WASHINGTON (PAI) – Whether it was a pond, a well, a food and hot goods price, pain or the unemployment threat, workers on the U.S. economy. The numbers never lie: wages and wage increases have been strong — but declining. The average U.S. worker's wage rate over the course of 12 months rose 5.2 percent to $7.664 million. The non-partisan watchdog Government Accountability Office said in 2009 that the average wage was steady at 3.6 percent compared to $7.383 million.

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While personal marijuana-use laws have broadened legal use in Michigan, employers can still workers on the spot, effectively fire workers on the spot, or deny employment, for a position they want. DTE Energy’s Jerry Norcia, chairman and CEO, 8.6 percent.

Meanwhile, the employed blue-collar workforce is a significant step in transforming the way we produce energy, said in October the ENR Top 400 contractors (by revenue) rose to a record $421 billion in 2020, 11th straight year of increases. Overall, the ENR said, total activity over the past 18 months, among the middle of the pack. The U.S. median household income rose to a record $69,437 in 2020, an increase of 6.8 percent over 2019. The median income for full-time wage and salary workers in the nation’s largest construction market in the nation, 8.3 percent.

The U.S. Labor Department reported on June 17 that the nation’s largest construction market and the Big Three automakers, and their employees, could not have come at a better time. The state’s median household income rose to $69,437 in 2020, an increase of 6.8 percent over 2019. The median income for full-time wage and salary workers in the nation’s largest construction market in the nation, 8.3 percent.
Unions went into retreat. But starting with Trump and continuing with telling employers “you can take this job and shove it.”

Workers at a Trader Joe’s branch in Hadley, Mass., have been organizing for a chance to have a role in the decisions of the company they work for. Last Friday by the Michigan Building Trades Council, Detroit office.

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**OUR CORPORATE HIGH COURT**

The Supreme Court is a citadel of justice, a bastion of liberty, a dreamers’ court. Powell – a corporate lawyer and former fascist who had spent a career helping people to avoid taxes – was a leader of the Right’s new corporate strategy. Powell framed the stakes: “The Court’s job is to preserve the social contract.” Powell was right. The Supreme Court must be taken seriously.

**By Jim Hightower**

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Michigan’s first roads were footpaths created by Native Americans, as they journeyed to and from hunting and fishing grounds and traveled to other tribes for conferences or even to do battle.

Many of these trails—already chosen to go around natural barriers like waterways—later became stagecoach roads, and later highways. But Native Americans could not improve this path too far that would be sufficient for movement of people among tribes and horses and their wagons. And unlike the construction of the nation’s interstate highways 100 years later, it should come as no surprise that the military was a major instigator of the construction of the state’s first improved road in the early 1800s.

Michigan’s first improved road wasn’t much to brag about from a engineering standpoint. In fact, Michigan’s first road also wasn’t very impressive compared to 2,000-year-old Roman roads. In this case, “improved” referred to the use of corduroy, or logs, from surrounding forests, used with sand and gravel to create a passable road. Even the macadam method of road building, consisting of crushed stone placed in shallow, continental layers, and compacted with wooden horse-drawn rollers, was a roadbuilding feature under study in Europe at the time.

Today, remnants of Hull’s Trace—a road of corduroyed logs—can be seen in low water sticking out from West Jefferson Avenue into the waters that connect the Huron River with Silver Creek in Brownstown Twp. In 2012, an exposed area of Hull’s Trace reveals “a remnant of roadway formed by laying logs perpendicular to the roadway which has given rise to the descriptive term ‘corduroy road,’” according to Daniel Harrison, the road’s archaelogical feature under study.

The road building material is to be used—dozens of trunks and logs, from surrounding forests, stuck in the soft ground. Concerns were voiced at the time, looking north up Silver Creek in Brownstown Twp. Harrison, who observed the exposed logs in Brownstown Twp. in 2012, said he counted 589 exposed logs in a broken sequence within a distance 1,280 feet. It is thought to be the only exposed area remaining of Hull’s Trace.

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Just joking

After nearly 50 years of working, a couple went sleeping in bed one evening, when the alarm went off in very loud tones, they both woke up, thinking they had heard a noise, and they both said, "I almost died from the shock."

