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President's Report

Good Morning Brothers and Sisters:

I would like to start with welcoming everyone that made it to this meeting in Calgary. This is my first report as president of the Local and I would like to share how grateful I am to be elected to this position and for all the support I have received from the membership and the executive members.

This past few months have been very busy with, Cascade (Depended Carriers), Committee Natural Foods, DHL, Foremost, Magrath and Tracker Logistics either in bargaining or starting the bargaining process. This is a very challenging time to be in negotiation cycle, a few of the Companies are tabling their proposals asking for reductions in wages and benefits. The Local has applied for mediations in one agreement and the Company applied in another, our position is no role back and to advance the positions of our members.

The summer's pancake breakfasts and BBQ's have also taken place throughout most of Alberta, it was great to connect with members and answer questions from them. It has been interesting with the weather with one rain out but fortunately the van and BBQ did not see any hail in Calgary. On our trip to Fort McMurray we saw our members again that are now back at work and they pass along their thanks for the support the Local provides them.

I attended the National Convention in Ottawa and heard from many excellent speakers including Premier Rachel Notley and Prime Minister Trudeau. We also did a march on Parliament Hill that was amazing to be a part of and share the excitement of supporting a wonderful cause. It was a full convention with many interesting discussions and topics including the TPP and the safety of our brothers and sisters in the armor car sector.

The executive held a meeting last night (September 3, 2016) and are looking at ways to increase awareness through communications in addition to the regular postings on the Union Boards. A call letter will also go out to ask for more involvement on the Local Committees and share contact information with the members.

In Solidarity

Jay Thompson

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