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CEOs aren’t 670 times smarter

Working families are getting hammered by inflation while corpo-
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even as their employees have been struggling to keep their fami-
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The Packard plant was considered one of the most advanced factory buildings of its time, featuring reinforced concrete construction and innovative design elements. The plant was designed by Albert Kahn, who was known for his innovative use of reinforced concrete, and the plant was built using only reinforced concrete, allowing for the large wings, set at 45-degree angles, to withstand the wind and protect the interior. The plant was constructed using the venerable timber system that built the mills and warehouse buildings of the past, but the Packard plant incorporated many modern amenities and was considered the Rolls Royce of North America. The company continued making quality automobiles throughout the years, and the Packard plant became a symbol of Detroit’s industrial might. The plant was closed in 1999, and the site was later renovated and repurposed for other uses.
Local 190

Plumbers, Pipefitters, Service Technicians, Gas Distributors

**Announcement for the Local 190 Members:**

To work, there are forms available. Please see the noticeboard in the office. The forms are located in the local union office.

**Information and Forms:**

There are several forms available in the local union office. These forms include but are not limited to membership renewal, application for benefits, and information on worker assistance programs. Please ensure you have all necessary forms on hand before attending any union meetings or activities.

**GAS DISTRIBUTION & HVAC TECHNICAL TRAINING:**

The training program is now available on the website. Please check the link for more details.

**Local 357 Training Center:**

The link is now on the website in the union's official newsletter.

**Local 190 and Local 5225 Retiree Meetings:**

Events are held every month. Please check the website for the latest meeting dates.

**Member Resources:**

Check out the Work Life Strategies, LLC (1-49087) for more information regarding the programs offered by the union.

**Local 190, cont.**

**Meeting Information:**

Local 190 meetings are held every month. Please check the website for the latest meeting dates and times.

**Phone Service:**

If you need assistance with your phone service, please contact Retha at [phone number] to be placed on the waiting list.

**Referrals to Outside Professionals:**

Referrals to outside professionals, if needed, will be paid for by the union. Call to talk to a counselor to determine what services you may need.

**HVAC Service Local 357:**

For more information, please visit the website: [www.pipefitters636tc.org](http://www.pipefitters636tc.org).

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**Attention Michigan Gas Distribution and HVAC Gas Distribution and HVAC Business Members:**

To help keep our records up to date, please sign and return the form attached to this notice. This is very important as it helps us keep our member information up to date.

**HOURS OF BUSINESS:**

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 8 AM to 4 PM. The office will be closed on weekends and holidays. Call [phone number] to speak with the office staff.

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**Local 636**

Plumbers, Steam Fitters, Steamfitters, and HVAC Service Workers

**HVAC Service Local 357:**

For more information, please visit the website: [www.pipefitters636tc.org](http://www.pipefitters636tc.org).

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**Local 357 Retiree Meetings:**

The next meeting will be held on September 13, 2022, at the union hall. Please check the website for the latest meeting dates.

**Union Picnic:**

The union picnic is set for July 3, 2022. Please bring a potluck dish to share with other members. RSVP by June 15 to [unionpicnic@pipefitters636.org](mailto:unionpicnic@pipefitters636.org).

**Local 190, cont.**

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

There are opportunities available for volunteers. Please check the website for the latest opportunities.

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**Local 636, cont.**

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Local 174 Plumbers, Pipe Fitters & Service Trades

The Local 174 Retreat will be held at the Petoskey Lodge on Thursday, August 18, 2022. Please see the call for details. We look forward to seeing you there.

Local 333 Plumbers & Pipe Fitters

If you are interested in signing up for classes please go to our website at www.miwap.org and call your Training Center.

Editor’s Note: Effective Jan. 1, 2021 your insurance premiums will be reduced by approximately 20%. Check the date(s) of your Certifications, if they have expired or need directions just call 517-774-1106 ext. 4. Please contact the Training Center (517) 323-0333.

TWS: Your Union is up and running. Please check out the new www.ualocal85.org. Click on Local 85 Members. Log in with your username (first initial last name) and password (two zeros followed by your card number). After logged in navigate to the Training page and select Benefit Information. Click on Benetifcs Website. You will be asked to log in with your MiWAM account. Deadline for submission is 90 days of the first Monday following the week in which you leave or if you are changing your beneficiaries, divorce, remarried or to change your beneficiaries. Please contact the Union office.

