



# THE ASSEMBLER

A UAW LOCAL 2164 PUBLICATION

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United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America  
U.A.W. Local 2164  
712 Plum Springs Loop  
Bowling Green, KY 42101

## ELECTION NOTICE

### NOMINATIONS (SIGN-UPS)

Accepted at the Union Hall from:

**April 3, 2024 until April 11, 2024**

**8:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

#### NOMINATIONS/ELIGIBILITY:

All members in continuous good standing under the guidelines of the UAW Constitution Article 17, Section 4.

You cannot hold an elected office in the UAW if you have been convicted of a felony.  
\*This is a Federal law.

### UAW LOCAL 2164 EXECUTIVE BOARD

PRESIDENT	FINANCIAL SECRETARY	TRUSTEE
VICE PRESIDENT	GUIDE	TRUSTEE
RECORDING SECRETARY	SERGEANT AT ARMS	TRUSTEE

### GENERAL MOTORS

#### Bargaining Chairperson

1st Shift Appendix I Skilled Trades Representative

2nd Shift Appendix I Skilled Trades Representative

#### Skilled Trades Friction Committee

\*1 (one) member per trade will be elected, you must sign up for the trade you represent  
Electrician, Millwright, Pipefitter, Toolmaker, Stationary Engineer

### MPS

#### Bargaining Chairperson

1st Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

2nd Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

3rd Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

#### Caravan

#### Bargaining Chairperson

1st Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

2nd Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

3rd Shift Committeeperson and Alternate Committeeperson

#### ELECTION DATE:

Date: May 14, 2024

Time: 4:00 AM – until 1 hour after 2nd shift

**Voting will be held at Corvette Assembly and Our Local Union Hall**

#### RUNOFF DATE:

Date: May 21, 2024

Time: 4:00 AM – until 1 hour after 2nd shift

Brian E. Ferrett,  
President, UAW Local 2164

Beth Earwood,  
Election Committee Chairperson



## JOINT LEADERSHIP REPORT



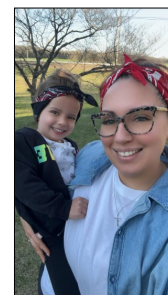
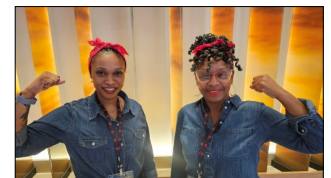
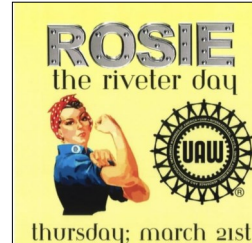
Jason and I would like wish everyone a safe and Happy Easter Holiday!! Also, we always encourage everyone to become involved and active in OUR UNION, We have Region 8 Summer School Coming up the week of June 23rd and Region 8 Standing Committee Conference the week of Aug 12th. The Local can't send everyone, come to meetings and get involved! Both are required to attend this and other conferences... Make a difference...education is Power.

Brian Ferrett, UAW Local 2164 President

Jason Watson, UAW Local 2164 Shop Chairperson

## CELEBRATING

### Women's History Month



## TEAM PATTI



VCAP Members recently attended the launch party to nominate longtime union supporter, Patti Minter, for Mayor of Bowling Green. Look for Members who will be canvassing area neighborhoods this weekend.

## Union Label Committee

### Scholarship winners will be announced on

### May 14th

### at the Union Meeting





## VETERANS COMMITTEE

We would like to start off by welcoming Nicole Jones to the Committee

If you had a plaque on the Veteran's Wall in the Plant and would like to have it, please contact Natalie.

Applications for UAW Veterans ID card can be picked up at the Hall or see Natalie. The first batch has already been sent to Region 8 and will be mailed to the Union Hall. There is no set time to when they will be mailed to the Hall.

