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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.

UFCW LOCAL 876 EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND FAMILY RESOURCE EXPO HELD FOR FORMER FARMER JACK MEMBERS

The UFCW Local 876 Employment, Training, and Family Resource Expo is a special event designed exclusively for former Farmer Jack members and their families. The Expo will offer participants a variety of free employment and job training opportunities, along with community resource information and a variety of pre-employment services including; resume writing, job interviews, on-line resume submission assistance, information from community resources helping workers and their families recover from layoff, and informal meetings with representatives from job training and educational programs.

LOCAL 876 EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND FAMILY RESOURCE EXPO

A special event for former Farmer Jack members and their families.

Monday, March 10

2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**UFCW 876 Union Hall
876 Horace Brown Drive
Madison Heights, MI**

MAKE TAX TIME PAY! CLAIM THE BENEFITS YOU EARNED -- RECEIVE FREE TAX FILING ASSISTANCE

The Earned Income Credit (EIC): This federal tax credit program was created to give tax help to workers and their families. For the people who qualify, the EIC reduces their income tax bill and may even generate a tax refund for those who did not pay income taxes.

2007 income guidelines and possible EIC amounts follow. The EIC defines a child as being under age 19 (full-time students can be under 24). Children who are permanently and totally disabled can be any age.

Families with one child who earn less than \$33,241 in 2007 (or less than \$35,241 for married workers) are eligible for a credit of up to \$2,853.

Families with two or more children who earn less than \$37,783 in 2007 (or less than \$39,783 for married workers) are eligible for a credit of up to \$4,716.

Workers without a qualifying child who earn less than \$12,590 in 2006 (or less than \$14,590 for married workers) are eligible for a credit of up to \$428.

Workers with children must file a 1040 or 1040A and attach Schedule EIC. Workers without children who qualify for the EIC may file any tax form. Families with larger incomes or more children may also receive the EIC. For details, go to www.irs.gov or call 1-800-829-1040.

Free Tax Filing Assistance: If your total household income is less than \$50,000.00 and you don't itemize your deductions, you can use I-CAN!™, a web based computer software to complete and file your federal and state taxes for FREE! Taxes are easy to do in either English or Spanish and you don't need to be a computer expert. Answer a few questions and I-CAN!™ will prepare your tax forms for you and E-File them for free. I-CAN!™ is available any place you can get on the internet -- go to <http://www.michiganeic.org/icaneic>.

If I-CAN!™ isn't for you, free one-on-one personal tax preparation services are available throughout Michigan through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. A listing of the sites near you is available on-line at <http://www.michiganeic.org/freetaxprep>, or by calling the Local 876 Public Relations Department at 1-800-321-6406. Requirements for free services vary from site to site.

UFCW UNVEILS ON-LINE ELECTION RESOURCE FOR WORKERS

VOTE UFCW is the 2008 election online resource for UFCW members and all working men and women. The goal of this site is to provide workers with a comprehensive voter guide enabling them to stay informed and engaged on key working family issues—including health care and immigration reform, the right to form unions, the economy and education—as well as the presidential candidates' records and positions on these issues. VOTE UFCW provides information on upcoming primaries, tracks the number of delegates won by each candidate, and provides members with an outlet to share their comments, video, and/or pictures on the upcoming elections and the issues that matter to them. Check out VOTE UFCW at <http://www.ufcw.org/voteufcw>.

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