

UNIFOR LOCAL 25

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Next Local 25 Membership Meeting

January 6th - 2016 @ 6 p.m.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

The Christmas season embodies a tradition of family and community. It is a period of reflection, love and charity. For some it is a religious event and others a time to connect. As trade union members we are a part of a network of workers who embrace a diverse range of cultures that enriches our lives. The core principle behind improving the lives of our families remains collective solidarity. Solidarity requires caring not just for ourselves but for the worker and his family who toils alongside, embracing our differences and believing when united our families prosper. When workers are united, we mitigate attempts to divide and exploit. When we embrace solidarity we continue a tradition

of striving to achieve respectful safe workplaces. Solidarity improves our collective strength to acquire our share of profits which puts a roof over our heads, food on the table and funds our children's education. During this period of community and reflection, Local 25 wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a loving holiday season.

In solidarity,
Justin Connolly
President Local 25

St Francis Table

Honouring the community and charity spirit of the Christmas season, Unifor Local 1996-0 President Sam Snyders invited President of Local 25 Justin Connolly to participate in their annual charity work at St Francis Table. St Francis Table is a non-profit which provides a full lunch and dinner service to the poor and needy for only \$1. The meals are funded through donations and served by volunteers. For many families attending a charity restaurant like St Francis Table is the only time they can eat out at a restaurant while for others it is the only Christmas dinner they can afford. Community and charity work are pillars of the trade union movement and it was a privilege to work with Unifor 1996-0 serving the unfortunate.

Unifor Insurance

Unifor, the largest private sector union in Canada, not only helps workers through organizing their collective strength, it also tries to help workers through non workplace initiatives. One such avenue is through trying to provide the workers with reasonable insurance and the call centre is bilingual and staffed by unionized Unifor workers. For those interested, the link is www.uniforinsurance.com or call 1-877-229-4677.

Considering Retirement?

The decision to retire is one of the most important decisions any worker can make. Retirement is a well earned choice but it can be a daunting consideration. The good news is you are not alone. While there are family, friends and colleagues you can lean on for support, there is also a large community of workers that have formed the Bell Pensioners Group. The BPG is a support network of retirees which defend the rights of the retired. This is a good resource to engage with people in a similar life situation and protect your rights. If you are considering retirement or have already made the choice to start a new chapter, the Bell Pensioners Group is a network at your disposal and can be found at www.bellpensionersgroup.ca

Regards,
Justin Connolly
President - Unifor Local 25

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Come and help make the decisions that affect you, your Local and your Union



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