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July 19, 2017

TO: Affiliates of the Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO FROM: Bill Moore, President

### SUBJECT: OFFICIAL CONVENTION CALL FOR 2017

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### **OFFICIAL 2017 CONVENTION CALL**

### Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO

July 19, 2017

To: All Labor Organizations with Retirees

The 21st Annual Convention of the Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO, will be held at the Sheet Metal Workers Local 10 Hall, 1681 Cope Ave. Maplewood, MN, on **Wednesday September 27**th, **2017**.

The convention will start at **11** a.m., with **registration beginning at 10:00** a.m. Expected adjournment will be at 3:00 p.m. The cost of coffee and lunch is included in the convention registration fee.

### **CONVENTION REPRESENTATION** State Retiree Council By-Laws (Section 5 & 8 b.):

Affiliated Membership	<b>Affiliation Fee Paid</b>	<b>Number of Delegates</b>
1—25	\$ 5	2
26—50	\$10	3
51—75	\$15	4
76—100	\$25	5
101—250	\$50	8
251—500	\$75	9
500+	\$100	10

The number of delegates to the convention is based upon an organization's affiliated membership (see table above). Delegates may both speak and vote. Candidates for election to the State Retiree Council Board must be delegates. Affiliated organizations are entitled to an equal number of alternates who are also encouraged to attend. Alternates may speak but **not** vote.

### **Non-Affiliated AFL-CIO Retiree Groups**

Non-affiliated AFL-CIO retiree groups may send up to six (6) non-voting representatives who will be seated as guests.

### Credentials Deadline: Sept. 15

Enclosed is one blank credential for affiliated groups. Please make copies as needed OR download the forms from our website: http://www.mnaflcio.org/state-retiree-council

Once you have selected your delegates and alternates, please complete a form for each one. Send **the bottom portion** to the Minnesota State Retiree Council AFL-CIO, 175 Aurora Ave., St. Paul, MN 55103. **It should be received by Friday September 15.** The delegate or alternate should **retain the top portion** to present at the convention registration desk.

Please send a **\$25** convention registration fee for each delegate, alternate and **guest**, along with the credential forms. Checks should be written to <u>Minnesota State</u>

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<u>Retiree Council AFL-CIO</u>. Although, technically, credentials may be submitted at the convention, **PLEASE submit credentials by Friday September 15, to make sure all who attend get lunch.** 

### **Convention Resolutions**

In order for resolutions to be included in the delegate packet, they must be submitted to the Retiree Council Board no later than its August meeting (Aug. 23). Late resolutions are welcome, but will require a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the convention to allow consideration. The recommended Resolution Form is enclosed—and may also be downloaded from our website: <a href="http://www.mnaflcio.org/about/state-retiree-council">http://www.mnaflcio.org/about/state-retiree-council</a> (scroll to bottom of page).

### **Resolutions Committee**

The Resolutions Committee consists of up to five (5) members who are delegates and whose credentials are received by the Sept. 15 credentials deadline. Appointment to the committee will be made by the president and approved by the board.

### Awards – Deadline for nominations: Aug. 18

The Retiree Council may present awards in seven (7) categories at each convention, as well as Affiliate Excellence Awards. Recommendations for convention awards will be accepted on the enclosed Convention Award Recommendation Form, accompanied by a description of the qualifications of the individual nominated for the award, or, in the case of the Affiliate Excellence Award, on the form for that award. A history of awards is enclosed to avoid nomination of prior recipients. Recommendations for awards must be returned to the Minnesota State Retiree Council AFL-CIO, no later than **Friday, August 18**.

### **Elections and Nominations**

Elections will be conducted at the convention for Council officers and open Director seats on the Board. *Candidates must be convention delegates*.

**Nominations preferred by Aug. 18.** Nomination forms along with a one paragraph bio should be submitted to the Nominations Committee Chair by **Friday August 18**. Every candidate is encouraged to screen with the Nominations Committee. Nominations Committee interviews of candidates will be conducted in connection with the August Board meeting (Aug. 23) and also between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. (or a little later if necessary) on the day of the Convention.

Although candidates need not be present at the Nominations Committee meeting, they must submit the nominations form along with a one paragraph bio to the committee chair.

We look forward to your participation in this important Twenty-First Annual Convention.

