WEEKLY UPDATE

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| BREAKING: Impact Justice leadership voluntarily recognized the union, Impact Justice United. As the OPEIU states, “We commend our leadership for standing by our organizational values.” |  | The IWW is fighting for prisoners to organize and have voting rights from inside prison. |
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| LABOR UPDATES  * Dartmouth has agreed to stay neutral in their students worker's union election. “More employers, including institutions of higher education, should follow their lead” states the union. This sis over 5,000 employees. * 19 cannabis workers in Illinois, PharmaCann, voted unanimously, 15-0, in favor of joining the teamsters. * 164 non-profit workers at a substance abuse help line , Lines For Life, voted 74-42 in favor of joining AFSCME * BREAKING: More than 8,000 teachers in Minneapolis & St Paul say they plan to strike beginning March 8 if negotiations with their school districts remain stalled. The teachers are fighting for smaller class sizes and pay increases—support staff now make as little as $24,000. They have not been on strike since 1970. * BREAKING: Workers who make cakes for Baskin Robbins have ratified a new contract with Rich Products to end a nearly 4-month strike in CA. "The mainly immigrant Latina workers walked out over agonizing conditions & low pay. They won a "significant" pay raise & more, per the Bakers Union"  UNION TACTICS CONTINUED:   1. “REI continues its union-busting tactics at its NYC store.” "The only guarantee in any collective bargaining process is that there are no guarantees." Corporate-speak for "I'd hate to see anyone get hurt" while rolling up their sleeves... 2. 70 Starbucks stores in 20 states have now filed to form a union. 3. 17,000 BNSF railroad workers voted to authorize a strike over the attendance policy      |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | But many of the new workers sided with the union. | NEW: “Starbucks' union-busting plan is backfiring. Starbucks tried to pack stores in Buffalo and Arizona with new workers just before union elections began in an effort to dilute the pro-union vote. But many of the new workers sided with the union.” Now over 100 stores are involved in petitions across the country. | |  |  |  HEADING 2 TEXT HERE Heading 7  Use styles to easily format your Word documents in no time. For example, this text uses the Normal Style.  Some of the sample text in this document indicates the name of the style applied. To get started right away, just tap any placeholder text (such as this) and start typing. View and edit this document in Word on your computer, tablet, or phone.  Website “Find even more easy-to-use tools on the Insert tab, such as to add a hyperlink or insert a comment.” |  LABOR UPDATES CONTINUED:   * NEW: Maine Gov. Janet Mills, a Democrat, has vetoed a bill that would have allowed farmworkers to form unions Under Jim Crow-era laws, Maine’s farmworkers can be legally paid less than the minimum wage and fired for even discussing pay and working conditions. Once again, the political affiliation means little to nothing to the union. Whoever they think they can use in the moment, gets their support. It is ALL about the money the unions make in dues. * BREAKING: The Bakers Union has withdrawn its petition for tomorrow's union election at a Hershey’s plant in Stuarts Draft, VA. An organizer said”… aggressive union busting & the illegal firing of a pro-union employee sent a chill over the factory. The union did not think it could win…” * Workers at Mirisata, a Sri Lankan restaurant in Portland have organized and won voluntary recognition as Mirisata Workers Union. “They'll now be entering bargaining, continuing the fight for workplace democracy, self determination, building solidarity.” * Storyville Coffee in Seattle being unionized by UFCW -- petition has been filed for 15 people * 110 full time faculty at the Dominican University of California are seeking to unionize with the AFT. * Great Lakes Coffee in Detroit start the picket. Workers are striking for union recognition and a fair contract, and DSA is out here in solidarity. | | |  |
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