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Local Number/USW District #: **Local 1595, District 3**

Employer, Job Title: **Ultra Class Driver at Sunhills Mine**

Years as USW Member: **3.5 years**

Hometown: **Carvel, Alberta, Canada**

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

Carvel is a small rural community about 35 kilometers west of Edmonton. It's basically a mining and farming community. The work USW members do is what builds our community.

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

To me "A Union That Works" really means that we are the union. We're facing all sorts of attacks and big business tries to tell us that the union is somehow an outside group, but we know that the union is all of us standing up together.

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

In my local we know that pensions, fair wages and benefits will be key issues in our next round of bargaining. The company is always looking for claw backs, but we are determined to improve our contract.

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

When you think about everything the Steelworkers does – from political action to lobbying – joining the unions is probably the most political thing I have done. Its lead me to increase my activism in a number of different issues.

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

Rob Ford should talk to McDonald's. I hear they might need a new manager. Hopefully after the next election, he'll be looking for work.

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 think dinner with Lady Gaga would be great. Not only does she speak out on issues that she cares about, but I bet she'd be a lot of fun too.

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

It's amazing to see everything that our union does and is involved in. Steelworkers are at the forefront of every important fight to leave a better world to our children and grandchildren. It's very inspiring to be surrounded by all of it.

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

I'm hoping to just fully immerse myself in all of the discussions and activities of the convention. There's so much going on that there really is no limit to what you can do. Of course, the opportunity to connect with brothers and sisters from all over is at the top of my list.

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

I'm going to take back all the knowledge I gain and share it with my co-workers so we can build even more solidarity. When we bus into the mine each day, I have the perfect opportunity to talk to my brothers and sisters about everything I experienced at convention.

