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The *UFCW 876 Bulletin* is a bi-monthly publication of UFCW Local 876 designed to give members a quick update of union news and notice of upcoming events. The flyer is distributed at the workplace by union representatives and is also available on-line at www.ufcw876.org. If you would like to receive an email copy of future *Bulletins* during the first week of publication, call the Local 876 Public Relations Department at 1-800-321-6406.

KROGER MEMBERS: RETURN YOUR BARGAINING SURVEY TODAY!

Kroger members are encouraged to complete the contract bargaining survey mailed to their homes to have a voice in setting Local 876's bargaining goals and strategy for their upcoming contract negotiations. In addition, all members who return their survey by March 10, 2010 will be entered into a random drawing for prizes totalling \$10,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds.

MEMBERS WHOSE SURVEYS ARE RECEIVED BY MARCH 10, 2010 WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING FOR PRIZES TOTALLING \$10,000 IN U.S. SAVINGS BONDS

"We will be using the results of the survey to make many important decisions at the bargaining table," Roger Robinson, Local 876's president, said. "Which is why we need all members to honestly complete the survey. I can't stress enough how important it is for members to take the time to thoughtfully complete the survey. I know some members have completed a survey administered by Kroger at their workplace. The Local 876 survey is different. We need these members to complete the union's survey as well."

The Local 876 surveys are being administered by Wayne State University, whose procedures prevent members from receiving replacement surveys if they misplace the survey originally mailed to their homes. This survey only includes Kroger members whose contract expires June 10, not those working at former Kessel stores.

LOCAL 876 SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APPROACHING

Local 876 members and their dependent children have until March 31, 2010 to apply for one of five \$2,000 scholarships awarded by the local in 2010. (OVER)

Scholarships will be awarded to full-time or part-time undergraduate or graduate students attending, or accepted to attend, an accredited college, university, community college, or recognized trade school at the time the award is presented.

To receive a Local 876 Scholarship application, along with complete scholarship rules, regulations, and procedures, call the Local 876 Public Relations Department at 1-800-321-6406 or download one at www.ufcw876.org.

JOIN YOUR UNION AT UPCOMING EVENTS*

FireKeepers Casino Trip – Tuesday, March 16, 2010

\$10 Ticket includes \$25 to Spend at the Casino and Round-Trip Bus Transportation

Buses will be leaving for the Battle Creek casino from Madison Heights, Ann Arbor, Flint, Saginaw, Lansing, Jackson, and Grand Rapids. Due to limited space, members may purchase one guest ticket. For a ticket order form, see your union steward or representative, call the Local 876 office at 1-800-321-6406 or download one at www.ufcw876.org. Ticket order deadline is March 9. This event is likely to sell out, so act quickly.

Spring Celebration – Thursday, March 25, 2010

Featuring Photos with the Easter Bunny, Children's Activities, Food, and Door Prizes

This fun-filled family event including; hot dogs, drinks and treats; children's crafts, games and other activities; photos with the Easter Bunny and adult and children's door prizes will be held at the Local 876 union hall from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tickets, priced at \$2 per person (donated to a food pantry) must be purchased in advance for this event. Tickets are available from your union representative and the Local 876 office.

Dave & Buster's Fun Night – Wednesday, April 7, 2010

\$12 Ticket Includes \$10 Gaming Card and Dinner

UFCW Michigan will be hosting an evening at Dave & Buster's in Utica for members, their family and friends to enjoy the video arcade and a buffet dinner. Registration begins at 4:00 p.m. with dinner served at 5:00 p.m. Tickets must be purchased by March 31 and are available from the Local 876 office.

Call 1-800-321-6406 for more information.

** In fairness to all members, Local 876 reserves the right to limit ticket quantities to all union-sponsored events.*

 **1-800-321-6406**

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