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TeamstersCare Notes

TeamstersCare will again be offering prostate cancer screening and flu vaccines in the fall of 2008. Specific dates will be announced in a Wellness Calendar mailing in August 2008. Watch your mailbox!

Welcome Construction Teamsters Health and Welfare Fund Members!

The Construction Teamsters merged into TeamstersCare on May 1, 2008. We look forward to providing them with the high level of service and benefit package that TeamstersCare members have long enjoyed.





Internet Safety:

Tips for Teamster Parents and Grandparents

Summer is here and this means that children have much more free time on their hands. The current social climate for our youth includes frequent use of computers and the Internet. Although the Internet is a valuable resource, the World Wide Web can also present some potential hazards to our children. Educating ourselves is an important step in reducing our children's risk of exploitation or victimization via the computer. The TeamstersCare Mental Health Office offers the following tips:

- Take a class at your local library if you are unfamiliar with the Internet so that you can talk more confidently with your child.
- Set guidelines for children before they use the Internet (see additional resources).
- Purchase filtering software that will block or restrict access to web sites you feel are inappropriate for your child.
- Become aware of the web sites your children use and the language associated with them.
- Monitor your child's online activity just as you would other activities such as movies, TV or friends.





Scenes from Teamster Kids' Hearing Screening Day

This year's annual Teamster Kids' Hearing Screening Day took place on Saturday, May 10, 2008. Nearly 20 children participated. Thankfully, no serious hearing problems were found. However, several medically treatable ear conditions were identified and referred for medical management. If you missed the event and wish to have your child evaluated, please call the TeamstersCare appointment desk in Charlestown.

- Keep the computer in an open area or family room where computer activities can be easily observed.
- Let your children know they can talk to you about anything, without feeling uncomfortable.
- Children shouldn't post their photo or include personal information on the Internet.
- Warning signs of risky Internet activity include: shutting off the computer monitor or changing screens when you enter the room, and/or your child receiving phone calls from people you don't know.
- Never allow your child to set up a meeting with someone you have not met personally.
- If your child receives a message that is harassing, threatening, or of a sexual nature, contact your local police or district attorney's office to report it.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact our confidential TeamstersCare Mental Health Office @ 1-800-851-8326

Additional resources:

Book: "Generation MySpace: Helping Your Teen Survive Online Adolescence," by Candice M. Kelsey.

Web sites: Federal Bureau of Investigation publication, "A Parent's Guide to Internet Safety," at www.fbi.gov/publications/pguide/pguide.htm.

Family contracts for online safety at www.msnbc.msn.com/id/11030951/.

Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security at

www.mass.gov/?pageID=eopstopic&L=3&L0=Home&L1=Crime+Prevention+%26+Personal+Safety&L2=Internet+Safety&sid=Eeops. Links from this page include www.netsmartz.org and www.nsteens.org.

Online Safety Tips for Teens, a division of WiredSafety, at www.teenangels.org/safety_ForTeens.html.

WiredSafety, the world's largest Internet safety and help group. WiredSafety provides help, information and education to Internet and mobile device users of all ages. We help victims of cyber abuse ranging from online fraud, cyber stalking and child safety, to hacking and malicious code attacks. We also help parents with issues, such as MySpace and cyber bullying: www.wiredsafety.org.

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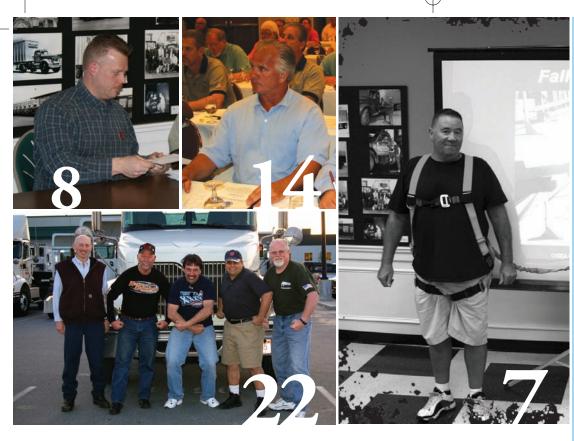
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Cover Image: President Sean O'Brien poses with Congresswomen Niki Tsongas (D-Mass) and UPS member Bill Gray before Tsongas became a Teamster for the day riding along with Gray.



VISIT THE Left Lane

The "Left Lane" is the name of the new Teamsters Local 25 Store, which is housed in the Day Room at the headquarters at 544 Main Street, Charlestown, Massachusetts.

The store features a select number of different items offered on a seasonal basis: shirts, hats, jackets and sweatshirts. There will also be specialty items available throughout the year.

The store will be open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, and one hour before and one hour after the monthly meetings.

The store will accept cash, credit card or debit card. For more information call (617) 241-9687

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Message from the President



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

As this edition of *The Spokesman* hits members' homes, we enter the final, crucial stretch in the various political campaigns, both locally and nationally.

Statewide, we have been very active in supporting candidates who back working families. This includes those candidates who have backed creating family wage jobs by supporting Governor Deval Patrick's plan to legalize casino gambling. When candidates turn their backs on working families of the Commonwealth, we have supported their challengers. In a democracy, this is how you fight to make a difference.

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I am calling on all Local 25 members to do your part by registering to vote and casting your ballots for candidates who have the courage to back policies and programs that help working families. Powerful special interests will spend millions of dollars this election year fighting such policies. We need to counter this anti-worker strategy by going to the polls and supporting the candidates who support us. If you have not registered to vote, we will be happy to send you a voter registration form.

Remember, don't let wedge issues get in the way of making the correct choices. Rather than get caught up in the debate over gun rights or gay rights, support the candidates who will fight for a strong middle class and the ability to give our children a brighter future.

On the national level, the right choice for working families is Illinois Sen. Barack Obama. I know some of you may not be convinced that Sen. Obama is the best choice for president. Brothers and sisters, Sen. Obama is the right choice. He is the right choice for America, for Massachusetts, and for all the men and women who go to work every day and who struggle to make ends meet. He is clearly the best choice for the Teamsters Union and its members. Sen. Obama will fight for passage of the Employee Free Choice Act and other pro-worker legislation.

If you haven't done so already, I urge you to join DRIVE, the Teamsters' political action committee, so that we can help pro-worker candidates win this fall.

I am happy to report that I've been appointed co-chairman of the Eastern Region UPS Freight Panel. I am excited to continue working to support UPS Freight workers who have successfully joined the union and ratified their first Teamster contract after more than a half-century struggle. I appreciate the confidence that International Vice President and Package Division Director Ken Hall has in me, and I will fight to make sure that workers' rights are upheld.

-SEAN M. O'BRIENPRESIDENT/
PRINCIPAL
OFFICER

As this edition goes to print, the national carhaul contract is going out to a vote by 9,000 carhaul members nationwide. We are sorry that our former carhaul members at PTS lost their jobs after the company shut down followed by a strike at the company. We have offered the ex-PTS members assistance, including OSHA-10 Construction Outreach training, and our support will continue. We will do whatever it takes to help them get back on their feet.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and please vote in the upcoming fall elections on September 16 and November 4.

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Sean M. O'Brien

President/Principal Officer

Business Agent

Dedicated to Our Local Union Members



Secretary-Treasurer Mark Harrington

I recently completed contract negotiations with Dry Ice Corporation. The contract is for five years and includes maintenance of benefits for health, welfare and pension benefits as well as wage and vacation improvements. I would like to

thank steward John Maskell for his assistance.

I also completed Lafarge Cement negotiations. We won maintenance of benefits regarding health, welfare and pension benefits as well as solid wage and vacation improvements. I would like to thank Steward John Henigan for his help.

Negotiations were also completed with the town of Hingham's Department of Public Works. The DPW members received a wage increase of 3 percent across-the-board as well as improvements in longevity and clothing allowances. Thanks go out to steward Pat Boyle and member Steve Dempsey.

A tentative agreement has been reached with Petro Heat and Power, which when ratified will set the pattern for other oil contracts within the jurisdiction of Local 25.

In freight, I settled a subcontracting grievance with New Penn that will expand our area of service. Hard work was put forth by stewards Tim Halloran and John Moody.

In the carhaul division, our members have faced very tough times. The strike against PTS resulted in the company's closure. We were really left with no alternative but to strike as PTS pulled out of national negotiations and demanded concessions that were unreasonable. We are working diligently to assist the displaced PTS workers.

Also in carhaul, we have also been informed that Allied, the largest carhaul employer nationally, has lost the Ford work in Framingham that our members have done for several decades. There is no loyalty from the shippers today. Our members jumped through hoops to service that account.

A tentative national carhaul agreement has been reached and is out for a vote. Ballots were sent out in mid-July and the ballot count is scheduled to take place in early August. The entire carhaul industry is facing terrible economic conditions and this contract addresses our members' main concerns about job security, wages and benefits.

I continue negotiations with a number of companies and will report on those talks in the fall.



Vice-President and Business Agent John Murphy

I am pleased to tell you that General President Jim Hoffa has appointed me as Chairman of the Eastern Region of the DHL Division. I am looking forward to serving in this new position on

behalf of the more than 600 DHL members at Local 25 and others in the East.