In Solidarity,

Bill Moore President Rodney Anderson First Vice President

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# 2017 CREDENTIAL Twenty-first Annual Convention Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO Wednesday, September 27, 2017 Sheet Metal Workers Local 10 Hall 1681 Cope Ave., Maplewood, MN

Organization	Town or City	
Delegate Name	Phone Number (	)
Home Address	City	Zip
Alternate Name	Phone Number (	)
Alternate Home Address	City	Zip
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Return this portion <u>no later than September 15</u> with registration fee to:

Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO, 175 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55103

### Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO CONVENTION AWARD RECIPIENTS, 1999-2016

### **GEORGE COLBY AWARD**

Aimed at individuals who have contributed considerable time over a number of years in service to retirees.

- 1999 George Colby
- 2000 Lenny Brandt, Gene Oliva, Ann Cummings
- 2001 Jerry Beedle, Dick Hagen, Charles Van Guilder
- 2002 Darrell Ray
- 2003 Erv Neff
- 2004 Robert Fragnito
- **2005** U.S. Senator Mark Dayton
- **2006** Dan Mikel
- 2007 Vice President Walter Mondale
- 2008 U.S. Congressional Representative James Oberstar
- 2009 Lee Graczyk
- 2010 U.S. Congressional Representative Betty McCollum
- 2011 Secretary of State Mark Ritchie
- 2012 Martha Johnson
- 2013 Sandra Peterson
- 2014 U.S. Congressional Representative Tim Walz
- **2015** Dave Roe
- 2016 Shar Knutson

### RETIREE COUNCIL AWARD

Presented to a union member whose service throughout their lifetime resulted in the kind of life and benefits retirees enjoy today.

- 2000 David Roe, Neil Sherburne, Dan Gustafson, Bill Peterson
- 2001 Minneapolis CLU/Dick Johnson
  - St. Paul Trades and Labor Assembly/Shar Knutson
- 2002 Minnesota AFL-CIO Staff, Dick Anfang
- 2003 Mike Kodluboy, Bob Killeen, Gene Oliva, Jerry Manley
- 2004 Al Hendricks, Sandra Peterson, Matt Stark
- **2005** Tom Dwyer
- 2006 Dave Schaller
- 2007 Karen Patek, Lorraine McCloud
- 2008 Lucille Robinson, Dave Trach
- 2009 Mark Froemke
- 2010 Minnesota AFL-CIO Staff
- 2011 Joan Clark
- 2012 Barbara Street
- 2013 Arnie Entzel
- 2014 Mary Sansom
- 2015 Michael Madden
- **2016** Judith Atkins

### PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

Awarded to a union member or union for exhibiting unusual leadership for building a strong voice for retired union workers and their families.

- 2000 Bernard Brommer
- **2001** UFCW Local 789
- 2002 Ray Waldron, Louise Sundin
- 2003 Martha Johnson, MN State Building and Construction Trades
- 2004 Don Anderson, Gene Neuman
- 2005 Roger Carlson

History of Convention Award Reginients

- **2006** AFSCME Retiree Program, Bob Bonacorda
- **2007** Norm Moen
- 2008 Clarence (Smokey) Smekofski
- 2009 Wayne Wittman, Dick Bennett
- 2010 Charles Rike
- **2011** Minnesota Association of Letter Carriers
- 2012 Mary Benner, Locked Out Crystal Sugar Workers
- 2013 Tom Huiting, John Guyse IBEW 343
- 2014 Lois Willock & Judy Schultz
- 2015 Lois Wendt & John Forrest, IUPAT Local 10
- 2016 Buddy Robinson

### BOB BONACORDA COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to a union member or union for exhibiting unusual leadership in community service as a retiree or for retirees.

- 2001 Wayne Wittman, Opal Peterson
- 2002 Max Anderson, Doug Davis, Lucy Robinson
- 2003 Kate Stahl, Ruth Gogolin
- 2004 Ernie Jenkins, Audrey Logsdon, Stan Kowalski
- 2005 Jerry Beedle
- 2006 Tony Stelter, Fred Smoger
- 2007 Minnesota Association of Letter Carriers
- 2008 Percy Hughes
- 2009 Twila Rubenstein
- 2010 Mary Ann Beneke
- 2011 Jerry Manley
- 2012 Cheryl Jones
- 2013 Twin Cities Retires of the NC State Reg. Co. of Carpenters
- 2014 Robert Holmstrom
- 2015 Gerhard Bergmann, IUPAT
- 2016 Tom Hoppenstedt

### TOM DWYER POLITICAL SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to a union member or union for leadership in political education or action aimed at improving society to benefit working families and retirees.

