

Friday Workshops

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**SOLIDARITY UNDER ATTACK:
MANAGEMENT'S PLAN TO DIVIDE US AT WORK**

Pegasus

Why does it feel harder than ever to get members involved in our union? Find out how management is using new technology and restructuring the workplace so workers don't see each other, can't talk with each other, and don't have time to get to know one another.

TDU HISTORY

Cygnus

How have Teamster members created the most durable reform movement in U.S. labor history? Learn about TDU's history, our victories and defeats—and lessons for our future.

3:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

TEAMSTER POWER IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

Pegasus

Teamster officials are using hard times to sell concessions. But is that our only option? Find out how transportation and logistics are changing, the growth of green jobs, and new opportunities for our union to use its power.

WRITING AND INVESTIGATING GRIEVANCES

Cygnus

Careful preparation can make the difference between losing and winning a grievance. Learn winning techniques for writing and investigating grievances.

Friday Schedule

11 am - 5 pm	Registration	<i>Orion Hallway</i>
11 am - 1 pm	Coffee	<i>Orion Hallway</i>
1 pm - 3 pm	Workshops TDU History Solidarity Under Attack: Management's Plan to Divide Us at Work	
3 pm - 3:30 pm	Coffee Break	<i>Orion Hallway</i>
3:30 pm - 5:15 pm	Workshops Teamster Power in the Global Economy Writing and Investigating Grievances	
5:30 pm - 7 pm	Reception & Cash Bar	<i>Orion Hallway</i>
7 pm - 9 pm	Dinner Program <i>Concessions and How to Beat Them</i>	<i>Orion Ballroom</i>
9 pm - Midnight	Reception & Cash Bar	<i>Time Out</i>

Saturday Workshops

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

TDU SUCCESS STORIES

Pegasus

Share organizing strategies with TDU members who have won victories in the last year, including winning local union office, bargaining strong contracts, and defeating pension cuts. Discuss common challenges to involving members and what members are doing to overcome apathy and build a stronger union.

RUNNING FOR LOCAL UNION OFFICE

London

How to plan a winning campaign for local union office. Members who've run before talk about how to identify supporters and build phone and email lists, old guard tactics and common mistakes to watch out for, and how to get out the vote—and win.

LEGAL RIGHTS OF UNION STEWARDS

Hopkins A

Thousands of stewards have learned their rights from Robert Schwartz's book. Find out what you can do to defend members' rights—and what management can't get away with.

THE SECRETS OF AN EFFECTIVE ORGANIZER

Gemini

How do you get other Teamsters to do as much for our union as you do? Learn proven strategies to get more members involved, build rank-and-file organization, and make a difference at work and in our union.

STRATEGIC GRIEVANCE HANDLING

Cygnus

A strategic approach to grievance handling can reduce steward burnout and strengthen contract enforcement. This workshop will explore how to choose our battles and explore strategies for mobilizing members to put more muscle behind our grievances.

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

BLOWING THE WHISTLE ON SAFETY

Hopkins B

PENSION Q & A

Pegasus

Saturday Schedule

7 am - 9 am	Coffee	Orion Hallway
8 am - 9:15 am	Women Teamsters Meeting	Hopkins B
8 am - 10 am	Registration	Orion Hallway
9:30 am - 11:30 am	General Session	Orion Ballroom
	<i>Rebuilding Teamster Unity and Power</i>	
	<i>Open Mic and Floor Discussion</i>	
	<i>Nominations for International Steering Committee</i>	
11:45 am - 1 pm	Lunch	Pool Area & Time Out
11:45 am - 1 pm	Latino Caucus	Hopkins B
1 pm - 3 pm	Workshops (See list on opposite page)	
3 pm - 3:30 pm	Coffee Break	Orion Hallway
3:30 pm - 4:45 pm	General Session	Orion Ballroom
	<i>The TDU Movement</i>	
5 pm - 7 pm	Special Events and Cocktail Hour	
	Black Caucus (5 pm - 6:30 pm)	<i>London</i>
	Voting for ISC	<i>Pool Area</i>
	Pension Q & A	<i>Pegasus</i>
	Cash Bar	<i>Time Out</i>
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Banquet and Program — Orion Ballroom	
	Guest Speaker: Barbara Ehrenreich, Author of <i>Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America</i>	
		
9 pm - Midnight	Cash Bar and Karaoke	Time Out
10 pm - 11 pm	Voting for ISC	Pool Area

Sunday Workshops

9:00 am - 10:45 a.m.

BARGAINING STRONG CONTRACTS

Cygnus

Winning a strong contract takes early preparation and a strategy that leverages union power at the bargaining table and in the workplace. Share strategies for preparing for negotiations and coordinating a winning contract campaign.

Noon - 1:45 p.m.

EVALUATING AND PREPARING THE TOUGH DISCHARGE CASE

Hopkins A

Good unions strongly contest discharges. This workshop examines the just-cause standards for “industrial felonies” such as fighting, drug use, harassment, and insubordination. When can employees ignore the “obey now, grieve later” rule? Is testimony from a single supervisor sufficient for a termination? What can an employee do if the union refuses to process his or her grievance?

MAKING YOUR CASE TO THE BOSS

Cygnus

Tactics for successfully representing members and arguing grievances—including defending members who are called into the office, preparing grievants and witnesses, presenting your grievances, and effectively making your case.

THE FUTURE OF TEAMSTER PENSIONS AND BENEFITS

Pegasus

Teamster pensions and healthcare are under steady corporate attack. The new financial turmoil on Wall Street will only increase the pressure. How are Teamsters organizing to defend their benefits? And what are the long-term solutions to protect our healthcare and retirement security?

FLYERS AND WEBSITES

Gemini

Find out how to make flyers and websites that get your point across and get read. Look at some of the best and the worst and learn how to reach more members and find new supporters.

Sunday Schedule

8 am - 9 am	Coffee	Orion Hallway
9 am - 11 am	Jurisdictional Meetings and Workshops	
	UPS	<i>Pegasus</i>
	Freight	<i>Hopkins B</i>
	Carhaul	<i>Gemini</i>
	Bargaining Strong Contracts	<i>Cygnus</i>
11 am - Noon	Lunch	Orion B & C
Noon - 1:45 pm	Workshops (<i>See list on opposite page</i>)	
2 pm - 3 pm	Closing Session	Orion Ballroom A
	<i>Introduction of ISC for 2008-2009</i>	
	<i>Election of TDU Officers</i>	