Also in freight, the YRC Corporation change of operations was recently approved by the International Union's Freight Division. This affects our freight members at Yellow and Roadway Express. I think this will have a positive effect for our members and hopefully will help the companies improve service within their service lanes.

I'm waiting for the ballots to be sent out to members at AEI/DHL Global Forwarding for the national contract and the supplement.

I've been given a couple of new assignments as business agent representing the members at Boston Sand & Gravel and at Safway Scaffolding in Braintree. I'm looking forward to meeting all the workers at these workplaces and helping them with any problems they may face.

A grievance case filed on behalf of UPS Cartage Inc. workers involving the 3-percent pay increase deadlocked at the regional panel and will now be moving to the national panel. I look forward to getting this issue resolved in a positive way.

I'm currently in contract negotiations on behalf of the Massport Authority service maintenance employees. These talks affect 400 members, and I will fight to make sure the workers' interests are protected.

The national DHL Express contract was ratified recently and the company has 90 days to post the 90/10 bids and 30 days to implement the bids.

Reports



Business Agent
Bob McAllister

Since my last report, I settled the contract with Manfi Leasing for the Stop & Shop drivers. It is an addendum to the National Master Freight Agreement. We maintained the top health and welfare benefits, as well as the top pension benefits. We also

got significant wage increases over the five years of the contract. We also strengthened seniority language and added 27 more bid starts with weekend days off. The contract was ratified by a vote of 205-6. I want to thank my committee of Jay Manley, Mark Sullivan and John Curtin for their hard work.

I also completed the contract with Stop & Shop for the fleet mechanics. We got top wage increases over five years. Some of the members will receive \$3.75 in wage increases over the life of the agreement as well as the top health and welfare benefits. Also, the company increased their contribution by 10 percent in order to satisfy the maintenance of benefits for the pension. We increased the new hire wage progression and got sick days for all employees. Thanks to Steward Tim Godfrey who did a great job as we went up against the company's committee of seven.

I have been in negotiations with Hertz over the past month. Healthcare and wages are the main issues. I will be wrapping up the St. Michael's Cemetery contract soon. I will be opening up with National car rental in the coming weeks.

I recently negotiated an agreement with GAF Materials that will keep the shipping and distribution department open in Millis. We will be able to maintain about six members. With the assistance of Steward Joe Cormican, we unanimously ratified a new five-year contract that called for significant wage increases as well as maintaining Teamsters health and welfare benefits while reducing the cost to the members.

As you know, with the cost of fuel out of control, the airlines have been taking a big hit. This will have a negative impact on our members at Continental, Air Canada and our newest members at United.

I am working toe that the rights of these members are protected should there be any job reductions here in Boston.



Business Agent George Slicis

Like Local 25's other business agents, I have been busy with contracts this year.

The priority in all of the contracts is protecting health care, pensions and wages. Each set of negotiations is tough during these diffi-

cult economic times. I negotiated a contract with Delaney Linens in Watertown, which has been ratified. It is a five-year deal with full coverage of the Teamsters health and welfare benefits, a 10-percent increase in pension contributions each year and 50 cents per year for wage increases. The guys were happy and all voted yes.

I also negotiated a contract with Crown Linen services in South Boston, which has been ratified. They also have a five-year deal with full coverage of the Teamsters health and welfare benefits, a 10-percent increase each year in pension contributions as well as increases in the commission schedule. This was also ratified by a 100-percent margin.

I negotiated a tentative agreement with Aramark uniform service in Lawrence, which was recently ratified. They will also get full coverage of the Teamsters health and welfare benefits, a 10-percent increase per year toward the pension, and were able to get wage increases for the hourly employees while raising the commission rates with some sales- incentives language. I also got some letters of understanding with some work-related issues that needed to get resolved.

I also negotiated, and the workers ratified, a one-year deal with Good Humor Breyers ice cream in Framingham. The workers got full coverage of the Teamsters health and welfare benefits as well as 65 cents in wage increases. The company had asked for a one-year extension due to new management changes and wasn't sure of the direction the company was going at this time. We also got a severance package that will protect the employees and we will start negotiations early in 2009 for a long-term contract.

I recently started negotiations with Angelica Textiles in Somerville. I hope to get them a good long-term contract as well.

I am also working on a new contract for the town of Sudbury 9-1-1 operators. It is going slow because of all the boilerplate language that needs to be implemented, but we will get it done. Public sector bargaining is a whole new animal to me and it has been a learning experience.

Business Agent Reports



Business Agent
Tom Mari

I have been in negotiations with many of the employers of my bargaining units over the past three

I have finished up negotiations with Brookline 9-1-1, in which we completed a four-year contract that

we secured a "four and two" work schedule, which was our number-one priority during these sessions. The "four and two" work schedule means that each member will receive 17 more paid days each year.

Negotiations with the Boston Globe are also completed, and we secured the maintenance of benefits for the health and welfare, and a 10-percent increase in pension contributions.

I have finished negotiations with the town of Melrose for the school administrators. We secured many gains in this deal, such as yearly wage increases, increases in longevity and increases in education incentives. Also, we brought five of the 13 members' wages up by more than \$10,000 annually to give them parity with the rest of the department heads.

I am proud to report that I have finished negotiations with the newly organized Kraft Power group. These members proved that when you vote to become Teamsters Local 25 members by a 17-2 vote, you send a clear message to the company that when negotiations start, we are unified. We secured a first contract that has many protections of a much more mature contract, such as overtime after eight hours, plus double time after 12 hours, four-hour minimum emergency calls, guaranteed start times, and most importantly, we secured Teamsters Local 25 Health and Welfare, which is a far superior benefit than what these members were receiving.

These new members will receive a 3.5-percent raise in the first year, 3 percent in year two, and 3 percent in year three. We secured set rates for each classification. Before we had a contract, the company had techs that were equally qualified and in some cases were being paid more than a dollar an hour different. Now all things are equal.

I want to thank all my negotiating committees for their support and resolve during these hard-fought contract negotiations.



Business AgentRobert Fabrizio

I am happy to report that this past March, I came to a tentative agreement with Kiessling Transit, a newly organized company in Braintree, Massachusetts. Kiessling Transit provides door-to-door service to passengers with disabilities. They are

one of four privately owned companies that have contracts with the M.B.T.A.

The program is called The Ride. The drivers either drive sedans or vans to transport disabled passengers. There are approximately 125 drivers currently and the company is growing. The drivers ratified their first contract on March 16 by a 25-1 vote.

The next day, our Organizing Department got a call saying the dispatchers and schedulers wanted to join the union. Within two weeks, they were accreted into the driver's contract along with the call takers, which brings up the total of new members to 152.

Kiessling was the last company to be organized that falls under The Ride program. Veterans Taxi out of Waltham was one of the first. They have close to 200 drivers. Joint Venture, based out of Jamaica Plain, where we represent approximately 111 members, includes drivers along with the dispatchers, schedulers and reservationists. Teamsters Local 42 represents G.L.S.S, (Greater Lynn Senior Services) which is up in the North Shore.

I am pleased to announce that the members of Romanow Container, a corrugated cardboard company in Westwood, Massachusetts, overwhelmingly ratified their new five-year contract on May 31, which included increases in wages along with increases in pension contributions and a three-year freeze on the employee health-care premiums.

Congratulations to the members of the town of Cohasset 9-1-1 safety dispatchers, They recently ratified a new three-year contract, which includes yearly wage increases, a new shift differential, along with trainers' pay.

The contract for Stop & Shop distribution in Freetown, Massachusetts expires next April, and as we all know, April will be here before you know it. The surveys were already sent out months ago. I am in the process of putting together the committee as of this writing, and the next step is to have our proposal meeting around the end of August or early September. I would like to encourage each and every one of you who work at Stop & Shop distribution to participate in preparing for these important upcoming negotiations.



Business Agent Dave Pietroforte

It's been a busy late spring and early summer for me when it comes to negotiating contracts, but the effort has paid off for our members.

At MS Walker in Norwood, I negotiated a three-year contract

that protected workers' health, welfare and pension benefits and contained solid wage gains. The members later ratified the deal. Similarly successful contracts were negotiated and ratified at U.S. Foods in Everett; City of Everett's City Services Department; Arrow Paper in Wilmington; Mystic Island Trans (five-year contract) in Woburn; Minuteman Trans (five-year contract) in Andover; Gilman Brothers in Norwood; Millbrook Cold Storage in Somerville; and RIS Paper in Woburn. I want to thank all the members who took part in the process and also for standing with me every step of the way. The hard work these past months have resulted in more security for you and your families during this very difficult economic period.

At Costa Fruit in Charlestown, negotiations are going slower and we're still fighting to resolve the key issues, but hopefully there will be a breakthrough soon. I'm also still negotiating a new contract at Paul Revere Trans in Chelsea.

I'm sorry to report that a 94-year-old Massachusetts institution, Brigham's Ice Cream, closed down. Brigham's sold its brand name to H.P. Hood and its stores to a Maryland company. The company gave workers vacation pay, sick days and personal time that was owed to them this year and next, but 30 of our members were left without jobs. We're trying to get the company to abide by language in the contract related to the severance packages and successor language. That fight continues. Brigham's closure is a major loss to our members, their families and the community in general. We've also helped the displaced members with training, including help getting them their CDLs through the Local 25 driver training school.

