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March 9, 2017

TO: **UAW Region 9 Local Union Presidents & Recording Secretaries**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Region 9,

Attached you will find the Official call to the 2017 International UAW Women's Conference. This conference for our Region is one of the most popular conferences at Black Lake. The rooms are limited and each Region has a maximum amount of rooms available for this conference. Last year we had more requests than rooms for our Region and had to turn delegates away.

If you intend to send delegates to this conference I suggest you do so early and prior to the deadline. Registration will be on a first-come first-served basis in order to be fair to all local unions within Region 9. There are a very limited amount of subsidies to reduce the cost to the Locals for this conference. If your local wants to send delegate(s) to this conference and has a need for a subsidy, please contact Darcy Smith at the Buffalo Office to make that request.

I am confident that the 2017 Women's Conference will be an inspiring event, as it has been for many years. I look forward to seeing the delegates your local sends at the 2017 Women's conference this summer.

In solidarity,

Terry Dittes, Director

UAW Region 9

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Attachments

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Tom Ashton

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OFFICIAL CALL TO THE 2017 INTERNATIONAL UAW WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



August 6 - 11, 2017 UAW Family Education Center Onaway, MI 49765

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March 8, 2017

Greetings:

The 2017 International UAW Women's Conference will be held at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center, **August 6 through 11, 2017.** Attendance is limited to delegates.

Registration of delegates will be held on **Sunday**, **August 6**, **2017 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.** at the Lecture Hall.

The Conference will convene on Sunday, August 6, 2017 at 5 p.m. in the Lecture Hall and conclude on Friday morning, August 11, 2017.

The Local Unions are responsible for lost time and registration fees.

Registration

Registration checks or money orders should be returned to their **Regional Office** in the amount of \$625, payable to the **International Union, UAW**.

The Regional Office will forward all fees to the:

UAW Women's Department 8000 East Jefferson Avenue Detroit, MI 48214

No later than July 14, 2017.

To register for the Conference, go to https://women.uaw.org. The username and password are as follows:

Username: womensconference2017

Password: solidarity

Transportation

Delegates whose worksites are located more than 500 miles from the Center (one-way) will be reimbursed travel expenses at the end of the conference as follows.

Driving: For those driving more than 500 miles one-way (1,000 miles round-trip)

Mileage is not reimbursed for the first 1,000 miles of a round-trip. After 1,000 miles, a driver will be reimbursed the IRS-rate for each mile. The International Union determines mileage according to Rand-McNally and reimburses for the most direct route to the Center. Do not rely on MapQuest or other Internet mileage charts.

On trips to and from the Center, delegate will be entitled to one night's lodging when driving more than 500 miles one-way; two nights' lodging for 1,000 miles or more. Motel rates should not

exceed \$65 per night for single occupancy; \$80 per night for double occupancy. Delegates must save motel receipts and submit at Center for reimbursement. Upon completion of the program, delegates will receive mileage and/or motel refunds. Meals, highway tolls or other costs incurred during travel are not refundable by the UAW.

Note: Only North American/Union-made vehicles with Vehicle Identification Numbers that begin with 1, 2, 4 or 5 are permitted on the Center property.

Flying:

LINK FOR ONLINE AIRLINE REGISTRATION http://www.cvent.com/d/yvqtf2

For those flying to Detroit (Worksite must be more than 500 miles one-way.)

For those who choose to fly, the delegate will arrive in Detroit on Saturday, August 5, 2017. The Family Education Center will make hotel reservations at the Detroit Airport Courtyard, (734) 721-3200, for the Saturday night stay. That information will be printed on the e-ticket itinerary provided by the travel agency. The Detroit Airport Courtyard Hotel is a non-smoking establishment. A \$200 fee will be applied to credit card if non-smoking policy is violated.

Charter buses will begin loading at 8:30 a.m. and leave Detroit from the hotel Sunday 9 a.m. ET **SHARP** and arrive at the Center approximately 3:30 p.m. For Friday return-trip, no flights will be made before 4:30 p.m. ET.

To take advantage of Super-Saver rates, all flight arrangements are made by the Family Education Center at least 14 days in advance. When contacted by TSI travel agency, be prepared to pay for airfare with either a personal credit card or through arrangements made with the Local Union. Local Unions may pay with a check or credit card. **No personal checks will be accepted.**

In cases of airline reservations not made 14 days in advance, the International Union will refund only the cost of Super-Save fares. Meals, phone charges or other costs incurred during travel are not refundable.

Airfare reimbursement will be made upon completion of the conference. A \$75 airline registration fee will be deducted from the reimbursement. The International Union will reimburse only the cost of a 14-day advance non-refundable ticket. Any changes, additional costs or late fees will not be reimbursed and is the responsibility of the Local Union or delegate

We will be using the online airline registration process; please follow the link above. All airline reservations must be made no later than July 14, 2017. Participants who fly must provide personal credit card information or a Local Union check for advance payment of their airline ticket. A delegate.

Please allow 48 hours to process airline registration.

Luggage Reimbursement:

For those who fly, the International Union will reimburse your 1st piece of luggage each way. You must save your receipt and submit at the Education Office at Black Lake for reimbursement.

Special FEC Delegates

Each Region is allowed to select five (5) delegates for a subsidy that will help reduce the cost of the conference. The subsidy covers the cost of housing (\$285) and meals (\$215) at the Center. Airfare or mileage is also reimbursed.

Although a delegate is awarded a subsidy, the Local Union or delegate is responsible for any amount above \$500, including additional registration fees or costs. Local Unions are responsible for Lost Time reimbursement. Along with the room/meal subsidy, a subsidized delegate will also be reimbursed for airfare, mileage, and motel expenses if they qualify. Subsidies will follow the above stated reimbursement guidelines.

Special FEC Delegates will still be required to pay a \$125 registration fee.

Four additional special scholarships for delegates from IPS and TOP units will also be available and awarded by random drawing by the International UAW Women's Department when Special FEC financial support opportunities are exhausted.

Cancellations

Cancellations must be submitted to the Regional Office at least 10 working days prior to the conference so that reservations can be reallocated. Refunds will only be granted for valid emergency reasons until July 21, 2017. **No refunds will be given after July 21, 2017.**

In solidarity,

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Cindy Estrada

Vice President and Director UAW Women's Department

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