

Greetings 3937! We hope you have had a good week! Below we have information about a family budget calculator, a reminder to sign up to attend Day on the Hill 2018 on March 20th, and more!

Reminder!

Day on the Hill 2018 is next Tuesday, March 20th! Join us for a day spent with fellow union members at the Capitol to talk to your legislators! Lunch is provided, all you have to do is inform your supervisor you intend to go, sign up at [this link](#) by today (3/15) at 3pm, or if you miss the deadline send us an e-mail at afscme3937@gmail.com to be added to the list!

The Cost of Living:

The Economic Policy Institute recently released an updated family budget calculator with a wide variety of family types that covers all 611 metro areas across the country and includes costs for things like childcare, transportation, and food. What is the cost of living in your area? Find out by using the [calculator](#).

A Request for Vacation Donation

Dear Libraries Civil Service and Labor-represented employees,

Sandra Cressman is a University Libraries employee and is in need of vacation donation. If you are interested in donating vacation, please see the information below:

Vacation Donation Program: <http://policy.umn.edu/Policies/hr/Leaves/VACATIONDONATION.html>

Civil service and labor-represented staff employees are permitted to (1) donate available earned paid vacation days up to 40 hours per year to employees approved as a recipient; (donations must be in 8-hour increments). Please note that donations of vacation leave are limited to a maximum of 40 hours of paid time per calendar year. Your contribution is confidential and must be approved by your supervisor.

To Donate Vacation:

1) Complete part one - Employee's Statement of the UM 1551: Vacation Donation Contribution form

UM 1551 - Vacation Donation Program: Vacation Contribution Form ,

2) Please give the form to your supervisor to complete part two - Supervisor's Statement.

3) **Send the completed form to: Xiong Lee, Libraries HR, 499 Wilson Library
by: 03/28/2018.**

Don't forget! Every Friday is a new opportunity to show your support for the union with a little bit of fun. Wear something green this Friday! Take a selfie or have a friend take a picture and post it to our [Facebook event](#), the most interesting or creative selfie will win a prize! Show us your green socks, shirts, pants, ties, lanyards, lipstick, earrings, or scarves!

AFSCME Assembly

Fellow Assembly members:

We are holding a **full assembly meeting on Thursday, March 29 at noon, with web/video connection to all main campuses and areas**. We'll be reporting back from the 3800 planning retreat, and will have a proposed strategic and organizing plan to present, discuss, modify, and approve. We'll also talk about next steps, upcoming events and have materials ready for

distribution to our coworkers.

We'll create a google calendar invite, so please rsvp. We'll send out room numbers as soon as they've been confirmed. Please plan on attending.

For 3801 and 3937 peeps - please join us for the meeting. While this is a 3800 proposal, there are a lot of things that your locals may be interested in joining us on. :)

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at Day on the Hill on Tuesday. If you haven't signed up yet, there's still time to do so today.

in solidarity,
Cherrene

Save The Date

Steward meeting

- 2nd Wednesdays: April 12th

Organizing meeting

- 3rd Wednesdays: March 21st

Membership meeting

- 4th Wednesdays: March 28th (E-board meeting at 5:15pm immediately followed by membership meeting)

All at 5:30pm in Suite 356

[312 Central Avenue SE,](#)

[Minneapolis, MN 55414](#)

Game Nights

March 22nd location TBD

April 26th location TBD

Know of a good location? Let us know!

Happy Hours

April 5th location (this time we would like to do somewhere on West Bank!)

Day on the Hill 2018

March 20th Agenda:

1. Registration 7am-10am at St Paul River Centre on [Kellogg](#)
2. Workshops, 2 of them...beginning at 9am and 10am
3. District meetings
4. Box lunch and bus to Capitol.
5. Rotunda Rally
6. Visit your Reps and Senators
7. 5pm to 7pm Reception at River Centre.



[Our home page](#) has more information and resources such as steward contact information. Find the most current version of our contract [here](#).

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