In the public sector, I negotiated a contract for the town of Acton 9-1-1 operators, which workers ratified 7-0. The three-year deal provides the workers with retroactive pay and step-pay increases and an overall 12-percent wage increase over three years.

I also settled two more arbitration cases involving city of Everett employees. The first resulted in a 2-percent step increase affecting eight City Services Department workers. The second helped eight workers get paid for back holidays at time-and-a-half.

At U.S. Foods, I have filed three arbitration cases. Two involve unjust suspensions, the third a bid infraction.



Business Representative Gerry Godin

I have been busy recently negotiating contracts at several companies. The successful negotiations include Bradco Supply in Woburn and in Chelmsford; Waltham Lime & Cement; Arlington Coal and Lumber; Brockway-Smith in

Andover; North American Industries in Woburn; O.B. Hill in Allston; and the newly organized Admiral Roofing in Woburn.

We made significant gains in every one of the contracts and we didn't give anything back to the employers. For example, at Admiral Roofing, we won raises between \$1 and \$9 an hour that took effect immediately. We also got the workers into the Teamster pension plan. At Arlington Coal and Lumber, we got the workers into the Teamsters Health and Welfare plan. Thank you to all the workers for your support over these past several months.

I recently settled three arbitration cases at solid waste giant Waste Management. We settled two cases favorably early on in the process and we won the third case, so all three ended well for our members. Two cases involved terminations while the third had to do with discipline connected to an alleged failure to complete a work shift. We will continue fighting to protect our members' rights through the arbitration process when necessary.

I'm happy to report that under the guidance of Local 25 President Sean O'Brien, we're getting more construction-related work for Local 25 Teamsters. At Logan Airport in Boston, where crews are building more runways, we have four members who are driving at the site. We also took over a commercial job in Dedham, creating six Teamster driving jobs. At the train station in Westwood, we got six driving jobs for our members. We will continue to fight for more Teamster jobs in the construction industry—this is our work.

We helped Capital Waste in Revere, a solid waste company, win the garbage-collection contracts in Weymouth, Quincy and Braintree. This has resulted in 30 more Teamster jobs.

EXAMPLE DHL MembersRatify National Contract

Hoffa Appoints Local 25 Vice President John Murphy to Key Position

ore than 7,000 Teamsters working at DHL Express, including about 600 DHL workers who belong to Local 25, ratified their first national agreement in May.

The national contract was ratified by a solid 82 percent margin.

"The vote from DHL
Express members is a strong
signal of support," said Jim
Hoffa, Teamsters General
President. "We were determined
to obtain the best contract that
we could for members, and I
believe we have achieved that. I
thank our national negotiating
committee and our members
on a job well done."

"This contract is good news for our 600-plus DHL workers here at Local 25," said John Murphy, Local 25 Vice President and business agent. "Our hardworking members at DHL will benefit from the

improved wages and benefits, and the improved working conditions."

The contract also strengthens job security for drivers, freight handlers, warehouse workers, clerical workers and call center representatives at dozens of DHL Express locations across the U.S.

Murphy Selected Chairman

Meanwhile, Hoffa appointed Local 25 Vice President John Murphy to serve as the Chairman of the Eastern Region for the DHL Express Division.

"I'm very proud to be appointed to this new position and I look forward to serving the DHL Teamsters in the East," Murphy said.

The five-year contract expires on March 31, 2013. Among the national contract's highlights: annual wage and benefit increases, including \$8.35

over the term of the contract for pick up-and-delivery and clerical workers; all health-and-welfare and pension funds are maintained for current employees; a cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, applies to all employees and operations covered by the new

agreement.

"This is a great agreement. We protected what we already had and we've gained more," said Patti McGuckin, a DHL dock agent and member of Teamsters Local 299 in Detroit. "We're getting steady wage increases, and our pension and health-and-welfare plans are protected."

"I can't help but think that this is going to be a good thing for everybody," said Sam Conover, a DHL driver and member of Teamsters Local 135 in Indianapolis. "I believe this helps the company by giving them some avenues to do

some cost-saving. At the same time, our jobs have been protected and this is the strongest wage-andbenefit package I've seen as a Teamster."

Negotiations took place in a difficult environment: Since purchasing Airborne Express in 2003, DHL has lost billions of dollars in the U.S., including \$900 million last year. Under these difficult conditions, the Teamsters negotiating committee secured an agreement that significantly raises workers' wages and provides a path for further organizing at DHL.

"I am very happy with the way our local union handled these negotiations." Said Jerry Wright, Steward from DHL in So. Boston. "President Sean O'Brien, Business Agents Tom Mari and John Murphy fought hard for the members in the East"

In total, approximately 55.4 percent of eligible workers voted on the contract.



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Other Available Classes

Digital Camera

8/2 & 8/9 Saturdays, 10-12pm

8/21 & 8/28 Thursdays, 7-9 pm

Buying a Computer

8/16

Saturday, 10-12pm

Internet/Email

9/6-11/15

Saturdays, 1-3pm *2 month course

Computer Basics

9/6 - 11/15 Saturdays, 10-12 pm *2 month course

Microsoft Word

9/2 - 11/4Tuesdays, 7-9 pm *2 month course

Intermediate Computer Skills

9/4 - 11/6Thursdays, 7-9pm *2 month course

Ebay

8/14

Thursday, 7-9 pm

8/30

Saturday, 10-12 pm

For more information please contact Joe DeBlasi.

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n Sunday, June 22, 2008, an eight-hour hazardous materials transportation safety course was offered to all Local 25 members working at Massport's land, air and seaport in Boston. International Brotherhood of Teamsters Safety Instructor Richard Lindsay conducted the class.

"I commend the six participants from Massport who attended the training class," said Sean M. O'Brien, Local 25 President. "It is important that our members are properly trained in the workplace, both to protect themselves and their coworkers."

In attendance were: Dave Theroux, Paul Dodge, Robert Taylor, Paul Coronite, Paul DiRico and Philip Abdoo.

The course is specifically designed to fulfill the DOT hazmat awareness and security awareness training requirements of workers who work at, and frequently enter, the nation's airports and seaports. The training enables workers to protect themselves and their coworkers by recognizing hazmat emergencies and security threats. Upon completion, each worker receives a card that certifies compliance with both the DOT hazmat and security awareness training requirements. This card is good for three years, after which time DOT requires workers to take this training again.

On Wednesday, June 25, 2008, an OSHA-10 Construction Outreach Training Program was offered to the displaced PTS carhaul drivers. "In order to make a transition into the construction industry, these drivers need an OSHA-10 Construction Card with them at all times. We expedited the training for these members," O'Brien said.



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Teamsters Nearing Goal of Representing 12,600 Workers

In four months, more than 11,000 UPS Freight drivers and dockworkers in 40 states have signed cards to become Teamsters, the largest organizing victory in the freight industry in 25 years.

More than 9,900 of these workers have already ratified a new contract which improves wages, benefits and working conditions. The Teamsters won a card-check agreement from UPS in December 2007, and began collecting cards from UPS Freight (formerly Overnite Transportation) workers on January 16, 2008.

"The determination and dedication of these workers to join the Teamsters is tremendous," said Teamsters General President Jim Hoffa. "We are proud to represent them and we are closer to our goal of representing 12,600 UPS Freight workers."

"To have organized more than 11,000 workers in such a short amount of time continues to amaze me," said Teamsters Package Division Director Ken Hall. "These employees work tirelessly for UPS Freight and they should be rewarded with

good wages and benefits."

In the latest victories, workers will be joining: Local 624 in Santa Rosa, California; Local 512 in Jacksonville, Florida; Local 983 in Pocatello, Idaho and Local 483 in Boise, Idaho, which includes the Twin Falls terminal; Local 279 in Decatur, Illinois; Local 568 in Shreveport, Louisiana; Local 891 in Jackson, Mississippi; and Local 492 in Albuquerque, New Mexico, which includes the Farmington and Albuquerque terminals.

"We can now look forward to better job protection and better workplace conditions, and we welcome them," said Joe Shaw, newly elected Local 25 Steward at UPS-Freight in Billerica, Massachusetts.

"This proves that workers who want to join a union can come together and organize to get the job done," said Sean M. O'Brien, President of Local 25. "The UPS Freight employees worked long and hard to get representation and it's a relief for them to finally be Teamsters,"

A majority of UPS Freight workers in

40 states have submitted cards: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Victories have come in numerous large cities, including Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Memphis, Minneapolis, Nashville, Oakland, Orlando, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Raleigh, Sacramento, Salt Lake City, San Diego, San Jose, St. Louis and Washington, D.C.

President O'Brien has been named co-chair of the Eastern Regional UPS-Freight hearings.













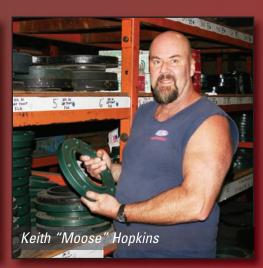
INDEPENDENT PIPE AND SUPPLY CORP. (IP&S) has risen over the last four generations to become one of the largest family owned industrial PVF houses in New England. As the premier distributor of industrial pipe, they represent the top suppliers in providing a comprehensive product range: pipe, strainers, backflow preventers, steam traps, commercial equipment, valves, instrumentation, fittings & flanges, fire protection and specialties such as gaskets, pipe tools and machines, expansion joints and more.

