

Local 876 is Looking For CVS Workers

Help CVS Workers Achieve the Union Representation they Desire
and
Protect the Contracts of Current Local 876 Members
by

Forwarding the Names and Contact Information of CVS Workers You Know to the Local 876 Organizing Department at 1-800-321-6406.

CVS workers across the metro area have expressed a renewed interest in joining Local 876, mainly due to a lack of wage increases and unfair treatment by management. As Local 876 assists these workers in their attempts to achieve union representation, your union is seeking the names and contact information of CVS workers. Let members know to pass this important information on to the union office, they will not only be helping non-union CVS workers, but protecting the contracts of current Local 876 members.



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Stewards Urged to Promote Union Sponsored Activities

Member Events Offer Savings, Solidarity & Fun

Local 876 has expanded its membership events calendar to include a variety of opportunities for members, their families and friends to enjoy time together at local attractions and special events, all at discounted rates.

“During these difficult economic times, an important way Local 876 is giving back to the membership is by offering them the chance to spend some quality time with family and friends without breaking their budget,” Roger Robinson, Local 876’s president, said. “The local is looking to stewards to promote these events at their workplace to make sure members know about the terrific opportunities being offered by their local union.”

A complete listing of the currently scheduled membership events appears on page two. A poster with ticket order forms for three of the main summer events is included with this mailing. A simple, but important action stewards can take to help spread the word about these events is to get this poster up on the union bulletin board as quickly as possible. Additional posters and order forms are available from the Local 876 office. The next edition of the Local 876 *Bulletin* will

also include information regarding these events. Stewards who do not receive copies of the Bulletin at their home can request a supply to distribute at their workplace.

“Talking to members about positive, fun events should be a welcomed change of pace for stewards who often find themselves dealing with the negativity of membership problems and complaints,” Robinson said. “Informing members of these events also shows them benefits their union provides which extend beyond the workplace, and serves as another example of what members receive in exchange for their union dues.”

In addition to any group rates offered by the various attractions, Local 876 also directly subsidizes a portion of the cost of each ticket, to further drive down the cost for Local 876 members. Based on this fact, and in fairness to all members, Local 876 reserves the right to limit the number of discounted tickets an individual member can purchase per event.

For the Detroit Zoo event, Local 876 is limiting the number of UFCW discounted tickets to a total of six per member. Additional non-subsidized tickets can be purchased at the

regular UFCW rate.

Stewards should also note that each event has a deadline for registration and/or purchasing tickets which is strictly enforced. Additionally, certain events have a participation limit. These events will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Questions regarding any of the member events should be directed to the union office at 1-800-321-6406 extensions 8629 or 8630.

Poster Enclosed: Place on Union Bulletin Board Today

UFCW Local 876 Offers
Sizzling Savings on Summer Fun

Michigan's Adventure
Tuesday, June 29
Located in Muskegon, Michigan's Adventure combines the thrills of a ride park with a water park for a full-day of fun.
Ride Park 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Waterpark 12 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Noon UFCW Picnic Lunch Buffet
UFCW Discount Ticket \$20 per person (2 & under free) includes park admission and lunch.

DETROIT ZOO
Wednesday, July 21
Zoo Hours 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. • UFCW Catered Lunch 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
UFCW Discount Ticket (see price schedule on order form) includes zoo admission and lunch.

Wednesday, August 25
1:05 first pitch • Ballpark Buffet 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
\$20 UFCW Ticket includes mezzanine seat and buffet.

Call the union office for additional posters and forms.

Upcoming Membership Events

Ticket order/registration forms to all events are available from union representatives, the Local 876 office, and can be downloaded at www.ufcw876.org.

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum – Thursday, June 24 \$5 UFCW Ticket Includes Museum Entry and Box Lunch

Local 876 members, their families and friends are invited to UFCW Day at the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. The special \$5 UFCW ticket (ages two and up) includes museum admittance and a box lunch. Members must purchase tickets in advance and can visit the museum any time between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Lunch will be served at noon. Ticket orders must be received by June 17.

Michigan's Adventure – Tuesday, June 29 \$20 UFCW Ticket Includes Park Entry and Buffet Lunch

Located in Muskegon, Michigan's Adventure combines the thrills of a ride park with a water park for a full-day of fun. A special \$20 ticket (ages two and up) is available to members which includes park admission and an all-you-can-eat buffet lunch served at noon. The ride park is open from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. and the waterpark from noon to 7 p.m. Ticket orders must be received by June 15.

The Detroit Zoo – Wednesday, July 21 UFCW Ticket Includes Zoo Entry and Catered Lunch

UFCW Michigan, will once again hold a special day for members and their families to enjoy The Detroit Zoo. Due to the popularity of this event, members are limited to six UFCW discounted tickets at the following rates: adult and senior \$10 and child (ages 2-12) \$8. Additional regular UFCW tickets can be purchased that are a reduced rate from general zoo prices at the following rates: adult and senior \$15 and child (ages 2-12) \$13. Ticket orders must be received by July 7. The first 200 members to order tickets will receive a free parking pass.

Membership Golf Outing Monday, August 16 Beech Hollow Golf Course, Freeland, \$50 Per Golfer

The \$50 registration fee includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, a continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, and a BBQ dinner. Pre-registration deadline: August 9.