- 2001 Joe Begich, Bruce Lundgren
- **2002** Jim Pearson, Joe Moren
- 2003 John Brodrick, Russ Thornell, George Farr
- 2004 Gary Berg, Tom Dwyer, Nellie Stone Johnson (posthumously)
- 2005 Ken Zelinski
- 2006 Lois Wendt
- 2007 Bernie Hesse, Gene Neuman
- 2008 John Raplinger
- 2009 Harold Weed, "Changing Face of Retirement" team
- 2010 Steve Francisco
- 2011 Dan Mikel
- **2012** Bruce Faribault
- 2013 Tom Beer, Louise Sundin, John Williams
- **2014** Jim Voytilla
- 2015 Bruce Yernberg, IUOE Local 70 and Marianne Yernberg, SEIU Local 113 & IUOE Local 70
- 2016 Katie Farber

### MARTHA JOHNSON COMMUNICATION AWARD

Awarded to a union member or union demonstrating clarity of thought, creativity and dedication in advocating a union message through the media.

- 2004 Mike Kodluboy, Ed Rapp
- 2005 Ron Cohen, Russ Thornell
- 2006 Bernard Brommer
- 2007 Roger Carlson, Larry Chadwick, Dick Nielsen
- 2008 Erv Neff, Dan Mikel
- 2009 Diane O'Brien
- 2010 Workday Minnesota
- **2011** Barb Hitzeman
- 2012 Barb Kucera
- 2013 Twin Cities Labor Chorus
- 2014 John See
- 2015 Charlie Rike, CWA 7200 retired
- 2016 Vicki Beebe & Rodney Anderson

### DON ANDERSON AFFILIATE EXCELLENCE AWARD

The Don Anderson Affiliate Excellence Award is awarded to a retiree affiliate for unusual leadership in political education, political action, and community service aimed at improving affiliate participation to benefit retirees and working families.

- 2008 St. Croix Valley Retirees, AFL-CIO Northern States Regional Council of Carpenters Retirees Branch 9 NALC
- **2011** IBEW Local 343
- 2012 Local 59, Minneapolis Teachers
- 2013 St. Croix Valley Retirees Club
- 2015 Education Minnesota Retired
- 2016 MN State Council of Machinist Retirees

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## Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO 2017 Convention Award Recommendation Form

The Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO presents awards to individuals and unions in recognition of outstanding contributions to working families and retirees. Affiliates of the Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO, may submit recommendations for these awards by completing this form and returning **no later than Friday, August 18, 2017**.

Name of nominee:	
Union:Award category (select one):	
	Retiree Council Award  Presented to a union member whose service throughout her/his lifetime has resulted in the quality of life and benefits retirees enjoy today.
	Bernard L. Brommer Leadership Award  Awarded to a union member or union for exhibiting unusual leadership building a strong voice for retired union workers and their families.
	<b>Bob Bonacorda Community Service Award</b> Awarded to a union member or union for exhibiting unusual leadership in community service as a retiree or for retirees.
	<b>Tom Dwyer Political Service Award</b> Awarded to a union member or union for leadership in political education or action aimed at improving society to benefit working families and retirees.
	Martha Johnson Communication Award  Awarded to a union member or union demonstrating clarity of thought, creativity and dedication in advocating a union message through the media.

<b>Describe the qualifications of the person you are recommending for the selected award:</b> (use additional paper if necessary, and attach)	
Nominator's signa	ature:
Union:	

## Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO 2017 Affiliate Excellence Recommendation Form

The Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO Don Anderson Affiliate Excellence Award is awarded to a retiree affiliate for unusual leadership in political education, political action, and community service aimed at improving affiliate participation to benefit retirees and working families. Affiliates of the Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO, may submit recommendations for this award by completing this form and returning **no later than Friday**, **August 18, 2017** 

Name of affiliate you are rec	commending:	
Local number:	President:	
Address:		
Contact person:	Telephone number:	
What activities has this affile	iate accomplished in political education?	
What has this affiliate accor	nplished in political action?	
What has this affiliate accon	mplished in community service?	
What other activities has thi	s affiliate accomplished that the awards committee should	d consider?
Signature of nominator:		
Union:		

## Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO Nomination Form for Election to Office, 2017

This form, **together with a one-paragraph bio**, must be submitted to the Chair of the Nominations Committee, **prior to** screening with the Committee.