Local 25 represents 30 truck drivers and warehousemen at Independent Pipe.

"These guys are the best, it is a pleasure to serve them, they are true Teamsters." —Gerry Godin, Business Representative, Teamsters Local 25







Calendar of Events

	August 4	International Brotherhood of Teamsters Organized, 1903
August 2008	August 22	International Brotherhood of Teamsters joins American Federation of Labor, 1920
1108000 2000	August 26	Women's Equality Day, 19th Amendment, 1920
	August 27	Last day to register to VOTE in the Massachusetts State Primary on September 16th, 2008
	September 1	Labor Day
	September 2	Ramadan
	September 7	Grandparent's Day
	September 11	Patriot Day
	September 16	Primary Day (Massachusetts) (Please Vote for Teamsters Local 25 endorsed candidates)
September 2008	September 21	General Membership Meeting 10:00 A.M. Union Hall, 544 Main Street Charlestown, MA 02129
	September 27	Blood Bank 9:00 A.M. − 2:00 P.M. Union Hall, 544 Main Street Charlestown, MA 02129
		Teamsters Local 25 Charity Golf Tournament Windham Country Club, Windham, NH
		Change-To-Win Coalition formed 2005
	September 28	Teamsters Local 25 Organized in 1900
	September 30	Rosh Hashanah
	October 9	Yom Kipper
	October 13	Columbus Day
	October 15	Last day to register to VOTE in the Massachusetts General Election on November 4, 2008
	October 18	Flu Shot Vaccines Charlestown, MA 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
October 2008	October 19	General Membership Meeting 10:00 A.M. Union Hall, 544 Main Street Charlestown, MA 02129
		"WALK NOW FOR AUTISM", Suffolk Downs
	October 25	Blood Bank 9:00 A.M. − 2:00 P.M.Union Hall, 544 Main Street Charlestown, MA 02129
	October 25 & 26	"Strike Out Autism" Candlepin Bowling Tourney Bowl-A-Drome Woburn, Massachusetts
	October 26	Mother-In-Law Day
	October 31	Halloween

Local 25 Business Agents Busy Ratifying Contracts



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Teamsters Local 25 has been busy ratifying "white paper" contracts and new agreements since the last issue. We have successfully ratified in 2008.

Admiral Roofing Aramark Uniform Arlington Coal & Lumber Boston Globe Bradco Supply Brockway-Smith Catalano Brothers City of Everett City Services Crown Linen Delaney Linens DiSilva Transportation Dry Ice Corporation GAF Shipping and Distribution Gilman (Charles) **Good Humor Bryers Heating Oil Partners** Hertz **Kiessling Transit Kraft Power Lafarge North America** Laidlaw/First Student M.S. Walker **Manfi Leasing** Manfi Leasing (Supermarket Division) **Melrose School Administrators** Minuteman Leasing-(Raytheon) **Mystic Island Transportation** -Woburn Location **New England Millwork North American Industries O.B. Hill Rigging Petroleum Heat & Power Mechanics & Service Technicians Rigging Division Ris Paper Romanow Container Somerville Housing Authority Police** Stop + Shop Fleet Maintenance **Town of Brookline 911 Town of Cohasset 9-11 Town of Hingham DPW Town of North Reading Police**

UPS Freight

US Foodservice

Waltham Lime & Cement

Woburn, Mass Lawrence, Mass Arlington, Mass **Dorchester, Mass** Woburn & Chelmsford, Mass Andover, Mass Aver, Mass **Everett, Mass South Boston, Mass** Watertown, Mass **Burlington, Mass Rockland, Mass** Millis, Mass Norwood, Mass Framingham, Mass Chelsea, Mass **East Boston, Mass** Braintree, Mass Woburn, Mass Charlestown, Mass **Newton, Mass** Norwood, Mass Walpole, Mass Freetown, Mass Melrose, Mass **Andover, Mass**

Avon, Mass Dorchester, Mass Woburn, Mass Allston, Mass

Chelsea, Mass
Boston Area
Woburn, Mass
Westwood, Mass
Somerville, Mass
Freetown, Mass
Brookline, Mass
Cohasset, Mass
Hingham, Mass
North Reading, Mass
Billerica, Mass
Everett, Mass
Waltham, Mass



"Politics Powers Organizing ... Organizing Powers Politics" is

the mantra of the upcoming federal and state elections in the fall of 2008.

As a result of the Destination Resort Casino defeat on Beacon Hill, Local 25 has

turned up the political volume and targeted incumbents for voting against the casino bill.

"We have found candidates to run against a few of our political enemies," said Sean M. O'Brien, President and Principal Officer

of Local 25. "It is important to stand up for what you believe in and we have aligned ourselves with some very viable candidates."

Local 25 has endorsed the following challengers:

Chris DiBella, who is running against first termer Linda Dean Campbell in Methuen.

"I want you to know I am a staunch supporter of unions. I was raised in a decidedly blue-collar family with many of my family members being union members. My father, Sal DiBella, has been a brother member of the International Union of Operating Engineers and the Teamsters for almost 40 years. I assure you I understand, firsthand, how the union has helped our family and others in our

community. I will certainly support any legislation that will favor unions continuing to support their members and our community. I believe the union's interests are our interests," said DiBella, candidate for State Representative in the 15th Essex District (Methuen).

He is the first member of the DiBella family to receive a college education (Boston University). DiBella went on to receive his master's degree in business administration (Suffolk University), and a Juris Doctorate (Suffolk University). Today, he operates his own full-service law firm. Prior to starting his law firm, he was a

consultant and a prosecutor in the district attorney's office.

"It is very important to Teamsters Local 25 that elected officials act responsibly and support legislation that creates jobs," O'Brien said. "The incumbent, Linda Dean-Campbell, voted against the Casino Jobs Bill that would have created thousands of jobs and would have secured more local aid for Methuen. We need responsible legislators in the Statehouse, not politicians who tow the line for the speaker of the house."

Patrick McCabe is challenging longtime political insider Paul Donato in Medford and Malden.

McCabe is currently an Organizing and Communications Director for SEIU Local 1984, where on a daily basis he encourages people to stand up for their rights in the workplace.

"I am honored that an organization with such a long history of dedication and service to the American worker considers me worthy of its endorsement," offered McCabe. McCabe is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and spent seven years in the Army, including time as a company commander of the 101st Airborne Division in Kosovo.

"With enthusiasm and confidence, Teamsters Local 25 proudly endorses the candidacy of Patrick McCabe for state representative in Medford and Malden," O'Brien said. "As a union member himself, Patrick McCabe understands what our members require from a state representative. We recently witnessed some very irresponsible behavior and a missed opportunity by the incumbent, Rep. Paul Donato, during the Casino Jobs Bill defeat."

Christopher Walsh is challenging Pam Richardson in the town of Framingham.

"The election this fall is about candidates who will vote responsibly for our agenda on Beacon Hill," O'Brien said.
"Too many elected officials have put their political interests above those of working families and their constituents. We believe

Chris will fight on our behalf."

"Jobs and the economy are the top issues in Massachusetts and in Framingham. There is nothing on the table in the Commonwealth with the potential to create more than 20,000 near-term and 7,500 permanent jobs and simultaneously generate tens of millions of dollars for transportation infrastructure, social services and property tax relief as will the governor's destination casino legislation," Walsh said.

Walsh, a Democrat, is committed to improving the lives of working families in the Massachusetts 6th Middlesex District.





With more than 15 years in town and regional leadership positions, Walsh is running to energize the economy by creating and preserving high wage jobs, tackle inequities faced by Metrowest taxpayers and commuters, find solutions for funding challenges faced by our schools, and preserve the quality of life in Metrowest through rational redevelopment and innovative transportation solutions.

Walsh, an architect, and his wife Cindy own small businesses in Framingham and have created jobs, met

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payrolls and educated their children in the Framingham public schools. As a Town Meeting member and community leader, he knows how to listen, collaborate and find solutions that benefit working families, employers and home owners. Walsh is the son of Sheila and retired U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Jack Walsh.

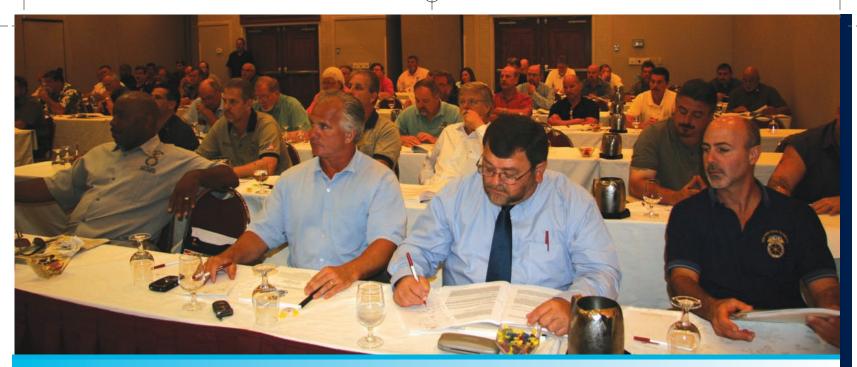
The International Brotherhood of Teamsters Executive Board has endorsed Sen. Barack Obama for president of the United States.

