

MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

The definition of a union is the joining of ideas, goals, or strategies to meet or resolve shared struggles. The voice of the many is not easily ignored and your Local needs to hear your voice. There is no rule on how to be involved, only that you make the choice to share your talent. Working together is the way we find the best solutions. Below are suggestions on how to become involved, but if your talent doesn't fit any of these suggestions talk with an officer so we can help you find your place in the union.

Attend Monthly Membership Meetings:

3rd Saturday of Every Month ***Except*** August/December
11:00 AM **The Other Place** in Evansdale, Iowa 50707

Daily Business Opportunities:

Stewardship- learns how to interpret, apply and enforce contract language in your work unit.

Request Union Time to report violations and concerns.

Crew Leader- a union contact in each section who will disseminate important union information as necessary and promote safety.

Administration- assist the Officers and Stewards in the record keeping tasks related to enforcing the contract.

Office Administrator- works directly with stewards in filing grievances records and preparing appeals.

Bid Bailiff- updates and maintains records related to job bidding to include postings and awards.

Settlement Sentinel- follows up on all settlements to insure timely payment.

WEB Master- updates the website- maintains timely, relevant content

Special Occasion

Organizing Team- promotes the mission of the union and recruits non-members or new members

Contract Action Team- coordinates viable workplace demonstrations in support of the National Negotiating Team.

Political Action Team- works to promote the election of worker friendly candidates and assists in educating the members on political/legislative activities that impacts the membership.

Community Action Team- improves the community by volunteering in schools, shelters, or churches wearing APWU articles. Available to participate in rallies and demonstrations in support of other unions or community organizations

Convention/Social Organizational Team- assists in the planning of all activities needed to host a union convention or union social event.

WE WORK FOR AN INSTITUTION THAT WAS CREATED TO PROMOTE COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND UNDERSTANDING. WHILE MANAGEMENT MAY HAVE LOST SIGHT OF OUR MISSION, THE CUSTOMERS STILL DEPEND ON OUR SERVICE. EVERYONE SHOULD BE PROUD OF OUR HISTORY AND BE WORKING TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES INTO THE FUTURE.

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