



UFCW LOCAL 1000 NEWSLETTER



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UFCW Steps in After Tragic Tornado

UFCW Local 1000 pitched in after the catastrophic tornado that hit Moore, Oklahoma in May. We jumped in quickly to take care of our union brothers and sisters. Local President Ricky Burris and Secretary Treasurer Casey Williams visited Moore to deliver much needed and timely financial assistance to UFCW members who had lost their homes.

Local 1000 started a disaster relief fund for tornado victims to give them immediate assistance as they rebuild their homes. We started a website for easy donations: <http://fundly.com/ufcw-local-1000-oklahoma-disaster-relief-fund>. Feel free to send donations by check to our Local office in Grapevine as well. Local 1000

is very proud of the heroism and dedication shown by victims of the tornado to save friends and family. For example, UFCW member Wesley Cordell was featured in the news for saving his mother from the wreckage of their home.

UFCW business representatives from Oklahoma also volunteered all week at local food pantries in Norman and Moore. They were not only dedicated to supporting their members, but the community at large. UFCW Local 1000 appreciates all the efforts made by its members to help their union brothers and sisters. Our prayers continue to be with the victims and their families.

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President Burris delivering a donation check to member Delores Wolfe



Business Representative Debra Donwerth and Fitz Jennings volunteering at Local Food Pantries



Executive Board Member Angela Johnson delivering a donation from UFCW Woman's Network

UFCW Launches Social Media

Over the last few months, Local 1000 has been expanding its presence online. We are developing new ways for our members to engage with the union and for us to engage with people across Oklahoma and Texas that need the union's help. You might have seen our new Facebook page for example - <https://www.facebook.com/local1000>. We will be posting pictures of our members at work and in the community – go to the page and click "Like" to keep up to date with what the union is doing. We have also launched a Twitter Feed to keep our members up to date on negotiations, politics, and organizing. Follow us @UFCW1000. Lastly, you've been getting emails from us lately through our new email program – make sure to open them and check out news and updates from Local 1000. See you online!

Please Update any Address Changes at www.ufcw1000.org or by calling the office at 817-421-1003.



The Active Ballot Club: Our Union's Voice in Politics

From May 1st – Election Day, November 5th, 2013, all UFCW members who join Active Ballot Club (ABC) or upgrade their contribution to \$1 a week will be eligible to win a \$500 American Express gift card.

Overtime Pay. Safe Working Conditions. Collective Bargaining. Family Medical Leave. Anti-worker politicians want to get rid of these laws. ABC is how we stand up to these politicians and the corporate special interests they represent. Here's why UFCW members across America support ABC:

"To help support pro-worker candidates that will fight to protect and create jobs."

—Scott in Ohio

"Because I refuse to believe that the future of America just belongs to the super wealthy."

—William in California

Sign Up Today!

Want to learn more?

www.ufcwaction.org

www.facebook.com/ufcwinternational



ABC is nonpartisan and independent of any political party. Your contribution will directly support the important work of UFCW activists like yourself.

GRIEVANCES

The Business Agents for UFCW Local 1000 have had a busy first half of the year. During the first half of 2013, the Business Agents in North Texas and Oklahoma filed a total of 561 grievances recovering \$109,954.24 for UFCW Local 1000 members. UFCW Local 1000 encourages any member who feels as though their contractual rights have been violated to contact their Business Agent to file a grievance. Grievances must be filed according to the timeline listed below:



- Kroger = 10 days from date grievance occurs
- Homeland/United = 15 days from date grievance occurs
- Remy = 7 days from date grievance occurs
- American Prepared Foods = 7 days from date grievance occurs
- Gino Morena = 30 days from date grievance occurs
- Grove Pharmacy = 10 days from date grievance occurs
- TMS = 10 days from date grievance occurs for terminations and 15 days otherwise.
- Work Services = 5 days from date grievance occurs

