

## Working Family News, Activities, Meetings & Rally Information, 8-1-11

\*\*\*Please refer to the following website for more detailed information throughout the State\*\*\*

<http://local.we-r-1.org/weareone/events/search/state/MI>

Watch Highlights of the "Rebuild the Dream" at:

<http://www.rebuildthedream.com/launch-highlights.php>

What	Where	When	Further Details
Democratic State Reps. Roy Schmidt and Brandon Dillon 2 for 1 Coffee Hours	Kava House, 1445 Lake Drive SE. Grand Rapids	8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 1	Democratic State Reps. Roy Schmidt and Brandon Dillon will begin offering their Grand Rapids constituents 2-for-1 specials when they hold informal coffee hours together on the first and third Monday of each month.
Progressive Democratic Women's Caucus Meeting	Muskegon Holiday Inn	Monday, August 1 at 11:30 a.m.	For more information, contact Mary Valentine at: <a href="mailto:maryvalentine08@gmail.com">maryvalentine08@gmail.com</a>
We are The People's SW Michigan Community Action Team (CAT) will be holding a SAVE THESE JOBS RALLY about the WORK STOPPAGE at the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport & other airports.	The RALLY will take place on both sides of Portage Road from Old Kilgore to the Airport Entrance. Free Parking is available at Kal-Port Building 5600 Portage Road by Airway Lanes across the Airport.	Friday, August 5th from 11:00 am to 1:00am RAIN or SHINE.	RALLY for Union Members & Any Concerned Citizens over the WORK STOPPAGE on all Airports construction jobs.
2011 - International Ironworkers Festival	Mackinaw City	Friday-Sunday August 12-14	Events are held over the weekend with the "Oldtimers" competitions conducted on Sunday. More information can be accessed at: <a href="http://www.ironfest.com/ironfest/Home.html">http://www.ironfest.com/ironfest/Home.html</a>
Democratic State Reps. Roy Schmidt and Brandon Dillon 2 for 1 Coffee Hours	Fat Boy Burgers, 2450 Plainfield Ave. NE, Grand Rapids	8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 15	Democratic State Reps. Roy Schmidt and Brandon Dillon will begin offering their Grand Rapids constituents 2-for-1 specials when they hold informal coffee hours together on the first and third Monday of each month.
The Michigan State AFL CIO and Michigan HRDI Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program Town Hall Meeting	UAW Region 1 27800 George Merrelli Drive, Warren, MI 48092	Wednesday - August 17, 2011, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (lunch provided)	<p>The Michigan State AFL CIO and Michigan HRDI are working with union representatives, employers, Federal, State and local entities, elected officials, and workers to help them better understand the necessity for the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program. This includes educating trade-affected dislocated workers who may not understand the TAA petition and what it means to be covered by a TAA certification.</p> <p>Keynote speaker, Rep. Sander Levin, the Ranking Member of the House Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over all tax, trade and economic growth policies and entitlement spending, including Social Security, Medicare, welfare and unemployment compensation.</p> <p>Town Hall Meetings are scheduled in Southeast Michigan and in Lansing. Mark your calendar today and plan on attending the meeting that fits your schedule. There is no cost to attend and invitees can bring up to three (3) guests. Seating will be limited so register early! Registration info to: <a href="mailto:taa@mhrdi.org">taa@mhrdi.org</a></p>
Town Hall Meeting with Representative Marcia Hovey-Wright	Stephenson Center at Muskegon Community College	Wednesday, Aug. 17, 7pm	How about all those cuts to public education that will impact our schools. If we do not let our leaders know how important education is, they could continue to make massive cuts. It is critical for us to get educated on this issue and to make a statement to our leaders.

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MI State AFL-CIO Community Services Fall Seminar	Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center MSU 55 South Harrison Ave. East Lansing, MI 48824-1022	Tuesday, August 30, 2011	<p>Mobilize Your Community Service Network Strengthen Partnerships Get prepared for the Upcoming United Way Campaign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keynote speaker Will Fischer, Community Services Coordinator, National AFL-CIO</li> <li>• United Way Community Impact Panel</li> <li>• Workshops featuring innovative, replicable community service project ideas</li> </ul> <p>For further information contact MI AFL-CIO Community Services <a href="mailto:eluchenbill@uwmich.org">eluchenbill@uwmich.org</a> or <a href="mailto:stanaszek5@aol.com">stanaszek5@aol.com</a></p>
Mid & West MI Construction Alliances Annual Joint Meeting	Wagon Wheel American Grill-Oak Room 7888 E. Grand River Ave. Portland, MI 48875	Thursday, September 1, 2011 from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<p>Anticipated topics and updates include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Various Political Updates</li> <li>* Building Code Cycle Changes</li> <li>* Lobbying New Legislators</li> <li>* Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC)</li> <li>* and More</li> </ul> <p>A detailed agenda will be send via email as we get closer to the event. Please RSVP to Ed Haynor, Consultant, WMCA at <a href="mailto:wmconstructionalliance@gmail.com">wmconstructionalliance@gmail.com</a> or call 616-837-8080.</p>

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For up-to-date news on anti labor legislation, go to: <http://www.miaflcio.org/legislative-action/legislative-report.html>

If you wish to participate in a Community Action Team in your area, please click below:

<http://www.miaflcio.org/component/content/article/298.html>

On-Line Petition opposed to Governor Snyder's budget at:

[http://salsa.wiredforchange.com/o/1141/p/dia/action/public/?action\\_KEY=3578](http://salsa.wiredforchange.com/o/1141/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=3578)

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