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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Local 953 has 17 contracts coming up for negotiations this fall. Eight (8) are municipals, eight (8) are REC Cooperatives, and one Telecom Unit. As we start these negotiations, management across the board are asking for concessions, give backs, or one year extensions of their existing contracts.

In further news we have filed with Wisconsin PSC for intervener status on Xcel Energy's rate increase. As a Local we are concerned that Xcel has a plan in place to deal with the aging workforce in their request for the rate increase.

Local 953 now has in place a system to automatically deduct your union dues directly from your checking account. If you would like this convenience in paying your dues, please contact Local 953's office at (715) 834-4911, Ext. #12 and we will send you information and an application for automatic dues deduction. Hopefully this system will be beneficial to all and a more convenient way to pay your union dues.

Our Annual Local 953 Golf Outing was held on Saturday, September 12, 2009, was a success. Congratulations to the La Crosse Dairyland Power Team winning the tournament; Bob Carlson, Brian "Chopper" Erickson, Chad Clark, and Steve Roffler.

For the Good of the Union; fellow Local 953 brothers, Dennis Luehman, Chad Bilderback, Todd Bergmann and Ed Mathys, volunteered to paint and assist in wiring a Habitat for Humanity house in Amery, Wisconsin. Congratulations on a job well done and appreciated by your fellow brothers and sisters.

Fraternally yours,
Arlin E. Ziemann
Business Manager/
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Pictured are Dennis Luehman, Todd Bergman, Chad Bilderback, and Ernie Mathys from Local 953 of the IBEW who performed painting and electrical work on Habitat House in Amery, WI.