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Charter Union Meeting

July 13, 2016

533 Amherst St.
Buffalo NY

10:00 AM and

7:30 PM

Agenda

- Regular Order of Business



President's Perspective **By: Vincent G. Crehan—President/Business Agent**

This past month has been busy filled with informational pickets, leafleting, etc. It has truly been a watershed moment in ATU Local 1342's 73-year history. First, I would like to say thanks for all the help our ATU International has given us so far. This battle is far from over, but I am confident we will get what we need as long as we stay united.

We had an informational picket at 181 Ellicott Street last month. What did the company do? They cancelled the NFTA Board of Commissioners meeting scheduled that day. We didn't flinch. We held our informational picket anyway. Approximately 140 people showed up in support and we got great news coverage. The next day we did leafleting at Canalside and the First Niagara Center during the 2016 NHL Draft. We passed out over 2,000

leaflets. Again, we got press coverage. What did the company do? They ordered all our union stickers be removed from all the busses and trains. Ouch! I say we don't want to be associated with the fat cats who treat us with disrespect anyway. They may have eliminated our stickers, but they will never eliminate our determination and spirit. We're not going away now or ever. We deserve a decent wage and benefits in a fair and decent contract. The fat cats get it, they pay themselves great, just not us. We are the ones who provide the service. They provide nothing but grief. Again, we will not go away!

Thank you for all the help so far. I ask you to continue to help because every single one of us are the union and we cannot afford to lose the momentum we now have in this fight. When we claim victory, it will be a

victory for you and your family. I believe the next large event we need your presence with will be the next Board of Commissioner meeting on July 28, 2016, held at 181 Ellicott Street. The time will be announced at a later date.

In case you haven't already, please "like" our Facebook page at facebook.com/ATU1342 and join our text update service by texting "atu1342" to 33733. If you have any questions about the campaign, do not hesitate to contact ATU organizer David Heller at 202-417-1794 or dheller@atu.org.

Finally, try to make the next Union meeting. It will be held on July 13, 2016 at 533 Amherst Street, Buffalo NY at 10:00 AM and 7:30 PM.

Enjoy the summer and drive safe!

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**A Message From
Kathryn Ehrig
Financial Secretary/Treasurer**



We are approaching another year without a contract. The ATU International sent David and Natalie here for a mobilizing campaign. For those that didn't get a chance to meet them David will be back in July. Chuck Watson (International Vice President) also joined us on Thursday for our informational picket. Bruce Hamilton (IVP) was here on Monday June 27, 2016

& Tuesday working on our contract.

We met with the candidates on Friday June 24, 2016 at the invitation of the WNY Labor Federation. The interviews went well and several promised to do what they can to help us settle the contract.

The company has now decided to remove our ATU stickers from the buses. For as long as I can remember those stickers

have been on our buses. They can remove all the stickers they want but they can't take ATU off the bus. You the operators, mechanics and the clerical that ride the buses are the ATU. Section 1-1 of the CBA is certainly not being followed by their most recent actions for sure.

Have a safe summer.

ATU Member Kevin Trietly is a Mechanic at the Cold Spring Shops. On May 24, 2016, Kevin's Granddaughter, Chloe Ann Miller, tragically died in an accident at home. Kevin wanted to express his appreciation and thanks to his fellow Brothers and Sisters for all the support he received.

Retired in July 2016

Chris Czaplicki
Consandra Hector
Joe Niezgoda
Dave Rabb
Rita Verso

Deceased Members

Jermiah Holmes 6/12/16
Frank Collura 6/25/16

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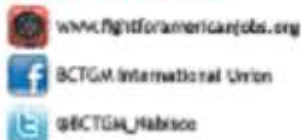
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