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To: Presidents, Recording Secretaries, and Unit Chairpersons in Region 2B, UAW

Official Call 2023 UAW Health & Safety Training Institute UAW Family Education Center in Onaway, MI May 7 – 12, 2023

The 2023 UAW Health and Safety Training Institute will be held at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center, Sunday, May 7, through Friday, May 12, 2023.

The Institute will provide education and updates on a variety of topics needed by Health and Safety Representatives, Health and Safety Committee Members, and Local Union Representatives to address industrial hygiene, ergonomics and health and safety issues at their locations. Curriculum this year will once again include courses offered through the OSHA Training Institute Education Center (OTIEC). Credits earned taking these courses can be applied toward the Health and Safety "Specialist" and "Professional" credentials issued by the Great Lakes OTIEC. Some of the courses being offered this year include Ergonomics, Incident Accident Investigation, Combustible Dust, Industrial Hygiene, Hazard Recognition, Opioid Awareness and more.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be completed online. Please use an updated browser when registering. Delegates will use the following log-in via this website: https://hs.uaw.org

Username:	hs2023
Password:	safetyfirst23

The deadline for registration is **Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 4 p.m**. As we expect a full Health and Safety Conference, no late registrations will be accepted. Registrations must be completed no later than **Thursday, April 20, 2023**. The Health and Safety Institute registration fee is \$675 per delegate based on double housing. ACH payments are recommended and can be made through LUIS. ACH payments will be deducted after registration closes but no later than April 28, 2023.



Checks should be made payable to the **International Union, UAW**. It is suggested that the local generate a single check to cover the registration fees for its delegates. *If paying by check, please send payment to the UAW Health & Safety Department in c/o Sharon Kuchabsky no later than May 3, 2023*.

Current CDC and International Union Covid-19 protocols will be followed.

The local unions are responsible for lost time and registration fees for all delegates. There are no provisions for lost time reimbursements connected with the Health and Safety Institute.

ELIGIBILITY

Delegate's eligibility is limited to active members of your local union, including members on layoff or strike. However, members on sick leave, retired members, and spouses who are not members of your local union are not eligible to attend.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided for delegates whose worksites are over 500 miles from the UAW Family Education Center. For those over 500 miles one-way, options are flying or driving. All airline tickets will be purchased through the travel agents used by Black Lake. Participants who fly will be required to pay for their tickets in advance.

DELEGATES FLYING

To assure maximum savings on flight arrangements, delegates will be required to arrive in Detroit on Saturday, May 6, 2023. Delegates must use the following link to make their flight arrangements https://cvent.me/aLNMdq. The Airline Registration online process must be completed (including a cell phone contact number) and submitted to the UAW Family Education Center no later than Thursday, April 20, 2023. Upon completion of the program, airline tickets will be processed for reimbursement, less \$75 per delegate.

Overnight lodging will be provided **based on double occupancy at the Courtyard Detroit Metro Airport Romulus, 30653 Flynn Dr., Romulus, MI 48174**; 734-721-3200. Delegates will depart the hotel on Sunday morning, May 7, 2023, at 9 a.m. via charter bus for the trip to Black Lake.

For those opting to travel by air, flights will be arranged by the local union through Travel Solutions International (TSI USA). Due to stricter airline regulations, delegates who opt to fly must provide their legal name as it appears on a driver's license or other government-issued identification recognized by the Transportation Security Administration. Failure to do so could result in up to a \$150 charge to correct an airline ticket. The UAW will not reimburse that charge.



<u>Please note that hotel occupancy may change in the future to follow CDC and State of Michigan</u> COVID-19 protocols.

AIRLINE PROCEDURE

If paying for airfare with a local union check, you must mail the payment within 24 hours after TSI contacts you. Please make check payable to UBE and send the payment to UBE/Air, UAW Family

Education Center, 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765. You must include a copy of the invoice with the check. For questions call the UAW Family Education Center at 989-733-6311.

DELEGATES DRIVING

All delegates are expected to arrive at the Family Education Center by 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 7th (except for those arriving by flight; see Air and Lodging) and remain until the institute concludes at 9 a.m. on Friday, May 12th. Arrivals and departures should be arranged accordingly.

Local unions are responsible for all transportation costs for delegates who live less than 500 miles from the Family Education Center.

For those who live more than 500 miles (one-way) from the Center, delegates may travel by passenger vehicle, or air transportation. Passenger Vehicle: After 1,000 miles (round-trip), all drivers will be reimbursed the IRS rate for each mile. Mileage is not reimbursed for the first 1,000 miles of a round-trip (500 miles one-way).

On trips to and returning from the Center, delegates who drive are also entitled each way to one night's lodging for 500 miles or more; two nights' lodging for 1,000 miles or more. Motel rates should not exceed \$65 per night for single occupancy; or \$80 per night for double occupancy. Delegates must save motel receipts and submit them to the Center for processing. Upon program completion, delegates will receive mileage and/or motel refunds. Reimbursement is not provided for meals, highway tolls, or other expenses incurred during the trip.

Delegates who elect to drive to the Family Education Center should be aware of the "multiple of three" rule. When a local sends more than one delegate to a session, delegates should travel in multiples of up to three per vehicle. Only one driver per local, per multiples of three, is reimbursed for mileage by the International Union.

The Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center is located at 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765.

Please be advised of the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center vehicle policy:

Vehicles allowed to park in the FEC must be union-made and have a vehicle identification number (VIN) beginning with 1, 2, 4, or 5 (i.e., made in the USA or Canada). Vehicle identification numbers are located in the dashboard or door jamb of vehicles. Upon arriving at the FEC, security guards check each vehicle's VIN. If the vehicle's VIN is anything other than 1, 2, 4, or 5, parking accommodations are available in a lot located adjacent to the FEC's front gate. An FEC bus will transport those delegates to the hotel registration desk.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

Registration fees are non-refundable. Alternate delegate selection to replace delegates that have canceled and notified their regional office must be completed by locals no later than April 20, 2023. This institute is an investment in the future of your local union. This official call letter includes information that should be shared with local unions.

Once again, we thank you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

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