



# UAW Local 774 President's Report *Retirees Edition*

President Wence Valentin III



Tuesday June 14, 2022

## UAW Local 774 Retiree Chapter Meeting

Please note that today will be the last UAW Retiree Chapter Meeting before the summer recess. Summer recess is July – September, UAW Retiree Meetings will resume on October 11, 2022. Please note at the October meeting the UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust will be in attendance. The meeting will be at 1:00 pm in the upper and/or lower meeting halls of UAW Local 774 located at 2939 Niagara St. Buffalo, NY 14207.

## Local 774 Retiree Chapter Annual Summer Picnic

Save the Date for the Local 774 Retiree Chapter Annual Summer Picnic: The Retiree Annual Summer Picnic will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at Joseph's Country Manor and Grove, 275 Columbia Avenue, Depew New York. Tickets will be available at retiree meetings and at the UAW Local 774, Union Hall between the hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. The last date to purchase Summer Picnic tickets is Wednesday, July 13, 2022.

## 2nd Annual UAW Local 774 Golf Tournament

It's not too late to sign up for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, June 26, 2022, at 1:00 pm at Chestnut Hill Golf course in Darien Center, NY. Please turn in your team sign-up forms **as soon as possible** so we can put in the final headcount. You must have one (1) active or retired member in your foursome. The cost is \$100.00/person, due at sign up. Forms are available at the UAW Local 774 Union Hall. The tournament is limited to (36) foursomes. We are also looking for volunteers to help during the event. Volunteers will be provided lunch and dinner at no cost. All proceeds of this event will benefit the Variety Kid's Telethon. Please contact 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ted Maldonado at [tmaldonado@uaw774.com](mailto:tmaldonado@uaw774.com) for more info and/or to sign up. **\*Limited spots remain available.**

## We Choose Love T-Shirts

We are selling UAW We Choose Love T-Shirts for \$25.00 each for all sizes. All proceeds will be donated to the community of Buffalo affected by the senseless tragedy on Saturday May 14, 2022. This t-shirt represents diversity, love & strength that our city and Union possesses. Please return the completed order forms with payment to the Local Union Hall, Communications Director Amy Kloc or any Executive Board member. **Orders are due on Friday June 24, 2022**



## Jefferson Ave. Community Day of Love and Healing

On Saturday May 21, 2022, members of UAW Local 774 along with UAW Region 9 International Servicing Representative Jimmy Lakeman, partnered up with Western New York Area Labor Federation (WNY-ALF), Rooted in Love Inc, the Buffalo Fire Department, and the Buffalo Police Department, in holding a community event that addressed the food desert in the aftermath of the tragic mass shooting on Buffalo's East Side. Together they brought love and support to all that was affected. We shared many tears and smiles as the community was brought together in grieving and healing. [#BuffaloStrong](#)



## UAW/GM Non-Perishable Food and Gate Collections

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Non-Perishable Food and Gate Collections. With your generous donations we were able to raise **\$5,117.50**. The money was donated to the National Compassion Fund – Buffalo 5/14 Survivors Fund to be distributed to the survivors and victims of the May 14<sup>th</sup> tragedy at Tops Markets on the East Side of Buffalo, New York.



## Six Flags Darien Lake -2022 UAW Local 774 Family Picnic, Recreation Committee

UAW Local 774 Family Picnic will be held at Six Flags Darien Lake on Saturday August 27, 2022. The price for admission to the park is \$35.00 per person, for up to six (6) tickets. Any additional tickets can be purchased for \$44.00 per person (Children 2 and under are free.) Season Pass Holders and Campers/Hotel Guests will need to purchase picnic passes only for \$15.00.

Tickets will be available at the Union Hall from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm beginning Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> (August 22<sup>nd</sup> through 25<sup>th</sup>, the hall will be open from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm). After **Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup>** tickets will only be sold at the gate for full price. No checks, credit cards, or money orders are accepted for payment. CASH ONLY!



