

Dedicated Mechanics Working Together to ~~Protect Our Jobs~~

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Dominick's 13 year career was put in jeopardy when he voted for the Teamsters in 2008. Less than a year after "Teamster Power" came to UAL nearly 1000 mechanics were furloughed!

UAL mechanic population fell from 5,594 April 2008 to 4,729 December 2010, under Teamster representation. Many East coast stations were closed or reduced BOS, EWR, LGA, JFK and PHL mechanics lost their jobs.

Air Canada is that their jet ways are in our terminal. The building maintenance staff works re-

Dominicks coworkers were outsourced under the Teamsters representation at United Airlines in 2009.

The Teamsters got a vote... Dominicks coworkers lost their jobs!

the outside looking in while the hub stations maintain their jobs and know where their next paycheck is coming from.

With the Teamsters, I see us all working together for equal representation, in both the hubs and the line stations. I see the Teamsters negotiating a well-rounded contract which will find an even ground on wages and **JOB SECURITY**. We can all stand together and fight United's mission to contract out everything we do, which is threatening the company and our family's livelihoods in the process. From what I have seen if you prove to United they can do without staff, even for a minute, they will move quickly to do without staff on a permanent basis. We have stood behind United when the airline was in financial trouble. We have taken pay cuts so the airline could stay afloat. So now it is time for United to stand behind us and realize we are an invaluable asset to the company.

I would like to finish up with the fact that there is going to be an election for representation. **It is our duty to vote.** The last thing we need in this time of change is to give United the upper hand. We need to show solidarity and get out and vote. This is the most important thing we need to do to secure our future at United.

selves accountable for the work and United does not have to worry because we are the company.

I am always looking for ways to take on additional work. One way is repairing other airline jet ways and conveyor systems. For example, during the 2007 Thanksgiving holiday rush, the Air Canada jet way broke down on Wednesday evening, just before the start of the holiday weekend. Air Canada's contractor told them that they wouldn't be out to fix the jet way before Thursday (Thanksgiving Day) and when they came out would have to charge them the holiday rate. My lead and I spoke with the Air Canada representative and offered to repair it immediately. We spoke with his station manager who approved for us to move forward with the repair. As a result, the Air Canada jet way was repaired within the hour at a normal rate, not the holiday rate. Our only connection to

IBT 2008 UAL Campaign Propaganda and Lies

Teamsters UAL Broken promises

UAL Mechanics Call for an Investigation into the Loss of Pensions

Sign on to the petition calling on Deborah Stover-Springer, Acting Inspector General of the Pension Benefit Guaranty

- The Teamsters never followed through with the Pension Investigation campaign Promise.....they would have to spend dues money.
- The Teamsters focused their attention on gaining favor with United Airlines to join the Western Conference Pension.
- United refused to enter the failing Teamster Pension whose multiplier has decreased by over 70% the last 10 years.

From West Coast to East Coast UAL Mechanics Learn More About the Teamsters

UAL mechanics in Los Angeles recently had the opportunity to meet with Teamster members in order to learn more about the Teamsters Union. Successful house visits made and the leafleting and meetings at the gates were very productive. Chris Moore, a Continental Airlines mechanic and Chair of the Teamsters Aviation Mechanics Coalition (TAMC) was out at the gates, as was Bob Friend, a UPS mechanic representative to TAMC. Tim McAninley of the Transport Workers Union of America provided support, as did Gary Griswold, International Representative to the Teamsters Local Division. Open houses were also recently held in Dulles, Virginia and in Denver, Colorado, where information on the Teamsters was distributed. Following the leafleting the mechanics went on house visits and distributed leaflets. Stay tuned for more on the national open house.

Greg's coworkers were furloughed in 2009. His false belief in job security "Teamster power" couldn't save their jobs as the Teamsters closed down several East Coast stations

Neal was furloughed without an IBT pension from UAL in 2009 under

Jermaine was never recalled to UAL and will most likely lose his lifetime recall rights under

NEWARK



"I've supported AMFA in the past. I saw a decrease in salaries, layoffs, and outsourcing. NO gains! With the Teamsters I believe we will gain in

numbers and job security, as well as pension security."

—Neal Margolies, UAL mechanic, EWR (Newark, NJ)



"I think the Teamsters would give better support and would represent mechanics to the fullest expectation of what a

union can do for its members."

—Jermaine Bateman, UAL cabin services, EWR



"I'm basically not getting anything I wanted, and am being let down between the pension, ESOP, and so on.

I never feel secure in my job. We need someone looking out for us, something that has power. That's why I support the Teamsters."

—Greg Rasich, UAL mechanic, EWR