"Sen. Obama understands the chal-

lenges working people face every day," said Jim Hoffa, Teamsters General President. "He is the candidate in the best position to lead our movement to restore the American dream for working people in this country. Sen. Obama will fight for better wages, real health care reform, stronger retirement security, fair trade and an end to the outsourcing of good jobs. He understands the importance of giving workers a voice at work and will fight for strong unions to help rebuild America's middle class."

ndorsed Candidates

	Second Middlesex House	Open	Chelmsford, Westford
iger	Second Worcester Senate	Open	Auburn, Grafton, Leicester, Millbury, Shrewsbury and Upton
	Eighth Essex House	Challenger	Swampscott
	Fifteenth Suffolk House	Challenger	Brookline-Mission Hill
edon	Eleventh Plymouth House	Incumbent	Brockton
Bella	Fifteenth Essex House	Challenger	Methuen
II, Jr.	Fifth Norfolk House	Incumbent	Braintree
Flanagan	Worcester & Middlesex Senate	Open	Leominster
	Sixteenth Worcester House	Incumbent	Worcester
е	Twenty-Second Middlesex House	Incumbent	Billerica
oire	Fourth Middlesex House	Open	Marlboro
erg	Fifth Essex House	Challenger	Lynn - Gloucester
е	Thirty-Fifth Middlesex House	Challenger	Medford - Malden
	Eighth Middlesex House	Open	Holliston & Hopkinton
	Thirtieth Middlesex House	Incumbent	Woburn, Reading, Stoneham
on, Jr.	Twelfth Worcester House	Incumbent	Boylston, Clinton
0	Twelfth Hampden House	Incumbent	East Longmeadow
	Second Worcester House	Incumbent	Gardner
е	Ninth Norfolk House	Challenger	Wrentham
mith	Twenty-Eighth Middlesex House	Incumbent	Everett
ey, Jr.	Twenty-Sixth Middlesex House	Incumbent	Cambridge
	Thirty-Fourth Middlesex House	Challenger	Somerville, Medford
alsh	Sixth Middlesex House	Challenger	Framingham
	First Middlesex House	Challenger	Ayer, Dunstable, Groton, Pepperell and Townsend



Leaders of Carhaul Local Unions Overwhelmingly Endorse Tentative Agreement

Local 25 Secretary-Treasurer Mark Harrington Attends Meeting

eaders of carhaul local unions from across the country, including Local 25 Secretary-Treasurer Mark Harrington, unanimously endorsed the tentative National Master Automobile Transporters Agreement (NMATA) on July 2 in Detroit, paving the way for members to vote on the contract later this month.

At press time, ballots were scheduled to be mailed out to members on or about July 14, and ballots were tentatively scheduled to be counted on August 4.

The tentative agreement secures a record level of employer contributions for health, welfare and pension benefits, which are the best in the carhaul industry. Plus, there are no additional costs to members. The agreement also protects against wage cuts that were proposed by the employers with freezes for the next two years but includes wage increases in the last year of the agreement.

PTS is not part of the agreement. The company pulled out of talks before the tentative agreement was reached and announced it was shutting after the Teamsters went on strike against PTS.

"The auto industry and the nation as a whole are gripped by economic turmoil right now, but this contract addresses our members' job security, benefits and wages, which were their top priorities," said Fred Zuckerman, Director of the Teamsters Carhaul Division and co-chairman of the Teamsters National Automobile Transporters Industry Negotiating Committee.

"The tentative agreement will help grow the industry and give our members a fighting chance," Zuckerman said. "This is a three-year contract and will get us through this tough period and help create a more secure future for our carhaul members."

"I plan to hold a meeting at Local 25 to review the tentative agreement with our members," Harrington said. "Our industry is facing a tough time right now, and our members are very concerned about the future."

Tough Times

The tentative agreement addresses members' concerns at a very difficult time. There has been a steep decline in demand for the Detroit Three's large vehicles that have been their main source of sales and profits. The Detroit Three now face the prospect of higher cash outflows to offset lower revenue, as well as additional costs for restructuring and raw materials, and rising expenditures to develop more-fuel-efficient products.

To stimulate sales, GM has announced pricing incentives for the summer months. In announcing the sales blitz, GM also said it would cut production of slow-selling pickups and SUVs by an additional 170,000 vehicles this year and increase by about 50,000 its output of fuelefficient cars and crossovers, which are in short supply at many dealerships. It was the second time in June that GM has revealed plans to build fewer trucks and more small cars. Ford Motor Co. made a similar announcement a few days earlier.

Making matters worse, Ford and GM's credit operations, which buoyed the auto makers in the past, are now suffering losses on truck loans and leases as a result of declining values for used vehicles.

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A Message from Steven R. Sullivan

Director of Organizing & Government Affairs

The Organizing Department has been burning the midnight oil on a number of campaigns.

Since my last report we had a 14-1 victory at Penske Logistics/Cardinal Health. A special thanks to Organizer Steve South for a job well done. "It was great to see these drivers vote in support of our local union," reflected Sean M. O'Brien, President and Principal Officer of Local 25. "We returned to our roots with these truck drivers from Penske." A special recognition to Sekou Brown for his assistance in this campaign. Brown was the lead organizer in the Penske "Hikers" election in 2005.

We lost an election with Inspectorate by a 6-4 vote. Inspectorate is an independent testing laboratory catering specifically to the oil, gas and petrochemical industry. They offer an extensive range of inspection, testing and consultancy services at every major loading, discharge and STS location in the world. We filed objections to the election at the NLRB. The company gave out raises and increased their car allowances the day before they were to vote.

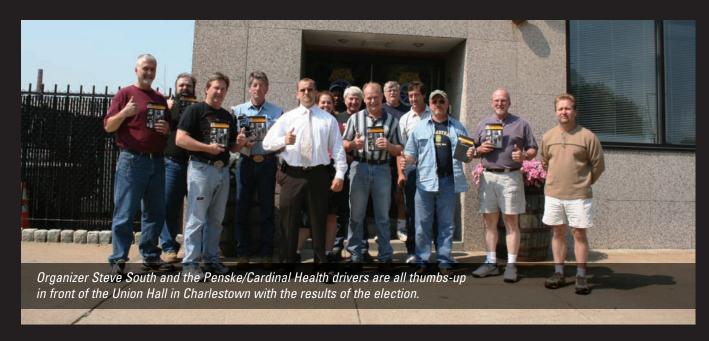
We recently received a favorable decision at the NLRB with our petition for Horizon Air Freight of East Boston. After three full days of hearings and multiple witnesses testifying, the NLRB found in our favor, and called for an election for all full-time and part-time drivers. The com-



Left to right: Sekou Brown, Elton Heraldo, Frank Torres, John Ford, stand in front of a Penske truck.

pany claimed a "community of interest" with the ware-house, dispatchers and couriers. As a result of the positive decision, the list of eligible voters dropped from 71 to 50. We will be voting sometime in August 2008.

UPS Somerville Steward Jim Donovan was pulled out of work on May 1, 2008 to work on the FedEx mechanics national campaign. He has been on the road in Memphis, Tennessee to gauge the interest of the airline mechanics and vehicle maintenance mechanics. "I have personally spoken to more than 300 mechanics of the 5,000 nation-wide," Donovan said. "These workers seem very interested in becoming Teamsters. After Local 25's victory at FedEx Home Delivery in Wilmington, Massachusetts, they now feel empowered in their workplace." The International Brotherhood of Teamsters will be deciding soon whether they will file for a National Railway Labor Act election at FedEx.



And the Winner Is...

ur 2008 Scholarship Ceremony was held on Sunday, May 18, 2008, during our General Membership meeting. This year was a special one for Teamsters Local 25. We awarded close to \$60,000 to 28 children of our members. Each student will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to help defray the rising tuition cost. This is the most we have ever awarded due to the help of our eight Sponsored Scholarships. We are very proud to be able to support our members' children with their higher education. Teamsters

Local 25's goal is to be able to provide many more scholarships to our membership in the future.

President O'Brien presented each student a scholarship plaque in front of the membership. Then President O'Brien surprised the recipients with a drawing of two Dell laptops, which were generously donated by Sea Change Systems Inc. President O'Brien had Joe Conti, President of the Retiree Chapter, pull the two lucky winning entries. They were Frank O'Laughlin and John Sullivan Jr.



