is projected to be completed by 2022. Under this program "greens" will become a thing of the past as the COO and GM of safety modeled the apparel everyone will be required to wear, orange reflective tops and blue pants.

This morning we had a Zoom meeting with Congressman Frank Mrvan. We discussed Rapid Response issues and his appointments to the committees supporting the Rescue Plan and the Pro Act. "It's good to know the USW has the continued support of our district's Congressman backing the needs of our blue collar membership."

The weather has been nice this week. Please stay vigilant with safety precautions both here and at home for the safety of yourself and your loved ones.

Local 1010 Essay award contest applications officially ended at close of day today.

ATTENTION FAMILY MEMBERS OF POTENTIAL NEW HIRES: Recently we had some new hires that signed up for the CDHP - Consumer Driven Healthcare Plan. The union recommends if you know of someone who is selected as an employee and goes through the "On-Boarding" process to select the **PPO plan**. Should you have any questions during the On-boarding process related to insurance, please contact the Local at 219-937-7784 ext.112 or 117 for directions on any insurance needs.

Currently, the six month penalty has been waived for the Ramsay Test. If you have taken the MTM/MTE test and need to retest, call now. Please call Amy Imbesi at 219-399-4760 for scheduling of Tuesday and Thursdays 9am and 3pm.

WEEKLY REMINDER: Call PIVOT to report positive COVID cases. The PIVOT number is (916) 382-8770. If you have any COVID related issues please contact your Department Safety/Grievance Representatives for resolution. If those issues cannot be solved at the department level, please contact the Local 1010 Safety Committee, All contacts are at this link http://usw1010.org/safetydirectory.html.

UMR has seen an increased rate of **fraud and scams** related to the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. Please be aware of fraud: If someone calls, texts, or emails you or a family member promising access to the vaccine for a fee, you should not share your personal or financial information.

- No one should ask you to pay to put your name on a list to get the vaccine.
- No one should ask you to pay to get early access to a vaccine.

You can report suspected fraud by calling the UMR Fraud line toll-free at 1-800-356-5803.

JobLink has live and online classes as well as some classes in person onsite. See JobLink on Facebook here: https://www.facebook.com/BKJobLink/photos/a.415211498544234/3369275076471180/?type=3&theater

ICD/ Joblink awards the "Tino Fulimeni" Scholarships on an annual basis Apply online at www.icdlearning.org

In Solidarity,

Don Seifert