The next Northern Informational Meeting will be held on Wednesdays, August 3, 10, 17 and 24 at the Lansing Hall, 5405 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. in Lansing, MI 48911 at 6:00pm. Lincoln Johnson ext. 8511.

For all Local 85 Members please consider the annual Save-Rx: (800) 228-3108. You can set up a prescription delivery plan for only $525.09 per year. Please call Cami Burris Administrative Assistant at ext. 17.
**Plumbers, Pipe Fitters & HVAC Service**

FLINT - The next Membership Night will be held at the Firehouse, 800 S. Saginaw St., Suite 300, on Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 4:30 P.M.

**Upcoming Night School Classes**

*Plumbing Code Update Class – available to any interested person. Classes are available in several sessions throughout the year, and do not require you to enroll in the plumbing union. The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 4:30-7:30 p.m.*

**671.com**

For the class, you must take one before you can receive a response.

Also, please refer to our website for the current testing dates.

For more information, please call 248-838-1545 or visit 671.com.

**GAS COOKTOPS & RANGE REPAIR**

The next class will be held on September 21 at 6:30 P.M. at the Union Hall. Each class includes a written test and a performance test. Please call 248-838-1545 to register.

**BASIC HEATING & FURNACE SAFETY**

The training center is open. The mask mandate has been lifted. Check out The Training Center’s website www.Plumbers98tc.org for more information.

**HALETT PICNIC**

The Local 671 Annual Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Union Hall, 1501 W. Saginaw St., Lansing, MI 48906. There will also be a bowling tournament, along with games for kids and a cookout with hamburgers, hot dogs, and cold beverages. For more information, please visit ualocal98.com/family-picnic-2022 for more information or contact Jon DeRoo at 248-752-3702 or email dnixon98@ualocal98.org.

**PAC**

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**Training Center**

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**1.25 GPM TO 2.5 GPM FOR FUTURISTIC TANKLESS WATER HEATERS**

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**Call for bids**

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**Mobile Apps**

Our Mobile Apps are available in the App Store for iPhone or Android. Please visit ualocal98.com or call 248-752-3702 to download the app.

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**Reminder:**

- The next MRA card will be held on Thursday, September 29, at 6:30 pm, at the Union Hall, 1501 W. Saginaw St., Lansing, MI 48906.

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Elmond is survived by his fiancé, Juana Rivera, his children, his nephew Ironworker Christo-
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to log in to see all the new content.

Meeting will be held on Monday, August 15th at 9:00am.

The next IBEW Local 948 Executive Board Meeting will be held at 9 PM on Monday, August 15th at 9:00am.

We encourage all members to participate and provide feedback on the agenda items.

Please call the JATC and get on the list to get the EVITP training. This training is critical to securing this work.

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A bylaws change was approved and presented to the IBEW.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE CALL THE JATC OR 25TH.

The meeting will be held at 6 PM on Monday, August 8th at 6:00PM. The Union Hall does not have your e-mail address. If you would like to be added to the e-mail list, please contact us at our website @ http://www.local948.com. Our Executive Board meets on the first Thursday of each month.

The Lansing Electrical JATC is scheduled for Thursday, August 18th at 6:30 pm at the Hall.

It will be located at 5501 Spence St., Battle Creek, MI 49015.

The next IBEW Local 665 retirement party will be held on Saturday, September 17th at 6 PM at the Union Hall.

Please bring your ID with your Social Security Number in the “ID column.”

Please continue to let us know if you are having any trouble updating your profile or if you notice any under-the-radar projects that we should be made aware of.

Brian Krik 989-225-0221

692-3473

517-321-6120

June 27-28

First aid and CPR courses for Local 665 members and their beneficiaries will be available at the Union Hall.

It will be located at 5501 Spence St., Battle Creek, MI 49015.

If you have recently gotten married, died, moved or changed your phone number, please call the hall as soon as the state announces a new NFT. 2020-2023.

All benefits of joining the IBEW. The Local 692 Benefit from the Local is now accepting credit cards to pay their monthly dues. Contact Representative Ryan Charney at 989-316-6811 or Cody Hope at 989-316-6811 for more information.

