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SPRING 2022 EKRC Retiree Newsletter

Greeting Eastern Kentucky Retiree Council Members, Associate Members and Surviving Spouses,

We are happy to announce that this year our meetings are back on schedule. Our first meeting will be March 22, and there after they will be on the fourth Tuesday of every month. The meetings will at the same location the Center for Rural Development.

We changed some things at the two meetings we were able to have in 2021. The members were allowed to place orders for a box lunch in advance or you can bring your own lunch. This will be the same for the meetings this year. We have been getting good feedback from our members.

Members that do not follow up on the rewards program you should know that you could be leaving money on the table. Next year if you have any problems you need to call or visit the Drop-in- Center and we will be glad to assist you in this or anything else you might have. Some members including myself received up to \$180 dollars in gift cards. And also the OTC Catalogs that were sent to the members were a real success with those of you that came into the office an let us help you place your orders. Any questions will be answered at the first meeting.

For members who pay their dues by check, you should send your check to the UAW Retired Workers Dept., 8000 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI. 48214. OR COME BY THE DROP-IN CENTER AND WE WILL ACCEPT THEM AND SEND THEM UP TO DETROIT FOR YOU. On the left side of your check, in the memo area, write Retiree Dues Fund.

We are asking for help from our members to be able to keep the (DROP- IN CENTER OPEN) if you are not currently paying dues please start. A lot of our members have increased their dues. One of the main reasons we are needing help is due to the loss of our members. We need activity at the meetings and office, and we need to show the top leadership that we want to stay open.

(On the left side check, in the check memo area, write Retiree Dues Fund)

On the first meeting (MARCH 22) there will be nominations and elections for all elected positions on the EKRC Board. You must be a member in good standing to be elected.

In the future you will be receiving information about the election for the positions on the International UAW Executive Board. We are asking you to not throw any of this information in the garbage and please read everything carefully. This could affect our future as UAW retirees. Any questions you have PLEASE CALL US OR VISIT US AT THE DROP- IN CENTER. THIS COULD BE SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISIONS WE MAKE CONCERNING OUR FUTURE AS RETIREES. WE NOW HAVE THE GREATIST LEADERS OF ANY UNIONS IN THE WORLD IN PLACE AND THEY LOVE THE RETIREES. THEY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THERE FOR US SO WE NEED TO BE THERE FOR THEM.

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Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213 www.SSA.gov

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In Solidarity,

Lawrence Hamilton, Chair

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