Sponsored Scholarships are as follows:

- · George Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship Award
- Kevin F. Harrington Sr. Scholarship Award
- · Joseph C. Conlon Memorial Scholarship Award
- Feinberg, Campbell & Zack Scholarship Award
- Teamsters Local 25 Group Legal Services Plan Scholarship Award
- Teamsters Local 25 Retiree Chapter Scholarship Award
- The Francis Ciccarelli Memorial Scholarship Award
- Aetna Labor Division Scholarship

HighSchool College Member Student **Company** Rockland High School Westfield State College Joseph Bonito Manfi Leasing(Prime Source) Marissa Bonito Shawn Bryan Tewksbury Memorial High School University of New Hampshire Fred Bryan **Continental Airlines** Arlington Catholic High School Salve Regina University Paul Calabrese Charles Gilman & Sons Samantha Calabrese DiSilva Transportation John Caldarella Lexington High School Westfield State College John Caldarella Joseph Christie Norwood High School Georgetown University Ronald Christie, Sr. **UPS-Norwood** Norwood High School Georgetown University Ronald Christie, Sr. **UPS-Norwood** Ronald Christie, Jr. Paul Amoroso, Jr. Jessica Daigle Oakmont Regional High School Wellesley College Retiree Janelle Downey Saugus High School Massachusetts College of Art & Design Fred Downey **UPS-Somerville Boston Latin School** Christopher Fennell University of Massachusetts, Amherst **Donald Fennell** Massport Authority Jamie Flaherty The Bromfield School LaFayette College James Flaherty, Jr. **UPS-Chelmsford** Kristen Gagalis Winchester High School **Emory University** Steve Gagalis City of Cambridge Matthew Galewski Whitman-Hanson Regional High School The George Washington University Paul Galewski Stop & Shop Lowell Technical High School **UPS-Chelmsford** Eric GrayGreater Fitchburg State College William Gray Denis Kelleher **Boston Latin School** Massachusetts Maritime Academy Kevin Kelleher **NE Theatrical Division** Middletown High School University of Conneticut Wan Fung Lau Manfi Leasing Spencer Lau Michael Lydon **Brook Farm Academy** Undecided John Lydon **US** Foodservice April MacFarlane East Bridgewater High School Johnson & Wales University John MacFarlane Allied Waste Jill MacInnis Billerica Memorial High School University of Massachusetts, Amherst James MacInnis **Xpedx** Hanover High School **Endicott College UPS-Norwood** Megan Marvelle Kathleen Marvelle Boston College High School Massachusetts Maritime Academy Shaughnessy & Ahern Patrick Morrissey Patrick Morrissey Londonderry High School Colleen Nielsen Keene State College Thomas Popoloski **DHL Express** Francis O'Laughlin Wakefield Memorial High School Fitchburg State College Francis O'Laughlin Atlas-Glen-Mor **Christopher Pappas** St. John's Preparatory School **Boston University** Heidi Pappas Roadway Express Inc. Devin Peuser Rockland High School **Boston University** David Peuser **Continental Airlines** McKenzie Powers East Boston High School Northeastern University Stephen Powers **Xpedx** RaeDHL Express Alexander Rae Woburn Memorial High School University of Massachusetts Amhearst Michael Kimberly Santos Marshfield High School Massachuetts Institute of Technology Kenneth Santos **UPS-Norwood** John Sullivan, Jr. Malden Catholic High School Wentworth Institute of Technology John Sullivan City of Cambridge

Blood Bank

	Name	Company	Times/Gallons		Name	Company	Times/Gallons	
	John Agri	General Public	1	0.125	Antonette Fernandez	General Public	12	1.5
	Jeff Altbush	Teamsterscare	1	0.125	K Flanigon	General Public	1	0.125
	Margaret Aranyosi	General Public	1	0.125	James Flynn	N.E. Theatrical	21	2.625
	William Asaro	General Public	1	0.125	Richard Foppiano	Retired	38	4.75
	William Asaro III	New Penn	2	0.25	Joseph Foti	UPS - Chelmsford	12	1.5
	Fred Baker	Roadway	9	1.125	Doug Francey	APM	29	3.625
	Irving Balkman	Retired	161	20.125	Dick Frank	City of Cambridge - DPW	37	4.625
	Jeffrey A. Bamford	N.E. Theatrical	3	0.375	Elizabeth Fula	FEDEX	4	0.5
	Frank Barrett	Town of Watertown	1	0.125	Patricia Gaffey	General Public	1	0.125
	Tony Barrone	Ris Paper	53	6.625	David Gartland	Manfi Leasing - Stop & Shop	41	5.125
	Alice Bavaro	Retired	26	3.25	Tom Gauvin	General Public	1	0.125
	Edward Bettano	Costa	1	0.125	Dave Getty	Ris Paper	1	0.125
	Kim Boehringer	General Public	1	0.125	Greg Gigg	Roadway	30	3.75
	Warren Boisueit	Yellow	26	3.25	Helen Giglio	City of Everett	5	0.625
	Pauline Boland	DHL	3	0.375	Edward Giglio	General Public	5	0.625
	Jerry Bolton	Retired	61	7.625	Philip Haley	Marr Scaffolding	3	0.375
	Brenda Briggs	General Public	1	0.125	Mark Hall	Aggregate Industries	5	0.625
	Bob Burns	Retired	83	10.375	John W Hannon	Retired	58	7.25
	Al Butts	New Penn	1	0.125	Brian Harrington	Yellow	22	2.75
	Linda Calder	General Public	1	0.125	James Harris	Heating Oil Partners	6	0.75
	William Chambers	General Public	6	0.75	David Heffernan	Teamsterscare	1	0.125
	Karen Chapdelaine	General Public	1	0.125	Ed Hilton	City of Cambridge	2	0.25
	Katie Christianson	General Public	1	0.125	Dennis Holland	N.E. Theatrical	2	0.25
	Joe Cochran	New Penn	38	4.75	Joe Homer	Retired	1	0.125
	Karen Crawford	Roadway	4	0.5	Eugene T. Hurley	Yellow	32	4
	Kris Crawford	Roadway	6	0.75	Dan Jalbert	General Public	1	0.125
	John Crosby	Retired	1	0.125	John D. Jeffrey	Retired	106	13.25
	Samantha Cullinane	Teamsterscare	1	0.125	Robert Johnson	General Public	8	1
	John Curran	Yellow	32	4	John Juszkiewicz	UPS - Chelmsford	18	2.25
	Jim "Moose" Curry	Aggregate Industries	2	0.25	Daniel Kakleas	New Penn	41	5.125
	Robert Deane	Ris Paper	1	0.125	William Kelley Jr.	United Liquor	26	3.25
	Dan Dellucci	Ris Paper	7	0.875	Gregory Kerwood	UPS - Somerville	9	1.125
)	Joseph Destasio	Retired	50	6.25	Jim Kessler	Stop & Shop	4	0.5
)	Alexis Donnelly	General Public	1	0.125	Allan Kessler	Stop & Shop	1	0.125
	Daniel Donohoe	Global Oil	6	0.75	Michael Kimball	Leaseway Motorcar	20	2.5
	Michael Downey	General Public	14	1.75	Paul Kirby	Admiral Metals	17 55	2.125
١	Stephen Drago	US FoodService	38	4.75	Charles Knecht	Retired	55 -	6.875
	Rosie Dunlap	UPS - Chelmsford Retired	6	0.75	Bill Kuttner	General Public UPS - Somerville	5	0.625
	Chuck Durfee Bob Eastman	Retired TeamstersCare	131	16.375	Eleanor Laffey	Retired	4 71	0.5
			1	0.125	Kevin Lally		71	8.875
	Michael Erelli	Yellow General Public	28	3.5	Paul Langan	Retired GD Mathews	142	17.75 1
	Lindsey Fairweather Tom Farnkoff	Retired	1 47	0.125	Joseph Laplante Patti Lapointe	TeamstersCare	8 59	•
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Craig Leach	Arlington Coal & Lumber	1	0.125	David Radochia	Boston Globe	37	4.625
Stephen Lema	Manfi Leasing - Stop & Shop	31	3.875	Richard Raso	Raso's Grille	1	0.125
Al Littlefield	Stop & Shop - Freetown	10	1.25	Fran Roberts	General Public	2	0.25
Denise Lundin	General Public	1	0.125	Dylan Ruecket	General Public	1	0.125
Martin Lynch	N.E. Theatrical	1	0.125	Nicole Salvati	Silk	6	0.75
Jim MacInnis	XPEDX	17	2.125	Anthony Salvati	Silk	1	0.125
Brian MacLeod	Shaughnessy & Ahern	5	0.625	Karen Salvato	Credit Union	24	3
Marilyn Macleod	Teamsterscare	1	0.125	Bob Sansone	General Public	1	0.125
Patrick Magoon	General Public	1	0.125	Joe Sciuto	Retired	50	6.25
Ron Mahoney	Atlas-Glen Mor	60	7.5	John Shallow	City of Cambridge	1	0.125
Tim Manning	Yellow	61	7.625	Paul Sharpe	Retired	84	10.5
Rob Marshall	General Public	2	0.25	James Sheehan	Schuster	54	6.75
Tom Maskaluk	Arlington Coal & Lumber	2	0.25	Harry Shipps	General Public	1	0.125
Bob McAllister	Local 25	109	13.625	Samual J. Silverman	General Public	1	0.125
Charlie McAskill	Atlas-Glen Mor	45	5.625	Anthony Soopa	Costa	1	0.125
Nicholas McDonald	Stop & Shop	1	0.125	Dan Splaine	Retired	123	15.375
Tom McGarty	General Public	1	0.125	Tom Sullivan	Global - Chelsea	42	5.25
Jean McGonagle	General Public	12	1.5	Fred Sutera	Union Hall	50	6.25
Sheila McGonagle	General Public	16	2	Eb Thedford	General Public	1	0.125
Mike McGrath	US Foodservice	38	4.75	Bill Thibodeaur	Retired	53	6.625
Richard McMurty	UPS - Norwood	18	2.25	Annabelle Torino	General Public	15	1.875
Elizabeth Meagher	General Public	1	0.125	Robert Torino	Adams - Chapman	14	1.75
Gail Michalski	Alliance	14	1.75	James Torrey	UPS - Chelmsford	14	1.75
M Miranda	UPS	7	0.875	Alexandra Unger	General Public	1	0.125
Robert Monteforte	UPS - Somerville	7	0.875	Steve Urqnhart	Retired	3	0.375
Ronnie Moran	Retired	117	14.625	Charlie Vaughn	Retired	1	0.125
Donna Moran	General Public	1	0.125	Leo Walbourne	UPS - Chelsea	29	3.625
Paul Moran	MARR	1	0.125	Amanda Wells	General Public	1	0.125
Mike Morrissey	DHL	10	1.25	Joe Wilkins	General Public	1	0.125
Jacqueline Moulton	General Public	1	0.125	James Woods	Yellow	40	5
John J. Murphy	Retired	165	20.625	Michelle Yannett	General Public	1	0.125
Kevin Nangle	New Penn	33	4.125				
William Newhall	UPS	1	0.125				
George Newman	BLET	1	0.125				
Beverly O'Brien	General Public	1	0.125				
Kelly O'Neil	General Public	1	0.125		Acr.		
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Local 25 Members Have "Biggest Loser" Competition at Work

Dunkin' Donuts may not appear to be the most appropriate place to kick off a weight-loss contest, but it worked for some Local 25 Teamsters in a friendly competition among coworkers. The members are all drivers working for Manfi Leasing—Stop & Shop Division, at the Freetown Stop & Shop in Massachusetts.

