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Years as USW Member: **8 years**

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What is unusual about your hometown, place of work or job?

My work place is a very large and complex refinery. We are a right-to-work state with 1,200 workers and only 16 non-members.

What does this year's theme, "A Union That Works" mean to you?

The theme "A Union That Works" means we do real work in our union, in our workplaces and in our community. All of this works because we do.

What issues will be important when your Local's contract expires?

Our next contract is our first contract with a new company. The largest issue is "how do we keep our current language and benefits?"

What is the most "political" thing you have done?

I have worked on campaigns, phone banking and block walking.

What career option do you think Chris Christie and/or Rob Ford should pursue?

Chris Christie and Rob Ford would both be a good addition to India's textile sweatshops.

Who would you prefer to have dinner with, and why: Hilary Clinton, Lady Gaga, Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, Will Smith, Richard Trumka or Jennifer Lawrence?

I would change the dinner arrangement and invite Reverend Barber, Hilary, Lady Gaga, Will Smith, Richard Trumka, and Jennifer Lawrence. We would have a "working meal" and transform our movement.

What's the best thing about the Convention so far?

Reverend Barber was incredible! He outlined the model on how we organize effectively and gain public support. Politicians must follow our agenda and must be held 100 percent accountable. He is likely the closest encounter in my lifetime to experiencing someone like Dr. King.

What things do you hope to do while you're here?

I hope to network with Next Generation delegates and forge friendships with other activists while we make history.

Have you yet decided how you will put the convention to work when you return home?

We are going to put these initiatives to work in my local in our education programs, new worker orientation and our local organizing plan.