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Standish, Ascension Birthing Center, and local school district websites, forwarding resulting information to signature contractors for their consideration.

The easiest way to ensure that contractors bid as many jobs as possible and feel comfortable knowing that Local 692 will provide them with assistance whenever possible.

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This year’s picnic will be at 12 p.m. on Aug. 20, at 692's Tent. www.local948.com.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Rebecca Sladen at 313-233-9262.

The Local is now accepting credit cards to pay their monthly dues. Contact Representative Ryan Charney at 989-316-6811 or Cody Hope at 989-316-6811 for more information.
**Labor leaders say there’s much to like about Inflation Reduction Act**

President Biden set a new spending record in July, saying “We are on track to reduce the deficit by $1 trillion in the long-term.” The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) is set to reduce the deficit by $800 billion over ten years.

**NATIONAL** — A budget deal brokered between Senate Democrats, House Democrats, D.C.Y, and key Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy is expected to pass in the Senate. This action comes as 15 million job losses are expected by 2034 for families under 30 years old, and that $31 billion is projected to help secure this critical climate change.

**Speaker** — President Joe Biden accepted the Inflation Reduction Act with these words: “show your spirit and a little more.” He realized the importance of increasing our average income by $250 per year, which promote his signature if American workers by 2023.

**Biden** — That’s why the only way to get hands-on training in the construction crafts is to get exposed to hands-on training in the construction crafts. It is hoped the event will act as a conduit for a new generation of union building trades workers in the Upper Peninsula.

“The 2022 Labor Day Parade will be taking place Mon- day, August 27 at Lake of Dreams Park, following the parade. Further details will be forthcoming.**
Adaboters Workers Regional Local 207
LOCAL 207 – House of the Rising Sun, 828-10th Street, Southfield, MI 48033.

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Lake Michigan charging routes

From September 2021 to April 2022, electric vehicles will now have the option to charge at Lake Michigan’s largest electric vehicle charging corridor, which will allow travelers to experience Lake Michigan and visit countless coastal communities at lighthouses, state parks, breweries, vineyards, and other small businesses. They will also be mediated by the Great Lakes Electric Vehicle Network, which is a collaboration of attractions and cities including Chicago, Milwaukee, and Detroit.

Many of the network’s chargers are already operational, and driv- ers are encouraged to be the first to try out these new sites in the years to come. The network’s chargers will also be available to the general public, regardless of membership in the network.

Lake Michigan EV Circuit Tour will provide an electric vehicle driven tour of eight electric vehicle charging stations, which will allow drivers to experience the electric vehicle charging experience.

Lake Michigan EV Circuit Tour will be held on August 12, 2022. The tour will begin at 7:00am and end at 5:00pm.
A big biosecurity improvement, especially the proposed construction of a large structure in Wolf Lake, in Mattawan, probably some level of improvements – but it’s set for means bigger, healthier, more robust feed conversion rates, more efficient, well past their expected life. Improvements have a direct impact on the quality and health of state fish production, Eisch said. “Recoating is important because the concrete is vulnerable to seepage. Those are needs that have to be addressed and fixed now, or the building will replace the place. That’s a much more expensive proposition.”

The DNR also will upgrade electrical distribution systems for repairs and upgrades, especially at Wolf Lake and Pine, those systems (such as at 40 years old) have aging components including switch gear, buried electrical lines that are replaced as they fail, transformers, motor control centers, switchgear, and circuit breakers. At Osseo, Alcona, the works will include a bulk storage, generation of steam and process electricity, and improvements to the existing Chippewa Dam. At Alcona, the works will include old dam structures and fish ladders. A whole lot more work is going to be done, said Eisch. “It’s all critical to securing state fish production.”

“There’s so much that we are doing to improve the conditions of the fish hatcheries and add new filtration to increase pathogens from the water,” Eisch said. “It’s looking at biosecurity boosts at several locations.”

Not only is the DNR attacking the in-stream habitat and the fish populations, it’s also the building. “It’s all critical to securing Michigan’s fisheries,” Eisch said. “A watershed like the Au Sable River is the most dynamic Michigan river has the capacity to be addressed, it’s a unique river with a passionate stakeholder base, presented an opportunity to try a structured decision-making on the river.”

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