

Sisters and Brothers

We have been busy at the bargaining table fighting for a fair and equitable agreement for Unifor members working at Ford Motor Company. It's unfortunate that during this time the Windsor Star has published a cartoon depicting disagreement with Unifor Ford Locals meant to divide workers rather than unite us in Solidarity.

I felt it important to share my response to the Windsor Star cartoon with you the membership.

Dave,

Local 707 Presidents Letter to the Windsor Star

As the President of Unifor Local 707, Ford Oakville I found the cartoon in your Thursday edition of the Windsor Star a disgusting and degrading insult to all Unifor local 707 and Unifor local 200 workers. As I realize it is the profession of the newspaper to report relevant and interesting stories that the general public deserves to read I do not think it is the occupation of the media to depict lies to the masses. The cartoon depicting a barbaric conflict between Local 707 and Local 200 members is the farthest thing from reality. Our main focus is not only to secure new product for Windsor but also bargain a fair and equitable agreement for the working men and women of the Ford chain. Windsor consisting of a very strong labor base I would have expected the local newspaper would be more supportive of their community fight to secure future product and investment rather than initiate grossly exaggerated infatuations. I am demanding a retraction and a formal apology to our members by the editor of your paper and would appreciate you deviate from any similar kind of slanderous behavior.

In Solidarity

Dave Thomas

President