From January 15 to May 15, several coworkers at the Stop & Shop held a "Biggest Loser" competition with six teams of five men competing against each other to lose the most weight. The winner, Dale Johnson, who lost 50.6 pounds, won the money collected from the participants, plus an extra \$100 pitched in by the contest's organizer,

Bob Halloran, a Local 25 Stop & Shop worker.

Denis Provost, a captain of one of the teams in the competition, said his team had their first strategy meeting at a local Dunkin' Donuts. "We met up and spoke about differing ideas that each of us had for weight loss, and we had a good time gelling as a team.

"I was very excited about the opportunity to help other drivers get into shape, prolong their lives, increase their energy levels, be able to do more things with their family, add years to

From left to right: Dale Johnson, lost 50.6 pounds, a 19.8 percent weight loss; Bill Starvish, 21.6 pounds, 8.5 percent weight loss; Denis R. Provost, 43.2 pounds, 17.5 percent weight loss; John Aguilar 32.6 pounds, 12.7 percent weight loss; and Decio Medeiros, 28 pounds, 10.5 percent weight loss. Not pictured: Bob Gugliotta, 14.8 pounds, percent weight loss; Bob Halloran, 17.4 pounds, percent weight loss; and Brian Sousa, 33.2 pounds, percent weight loss.

their lives and stay away from the doctor's office," he said.

Of the 280 drivers at Stop & Shop, 30 participated. The workers lost a total of 524.5 pounds over the four-month competition.

"It started out as just a fun thing—a way to pass the winter," said Halloran, who has been a Teamster for thirty-four years. "It turned out to be a win-win situation for everyone involved. The workers, the company, our families—everyone."

"At one time in this business, we did just about everything by hand and got a great workout every day and everyone was in shape," said Mark Sullivan, who has worked at Stop & Shop for 23 years. "About 10 years ago, everything started going electric and everybody put on pounds. And I mean everybody. I put on about 50 pounds myself."

"I'm really proud of these guys for taking the initiative on not only getting healthy, but getting to know their Teamster coworkers," said Sean M. O'Brien, President of Boston's Local 25.

Healthier Lifestyles

What started out as a simple weight-loss contest turned into much more for many of the participants.

"As we went through this contest, we met many men that we had worked with but never knew," Provost said. "We got healthier, noticeably lighter and made friendships at work. This contest really helped us to become more of what a Teamster should be—a family-oriented individual who is doing what's best for himself and the people around him."

Provost said some members of his team even got their families on successful weight-loss programs because of the contest's success.

"During the contest, I lost 35 pounds. I did it just by portion control and cutting back on the ice cream," Sullivan said. "It worked, and is still working. I've lost 10 more pounds since the end of the contest and I want to drop another 20 pounds."

"The approach these workers took to wellness is a good thing that more Teamsters should become involved in," said LaMont Byrd, Director of the Teamsters Safety and Health Department. "Obesity is rampant in the U.S., including among Teamsters. Chronic diseases such as diabetes, sleep apnea and heart disease are closely associated with obesity, and the costs to our health and welfare funds could be greatly impacted if members and their families adopted healthier lifestyles."



Stewards

Spotlight



Davie Pierce Steward, Kraft Power

Serving as a steward is always a challenge, but David Pierce faces the dual challenge of being relatively new at the task and serving in a newly organized work site.

"There's a lot to deal with as far as all

of us working under a new Teamster contract," said Pierce, who has been a steward since May 1, 2008. Late last year, Pierce and his 19 coworkers at Kraft Power in Woburn voted by a 6-1 margin to join Local 25.

Because workers have only had a Teamster contract for a short time, many workers are not used to knowing they have a strong voice as Teamsters. "Some guys don't know they now have a strong voice. I try to educate them and let them know that they do in fact have a strong voice and can speak up when something is wrong," Pierce said.

"I tell my coworkers, 'this is what you can do," Pierce said of the ongoing education process. "It's a learning curve."

The effort has already paid off. Working with Business Agent Tom Mari, Pierce said he was able to reduce a firing to a termination to a suspension for one of his coworkers.

Pierce said being Teamsters has made a huge difference in the workplace. "We get treated with more respect now. Management asks us now versus telling us," Pierce said.

Pierce is a service technician. He and his coworkers service emergency generators, diesel/natural gas engines and heavy equipment. For example, Pierce has serviced large generators that provide electricity on Cuttyhunk Island, part of the Elizabeth Islands off Cape Cod. Other equipment powers fire pumps in skyscrapers in downtown Boston.

In his spare time, Pierce is a member of the soul, funk and rhythm and blues band Mojo Slim (www.mojoslim.com). He and his wife, who live in Lynn, have two sons.



Paul Mathi

Chief steward, U.S. Foodservice

Paul Mathi has been a Teamster at U.S. Foodservice in Everett for 24 years, and has been a steward for the last 16 years and chief steward for the last eight years.

The key to being an effective steward is "paying attention to the members and find-

ing out they need," said Mathi, a tractor-trailer driver.

"I work on behalf of 200 guys here and everybody is different," Mathi said. "Nobody has the same problem or faces the same situa-

tion. So, you have to get to know people and work with them as individuals to solve their problems. Getting to know each member is very important. Being a steward can be a thankless job, but I love it because of a great relationship with the guys. I don't want to be thought of as the steward. I want to be thought of as Paul, the chief steward and a friend."

In addition to the great relationship Mathi has with his coworkers, his enthusiasm about his job stems from his love of the Teamsters.

"I love what the Teamsters stand for—they have helped build this country for over a century," he said.

Mathi says Local 25 President Sean M. O'Brien has had a tremendous positive effect on him and the local's membership in general.

"I've never been more effective in my job since Sean O'Brien became Local 25 President," Mathi said. "And working for Business Agent Dave Pietroforte has been great. The future of the Teamsters is Sean O'Brien. He makes it easy for me to do my job. It means a lot to me to have his trust and Dave Pietroforte's trust. But they also both hold me accountable, which makes me do a better job."

Mathi and his wife, who have two children, live in Bridgewater.



Joe Shaw Steward, UPS Freight

After spending 20 years as a Teamster at the former Red Star freight company, Joe Shaw is happy to be back in the union, this time at UPS Freight in Billerica.

"It's great to be back in the union after being out for about four years," said Shaw,

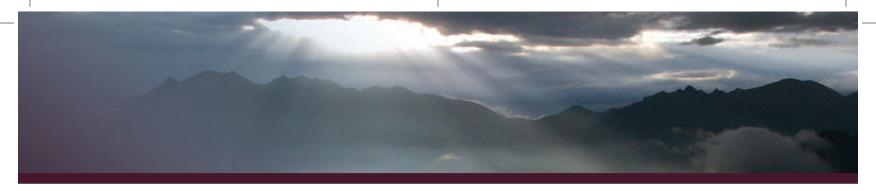
who has worked at UPS Freight for about three years. "I'm really happy to once again share the camaraderie with all the other Teamster drivers. I attend all the Local 25 meetings. We're 100 percent better off now as Teamsters at UPS Freight."

Shaw is now putting his experience to work as a steward, a position he has held at the newly organized UPS Freight for just over four months. At UPS Freight, formerly Overnite Transportation, workers have endured a half-century struggle to win a Teamster contract. Earlier this year, thanks to a card-check agreement won by the Teamsters, workers joined the union and recently ratified their first contract.

"Being a steward is really a learning experience," Shaw said of the experience.

The new manager never worked at a union terminal, so that has added to the challenge. Shaw said he has taken a "slow and steady" approach to the job, educating his coworkers about their rights. "Only about a quarter of the 40 guys here have ever been in a union before, so there's a lot of learning going on," he said.

"Before becoming Teamsters, guys were afraid," Shaw said. "You could be fired and gone. The threat was always there. Now we have a Teamster contract in place that gives us protections. I am encourag-



ing my coworkers to learn their contract so that they know what kinds of protections are in place.

