

The July Union Meeting is Monday July 27, 2026 at 7:00 pm and will be in-person only. All Union Halls will be open for in-person ONLY. NO ZOOM FOR JULY. We would like to encourage members to come in person to the July meeting for solidarity & fellowship! We continue to communicate through the **PUSH NOTIFICATIONS for alerts & emails**. You can download our APP for android on google play or for iphone at the APP store just search "Iron Workers Local 25" Martinez web shop. Or sign up via our website (www.ironworkers25.org).

The July Flint Steward meeting will be July 15, 2026 at 5:30 pm. The July Lansing Steward meeting will be July 27, 2026 at 6:00 pm. The July Saginaw Steward meeting will be July 30, 2026 at 6:00 pm. All are welcome.

A HEALTH CARE REPRESENTATIVE from the Fringe Benefit Fund office will be at the Novi Union Hall on Wednesday July 29, 2026 from 8am to 12 noon; to meet with any member(s), to address health care issues or HRA substantiation concerns. Walk-ins are welcome!

A FRINGE FUND PENSION DEPT REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE AT THE NOVI UNION HALL on Wednesday August 5, 2026 from 8:00 am to 12 noon. If you have questions, give us a call 248-344-9494. Walk-ins are welcome!

The 125th Iron Workers Local 25 Anniversary Celebration & Gala is Saturday July 18, 2026 from 5pm to 11pm at the Atheneum Suite Hotel in Detroit. Individual tickets (\$125.00 ea.) are available on our website www.ironworkers25.org

Organizer Wanted: We are seeking a Local 25 IJW in good standing to work as on Organizer to help build our Unions capacity by increasing our Market Share & Signatory Contractors throughout our jurisdiction. Requirements: Self-motivated, team-player, coachable, confident, exceptional listening skills, & high energy. Flexible work schedule. Please send your resume & cover letter by Friday July 31, 2026 to union@ironworkers25.org

The 42nd Annual International Iron Workers Festival will be held August 7, 8, 9, 2026 in Mackinaw City MI. Please plan ahead and reserve your hotel room(s). There is no Camping allowed at the Festival. For more information, please go to www.mackinawchamber.com/events

Awards Night will be held on Monday SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 THIS YEAR at the Novi Union Hall. **A LETTER WILL BE MAILED SOON to those eligible members.** We will have a social hour with appetizers/beverages starting at 5pm. Awards ceremony starts at 7pm. **All are welcome.**

Awards Night is not being held in August due to the International Convention commencing on August 31st this year. Furthermore, there will not be Union Meeting in August.

The 10th Annual Local 25 ICIF Fundraiser will be (one week later than usual) Saturday **SEPTEMBER 19th 2026** at the Novi Union Hall at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 each and can be bought at the door or through any Business Agent. **Join us for food, drink and comradery. We have great prizes to raffle off as we've done in the past!**

If you have moved recently, please be sure to update the Union Hall 248-344-9494. We will gladly advise the Fringe Benefit Fund office of your move upon request.

The 42nd annual Ironworker Instructor Training Program will be held the week of July 12-17 at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor MI.

Apprentice applications accepted electronically. Visit our website (ironworkers25.org) where you can apply online, make your application appointment & pay the application fee online; you must have an appointment to turn in an application. We take appointments Tuesday – Thursdays! No walk-in foot traffic.

The ClickSafety program allows ironworker members to meet a variety of training requirements, offering over 100 online courses in English and Spanish that include many OSHA-authorized courses. Simply log in: <https://sms.copperrange.com/impact/sms/login/>

The username is the member's book # and the password is the FIRST 4 digits of your SSN

Apprentices: located under the Apprenticeship Tab you will find "Make-Up Days" & "Welding Test Certifications" where you can electronically schedule your make-up days and welding tests. To view classes at the Local 25 Apprenticeship School, please go to our website (ironworkers25.org); to view the 2026 Block Schedule, Roster or Raising Gang Schedule. Please make sure to download the TradeSchool Mobile App to submit your monthly work and school hours. These must be submitted monthly. If you have Facebook or Instagram, please give us a follow. Wixom Training Center Phone: 248-960-2130.

24/7 CREDIT-DEBIT CARD processing for Union Dues: Pay via our **APP** or website www.ironworkers25.org. **The phone number is 866-635-2826. Or pay union dues with personal check or money order** and mail to: Iron Workers Local 25 – P.O. Box 965 – Novi, MI 48376-0965. Pay union dues in person at the Novi Union Hall **(M-F) from 8 am to 3 pm (NO Cash).**

BENEFIT FOR LIFE CHANGE: Any member experiencing a divorce or a new spouse **MUST NOTIFY the Fringe Benefit Office within 31 days;** otherwise wait until the open-enrollment period (April 1-April 30).

