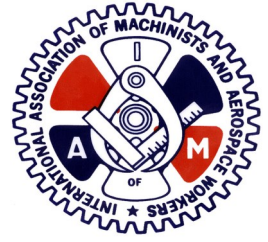


# Weekly Update

## IAMAW LOCAL LODGE 1943



May 8, 2024

*All Groups:*

---

### **Membership Meeting**

Our next membership meeting will be on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at your Union Hall. We will be bringing the customary motions to pay the bills, voting on the newly initiated members coming into the membership, giving committee reports, and opening the floor for new business. We will also be bringing the following motion(s) up for membership approval:

- Motion to purchase up to 1,000 raffle tickets for the 41st Grand Lodge Convention - Polaris Sling Shot; Cost not to exceed \$20,000

As always, food and drink will be provided after the meeting for social hour.

### **Delegates to the 41<sup>st</sup> Convention of the Grand Lodge**

The 41<sup>st</sup> Grand Lodge Convention will be held September 1-6, 2024 in New York City. This convention is required by our IAMAW Constitution to be held every 4 years for the purpose of amending said Constitution. Our Local will be sending 8 delegates to represent the Local, with 8 alternates. **The election will be held on May 8th, from 4am to 5pm at your Union Hall.**

### **Polaris Slingshot Raffle**

The 41<sup>ST</sup> IAMAW Grand Lodge Convention is taking place in New York City the first week of September, 2024. As part of the fund-raising efforts, the International President has imposed a \$10 a member assessment on each member in the Eastern Territory, as we are the territory hosting the convention. In an attempt to make the most of the situation, our executive board has made a motion to use that money to purchase 1000 raffle tickets for the Polaris Slingshot. There are only a few thousand tickets being sold so it gives Local Lodge 1943 a very good chance to win the vehicle. If we do win, we will be doing a drawing for the Slingshot. The vehicle is valued at around 40k. All active dues paying members of Local Lodge 1943 will be entered at no cost, and a winner will be drawn.

*Cleveland Cliffs*

---

### **OPIP Update**

The 2024 Q1 OPIP numbers have been finalized and the payout is 14.4%. OPIP eligible earnings are defined as earnings from Base Pay, Shift Differential, Holiday Worked, Sunday pay, and Overtime pay. This is scheduled to pay Wednesday May 15, 2024

### **Profit Sharing**

The 2024 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Profit Sharing amount is \$0.90 per eligible hour, maximum of 624 hours. Per our CBA, this is to be paid by 5/15/24.

### **Yellow Ribbon Support Center Collection**

For 9 years leading up to Covid, your Community Services Committee held an annual collection for the Yellow Ribbon Support Center. Details of the collection and the story behind the Yellow Ribbon Support Center are on the back of this newsletter. We are going to resume these collections this year. On Friday May 17, 2024, we will be holding a gate collection, we will have someone at each gate for you to drop off any of the items on the Soldiers Wish List (also on the back of this newsletter). If you don't have time to shop for these items but still want to contribute, all money collected will be used for shipping care packages to our military personnel serving abroad. You can also visit their website at [www.yellowribbonsupportcenter.com](http://www.yellowribbonsupportcenter.com) .



**10<sup>th</sup> IAM LL 1943  
Yellow Ribbon Support Center Gate Collection  
Friday May 17th, 2024**

Your Community Services Committee is once again organizing a gate collection to show support for the men and women of our nation's military serving overseas to protect our country. This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> year for the event.

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2004 U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Matt Maupin was captured in Iraq by Al-Qaeda insurgents. Through relentless pressure from his father, Mr. Keith Maupin, Matt's remains were recovered on March 20, 2008 and returned home. In memory of Matt, Mr. Maupin created the Yellow Ribbon Support Center to provide boxes of goods to our soldiers serving in harm's way. Since 2005 the YRSC has sent over 36,000 care packages to the men & women serving on foreign soil.

On Friday May 17, we can show our support by bringing in any of the items listed below and dropping them in the barrel at your clock house. Any cash donations will help the YRSC purchase shipping supplies and cover the increasing cost of postage. You may also drop your donations off at your union hall during business hours prior to the gate collection.

**Entertainment**

Games (hand held, electronic, board, PS2)  
Playing cards/ Hoyle<sup>®</sup> Rulebook  
Silly putty, Yoyo's, Squirt guns  
Sports equipment/ Nerf<sup>®</sup> toys  
MP3 players, DVD's, CD's  
Paperback books/Current Magazines  
Puzzles (crossword, Sudoku)  
Writing paper, envelopes  
Pens, Markers, Colored pencils, Crayons  
Comic books, Coloring books  
Mini Darts & Board or Basketball & Hoop  
Model car, airplane kits with glue & paint  
Stress relieving toys

**Miscellaneous Items**

Beanie Babies<sup>®</sup> /Small stuffed toys  
AT&T International phone cards  
(Verify the card can be used FROM the  
Mideast TO the USA)  
Disposable cameras  
Ziploc<sup>®</sup> storage bags/small microwave bowls  
Flash lights  
Batteries AA, AAA (all sizes)  
Small fans, Mist fans

**Food**

Beef Jerky, Slim Jim<sup>®</sup>  
Crackers of all kinds  
Microwave popcorn  
Peanut butter (plastic containers)  
Jelly (plastic squeezable containers)  
Sandwich spreads  
Breakfast, Granola bars, Energy bars  
Cookies, Chips, Pretzels  
Sunflower seeds  
Dried fruit, Raisins, Craisins<sup>®</sup>  
Candy  
Nuts  
Snack cakes  
Gum  
Pop Tarts<sup>®</sup>  
Presweetened powdered drinks  
(lemonade, hot chocolate,  
tea, Kool-ade<sup>®</sup>)  
Easy Mac<sup>®</sup>  
Turkey, Tuna, Chicken (in re-sealable  
foil bags)  
Cup-a Soup<sup>®</sup> (no pork)  
Velveeta<sup>®</sup> cheese

**Health & Beauty**

White cotton socks (new)  
Baby wipes, Cotton wash  
cloths, loofah  
Disposable razors (no single  
blades)  
Razors & refills (no single  
blades)  
Sunscreen  
Shaving cream  
(non-pressurized)  
Body wash, Soap, Lotion  
Travel size Shampoo &  
Conditioners  
Sanitary napkins, Tampons  
Deodorant  
Hand sanitizer  
Foot powder  
Baby powder  
Toilet paper  
Shower flip flops  
Chapstick<sup>®</sup>, lip balm  
Nail Clippers/Files/Tweezer  
Combs/Hair Pics