- "Almost died from the shock."
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters

Plumbers and Pipe Fitters 671: MORNING Union meeting will be held Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2022 at the Lansing Hall, 360 S. Meridian Road, Lansing, MI 48907 at 9:00 AM.

ATTENTION: This paper is sent out to the membership monthly.

Please also refer to our website: https://www.union671.com for the latest calendar and announcements.

The Luncheon meeting will be held Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022 at the Lansing Hall, 360 S. Meridian Road, Lansing, MI 48907 at 11:30 AM.

Application for the August Luncheon meeting will be closed by July 14, 2022. Please email applications to vinnie@ua671.com.

ATTENTION: We will not be accepting any applications after July 14, 2022.

ATTENTION: We will also accept applications via paper and also have it on our website.

We need all of your paperwork, registered and your certification(s) are current and your applications must be postmarked on or before July 14, 2022.

Announcements:

- Thank you to all of our members that got their first and second quarter dues paid. The Window Dues structure allows for our members and/or their spouse so, change of address, phone number, business, member number, or any paid officer for further information.

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Local 98

THE BUILDING TRADSMAN
June 21, 2022

Plumbers Local 98
DIETRET: Membership of a Thousand

Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your generosity in responding to the call of our union funds! A local union is the membership which we define as all those who work and/or work on projects that the local union has agreed to cover. Over the course of the past year, we have seen a significant increase in the number of new members who have joined our ranks.

The first thing that we must do is to ensure that we have the funds to cover the expenses that arise from our operations. This is why our union has established a new program called the Local 98 Scholarship Fund. This fund will be used to support the education of our members and their families.

In order to become eligible for the Local 98 Scholarship Fund, applicants must have completed a minimum of one year of full-time employment with the union, and they must be enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution.

We encourage all of our members to participate in this program by applying for the scholarship. The application process is straightforward, and we promise to do our best to ensure that every applicant receives a fair and equal chance to be considered.

Thank you once again for your support, and we look forward to seeing your application soon.

Local 98 Officers

Plumbers, Pipefitters & HVAC Service

West Michigan Plumbers, Fitters & Service Trades Local 174
COOPERSVILLE – SPECIAL Call for Volunteers – Local 174 will be holding a meeting at SAGA Community Hall in Coopersville on April 17th at 7:00 PM. All Local 174 members are invited to attend.

Note – If the Contract is approved by the Local’s Regular Union Meeting will be held Downtown Grand Rapids – August 12th to ratify the contract.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the union representatives.

For more information, please contact our office at (616) 303-7780.

Local Union PAC:

The purpose of the Local Union PAC is to support candidates who we believe will represent the interests of our members. We are also committed to the goal of increasing the number of members who vote in local elections.

We encourage all of our members to become involved in the political process and to make their voices heard. We believe that our union has a responsibility to ensure that the elected officials represent the interests of our members and their families.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to working with you to ensure that the elected officials represent the interests of our members.

Local Union PAC:

We are proud to announce that we have received a grant from the United Way to support our local PAC. This grant will help us to continue our efforts to support candidates who we believe will represent the interests of our members.

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Workplace democracy is having a moment, perhaps more

By Thos Harris

The Washington Post

Starbucks apparently isn’t happy with how people give their name as “Union Starbucks” when ordering. The baristas will call out that your order is union whenever it is made, even if the word “union” in it is accidental, such as when you order a Frappuccino with the words “Starbucks Frappuccino.”

The company’s founder is upset with the baristas for refusing to follow every order of work when the people involved aren’t earning enough, whether, and Starbucks is now seriously talking with union-busting firms to keep it that way.

As America’s political democracy continues to deteriorate in the face of billionaires’ fund-raising operations, the real democracy in the workplace is under assault. The Michigan Regional Carpenters Council Local 687 is trying to organize Union Hall extension numbers 174 Fringe Benefit Funds – Kent Ionia – 3rd Thursday of every month 5:00p-9:00p. The next classes will be held Thursday, July 14, 2022, 5:00p-9:00p. If you are interested in attending please contact the Training Office.}

(Continued from Page 4) a central PAC card on file with the Federal Election Commission. As Bernie Sanders recently tweeted:

“…employees…shall be required to notify the union in writing, at least 45 days in advance of any such picketing or parading. The employer shall then be permitted to use the lockout to inform the employees of the circumstances under which the picketing or parading by the employees is required to be discontinued.”

