



IRON WORKERS LOCAL 383

MARCH 2026

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

The 2026 IW Convention Delegates Nominations and Elections will be held in March (nominations) and April (elections) of 2026 at the Hall in Madison.

RETIREE LUNCHEONS

- * March 19th - Madison Retiree Party @ THE IW HALL, STARTS AT NOON
- * April 17th - Rapids Retiree Party @ IBEW HALL, STARTS AT NOON
- * March 27th - La Crosse Retiree Party @CASTAWAYS, STARTS AT NOON

APPRENTICE INITIATIONS



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Brothers and Sisters,

Work is very strong in every corner of our Local jurisdiction. Iron Workers Local 383 continues to grow rapidly. We are bringing on new apprentices and organizing people from non-union contractors. If you're on a job site with non-union workers, give them the hall's phone number. Explain why Iron Workers Local 383 is the way to go. Our members in the field are our best recruiting tool. We must work together to be the best union in the field.

As you know, our quality in the field is unmatched by the non-union. The only way to keep the quality and craftsmanship continuing is by training apprentices in the field and keeping all certifications up to date. With those extra efforts from our journeymen, our apprentices, and the union will be stronger and more compatible with all upcoming projects.

All three Christmas parties were very well attended by our members and their families. Thank you to everyone who brought a dish to pass and great stories to tell. Everyone had a great time.

As a reminder, members can pay dues by going to www.iron383.com, in person at the hall, by calling Andrea at the hall, or by sending a check to the hall.

In Solidarity,

Mike Duncan





**WE ARE IRON
WORKERS**

**WE WORK HARD AND
PLAY HARDER**





AREA WORK REPORTS



MADISON <> Work in the Madison area has not stopped!! Findorff has structural and rods at Epic; rods and miscellaneous at Hub Broom St in Madison; Rods at The Triangle Project, Summit Credit Union, and at UW Engineering Building in Madison; Rods, PT, and Miscellaneous at Hub Johnson St in Madison; Metal Building Addition at CM Morris in Deerfield; and structural at UW History in Madison. JP Cullen has miscellaneous at Kikkoman in Jefferson, Camp Randall in Madison, AY McDonald in Dickeyville, and Amazon in Sun Prairie; Structural at SSM Health in Verona; Structural and miscellaneous at UW Hospital and OAW in Johnson Creek; IMP Panels at CEI Modules in Edgerton; a Steel Auditorium at Epic; with more upcoming work in April! CD Smith has miscellaneous jobs at AMPI in Portage, UW Levy in Madison, and at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Reedsburg; Rods at UW Steam Tunnel in Madison; and structural and miscellaneous jobs at Markesan Elementary School in Markesan. Chilstrom has rods at Epic, Kikkoman in Jefferson, UW Hospital in Madison, Camp Randall in Madison, and Project Wave in Beaver Dam. MKE has structural jobs at The Theory in Madison and at Hovde Churchill Hotel in Madison; Rod jobs at Wisconsin History Center in Madison, Fitchburg Police Department in Fitchburg, The 720 in Madison, and at Waterfront River Place in Madison. B&H has a rod job at the Wisconsin River Bridge Project in Portage. CS&E has a structural and sheeting job at The Theory in Madison. Kraemer North America has a structural and miscellaneous job at the bridge over the Mississippi River in Lansing. GNB Global Systems has a structural and miscellaneous job at Project Wave in Beaver Dam. Harris Davis Rebar has a rod job at Project Wave in Beaver Dam. Capital Steel has structural jobs at Mendota Boiler 6 in Madison, Public Safety Communication Building in McFarland, and at the Fennimore Library; Miscellaneous at Monroe High School in Monroe; and a rod job at the Mifflin St Apartments in Madison. Miron has a structural and miscellaneous job at the Dane County Jail in Madison, a miscellaneous job at Sun Prairie Utilities, and a structural, precast, and miscellaneous job at Sun Prairie Bio Solids. Selden Steel has structural and miscellaneous jobs at St. Bernard's, 128 Langdon St in Madison, and a beef shed liner panel in Boscobel; also, they have a miscellaneous welding job at The Ziesmer Residence in Merrimac. Reger has a rod job at the Dane County Jail. Hi-Boom has rods at the bridge in McFarland, the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Oregon, and at the bridge on John Nolan Dr. Area Erectors has a structural job at Project Wave. Red Cedar has a structural job at the Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison. Pauly Jail has jail cells at the Dane County Jail in Madison. Badgerland Erectors has structural jobs at Johnsonville Sausage in Watertown, WI Dells Municipal Building in Wisconsin Dells, Deerfield High School in Deerfield, Woodman's East in Madison, St Vincent DuPaul in Beaver Dam, Brearly St Apartments in Madison, Advanced Concrete in Milton, Blackhawk Hangars in Madison, Mendota Mechanical in Madison, McDonalds on E Washington and Park St in Madison, EK Machine in Madison and at the Mallards Stadium in Madison; Badgerland also has metal building in Lavelle Industries in Whitewater, at April Air in Madison and at Fort Transport in Fort Atkinson; as well as miscellaneous at Top Golf in Madison and Illuminate Apartments in Madison.

