

SWALC Newsletter

AFL-CIO SOUTHWEST ALABAMA LABOR COUNCIL



Veterans' Day Parade

Once again we have entered the SWALC float in the Mobile Bay Area Veterans Day Commission Veteran's Day Parade. The parade will start promptly at 9:45 AM on Monday morning, November 11th from the Mobile Civic Center parking lot. The parking lot will be open at 8:15 AM to line up. We must be in position ready to go by 9:00 AM. If you are interested in riding on the SWALC float this year, contact Leslie Schraeder at 251.0101 or lschraeder@uwswa.org or Joyce Salter at 251.476.0625 or joyce@UALocal119.org to reserve your space by Friday, November 8th.



If there is bad weather like in 1995, 2002 2012, and in 2018 which caused a last-minute cancellation of the parade you may call the hotline number for update information on parade status. CITY OF MOBILE ACTION CENTER 251.208.7999.

Alabama AFL-CIO Convention



Last month delegates from across Alabama attended the Alabama AFL-CIO Convention in Montgomery. National speakers included AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka, UMWA President Cecil Roberts, and AFGE National Secretary/Treasurer Rev. Dr. Everett Kelley. They each called on the labor movement to stand up for workers and reach out to our Congressman to demand they support the PRO Act that Protects the Right to Organize and the UMWA pension bills - HR 934, HR 945, S27, and S671. Other speakers included: Randy Lawson (FMCS), Pat Keahey (G. Patterson Keahey Law), Walt Ingram (Union Sportsman), Chris Boggs (American Retirement Solutions), and John Perez (Union Auto Program).



Senator Doug Jones thanked the delegates for their support and asked they continue to do so heading into his bid for reelection. He said, "You have a friend in Washington."



Governor Don Singleman debuted the movie that chronicles the people, the causes, and events surrounding his time in office and years following.

The AL AFL-CIO Executive Board were elected and several resolutions were passed; among them was one that made local labor councils presidents E-Board Members and on that called for the continued support of the United Way.



Next Meeting SWALC Monthly E-Board & Delegates Meeting

Monday,
November 18
908 Butler Drive, 36693

Upcoming Events

Veteran's Day Parade
November 11

Thanksgiving
November 28

Mobile BCTC
Christmas Party
December 13

SWALC Christmas Party
December 21

Christmas Day
December 25

United Way Program Spotlight:

VOLUNTEER



United Way's Volunteer Connect is the community resource for volunteerism in Southwest Alabama.

United Way Volunteer Connect is a free service for any non-profit in the community. While we encourage all 501(c)(3) not-for-profit

organizations to register with and submit information to United Way's Volunteer Connect, UWSWA reserves the right to decline any submission that promotes illegal, hazardous or dangerous activities; discriminates in any way that is prohibited by law; or is inconsistent with United Way's mission.

Increase Volunteerism

United Way Volunteer Connect inspires volunteerism and challenges the community to serve. UWSWA educates people about the importance of volunteering and the life changing contributions made by volunteers.

Mobilize Resources

United Way Volunteer Connect works with the entire community in Southwest Alabama to identify community problems and mobilize volunteers to address the most pressing issues.

Connect the Community to Volunteer Opportunities

United Way Volunteer Connect joins people who want to volunteer with the right opportunities to serve. Opportunities range from one-time donations, events, or service hours, to ongoing needs.

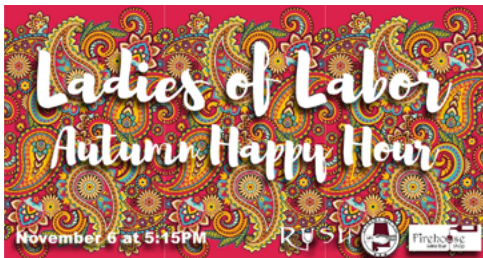
Benefits to your organization:

- Builds and enhances your image as a good citizen
- Helps attract members, clients, and business partners
- Builds staff morale, loyalty, and productivity

Benefits to your employees:

- Makes them feel fulfilled and increases morale
- Builds and enhances professional and leadership skills
- Educates members about community needs and issues
- Elevates members' sense of community, citizenship, and civic pride

If your organization is interested in volunteering, please contact Leslie Schraeder at Ischraeder@uwsa.org / 251.431.0101 or visit the Volunteer Connect website at <https://volunteer.uwsa.org/>.



