

International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District Lodge 66

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District 66

Negotiations surveys have been requested for the membership of two Locals to give their committees feedback for negotiations. Lodge 1115/Kaiyuh Services LLC is the first of the two groups to negotiate, with their contract expiring on June 30, 2025. The advocates are selecting dates at the end of May. Lodge 1030/Peerless Chain will negotiate in mid-August, as their contract expires on August 31, 2025. As soon as the surveys are received at the District office, they will be distributed to the membership.

Tentative meeting dates for negotiations with Bering Sea Environmental, at Volk Field have been determined for June, but coordination of Representatives and flight schedules will need to be finalized before hard dates will be released. The current CBA expires on September 30, 2025.

Chart/Lodge 2191 negotiations will happen early 2026, but the negotiations surveys have been completed and returned to Strategic Resources for analysis. The committee and I will travel to the W3 Education Center August 3-8 for Negotiations Prep. Their CBA expires on February 6, 2026.

Crown Cork & Seal will have their Labor Management meeting in Olympia, Washington on October 15 and 16, 2025. The committees from each local, along with their respective Business Representatives, will travel to the W3 Education Center September 21-26, 2025, for Negotiations Prep. The teams will meet in March of 2026 for negotiations in California.

The IAM Legislative Conference is scheduled for April 29-May 1st, in Washington DC. Delegates will be lobbying their representatives and voicing concerns.

The W3 Education Center will be sending an instructor for training at the District 66 office on May 12-13. All lodges of District 66 are welcome to sign their representatives up to attend by emailing or calling the district office at 608-893-7560.



Worker's Memorial Day is April 28, 2025. The AFL-CIO will be hosting the annual ceremonies this year, as they have for many. Please contact Mike Davis for more information if you wish to attend. Mike Baird has written the Worker's Memorial poem, as he has for the past 30 years. Thank you, Mike for your continued heartfelt poetry! It is appreciated.

The Midwest Territory Guide Dog events will be happening soon! Please feel welcome to attend any or all of the events scheduled to raise money for Guide Dogs of America. Not only does it help raise money for the Dogs, but it is also a great opportunity to meet and hang out with your fellow Union siblings from different locals. Check your lodge bulletin board or see an Executive Board member for details.

On April 1, 2025, Wisconsin voted Susan M. Crawford as Justice to the Wisconsin Supreme Court. Congratulations! This election had an extraordinary turn-out for a mid-term, which means that people are paying attention to what has been happening around the US.

The "Hands Off" protests that were held in cities across America on April 5, 2025, drew huge numbers of people in every city that held an event. People are paying attention *and taking action*.

In closing, I would like to comment on a subject that has been raised lately. The IAM endorses and supports candidates that support workers. We are a democratic union *which lets the membership vote on who the IAM endorses in Presidential elections*, via I-mail and at the Grand Lodge Convention. The money used to contribute to these candidates comes from donations made to MNPL (the Machinists Non-Partisan Political League). Membership dues are not used to contribute to any candidates, period.

We have envelopes at the district office for those who wish to become sponsoring members of the MNPL.

Happy Easter to everyone! I hope that you all have a great holiday!



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