New Veteran's Wall being installed at the Plant. Forms will be placed in break rooms this week for veterans to fill out if you would like to have your name on the Wall. You can also contact anyone on the Veteran's Committee. Military service will need to be verified.

### Veterans Committee:

Monica Williams – Paint 1<sup>st</sup> shift

David Steelman – PBC 1<sup>st</sup> Shift

Gary Wyant – District 1 Committeeman 2<sup>nd</sup> shift

Stacy Owens – Paint 2<sup>nd</sup> shift

Denise Hogan – GA 2<sup>nd</sup> shift (Kitting)

Nicole Jones – Paint 2<sup>nd</sup> shift

Veteran Committee meets Tuesday before Union Meeting at 11 a.m. at the Hall.

Thank you,

Natalie Walker, Veterans Committee Chair



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**Walking the dogs**  
Join the Community Service Committee on April 20th from noon until 2:00 pm at the Bowling Green Warren County Humane Society to help walk the dogs! Everyone is welcome!



**NEXT UNION MEETING-**

**APRIL 9, 2024 AT NOON AND 3:00 PM**

## WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

I would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to the Membership for making our Valentines Day sale a great success. With those proceeds, we were able to make monetary donations to Oakland Elementary School Leading Ladies, as well as Easter baskets and a monetary donation to B.R.A.S.S Women's Shelter. Thanks to everyone that came out to enjoy the family "Fish Fry". I greatly appreciate everyone that worked diligently to make it a success! Thank you to all the ladies who participated in Rosie the Riveter day! Our ladies also had an awesome time at the Purses, Pouts & Pearls American Cancer Society Fundraiser where they represented the Committee and gave monetary donation to attend. Lastly, I joined VCAP at a rally for our candidate Patti Minter. Stay tuned, we have awesome plans for Mother's Day!! Thanks again everyone!

Zandra Lightsey, Women's Committee Chair



## FISH FRY

All proceeds benefited the UAW 2164 Food Pantry







**UAW OFFICES**

UAW Work Center-270-745-8496  
 Benefits - 270-745-8148  
 Byron Crotts/ Tammy Adee  
 JAR/Suggestions/Quality Network  
 Tracy Cook - 270-745-8146  
 JTR/Communications/VPAC  
 Patrick Klein - 270-745-8252  
 Safety - Kevin Blevins - 270-745-8365  
 EAP/ADAPT -  
 Angelo Bailey - 270-745-8187  
 Safety Trainer -  
 George Esters - 270-745-8143  
 Ergonomics/Hygienist  
 Jeff Bogue- 270-745-8488

**UAW OFFICERS – Executive Board**

President – Brian Ferrett  
 Vice President – Joseph “Joey” Allen III  
 Recording Secretary – Nancy Childress  
 Financial Secretary / Treasurer – Mark “Buckethead” Harris  
 Trustee – Chris Hebert  
 Trustee – Brandon Casper  
 Trustee – Natalie Walker  
 Guide – Charlie Highlander  
 Retiree Chairman – John O’Laughlin

**BARGAINING COMMITTEE**

Chairman – Jason Watson  
 District 1 – Dan Morgan  
 Alternate– Scott Farrar  
 District 2 – Brian Raines  
 Alternate – Todd Sisson  
 District 3 – Shane Watkins  
 Alternate – Mark Pratt  
 District 4 – Gary Wyant  
 Alternate – Tim Johnson  
 District 5– Josh Wilson  
 Alternate– John Brousseau

District 6– Cody Phelps  
 Alternate– Claude Preston  
 Skilled Trades– Gordon Hunt

**CARAVAN BARGAINING COMMITTEE**

Chairman – Dwayne Thompson  
 1<sup>st</sup> Shift -Kevin Thompson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift – Robert Ford

**MPS BARGAINING COMMITTEE**

Chairman– Fred Ennis

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# Learn about Estate Planning Basics