Darnell Reynolds <> (608)256-3162

NORTH AREA <> Work is still kind of slow up north, but with that said, everyone is working. We have 4 big jobs that are supposed to go in 2026, just waiting for confirmation on start dates. 3m in Wausau has a \$150 million job, Aspirus in Wausau \$100 million, Sentry Insurance in Point \$500 million, and I was just told the Portage County Jail is a go, and that's \$180 million. We all know it's not true until they start, but it could be a pretty crazy year in Northern #383. Right now, ICS has 3 structural jobs in Crandon, Mole Lake, and Rudolph Cheese. Miron has slowed down but still has some mill work going and a metal building job at 3M. Boldt has a miscellaneous job at McCains in Plover. CR Meyer has ongoing work at the Waupaca foundries and just put 3 Iron Workers on full-time there with their maintenance department. CD-Smith has ongoing work at the parking ramp in Point and is waiting to start the first phase of the Sentry project in Point. It will be a very busy year in 383. If you know anyone looking to get in, we have an online application on our website, or have them call one of the Business Agents, and we will help them get signed up. Stay up to date on your certs, and if you need a weld cert in the North, contact Glen Jensen at 715-571-3620; he will help you with that. 2026 let's go!!!

Adam Maves <> (715)498-4280

LaCROSSE <> Cold weather has arrived once again in the area, which has slowed some of the projects down. That being said, work continues to look good through these cold months. We currently have zero on the out-of-work list. Bald Eagle has rods at the Mayo expansion in Sparta. Stronghold has ongoing miscellaneous work at the Crawford County Jail in Prairie du Chien. Kraemer North America has structural at the Lansing bridge (Black Hawk). Badgerland has a metal building and a structural job (training tower) starting later this month at Fort McCoy. Cary Specialized Services has ongoing miscellaneous jobs at Trane in La Crosse and Cardinal Glass in Tomah. Structural at West Salem Elementary, WI Army National Guard in Mauston, Xcel Energy in Onalaska, Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in LaCrosse. They also have ongoing miscellaneous building 404 Tomah VA, and Kwik Trip Dairy in Onalaska. Fowler and Hammer have ongoing rebar jobs at Fort McCoy Officer Barracks, West Salem Elementary, and LaCrosse Mayo Loading Dock expansion. Structural State Road Elementary in LaCrosse, and Readiness Center Viroqua. They also have ongoing miscellaneous work at the UWL parking ramp, Boys & Girls Club in LaCrosse, and Trane in LaCrosse; as well as precast/ miscellaneous at Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in LaCrosse. Modern Crane has structural work at Fort McCoy Officer Barracks, Dash Park in Onalaska, the Kwik Trip distribution center in Onalaska, and Mayo expansion in Sparta. The Christmas party was a huge success, bringing our apprentices, journeymen, and retirees together. We enjoyed some great food and prizes; the only bummer of the night was watching the Packers give away another victory. A special note of appreciation goes out to the volunteers who generously gave their time and effort to put up the Christmas Tree on the bluff for the rotary lights.

DuWayne Knobloch <> 608-769-6430

MEMBERSHIP PINS

Mike Duncan receiving his 25 Year Pin

Richard Nelson getting his 35 Year Pin

Hans Hardtke getting his 35 Year Pin

Ryan "Lightning" Colden getting his 25 Year Pin

John Alft getting his 35 Year Pin

Thank you for your many years of service!!!

Thomas Lawrence getting his 30 Year Pin

Adam Maves getting his 30 Year Pin



MADISON CHRISTMAS PARTY



CONGRATS TO ALL OUR RAFFLE WINNERS!!