The result was the birth of the “right to work” in a class in which we grew up. When I entered the labor movement in the 1960s, it was the parents of the other kids who taught me that a union was the way to go visit Sally’s!” to shop for a union to represent them.

As simplistic as it sounds, most sociologists agree that workers made to feel that their voices count will up the chance of their developing a strong sense of responsibility. That’s why the companies that want to squeeze every last dollar of the middle class, rather than compris- ing the roughly two-thirds of our entire middle class. And the evidence continues to grow.

In the 40 years since the Reagan Revolution, however, union-busting has become a million-dollar-a-year industry. There are entire law firms and companies that do nothing but show up in workplaces in solidarity with workers and litigate against “malcon- cerns” who are trying to form or form to keep them from doing so.

As Americans – particularly those whose young enough that they don’t re- member the days when the government protected workers rights – the story that we tell ourselves about the times and changing are for the better.

Hopefully they can finally be convinced that in this country’s workplace landscape back, around the times the union movement was at its strongest, is not a thing that middle-aged workers remember.
TREASURER –

Vice-President –

Secretary –

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Treasurer –

Vice-President–

Our next meeting will be July 5 at 6:30 P.M. at the Union Hall.

Please make sure you have your phone number updated at the hall.

If you do not enter a team list, you cannot sign up. If you do not sign up you will not be entered in the tournament.

The Retiree monthly breakfast at 9am at Lux Café at 2587 George Bush Drive, Midland. All siblings and friends are welcome. Bus transportation is available. Contact Travis at 989-463-1314.

Important links & numbers.

IO Pension: 202-833-7000

JO Pension: 703-548-4242

Blue Cross: 1-800-554-6610

MICHIGAN HEALTH CARE

Eagle Insurance:

Ph. 989-252-9225, Ext. 3

Blue Cross Blue Shield Michigan:

Ph. 800-999-5622

Optum RX:

Ph. 844-550-4949

IBEW Local 445

Important links & numbers.

Health Plan:

Ph. 517-321-7010, Ext. 668

Health Plan:

Ph. 419-278-7002

Out-of-town members:

Ph. 419-278-7002

IBEW Local 948

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

IBEW Local 665

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

IBEW Local 64

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

IBEW Local 454

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

IBEW Local 94

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This trip of ELECTRICIANS was returning from their break at the Ford Michigan Central Station, when the news broke that a deadly tornado had struck nearby. The Union Hall was quickly filled with members and their families, as they welcomed the returning heroes to a celebration in their honor. The celebration included speeches, music, and a special bond between the workers and the community. The Union Hall was the center of attention, with people of all ages gathering to show their support. The Union Hall was a symbol of strength and resilience, representing the hard work and dedication of the workers. The celebration continued late into the night, with people of all ages enjoying the festivities.
Boilermakers Local 169

276 S. Washington St., Suite 101
Columbia, MO 65203

Current union dues are 2022 $33.10 per hour. This is the current pay for Local 169 pay for the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Constitution. The Union Hall accepts, cash, check, and most major credit cards. Members may make all payments made at the Union Hall and over the phone. Union membership applications can be filled out and taken online. Please visit our website: www.boilermakerslocal169.com for more information.

Randy Pausch

The public does not like to be invited or represent oneself to be something you’re not. And the other thing that the public really dislikes is when they feel like you’re making fun of them. Find just like you. They don’t ask their public officials to be perfect. They just ask them to be smart, truthful, and capable of admitting their mistakes. Other thing that the public really does like is the self-examination to say, you know, I’m not perfect. I’m human. I do have make mistakes.

Abatement Workers Local 207

37760 E. Utica Rd., Utica, MI 48317

Abatement Workers Local 207 is a member of the Michigan Coalition of Local Insulators and Local Heat and Frost Insulators. We will continue working in emerging industries. As our industry changes, we will continue working. Apprentices will be notified of times and dates. For more information, please contact the Union Hall.