The Nominations Committee will screen nominees, on August 23rd, at the Minnesota AFL-CIO office, in conjunction with the August Board meeting, and also from 9 to 10 a.m. on Sept. 27, the day of the Convention, at the Sheet Metal Workers Local 10 Hall in Maplewood.

Please note that the organization which a nominee represents must be a paid-up-to-date affiliate of the State Retiree Council.

Name:
Affiliated club or council:
What office are you seeking?
What do you believe is the biggest challenge facing the Minnesota State Retiree Council?
What role would you play in facing this challenge?
Will you be available to attend monthly board meetings?
☐ Yes ☐ No

~Use back of sheet for a one-paragraph bio to be distributed at the Convention~

Please return this form by August 18, 2017 to:

Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO 175 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55102

### **RESOLUTION FORMAT**

### - PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE -

SUBJECT:	
REFERRED TO:	(Leave open for office use)
SUBMITTED BY:	(Organization name, number and location)
WHEREAS:	; and
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	; now, therefore be it
	That the 21st Annual Convention of the Minnesota AFL-CIO, go on record (etc.)
	; and, be it further
RESOLVED: T	hat (etc.)
Signed:	ocal Union Officer)
Affiliated \	Union:

PLEASE SUBMIT RESOLUTION BY Friday, August 18, 2017.



### 2017 Convention Timetable

Friday Aug. 18

Award recommendations due

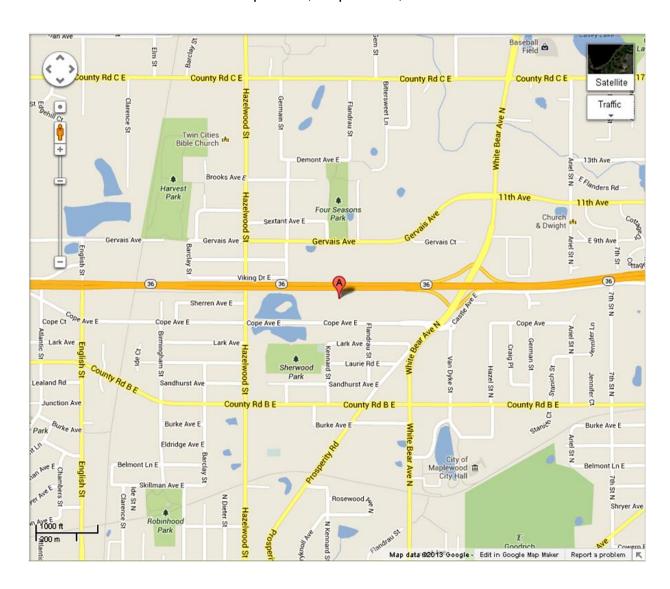
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Friday Aug. 18
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Wednesday Aug. 23
Friday Sept. 15
Wednesday Sept. 27 9 a.m 10 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
3 p.m.

### 2017 Convention Timetable

Award recommendations due	Friday Aug. 18
Officer & Director nominations due	Friday Aug. 18
Resolutions submitted to Board	Wednesday Aug. 18
Officer & Director candidate screening	Wednesday Aug. 23
Credentials due	Friday Sept. 15
CONVENTION	Wednesday Sept. 27
• Late candidate screening	9 a.m 10 a.m.
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• Late candidate screening	9 a.m 10 a.m.
<ul><li>Late candidate screening</li><li>Registration opens</li></ul>	9 a.m 10 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

### **Sheet Metal Workers Local 10**

1681 Cope Ave., Maplewood, MN 55109



## <u>Driving Directions to Local 10 hall</u> 1681 Cope Ave., Maplewood, MN

Get on Minnesota Highway 36 and drive to White Bear Avenue.

Go South on White Bear Ave. to first intersection.

Turn right (West) on Cope Ave. E.

Drive about two blocks and look on right for driveway and parking lot in front of Local 10 headquarters.

Turn into parking lot and find a place to park.



## **CONVENTION CALL**

## Minnesota State Retiree Council, AFL-CIO

**21st Annual Convention** 

Wednesday, September 27, 2017 10 a.m. — 3 p.m.

**Sheet Metal Workers Local 10 Hall 1681 Cope Ave., Maplewood, MN**