We hope everyone had wonderful holidays and continue to have a Happy New Year!





RAPIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY



**HATS OFF TO ALL OF OUR
MEN AND WOMEN AND ALL
OF YOUR HARD WORK!!!**

AND

**WELL WISHES INTO THE
NEW YEAR!!!**

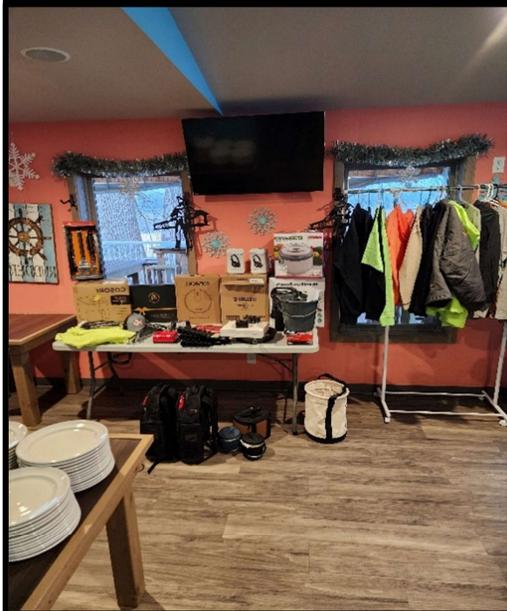




LaCROSSE CHRISTMAS PARTY



**THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING!!!
CHEERS TO A NEW YEAR AND EVERYTHING IT BRINGS!**





UPCOMING Upgrade Training

MSHA Annual Refresher Journeyman Upgrade Course – Wisconsin Rapids Office, at 220 Johnson St., Wisconsin Rapids, WI: An 8-hour upgrade/refresher course will be conducted at the Local’s Northern Office LATER this SPRING of 2026, exact date TBD. This refresher will also include 1ST AID/CPR/AED re-certification. PLEASE WATCH/CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS AS THEY DEVELOP.

You may email Pete at pete@iron383.com for more info and to confirm your interest/attendance.

Forklift-Aerial Lift Class:

Saturday March 21st, 2026 a Forklift/Aerial Lift course will be conducted at the Madison Training Center, located at 5501 Manufacturers Dr., Madison WI 53704. The class will **start at 7:30am.** Please email to pete@iron383.com for more info and to confirm your attendance.

UNEMPLOYMENT ISSUES: Apprentices, we have recently had a few cases where Local 383 or the Apprenticeship Program was listed as the “employer” on the apprentice’s application for unemployment compensation. This is of course incorrect and leads to extra time and paperwork for the Local Union and the Apprenticeship. It also creates delays and potential denials of benefits to the apprentice who is filing for unemployment. Please **MAKE SURE** that you list the proper employer on your application for unemployment; the correct employer would be whatever entity is issuing you your paycheck. For example, if you worked for J H Findorff & Son, you would list them down as an employer on the state UI website when you are filling out your claim. If you have any questions, please contact the Apprenticeship Office.

Complaint from Journeymen and Foremen in the field: Apprentices, unless you are specifically told by your foreman or the journeyman who is immediately supervising you that you can take off your tools and work without them, you should, by long-standing tradition and everything that is true and right in this world, keep your tools on except for coffee break and lunch (that is, for those of you who still take breaks and uphold our rights and dignity as workers and human beings). Any questions? Ask your Foreman or give me a call.

New Apprentices: Pay close attention! Completion of Work Reports

The top portion of the work report must be completed in full (Name, Date, Member#, Employer, etc.) The work report must be received in the Apprenticeship office no later than the 10th of the month following the “work report month.” For example, the November 2025 report is due no later than December 10th, 2025. The hours must be completed on the form with a breakdown, for example, of REBAR, POST TENSION, STRUCTURAL, SCHOOL, etc. The form must also be signed by both the Foreman and the Apprentice. Please be advised: Once you turn your work report in, there will be NO adjustments made to that report for missed or forgotten hours of work or school. Therefore, be sure your report is COMPLETE and ACCURATE before you submit it to the Apprenticeship Office.

Also, please note that the **YELLOW LOGBOOKS** that some of you are using will be discontinued when we use up the stock we now have on hand. The cost of those logbooks has increased five-fold, and we will no longer be purchasing them. I recommend that you use your method for logging and keeping track of your hours; a suggestion would be to use the Calendar App on your phone.