Shaw and his wife, who have three children, live in Pepperell.



Jan Guazzaloca
Alternate Steward, UPS

Earning the respect of coworkers and not allowing yourself to be intimidated by management are two guiding principles for alternate steward Jan Guazzaloca, who is a package-car driver at the UPS center in Watertown.

"You have to let management know that you're not going to back down when you are on the side of what's right," said Guazzaloca, who has worked at UPS for more than five and a half years. She has been an alternate steward since August of 2007. "You can't worry about what the company might do to you in terms of retaliation. You have to stand up for the contract."

Standing up for what's right and defending members' contract rights will earn you the respect needed to do a good job, she says.

"If they (management) think they can get away with something, they will try to do that," she said. "As long as you hold the company accountable to the contract, they can't get away with unjust things. You have to make sure the contract is enforced."

Whenever coworkers need help or have questions, Guazzaloca uses that opportunity to stress to them the importance of knowing their Teamster contract. "They slowly begin to see the importance of knowing about the contract and how it can make your life at work easier," she said.

Since becoming an alternate steward, Guazzaloca said she has learned to be prepared before going to talk to management about a problem.

"You need to know what you're talking about before you go in to talk to management," she said. "You need to get the full picture.' Guazzaloca, who lives in Reading, has three children.



Liston Callwood

Steward, Breyers Ice Cream

Liston Callwood has worked at Breyers ice cream in Framingham for 23 years, and for more than half that time—12 years—he has served as a steward.

Over the past 12 years, Callwood said he has honed his communication skills

with both his coworkers and management.

"I can relate to the workers as far as dealing with problems that arise with management and I can take those concerns and talk to management so that we can get to the bottom of the problems and

come up with solutions," said Callwood, who adds flavoring to Breyers ice cream, including vanilla, strawberry and vanilla fudge twirl.

"To be an effective steward, you have to know about the union and attend meetings and learn what the union does for workers," Callwood said. "You also have to learn how to communicate with people so that you get things done."

Callwood said he has a deep curiosity in people and the union. He communicates often with Local 25 Business Agent George Slicis and with Lenny Campbell, the head steward.

Questions about overtime are frequent at the work site, and Callwood takes the time to get all sides of each conflict and keep an open line of communication.

"Being a Teamster provides a better work environment for me, Callwood said. "The union has given me a better job for me to provide for my family. The Teamsters represent a strong force for workers everywhere."

Callwood lives in Douglas, Massachusetts and has four children.



Joe Ferreira
Steward, DHL

Helping your coworkers learn their contract so that they know their rights is always a challenge for any steward, but it's an especially challenging task for DHL workers who recently ratified their first national contract.

"I was born and bred under the New

England National Master Freight Agreement, so having a new national contract is a learning curve for me and all my coworkers," said Joe Ferreira, a steward at DHL in Stoneham.

It's exciting to have a new national contract with new protections in writing, Ferreira said. However, because the contract has only been in effect for a few months, many questions arise.

"I have taken the time to learn the contract and I encourage my coworkers to do the same," Ferreira said. "A good steward, if he or she doesn't know the answer, will try to immediately learn the information so they can pass it along. If I don't have the answer, I will call Tom Mari, my business agent at Local 25. Tom is always a great help."

Questions about "90/10," having to do with bidding full-time runs and coverage drivers, have come up recently. Ferreira has worked hard to get answers for his coworkers.

"There will continue to be questions, but I'm up for the challenges of working under a new, strong contract," said Ferreira, who has worked at DHL for about 14 years and has been a steward for about two years.

"Local 25 President Sean O'Brien is doing an excellent job, as is Tom Mari," Ferreira said. "I want to also thank Vice President John Murphy on his work negotiating the strong national contract."

Ferreira lives in Pelham, New Hampshire with his wife and two children.



^{In} Memoriam

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Retiree

Chapter News

Teamsters Local 25 Retiree Chapter



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Retiree News

On March 19, 2008 a St. Patrick's Day dinner was held in the dayroom and we had a great turnout. Retiree President Joe Conti, Secretary Treasurer Chuck Durfee and long time member Tony Bruno started at 6 a.m. to set up folding chairs and tables

Left to Right: Chuck Durfee, Sean O'Brien and Joe Conti

decorated with green table cloths. Carrots, turnip, potatoes, onion and cabbage had to be cut and washed and meat had to be prepared. The vegetables for the meal were donated by Vice President Johnny B. and Joe (Bananas) Logrippo. Chuck Durfee did the cooking with the help of Joe Conti and Tony Bruno. The meal was excellent and the vegetables and meat were perfectly cooked. Over 50 people were served. In addition to the wonderful meal, we had lots of Irish fun.

Joe, Chuck and Tony received many compliments and a big hand for all their hard work. Teamster Local 25 President Sean O'Brien stopped by and congratulated them for their hard work. They were still there at 3:30 p.m. cleaning up. Our special thanks to the members who cleared, folded and put the tables away.

At the April 10, 2008 breakfast meeting we had a great turnout with 240 members and friends in attendance. Retiree President Joe Conti opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Bill Burpee read the names of six members who had passed away since our January 10 breakfast meeting. Trea-

surer Chuck Durfee read his report and Bill Grubbs made a motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Paul (Whitey) Walsh and passed unanimously.

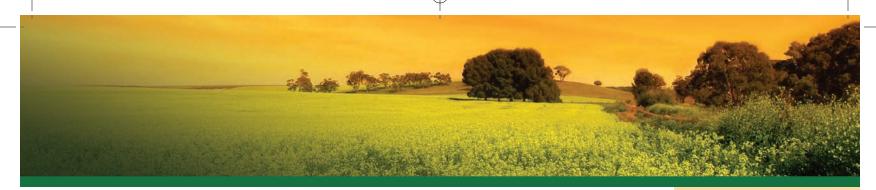
President Conti introduced Audiology Director Tricia Kosiorek. Tricia began her talk by saying she was familiar with quite a few of the people in the audience. Everybody was glad to see her too. She

was asked to speak to the retirees about how to manage ear wax as it is a big problem that she sees very often. She said we have to talk about this because one third of people over 65 have a problem with it and it can affect hearing. We all have and need ear wax because it helps clean and lubricate the ears, but if it gets drier it becomes impacted and causes infections and actually affects the hearing. Tricia explained that it happens a lot in older people and we should talk



to an audiologist because she can also see if there are any perforations or infections that need attention. The audiologist will help you find over the counter methods to manage your ears at home. She said you should not use Q-tips as you could injure the ear drum. You should have an examination every year and if you had trouble hearing her at this time you should have your ears checked soon.

Ritchie Reardon, President-CEO of the Federal Credit Union spoke about how to manage your money. He said that the credit union is a branch of the Teamsters that is there for the members. They



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Bridget Manganis *Local 25 Pharmacy*

John Romano

Mass Port

Gerald Silvestri *CF*

Lawrence Wilson DHL

are all Teamsters helping Teamsters and if you have a money issue, call them for help. The credit union helps direct you to the right people to manage your money. The rates are better than any bank and they don't have to turn a profit. The credit union will see where the best loans are for you and steer you in the right direction.

Reardon spoke about Accidental Death Dismemberment insurance that we carried when we were working.

If you lost a limb or died it was a good insurance. But as a retiree this is not a necessary insurance. It is better to convert to term insurance to carry just enough money to pay final bills.

He told the retirees that the credit union has a secure program for paying bills on line and for on line banking. They are going to set up a teaching program in the lobby of the credit union to show you how to do it on your computer.

Richie spoke about reverse mortgages. The government now has regulated fees and rates for any company or bank that provides reverse mortgages, which is a good development. He said that if you need help with anything financial, such as advice on reverse mortgages, loans, certificates of deposits (CDs) etc., you can call the credit union and they will help you find the best people to contact for information.

Richie took questions. One retiree asked if there will ever be a COLA for the older pensioners? Ritchie said it would be something they would want to do. However, the federal government prohibits this because the pension fund would be spending more than is being added to the fund.

Other Business

The Teamsters clock was won by Bobby O'Leary. The \$25 door prize winners were: Jim Cassidy, Bob Ricciardi and Richard Wells.

Thanks to Café Sorelli Inc. for an excellent breakfast and a special thanks to our members who served the food: Frank Pagliaro, Bob Ricciardi, Billy Ronchetti, Jimmy Ronchetti, Tony Bruno, Jerry Bolton, Dave Dolaher, Angelo Riva, Paul Sharpe, and Paul McNelley.

At the Teamsters May 18, 2008 monthly meeting President Joe Conti read the name of Jessica Daigle as the winner of our \$2,000 scholarship. The scholarship was presented to Ms. Daigle by President Sean O'Brien.

The annual donation of \$250 was made for the upkeep of the Workers Memorial for members who died while working.

On May 28, Teamster's day at Suffolk Downs was very successful with 165 members and friends attending.



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Senator Obama will fight for better wages, real health care reform, stronger retirement security, fair trade and an end to the outsourcing of good jobs. He understands the importance of giving workers a voice at work and will fight for strong unions to help rebuild America's middle class.

"Senator Obama will fight to rebuild our transportation infrastructure," said Jim Hoffa. "He will work with us to address critical issues from our rails to our port, highways and airports. We need a president who is focused on rebuilding America and Barack Obama will be that president."

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