

# Inside UAW Local 578

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## On Veterans Day, Say Thank You!

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Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I.

President Woodrow Wilson signed the proclamation commemorating November 11 as Armistice Day. The celebrations were to include parades, public meetings and a two-minute suspension of business at 11:00 a.m. The proclamation read: "... Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and

justice in the councils of the nations..."

Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observation, and November 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day.

But through the past century, despite its different names and dates, the purpose of Veterans Day has remained the same – to say thanks.



### Membership Meeting

**November 10,  
2018**  
@  
**9:00 a.m.**

**UAW Local 578  
Union Hall**

*It's your union, so  
join us and get  
involved!*



## Newsletter Feedback

This is the membership's newsletter. We welcome your feedback and suggestions on what you like and do not like so we can improve on it for future issues. Please share your suggestions for stories and content too!

Any members who are interested in being a part of the newsletter committee, please contact Sandy Drifka at the union hall at (920) 231-5153.

Thank you!



## First Annual Sportsman's Banquet a Huge Success!

The Sportsman's Committee is a new committee that was started in 2018. The committee has been very active in meeting and putting activities together for the members, including hunting and fishing contests.

The committee also put in a great deal of work over the past few months putting together the first sportsman's banquet at UAW Local 578.

The Sportsman's Banquet was held on Saturday, October 13, 2018. A limited number of tickets were sold for \$30 each, which included dinner from the Roxy and drinks. There were many door prizes and raffle prizes available.

A portion of the proceeds from the banquet will go to the Women's Committee to hold a UAW Kids Fish Day at Menomonee Park in Oshkosh. All kids that RSVP will receive a free fishing pole and small tackle box. Food, drink, awards for biggest fish. More information to come!

UAW Local 578 would like to thank everyone who helped out with the banquet. They would also like to the following businesses and people for donating to the banquet:

- \* HM & BB Installations
- \* Renee Michelle Salon
- \* Fox Valley Plastic Surgery
- \* Renaissance Medispa
- \* Jons Sport Shop
- \* Aurora Welding
- \* Aurora Manufacturing
- \* Fleet Farm
- \* B.P. Baker Construction, Inc.
- \* Beez Electric
- \* Cabela's
- \* Reimers Jeweler
- \* CW Smith Jeweler

- \* B.S. Industries
- \* Kossel's Appliance
- \* Beachcomber Bar
- \* Bill & Stells
- \* Wegner Family
- \* O'Mary Family
- \* Berholtz Family
- \* Schenk Family
- \* Stadium Bar
- \* The Hill Tavern
- \* Hunter's Sports Bar
- \* Karmali's Bar & Grill
- \* Kurt Zenter & Sons INE
- \* Roxy Supper Club
- \* Primo's
- \* Schumacher Family
- \* Bob Lynk Family



Fishing table prizes



Women's table prizes



Prep before the banquet



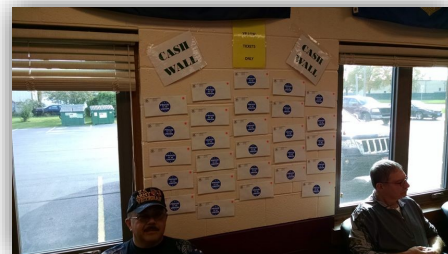
Camaraderie



Raffle tickets to buy - hunting table, fishing table, and women's table



A full house enjoying a meal from The Roxy



Cash wall chances with Frank Sanchez, Jr. and Dave Schenk



## Women's Committee Halloween Party Always a Fun Time!

The Women's Committee continues to coordinate fun and entertaining events every year for children and adults alike!

The annual Halloween Party was held on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at the union hall. Activities included: cookie decorating, making caramel apples, coloring pages, and tattoos. Families went outside to get pumpkins. Costumes were judged by age group and prizes were given. Prizes included bicycles. Every child received a basket full of goodies. Sassy the Clown was also in attendance. Hot dogs, chips and drinks were provided to everyone.

Terry Miller won the 50/50 raffle. He gave \$46 of the \$66 he won back to the Women's Committee. Thank you, Terry!

The Women's Committee wants to thank the following for their donations: West Pointe Bank, Canteen, Oshkosh Truck Credit Union, Dental Associates, Kitz & Pfeil, Uptown, and UAW Local 578 and their retirees.

