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PRESIDENT'S REPORT
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Greetings Sisters and Brothers

It is official – CEP Members – Delegates Voted 90% plus in favour of joining with CAW at last week's convention held in Quebec City. CAW – Members – Delegates voted unanimously in August Convention to join ranks with CEP – Communications Energy and Paper Workers.

We are now officially the largest Private Sector Union in Canada, with 300,000 plus Members and growing and 22 different major economic sectors across the Country. This New Union will also represent Workers in every Province. There is still a lot of work ahead in finalizing this New Union's beginning and future. There will be a new name a new Constitution and the restructuring of this New Union with Regional Councils, founding Union Convention with Election for this newly created structure.

This is a positive moving forward as we seek to revitalize the Labour Movement, to organize and bring together the many un-organized Worker, to fight for the youth and for the precarious part-time worker, unemployed, and to become more politically effective within the Community. To Fight Back against this corporate right winged agenda that affects us all our economy and our Society at large.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS/WINTERFEST PARTY

Our annual Children's Christmas/Winterfest Party is on December 9th, 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Galaxy Club – Local 707 – I hope to see you there whether you have children, grandchildren or no children please join us to help celebrate.

Gift Baskets will be raffled off – all proceeds are to go to the United Way

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

The official kick-off was very successful at the Oakville Transit facility for the 2nd annual bus pull last month, 11 teams competed with Oakville Hydro 1st, 2nd CAW Local 707 and 3rd Oakville Transit Team. The goal this year is to raise \$4.2 million. It is unfortunate that the needs are even greater and growing for Communities. These social-economic times is a breeding ground for despair, it has become an epidemic. Your support will mean a lot to someone in need, whether it be a nutritious meal so a child does not start a school day hungry. Meals-on-Wheels delivered to those at home, which include a lot of seniors. Big Brother and Big Sister. Community living to assist those who are developmentally challenged, to give people the dignity they so deserve to live an enriched life. Those who are struggling with mental illness and the Lighthouse program for grieving children. Adapt Program that provides outpatient assessment for treatment of addictions. The list goes on with the needs that are many.

Please support the United Way.

You are that bright light for the many who are awaiting your arrival.

REMEMBER FIGHTING BACK MAKES A DIFFERENCE

In Solidarity,

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