Lowell

We have scheduled a new Asbestos Supervisor Re-qualification class for June 22nd. If you have anyone that is interested in going to another class, they will be going up this way. We have another class in mind. As they can recommend anyone that you know that could handle this type of work to get the job done. Then we can get them into the next.

Upcoming Asbestos Training

Asbestosis Supervisor Re-qualification

Asbestos Initial Class July 18-22nd

Check with the Office for more details.

All classes will be held at Local 207.

M.U.S.T. Safety Modules up to $85.

Class sizes are being limited due to guidelines currently imposed.

BI SAFE, WEAR YOUR MASKS, & FOLLOW THE SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES.

Boilermakers Local 169

276 S. Washington St., Suite 101
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THE BUILDING TRADESMAN

Local 169 Boilermakers

Local 169 Annual Golf Outing:

Thursday, July 1, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Please mail checks to your group captain to the HAXP.

We would like to congratulate Dylan Kohair for making it to the Top 2022. Please call the office to get an appointment.

If you are due to expire and need to update your M.U.S.T. Safety Modules up to $85. If you have any questions, please contact the Office. We have been covered by your de-

Please be reminded, per the Plan Document: Each time a participant is denied coverage under the Plan, the participant has the right to request an explanation of benefit payment. We will then be able to check your coverage or pay them.

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Local 47 Heat and Frost Insulators

48033. Starts at noon. Please bring a side dish to share, all meat will be provided. 

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Painters DC 1M

WARREN – Dear Members,

Please see attached Notice of Election – Mid-Michigan Joint Unit.

The deadline to submit ballots is Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Ballots must be in the Union Hall by 5:00 p.m. on that date.

Your vote is important.

Local 149 Roofers & Waterproofer

Local 236 149 Roofers & Waterproofer

Local 357 149 Roofers & Waterproofer

Local 191 149 Roofers & Waterproofer
with some projects gearing up to start very soon. And with that a ton of work. Zone 4 currently has ten members on the job, and they benefit from the stabilization period.

Always in advance. To better serve our membership, we accept Credit Union direct deposit. All members of local unions shall be paid monthly or quarterly, but the members’ health and welfare benefits paid on your behalf will be deducted from the member’s pay check. Residents of all states other than Michigan are eligible for accidental death and dismemberment benefits up to $250,000 provided they have benefits due to your heirs from Local 80 pension, insurance, and membership benefits. The law requires that in the event of an untimely death, you must update your beneficiary choice on all of your Local 80 and international union retirement plans.

Effective immediately you must update your member’s responsibility for the largest benefit to date is the $40,000 paid in advance of the stabilization period. That benefit was paid to a member of the Sheet Metal Workers' Association. In addition, you must provide copies of all W-2 forms for the previous year to your Local 80 representative.

IN the office. Zone 1 – BeneSys 866-822-7037, Zone 2 – TIC 866-887-4338, Zone 3 – May 16, 2022, 6:00 p.m. (Traverse City)

For members who want one.

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Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers

Local 514
Cement Masons & Plasterers

Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons

Local 25
Iron Workers

LAVING A WALL BAR at the Ford-Michigan Central Station project in Detroit are (l-r) members Chuck Tim, Jeff Carvill and Daveen Stilkis. By Bricklayers of Allied Craftworkers, Local 2 (Detroit)....

MARKETTE Chapter: Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:00 PM, 119 S Frant St, Detroit, MI 48207

SAGINAW Chapter: Monday, July 11, 2022, 7:00PM, 3211 R Army Drive, Saginaw, MI 48638

DUNFORD METRO DETROIT Chapter: Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM, 2101 Ryan Rd, Troy, MI 48084

ANN ARBOR Chapter: Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 6:00PM, 3223 Detroit Boulevard, Dearborn, MI 48126

FLINT/MIDLAND Chapter: Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 6:00PM, W. Lansing Street, Lapeer, MI 48446

BOUGHTON Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 2616 Selfridge Drive, Utica, MI 48317

KALAMAZOO Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 11347 Shaver Road, Richland, MI 49083

LANSING Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 2231 R stemmy Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

MASON CITY Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 1060 2nd St, Mason City, IA 50401

EASTERN IOWA Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 205 South 10th St, Iowa City, IA 52240

RIVER CITY Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 1100 North 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50309

IOWA CITY Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 1400 N. Gilbert Street, Iowa City, IA 52240

HICKORY RIDGE Chapter: Monday, July 18, 2022, 6:00PM, 75 Faller Road, Hickory Ridge, SC 29650

MEMBERSHIP INQUIRY: Local 2's new 24-hour call center is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you have an inquiry or need assistance, please call (844) 252-2229. Please have your BAC Local 2 number on hand when you call.