Rubber balls, stuffed toys, and sleds that were not given as prizes were donated to Toys for Tots.



Togetherness



Look at all the pumpkins



Fun time decorating pumpkins



Costumes with the older children



Colored baskets full of treats



Youngest in costume



More fun costumes

# Message From Our President

Hello! The Bargaining Committee came up with the idea of giving all UAW members a free t-shirt. The t-shirt states, "It is wrong not to belong in 2021."

We realize that these days are trying times for all unions, especially Local 578. We need to stand together and stay strong. We are stronger together than when we are divided. The company is very good at keeping us divided.

We all are hoping that we do not lose any union members in 2021. Know damn well it is a right to work state and some companies do not need to have a union. But everyone knows that we do! I would hate to see what the wage would be, what the health insurance would be, how many mandatory Saturdays and Sundays we all would work, and even if we would still have a pension or if we would have vacation. The union will fight for better wages, better health insurance, manageable Saturday overtime and pension. We will fight for this and more.

In closing, the stronger we stand together, the stronger the union is as a whole. Never give up the fight!

In solidarity,  
Bob Lynk

**SOLIDARITY  
T-SHIRT DAY**  
**November 1, 2018**  
**Wear your t-shirts on  
this day! We are  
strong as a group!**



FRONT OF SHIRT



BACK OF SHIRT

ON NOVEMBER 4, 2018:



## Grievance Update

241 grievances filed so far in 2018.

The next arbitration hearing (a terminated employee) is scheduled for January 8, 2019.

The Bargaining Committee continues to work with the company to schedule arbitration dates.

## Chaplaincy Committee Planning Another QPR Training Session

The first QPR Suicide Awareness Training was held on September 25, 2018. It was a successful event.

To accommodate second shift members who were not able to attend the first session, the Chaplaincy Committee has set up another date for training. The date is Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will let everyone know more via plant postings and notice on social media.

Training on recognizing the warning signs of suicide and how to offer help and save a life is important, so please join us on December 1.

# UAW LOCAL 578 VETERANS COMMITTEE

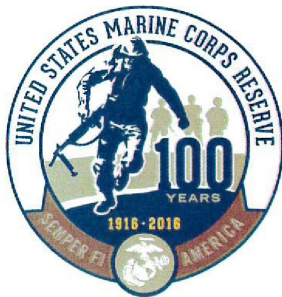
*Is Again Working With  
To Collect Toys For*



Toys for Tots collects toys for less fortunate children in the community. Please donate new, unwrapped toys by bringing them to UAW Local 578 Union Hall, 2920 Oregon Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and put them in the designated box in the hallway.

**The deadline to bring toys to the union hall is**

**DECEMBER 14, 2018.**



**THANK  
YOU!**



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### EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Retiree Representative: Terry Schroeder

## Upcoming Meetings & Events at UAW Local 578 Union Hall

### November 2018

#### **GO VOTE** on **November 6**

Workers Compensation Attorney on  
**November 8** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting on **November 10**  
starting at 9:00 a.m.

#### **VETERANS DAY** is **November 11**

APWU Local 178 Meeting on  
**November 13** at 12:15 p.m.

UAW Local 578 Retirees Meeting on  
**November 14** beginning at 11:00 a.m.

UAW Local 291 Retirees Meeting on  
**November 21** starting at 11:00 a.m.

### December 2018

Membership Meeting on **December 8**  
starting at 9:00 a.m.

APWU Local 178 Meeting on  
**December 11** at 12:15 p.m.

UAW Local 578 Retirees Meeting on  
**December 12** beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Workers Compensation Attorney on  
**December 13** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

UAW Local 291 Retirees Meeting on  
**December 21** starting at 11:00 a.m.

### **CHRISTMAS SHUTDOWN - December 24 through January 1**



### January 2019

APWU Local 178 Meeting on  
**January 8** at 12:15 p.m.

UAW Local 578 Retirees Meeting on  
**January 9** beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Workers Compensation Attorney on  
**January 10** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting on **January 12**  
starting at 9:00 a.m.

UAW Local 291 Retirees Meeting on  
**January 16** starting at 11:00 a.m.