ORGANIZING

The Dog-days of summer are approaching. For most people this means ice cream, pools, air conditioning, and fans, as they try to escape the brutal heat. There are thousands of people however, who work in places where the environment is unfair and unsafe. Hot temperatures, lack of water breaks, and insufficient breaks are a huge concern for non-union workers, however these issues often fall to the wayside as management puts profits before people. These people deserve better, but many of them do not know where to turn. We need you, the membership, to help point these people in the right direction. Whenever you hear a friend or family member complain about unfair and unsafe conditions in the workplace, please point them to www.ufcw1000.org and have them click on the tab "Join our Union." Organizing is very important because it not only helps a lot of people out by helping them achieve a Union Contract, but it also improves the Union position at the bargaining table. When sub par employers are forcing wages and benefits into the ground, we need to rise above and reach out to new people in hopes of growing stronger together.

Please help your union by referring someone who NEEDS a union.



2013 Quarterly Membership Meeting Schedule

Dallas-Fort Worth Area

Sheraton Grand Monday July 22, 2013 at 7pm
4440 W. John Carpenter Fwy. Monday October 21, 2013 at 7pm
Irving, TX 75063
972-929-8400

Oklahoma City, OK Area

Embassy Suites Tuesday July 23, 2013 at 7pm
1815 S. Meridian Tuesday October 22, 2013 at 7pm
Oklahoma City, OK 73108
405-682-6000

Tulsa, OK Area

Tulsa Square Hotel Wednesday July 24, 2013 at 7pm
3209 S. 79th E. Ave. Wednesday October 23, 2013 at 7pm
Tulsa, OK 74146
918-663-1000

UFCW Local 1000 Executive Board Officers

Ricky Burris
President

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Angela Johnson
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Robert Loghry
Vice President at Large

Bobby Masegee
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Vice President

Terry Benn
Vice President

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Vice President

MOVING?

Don't forget to let
your Local know!
and address!



Contact your
Business Agent or
update your address
on our website at
www.ufcw1000.org

GETTING MARRIED?

Don't forget to let us
know your new name!



IMPORTANT NUMBERS!

CIGNA 24/7 Nurse Line	1-800-768-4695
CIGNA website: www.mycareallies.com (Password: MED1000)	
Dental	1-877-816-3596
Homeland & United Meat Cutters Pension	1-800-531-2385
Homeland & United Meat Cutters Pension Fax	1-312-649-1245
Kroger Health & Welfare	1-800-842-5899
Oklahoma Health & Welfare Care - 1000	1-877-550-8055
Oklahoma Health & Welfare Care - 1000	www.care1000.healthplan.com/
Kroger & Homeland Clerks South Central Pension:	1-800-241-7701
Optical	1-800-638-3120
Texas Office of Injured Employee Counsel	1-866-393-6432
United Pension	1-800-753-8339

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SUMMER FUN



Summer is more enjoyable with Union Plus Entertainment Discounts because you can afford it.

You deserve a break - both from work and high entertainment costs. Union members can use Union Plus Entertainment Discounts - including movie ticket, video and theme park discounts to relax and enjoy the summer.

Theme Park Discounts

Savings up to \$19 per ticket at theme parks across the country - including Adventure Island, Busch Gardens, Hershey Park, Paramount's Great America, SeaWorld, Six Flags and Universal Studio.

DVD Rentals

Get discount DVD rentals at **Blockbuster** when you buy movie rental coupons in advance.



Major League Baseball

Sight-seeing savings at theaters, Broadway shows, museums, aquariums, zoos and sporting events like Major League Baseball in major cities.



Movie Theaters

Save up to 40% at national chains for those big summer blockbuster movies (most of which are made with union talent and technicians).



Order tickets online at UnionPlus.org/Entertainment or call **1-800-565-3712**, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST. and reference member ID number: **744387769**. Also, learn more about Advantage points and start earning points toward free entertainment.

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UnionPlus.org/Entertainment



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