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President's Report November 2010

Day of Action – Auto parts sector Automodular/Dana I would like to thank the members for there support on Oct. 27th Day of action. The members from both of these units came out to the parking lot on their lunch break to support the CAW campaign "Enough is Enough". We appreciate your support with this very important initiative that our National Union has launched. The message was heard loud and clear at more then one hundred work places in Ontario of the Auto Parts sector. Without your support this would have been a disaster. Since this day of action I am pleased to inform you there have been some great successes in regards to bargaining achievements within this sector. I would also like to thank Steve Nunes, Alice Kelly, Will Lambert, Rob Bourgeois, Rob Bond, and Shane Wark for their leadership and commitments to the membership on this day.

Since taking office in September 08 it has always been my commitment to represent our members to the fullest. The last couple of years have been turbulent times within the Manufacturing Sector and the economy. Many of you have experienced personal hardship with lay- off's, job losses, and uncertainty. My commitment to our members has always been to move forward, no concessions and to negotiate the best possible settlements. My commitment to you remains unchanged. Next year there are five units up for collective bargaining I look forward to the challenges we face together.

WSIB – I cannot express more to our members when injured at work the importance of reporting your injury and record of this. It is also crucial to always have someone to represent you when dealing with the Employer or WSIB itself. The Local Union has provided training to our work place reps. Mike Sutherland is also your Local WSIB Specialist.

Arbitrations – The Local has had a number of arbitrations/mediations the last couple of years. We will continue to fight for our members and have been successful with the help of our National Representatives to find justice when needed.

Children's Christmas Party/ Winterfest – December 5th, just a reminder the party is from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We look forward to this day. This is at the Galaxy Club Local 707 Trafalgar Rd to Iroquois East to 475 North Service Rd.

Remember Fighting Does Make A Difference

In Solidarity

Angus MacDonald President CAW Local 1256