BENEFIT FOR NEW CHILD: Any member who has a new born child, or a new dependent child through marriage **MUST NOTIFY the Fringe Benefit Office of your new dependent within 31 days;** otherwise wait until the open-enrollment period (April 1-April 30).

FRINGE BENEFIT OFFICE: 800-572-8553 or 248-347-3100 **and follow the prompts.** Hours 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. The mailing address for member BENEFIT related matters is: Iron Workers Local 25 Fringe Benefit Funds, PO Box 99219, Troy MI 48099-9219. Blue Cross Health Claims and Customer Service 877-790-2583. Delta Dental Claims and Customer Service 800-482-8915.

If any member is having problems with the HRA substantiation letters please call Dennis Aguirre.

Check your HRA/Benny Card Balance: my.wexhealthcard.com (where you can create a log-in)

Check you online benefit information: ourbenefitoffice.com/iw25/benefits/

HRA/Benny Card Audit is continuously under way via US Mail – please respond if you have been contacted.

You need to save your receipts for three (3) years.

The **Iron Workers' Local 25 Novi Chapter Retirees' Club.** The Retirees' meeting/luncheon will be Tuesday July 21, 2026 at 10:00 am. The Retirees' Board of Directors will meet on Tuesday August 4, 2026 at 8:00 am. All are welcome.

The **West Michigan Chapter** Retirees breakfast will meet Tuesday August 4, 2026 at 9:00 am at Red Rock Grille & Café, 228 N. Ball Creek Rd, NW, Kent City, Michigan 49330. All are welcome.

The next quarterly meeting for the **Bay City Chapter & Picnic** will be July 16, 2026; at the Iron Workers Local 25 Saginaw Union Hall, 11 Bridgeview S. Saginaw Mi 48604 at 12:00 pm. All are Welcome.

The **Downriver Chapter** next quarterly Retirees breakfast to be held 9:00 am July 31, 2026 at Mom's Restaurant, 2691 Fort St., Trenton, Michigan, 48183. All are welcome.

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Veterans Crisis Line: Dial 988, then press 1. Or, you can send a text message to 838255 to received confidential support 24/7. For more information visit www.veteranscrisisline.net

Blue Cross Blue Shield Michigan: www.bcbsm.com/behavioral-mental-health/ Resources on the home page including In-Person Crisis Care options in many locations throughout the state. BCBS Michigan 877-627-1041 Substance-use-disorder.

When the World feels Heavy: FindTreatment.gov is where you can search by zip code/city. Or call SAMHSA 800-662-4357. **MentalHealth.gov** provides information & programs about mental health. **Dial 988 (National Suicide Prevention Lifeline) For help 24/7 in a Time of Crisis.** Call or text 988 if you or someone you know is in danger of suicide or experiencing a mental health crisis. You can also Chat at 988lifeline.org/chat (English & Spanish). Whatever you are struggling with, help is available – its free & confidential.

Suicide Prevention Resources on IMPACT: <http://www.impact-net.org/safety/suicide-prevention-resources>. US Crisis Text Line: Text **HOME** to 741741 from anywhere in the United States, anytime, about any type of crisis. A live, trained Crisis Counselor receives the text and responds, all from our secure online platform. A volunteer Crisis Counselor will help you move from a hot moment to a cool moment.

In Memory: Jesse Souders #1312130 passed away June 19, 2026 at the age of 48 in Las Vegas NV. He was a member of Local 340/25 for 13 years. Tracy Nickell passed away June 23, 2026 at the age of 55. She was the beloved wife of IJW Richard Nickell #1174329. Dale Oland #1047578 passed away June 20, 2026 at the age of 70. He was a 45-year member, survived by his wife Vicky. Randa Taube passed away May 1, 2026 at the age of 75. She was the wife of Lifetime IW Rick Taube #923731. Bruce Bloomingdale #785025 passed away June 25, 2026 at the age of 85. He was a 58-year member of Local 25 survived by his wife Marie; and IW brother Robert Bloomingdale #905059. He was predeceased by his brother Alan Bloomingdale #931544. ***Our sincere condolences to all of the family and friends on the loss of your dear loved one(s).***

This information is as of Submission Time for this Article (July 6, 2026 11:00 am E.S.T.).