REMINDER - The Ladies of Labor will host the 3rd Annual Autumn Happy Hour this Wednesday, November 6th from 5:15 to 7:15PM at Firehouse Wine Bar & Shop. The LoL Autumn Happy Hour admission is a donation of a women's adult incontinent product (adult diapers) that will be given to the United Way of Southwest Alabama Women United Diaper Drive. All the donations collected from the drives will be equally divided between the partner agencies that have clients that need them. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Leslie Schraeder at 251.0101 or Ischraeder@uwsa.org or Joyce Salter at 251.476.0625 or joyce@UALocal119.org. We thank our faithful sponsors: AFL-CIO Southwest Alabama Labor Council, Firehouse Wine Bar & Shop, and Rush Wines. If you can't attend but you would like to contribute, visit <https://swalc-lol-hh.eventbrite.com>.

Santa Swag for SAIL Seniors

SWALC is collecting Bingo Prizes for the Dumas Wesley Community Center's Senior Activities for Independent Living (SAIL) program. The SAIL Program provides daily activities for seniors 60 and older Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The program serves an average of 63 seniors daily. A hot, nutritious meal is served to 25 seniors at the center and meals are transported to an additional 38 homebound seniors in the Crichton and Toulminville area. Participants may join in a variety of activities including games, nutrition education, guest speakers, health checks, exercise and computer classes. Some participants in Crichton and Toulminville are also provided transportation to and from the Center.

Bring your Santa Swag to your local union hall between 11/18 & 12/20 or to the SWALC Christmas Party on 12/21. For more information or to schedule a pick-up, contact Leslie Schraeder at 251.431.0101 or Ischraeder@uwsa.org. If anyone would prefer us to do the shopping for prizes, you may visit <https://swalcsantaswag.eventbrite.com> to give online or send a check to c/o Leslie Schraeder, Southwest Alabama Labor Council, 218 St. Francis Street, Mobile, AL 36602.

Suggested Items: Paper towels, Toilet tissue, Dish detergent, Laundry detergent, Dishwasher detergent, Hand soap, Kleenex, Soap/Body wash, Shampoo, Conditioner, Brushes/Combs, Shaving Cream, Razors, Lotion, Deodorant, Adult diapers, Wash clothes, Towels, Kitchen towels, and Canned goods.

SWALC Christmas Party

We are looking forward to seeing our affiliates and their members on Saturday, December 21st for the Annual SWALC Christmas Party. As usual the doors will open at 6:00 PM for Happy Hour. Catalina Restaurant will provide dinner at 7:00 PM. At 8:00PM Port City Fun DJs will keep the music flowing all night long with YOUR requests.

Tickets are \$40 per person. No tickets will be sold at the door and there will be no refunds. Contact Joyce Salter at 251.476.0625 or joyce@UALocal119.org to obtain an order form. Deadline to purchase tickets is December 12th. Please advise your members that there are no take out plates and to their keep drinks off the dance floor.

NOTE: Due to a few incidents in prior years, any affiliate member or their guests exhibiting bad or abusive behavior will be asked to leave the party and their union will be fined \$300.



Secret Trump Memo Details Plans To Destroy Government Workers' Unions

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By Mark Gruenberg

For the whole story, visit https://www.peoplesworld.org/article/secret-trump-memo-details-plans-to-destroy-government-workers-unions/?fbclid=IwAR2YRMsan6G2X_uC-cvML-qOle3Oa_dwsaak8PE-1VlSkVWssiklI0SSZwjik