March Newsletter

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Meeting Dates

ZOOM MEETING Contact Alice for link to Zoom meeting	June 3, 2021
All Membership meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m.	

SHIRTS FOR MEMBERS





Well, it has been a long time coming, but we finally have enough of your new shirts in stock to start distributing them!!!! Due to Covid and members working from home and not in the offices, we have decided to take our shirts on the road. Members will be able to pick up their shirts at any of the following locations.

Rockford - Saturday 3-27-21 from 12 to 4 at the Labor Temple located at 212 S 1st Street.

Freeport - Sunday 3-28-21 from 12 to 4 at the Stephenson County Democratic Headquarters located at 15 N Chicago.

Dixon - Saturday 4-17-21 from 12 to 4 at Quality Inn and Suites at 136 Plaza Drive

DeKalb Sunday 4-18-21 from 12 to 4 at Home2 Suites by Hilton Dekalb 575 S. Annie Glidden Rd.

We have had many inquiries wanting to know if we will be selling extra shirts. We have decided to that if members or non-members for that matter would like to purchase extra shirts, we will sell them for \$25.00 each.



Come join the fun!!! If you have not already signed up for this year's golf outing. We still have room for a few more teams. There are 4 people to a team. Registration is first come first serve. Let Alice Sutherland know if you would like to register a team by sending an email with the names of your team members to Presidentafscmelocal448@gmail.com. **The Local covers the registration cost.**

HAVE REPRESENTATION WHEN SPEAKING TO POLICE

It is extremely important for those whom are called to speak to police in your capacity of your job at the State of Illinois must seek advice of their attorney. You should not meet with police with an attorney. As many know, last year an investigator and supervisor from DCFS were charged criminally for the death of a child. The death was caused by the parents of the child however, the states attorney's office has criminally charged the worker and supervisor. This issue doesn't just pertain to DCFS as workers and supervisors can be charged criminally in other agencies as well. Remember to also contact your union official immediately to assure the agency is contacting the Illinois Attorney General's office if you have been charged criminally to obtain their representation as a state employee. If the attorney general's office finds that you acted in a negligent manner, they will not represent you hence you must seek your own attorney.

You can also be sued civilly as what has been done in the Crystal Lake case. Protect yourself and seek out legal advice if you find yourself in this situation.

WE ARE NOT JUST STATE EMPLOYEES

As members of AFSCME Local 448, we all have one thing in common; we work for the State of Illinois. Our jobs vary widely but we are all dedicated to providing the best service we can to the Citizens of Illinois. But did you know that for many of us, that is not all we do? Many of your brothers and sisters of AFSCME also have their own businesses. Alice Sutherland would love to have a monthly article to feature members who have their own business. This would provide us insight into our co-workers businesses but also allow us to support local businesses. As Alice stated, in these economic hard times she'd prefer to use local businesses whenever possible. Do you own a candy store, auto repair business, sell Tupperware of play in a local band? If so, send Alice your information to be published in the local newsletter at presidentafscmelocal448@gmail.com.

LONG TIME UNION MEMBER REQUESTING YOUR HELP

Scott is a long time union member who works for the Illinois Department of Employee Security. Scott is an advocate of Veterans throughout the State of Illinois and nationwide. It would be wonderful for the local to support Scott as he has done for veterans. See the number below to make your appointment.

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VFW Post 998 on behalf of Scott Haugh

Stephenson Farm Bureau 210 W. Spring Street, Freeport

Tuesday, April 20th 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

To schedule an appointment, visit RRVBC.org OR Call 815-965-8751



PINEAPPLE UPSIDE DOWN CAKE RECIPE

- 1/4 CUP OF BUTTER
- 1 CUP PACKED BROWN SUGAR
- 1 CAN (20 OZ) PINEAPPLE SLICES IN JUICE, DRAINED, JUICE RESERVED
- 1 JAR (6 OZ) MARASCHINO CHERRIES WITHOUT STEMS, DRAINED
- 1 BOX BETTY CROCKER SUPER MOIST YELLOW CAKE MIX
- ADD VEGETABLE OIL AND EGGS CALLED FOR ON CAKE MIX BOX

Heat oven to 350 degrees or dark or nonstick pan. In 13x9-inch pan, melt butter in oven. Sprinkle brown sugar evenly over butter. Arrange pineapple slices on brown sugar. Place cherry in center of each pineapple slice and arrange remaining cherries around slices; press gently into brown sugar.

Add enough water to reserved pineapple juice to measure 1 cup. Make cake batter as directed on box, substituting pineapple juice mixture for the water. Pour batter over pineapple juice mixture for the water. Pour batter over pineapple and cherries.

Bake 42 to 48 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Immediately run knife around side of pan to loosen cake. Place heatproof service plan upside down onto pan; turn plate and pan over. Leave pan over cake 5 minutes so brown sugar topping can drizzle over cake; remove pan. Cool 30 minutes. Service warm or cool. Store covered in refrigerator.

Enjoy!!!!

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