## 2022 “Adopt-A-Highway Program” Cleanup - Conservation and Environment Committee

Thank you to all who took time out of your busy schedules to participate in this year’s Highway cleanup on Saturday, June 4, 2022. Your effort makes a difference in our environment and community.

Douglas Seefeldt, Chairman  
Conservation and Environment Committee



## Community Services Committee Benefit for Roswell Park's Herd for Hope and Leukemia Lymphoma Society's

Last October, the UAW Local 774 Community Services Committee held its Raffle to Benefit Roswell Park's Herd for Hope and Leukemia Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk. Our local union has been making a difference in people's lives for the past 4 years with its fundraising efforts. During this time we raised over \$28,000 for cancer research. We as a union are giving people hope and changing lives.

On Sunday May 22, 2022 at the membership meeting we, displayed the "Herd for Hope Blue Buffalo" for the first time. This signifies our membership's commitment to the community. Roswell Park's Herd of Hope was created to build awareness of the research taking place while raising funds to advance innovative ideas that have the potential to make a significant difference in the fight against cancer.

We would like to thank everyone that participated in this successful fundraiser for a wonderful cause. Keep checking back for our raffle this year as we will be raffling off a pair of Buffalo Bills Season Tickets as the top prize.

John Orsini, Chairman  
Community Services Committee  
UAW Local 774



## Office of the Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Brothers and Sisters,

United States Treasury Internal Revenue Service (U.S. IRS) Form 990 is an informational tax form that most tax-exempt organizations must file annually. In a nutshell, the form gives the IRS an overview of the organization's activities, governance and detailed financial information. Form 990 also includes a section for the organization to outline its accomplishments in the previous year to justify maintaining its tax-exempt status. In collecting this information, the IRS wants to ensure that organizations continue to qualify for tax exemption after the status is granted which we are exempt from income taxes but not sales taxes.

I have completed and on May 13, 2022 signed and e-filed UAW Local 774's 990 & Club 774 Inc. Building Corporation's 990N tax returns with the IRS. Filing these forms before the May 15th deadline, protects the Local Union's tax exempt status and avoids costly, daily personal fines and severe penalties to both the Financial Secretary and the Local Union itself. Late filing fees against the Financial Secretary are \$10 per day, not to exceed \$5,000 and against the Local Union, \$20 per day not to exceed the smaller of \$10,000 or 5% of the reporting year's gross receipts. If the local union's annual gross receipts are greater than \$1 million, then the penalties are \$100 per day not to exceed \$50,000. It is now required that Form 990 be signed electronically by the Local Union Financial Secretary and then filed electronically with the IRS. In compliance with the International Union Auditing Department's policy, the Local Union Executive Board and membership are now officially advised that this mandatory filing has been completed.

As always, I am available to provide assistance or answer any questions you may have and can be reached through Facebook messenger, (716) 873-4715 ext. 20 or [cjonesjr@uaw774.com](mailto:cjonesjr@uaw774.com).

Solidarity forever.  
Cleveland Jones Jr.  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer  
UAW Local 774

### Important Upcoming Dates and Events

- Today June 14, 2022 - Election of Delegates to the UAW 38<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Convention:  
5:30am to 12:00 am - Midnight at UAW Local 774 2939 Niagara St. Buffalo, NY 14207, Lower Hall
- Today June 14, 2022 - Flag Day
- Saturday June 18, 2022 - Defensive Driving Course, Contact Ken Ryan (716) 861-4896
- Saturday June 18, 2022 – 2022 Juneteenth Festival and Parade, From 9:00 am – 7:00 pm at Martin Luther King (MLK) Park in Buffalo. UAW / GM Team photo at 9:30 am.
- Sunday June 19, 2022 – Juneteenth
- Sunday June 19, 2022 – Father's Day



**In Solidarity**

**/s/ Wence Valentin III, President - UAW Local 774**