Weld Test Conductors

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Tiny Schaller
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Matt Hicks in DeForest
(608) 513-4733

Glen Jensen in Wausau
(608) 219-4254

Kenric Sorensen in LaCrosse
(608) 789-6221



GOOD & WELFARE

688 members = 148 Apprentices, 356 Journeymen, 58 Honorary, 116 Lifetime

- * Apprentice Members <> Joseph Meyer, Terrell McFadden, Joel Arellano, Cassiday Cobb, Alan Rodriguez Morales, Dominic Kubisiak, Ethan Peskie, Collin Ellwanger, Danielle Mills, Joel Coman, James St Pierre, William Santore, Victoria Phillips, Congratulations to everyone!!!!
- * Journeymen Members <> **Michael McCoach (Misspelling from last newsletter)**, Josh Ammann, Vincent Barden, Thomas England, Dawson Geisler, Nicolas Mathias and Brandon Woller have completed all apprenticeship requirements and passed the Local 383 JIW Exam. Congrats to all on becoming Journeymen Ironworkers.
- * Withdrawal Cards <> No one deposited a withdrawal card.
- * Reinstated Members <> has been reinstated to IW 383.
- * Honorary Member <> John Barreau, Craig Bass have hung up their tools and are now Honorary Member class.
- * Lifetime Members <> Kirk Huffman has reached over 25 years of membership and 65 years of age to qualify them for Lifetime Member classification. CONGRATS!
- * Pins <> 60 Years- Ronald Keichinger; 55 Years- Thomas Moore, Jerry Roscoe; 50 Years- Gene Rustick; 40 Years- Alfred Wildenberg, Glen Kreft; 35 Years– Dane Morey, Thomas Alexander, Darin Frey, Neal Uselman, Steve Alexander, Gregory Ballweg, Todd Breunig, Daniel Childs, Tim DeMinter, Jeffrey Haas, Hans Hardtke, Richard Nelson, Steven Selden, John Alft, Frank Selden, Michael Hayek; 30 Years– Adam Maves, Dale Lemke, Scott Pionkowski, Thomas Lawrence, TR Becker, Michael Kukulka, Stephen Miller; 25 Years- Terrell Zander, Brandon Ladwig, Michael Duncan, Ryan Colden
- * Condolences <> Brother Milo Mercer has passed away. Our condolences go out to his family and friends.
- * Sick and Injured <> Dakota Chamblee, Steve Schaefer, Tom Schewe, Andy Gullickson, Matt Wells, Eric Rodriguez and Stephan Bremer Get well soon, Brothers!

FRIENDLY REMINDER!!!
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS ARE
THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 5:30 PM

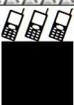


ARREARS LIST AS OF February 26, 2026 <> Behind name is the last month paid

RATES/month = Apprentice & Probationary - \$36, Journeyman - \$46, Honorary - \$7, Lifetime - \$0

- ◆ put your **MEMBER NUMBER** on your check &
 - ◆ include a **SELF-ADDRESSED AND STAMPED ENVELOPE** for return of your dues receipt.
 - ◆ Remember, Buy 12 months of Dues, and get 1 month free.
- It is the member's responsibility to stay current with their monthly union dues.
Reinstatement fee is \$800.00.

**We accept credit card payments in person or over the phone!
FEES APPLY!
NO CASH!**



CALL THE HALL <> (608)256-3162
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IW383 Hall & Training Center Is approaching eight years old. Be proud of what your Local has and treat the facility and its staff with respect. Just the loan payment is \$10,000 per month of your money. This is your house. Remember that when you walk through its doors. It is there for you, the members. It is up to you to care for your house. Come to the membership meetings, attend the training sessions, attend the holiday parties. The more you involve yourself with your Local, the more you will get out of being a proud union ironworker.

PRIDE, HONOR, RESPECT

your UNION, your co-workers, your employer, yourself, your family, your country

What do you want to see in your newsletter?
 Give us some ideas for articles. Send in some pictures. They can be that big buck or a trophy fish or cool views from a jobsite. Please share and make this your newsletter.

You are not *just* a construction worker.

You are a trained professional.

Act like a professional.

Look like a professional.

Be proud of your career choice.

You are a UNION IRON WORKER!