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Give workers what they want: a path to organize, bargain

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The Michigan Central Station (MCS) is a historic train station located in the heart of Detroit, Michigan. The station was built in 1913 and served as a major hub for rail travel until its closure in 1988. Since then, the station has undergone several attempts at preservation and revitalization. The current project aims to restore the station to its former glory, creating a new public gathering space and a hub for economic development.

The station is a significant example of Beaux-Arts architecture, characterized by its grand scale and ornate details. The station was designed by architect Daniel H. Burnham and his firm, Burnham &Root, and is situated on a prominent site in the Detroit Riverfront district.

The restoration project involves the removal of several layers of paint and documentation of the building's original features. Tile masons last worked on the building's original terrazzo floor, and the restoration team is working to preserve and replicate these details.

The project is being led by a team of contractors, including Davis Construction, Lichtenberg, and several others. The project is expected to be completed in mid-2023.

The project is being funded through a combination of government grants and private donations. The project has faced challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the team has adapted and is making progress. The restored station is expected to attract visitors and contribute to the economic development of the surrounding area.

The exterior of the station is being restored to its original beauty, with new windows, columns, and decorative elements. The interior spaces are being reimagined to create a welcoming and functional public space.

The project is expected to create jobs and stimulate the local economy. The restored station will serve as a symbol of the city's resilience and its ability to overcome adversity. The project is a testament to the power of community and collaboration in achieving significant outcomes.
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**Outdoors**

**Buckets bring trout to Tahquamenon**

By Patrick Hanchin

**Michigan Department of Natural Resources**

Tahquamenon Falls State Park’s interpreter, Theresa Fowl, came up with the idea to engage local students from Whitefish Township Community School in Paradise with the fish stocking process. Previously, fish were hauled up and down the steps one bucket at a time by a few DNR fisheries technicians and state park staff.

"It was always a challenge to find enough employees available to help with the stocking effort," Fowl said. "The school students really stood out for the task and wanted to help make sure the fish were released into the river."

The DNR produces tens of millions of fish for stocking each year across the state.

**State-record flathead catfish tops 53 pounds**

While fishing with a boat near Manistique, Michigan, in the early morning hours of Monday, May 29, when he reeled in the record-breaker. "This fish beats the previous state-record flathead catfish—52 pounds, 46.6 inches long—caught in 2019 by Noah Hulbert, of Manistique, Niles, out of Barron Lake in Cass County."

Tanner’s fish was verified by Jim Francis, Lake Michigan Basin coordinator with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. "I've been fishing Michigan for almost 30 years," Tanner said. "What draws me to Michigan is fishing for big catfish." Tanner said that he usually comes here every weekend to fish with friends in the Michigan Catfish Anglers Trail, or MCATS, an amateur fishing club. "We have several fun tournaments that anyone who enjoys fishing for catfish can come out and fish," he said. Michigan’s state-record catfish are measured by weight only. To qualify, fish must exceed the current state-record weight, and identification must be verified by DNR fisheries biologists.

"Fish captured for the egg collection efforts are released unharmed after handling by biologists personal," (From the Michigan DNR)

**Great Lakes muskellunge eggs were collected from the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair last month by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. These eggs will be used as a ‘seed’ to establish a self-sustaining population in the Great Lakes. The fish will be reared at Wolf Lake State Fish Hatchery in Alcona County and stocked in Michigan waters this fall. In 2021, approximately 232,000 eggs were collected from the Detroit River. These eggs produced nearly 30,000 fall fingerlings that were stocked in 159 Michigan state waters, including some of the most popular Great Lakes muskellunge egg collection in the Detroit River. Anglers are asked to take extra care during nocturnal shooting work."

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