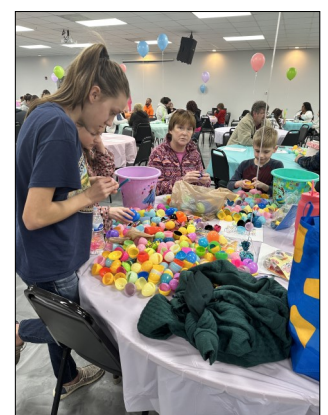
Estate planning is an essential part of sound retirement planning. This is your chance to learn some of the key components. We'll introduce you to some of the basics to set you on your way. Topics include: Estate Planning, Wills, Probate, Power of Attorney, and much more.

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To register online for this and other classes, go to <https://www.networth.net/event/nashville> or contact Jason T. McKernan, MBA Toll – Free: (877) 534-2860

## Easter Egg Hunt

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# UAW-GM DEPENDANT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

As has been communicated earlier, the UAW and General Motors successfully negotiated the UAW-GM Scholarship Program for Dependent Children (language can be found on page 279 of the "White Book"). The program has an annual maximum benefit award of \$1600.00 per dependent.

The parties continue to meet with an outside vendor to fully develop an electronic application process that eligible employees will utilize to submit for the reimbursement of tuition costs for their eligible dependents, up to the maximum limit of \$1600.00 per eligible dependent, annually.

The development of this system is more time consuming than previously anticipated. The benefit is retroactive to the effective date of the 2023 UAW-GM National Agreement (November 20, 2023).

While the development of this system continues, it is important for employees to know, if you had a dependent enroll into a class on or after November 20, 2023, please retain your dependent's documents (proof of enrollment, grades, school invoice, proof of payment, etc).

Once the reimbursement process is finalized and launched, the parties will instruct you where to send the appropriate documents and what the next steps may be.

Currently, we want to provide you with an overview of the program process and guidelines:

## Eligibility for the Program:

- Dependent children of active UAW represented employees who are pursuing post-secondary education or training at an institution accredited by a governmental or nationally recognized agency are eligible to apply for continuing education support.
- Child of employee or employees' spouse by birth, legal adoption, or legal guardianship.
- Unmarried dependent child (age 26 and under at the time of course enrollment)
- Required documents that employee must provide for reimbursement:
- Verification of satisfactory completion of semester coursework
- Verification of dependency

Verification of payment

If you have any questions pertaining to the UAW GM Scholarship Program for Dependent Children, please email us

at [dsadmins@uawgmip.com](mailto:dsadmins@uawgmip.com). We thank you for your patience and will follow up as we continue to make progress towards the full rollout of this program.

## **BULLETIN BOARD NOTICE**

### **Notice to Hourly Employees Regarding Optional Life and Dependent Life Insurance**

**As a result of discussions between General Motors, MetLife and our unions, certain hourly employees will have a life insurance enrollment opportunity under the General Motors Life and Disability Benefits Program for Hourly Employees for Optional Life and Dependent Life Insurance coverages.**

**Hourly employees will be able to make elections for Optional Life and Dependent Life Insurance through a Special Enrollment conducted by MetLife from April 8, 2024, through April 19, 2024. Employees on active status or a leave of absence of six months or less as of February 7, 2024, will receive a letter advising they can enroll or increase current coverage by answering five questions regarding health status. Additionally, during this time, employees are recommended to designate or update their life insurance beneficiary to ensure their most current wishes to date are on file.**

**For faster and easier service, employees are encouraged to make their elections and update their beneficiaries through the MetLife MyBenefits website which is available 24 hours a day. Those employees without computer access may make their election and update their beneficiaries via a paper enrollment form.**

**Enrollment Kits will be mailed to the address of record of all eligible employees beginning April 1, 2024. Employees having questions or needing replacement Enrollment Kits may call 1-866-607-9794 Monday through Friday, between 7:30 AM and 6:00 PM Eastern Daylight Savings Time.**

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