Hello Fellow Sheet Metal Workers Retirees of Local 265

Let me get right into it. We are less than 60 days out from the mid-term elections. At last month's lunch meeting, we had Heidi Henry speak to us, and she gave her full support for organized labor. She is truly a friend of ours. She would make a GREAT Senator and help to turn this state in the right direction. It's about time we had a friend in the State house. I don't know about you, but I am sick and tired of being blamed for what is wrong in this state. So, let's get out there and get behind Ms. Heidi Henry for State Senator of the 38th district. And for you members that don't live in the 38th, tell your friends get out there and VOTE for HEIDI HENRY FOR SENATE of the 38th.

We can't forget the other great candidates that our running in our area, such as Sara Dady for congress 16 district. Lisa Dugan is running for state Rep. in our southern end of our local, from Kankakee to Coal City. So, let's get out and support them with our VOTE.

Just like to say to you guys who missed the picnic and car show at the Union Hall, you really missed something special. It was great cars, great food, great friends and a great day and not necessarily in that order. So, for next year put it on your calendar.

And now I'll change to a different subject, the weather, it has finely cooled off to where its comfortable. But if our birthday people put candles on their birthday cake I'm sure they can raise the temperature a few degrees. So here is a Giant HAPPY BIRTHDAY from all of us to those young people, Jack Bitterman, Tim Holohan, Richard Stevens, Jack Rogers, Dale Bruno, Phil Kegel, Jack Rogers, and our very own Little Larry Rositch, and last but not least Margie Vollman. Hope you all have a GREAT ONE.

Let me leave you for now with this tidbit. "With the exception of Romania, no developed country has a higher percentage of KIDS in poverty than the USA. Yet the House of Representatives has cut food stamps for people who don't have enough money to feed themselves. Listen closely. For that sound you hear is the shredding of the social contract "(Bill Moyers). So let's get out and VOTE

See you at AL's Steak House on Sept.25

Thank You Yours Truly Alfie Rodriguez