Detroit Tiger Baseball Game, Wednesday, August 25 \$20 UFCW Ticket Includes Game Entry & Ballpark Buffet

Join UFCW Michigan as the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals. The \$20 ticket includes a mezzanine seat and pregame all-you-can-eat ballpark buffet. First pitch is at 1:05 and the buffet is served one and half hours before the game. Ticket orders must be received by August 16.

Membership Golf Outing Wednesday, September 1 Maple Lanes Golf Course, Sterling Heights, \$50 Per Golfer

The \$50 registration fee includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, a continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, and a buffet dinner. Pre-registration deadline August 30.

Additional events will be held later in the year, including Membership Trick-or-Treat October 21 and the Holiday Celebration December 7. Watch for details for these and other exciting events in future union communications.

UFCW International Union Joins Lawsuit Challenging Arizona's New Immigration Law

The UFCW International Union joined in a federal lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of Arizona's new immigration law. Other plaintiffs in the lawsuit include the Service Employees International Union and various civil rights organizations.

The complaint alleges that federal immigration law preempts local laws on the basis of the Supremacy Clause of the U.S. Constitution; that legal foreign travelers in Arizona could be detained and interrogated; and that the law, S.B. 1070, violates freedom of speech and freedom of assembly rights by prohibiting individuals from seeking work in a public place, among other allegations.

"We believe S.B. 1070 is unconstitutional, un-American and that it undermines our nation's rich immigrant history," Joe Hansen, president of the UFCW International Union, said. "The law effectively legalizes racial profiling and sanctions harassment and discrimination. We need a comprehensive overhaul of our broken immigration system at the federal level, not regressive, racially motivated laws enacted on a state-by-state basis."

For more on the UFCW's position on immigration reform, visit their web site at www.ufcw.org

Kroger Steward Training Series Concludes

Program Earns High Marks for Content, Participation

Over the past two years, Local 876 held steward training sessions for stewards conducted by Wayne State University's Hal Stack.

The four-part series designed for Kroger stewards recently concluded with sessions on the Family and Medical Leave Act, Conflict Management, and Discipline and Discharge Cases.

"Our goal with this training was to provide stewards with the information and skills they need to be effective union representatives. Now that the training is complete, I believe we achieved our goal," Roger Robinson, Local 876's president, said. "We are

really pleased with the training, Hal did a fantastic job. Stewards gave the sessions high marks, indicating they learned a great deal."

The local is also pleased with the level of participation among stewards in the training.

"This training was so important we wanted as many stewards as possible to attend, so the local attempted to structure the training to make it convenient for stewards, and paid them for lost time," Robinson said. "That said, I think it is a testament to the quality of

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The local would like to thank all the stewards who attended the training for their participation and dedication to Local 876, especially the stewards listed below for their perfect attendance.

Local Recognizes Kroger Stewards for Perfect Training Series Attendance

Laura Adams, Kroger #671
Kelly Beckmen, Kroger #406
Barbara Beran, Kroger #463
Carol Blahofski, Kroger #495
Kevan Brown, Kroger #465
Mike Cavanaugh, Kroger #442
Jannete Christmas, Kroger #263
Susan Conrad, Kroger #600
David Dascenzo, Kroger #703
Lori Degg, Kroger #635
Thomas Devereaux, Kroger #413
Katherine Diamond, Kroger #668
Fred Farley, Kroger #697
Kurt Felske, Kroger #494
Cheryl Felton, Kroger #437
Jennifer Frankford, Kroger #526
James Frazier, Kroger #647
Michael Funke, Kroger #611
Dianna Gasparetto, Kroger #457

Lewis Gehringer, Kroger #444
Thomas George, Kroger #487
Barbara Gerber, Kroger #709
Steve Harness, Kroger #663
Debbie Hay, Kroger #700
Russ Hayden, Kroger #634
Jeffrey Hoch, Kroger #670
Cheryl Janascheck, Kroger #700
Rondal Jones, Kroger #618
Theresa Kaigler-Burse, Kroger #455
Marilyn Kelley, Kroger #520
Dawn Kudalski, Kroger #415
Rhonda Laur, Kroger #600
David Liedel, Kroger #578
William Lovelady, Kroger #630
Carolyn Mial, Kroger #724
Gerald Munsell, Kroger #638
Roger Oman, Kroger #530
David Palmer, Kroger #605

Delores Ransom, Kroger #458
Jamie Rooks, Kroger #622
Greg Schenk, Kroger #486
Jerry Schoenfeldt, Kroger #456
Sue Schoenfeldt, Kroger #459
Bobby Stacy, Kroger #650
Theresa Stefaniak, Kroger #661
Grace Strayhorn, Kroger #447
Brenda Strom, Kroger #711
Sharon Sullivan, Kroger #436
Patricia Vanderkolk, Kroger #620
Gerald Vozar, Kroger #444
Sally Walters, Kroger #720
Janet Whitney, Kroger #461
Stacey Witting, Kroger #454
Louis Wolanin, Kroger #618
Mary Ellen Yanick, Kroger #721
Kim Yanta, Kroger #419