

**Four Fired UAW 3520 Freightliner Strike Leaders To Attend
Midwest Events
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**Flint, Michigan Meeting
1/26/2008**

**Freightliner 5 Member Will Attend UAW Rank & File Labor Conference
1/26/2008
Flint Michigan
Soldiers Of Solidarity
&
The Center for Labor Renewal & The Solidarity Education Center
Location: University of Michigan-Flint
Harding Mott University Center - Michigan Rooms A & B
On Circle Dr. off Kearsley Street (Bldg # 10 on campus map)
9:00 am - 5:00pm**

Detroit, Michigan Meeting
1/29/2008

Join us to welcome to Detroit UAW members dubbed the "Freightliner Five" from Local 3250 in Cleveland, North Carolina

WHAT: Hear an update from the "Freightliner Five" and informal discussion around food and drinks. Find out more about their story and why labor activists are taking notice and discuss labor organizing in the south.

WHEN: Tuesday, January 29 at 7pm

WHERE: Anchor Bar

Go to the far back room to find us.

450 W Fort St

Detroit, MI 48226

Directions: From Lodge/M-10 South, take Exit 1C for "Howard St toward Cobo Roof". Turn Left on Fort. Get full directions by Google Maps at: <http://tinyurl.com/37yv8y>.

BACKGROUND:

The "Freightliner Five" or "Cleveland Five" are members of UAW 3250 in Cleveland, North Carolina representing workers at a Freightliner factory. The five were members of their Local's bargaining committee and after hitting a wall with the company, took the workers out on strike. Members of the five

lost their jobs and their positions in the union and were put on trial by the UAW. While cleared of charges, the five are asking the union to help get their jobs back.

In their own words what they hope to achieve:

"We hope that by telling our story pressure will be placed on Freightliner, LLC and will also encourage the UAW International to pay us strike pay and healthcare benefits for being discharged for union activity. This struggle is not just about us, but the future of organizing in the South. If a company can victimize rank and file union leadership of a unionized plant this will hinder and threaten all other organizing efforts in the South. Workers who want to become unionized will look at this and decide it is too dangerous."

The Freightliner Five's campaign has been endorsed by Ken Riley, president of ILA 1422 in Charleston, South Carolina and Donna Dewitt, President of the South Carolina AFL-CIO. These trade unionists were leaders of the fight to Free The "Charleston Five" case of long shore workers.

For more information, read the article recently published by Labor Notes at <http://labornotes.org/node/1454>
To hear more from the five, go to their website at www.justice4five.com.

CONTACT: Tiffany Ten Eyck at 313-515-1807 or email tiffanyteneyck@gmail.com for more information, and to endorse this event. Current endorsers include Detroit IWW and Labor Notes, more to follow.

Champaign, Illinois Meeting
2/2/2008

11:00 PM - 1:00 PM Radio Show
Illinois Labor Hour
WFT.org
90.1 FM

113 N. Market St., Champaign, IL 61820

12:30 - 2:00 PM
Champaign, Illinois Solidarity Meeting
IMC (Independent Media Center, 202 S. Broadway)
Champaign/Urbana, Illinois
For Cleveland Five UAW 3520 Freightliner Strike Leaders
For Information Call
217-356-8247
Email unionyes@ameritech.net

----- Chicago, Illinois Meeting
2/2/2008

<http://www.9898.us/3/f5chi80202.htm>

"Freightliner Cleveland Five"
Solidarity Tour
Chicago 2/2/08

This is a rising rank-n-file movement that we need to know about.
Come to UE Hall, 37 South Ashland
Saturday, February 2nd 2008, at 7:00pm. Free.

A Rank and File Labor Solidarity Meeting
Mike Griffin, War Zone and UBC member
Lee Sustar, Charleston 5 defense committee and labor editor
for Socialist Worker newspaper.
Music by Labor Troubadour Bucky Halker
Fired UAW Strike Leaders Robert Whiteside, Allen Bradley, Franklin Torrence and Glenna Swinford will
attend this Chicago solidarity meeting.

The Cleveland Five are the Cleveland, N.C., fired Freightliner (Daimler) UAW Local 3520 strike leaders
Robert Whiteside, Allen Bradley, Franklin Torrence, Glenna Swinford, and David Crisco. Come to this
solidarity meeting, to encourage these brave union members, and to unite around their struggle for justice!

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Chicago Supporters of The "Freightliner Cleveland Five". Current information and a flyer are at
www.9898.us/3/f5chi80202.htm. 708-863-8591. 773-935-5255. ckaihatsu@gmail.com.

Partial list of endorsers to date (Individuals' organizations are not necessarily endorsers): Chicago
Supporters of The "Freightliner Cleveland Five"; The Cleveland Five, justice4five.com; Committee for
Labor Access, Labor Beat TV and Labor Express Radio; Donna Dewitt, President, South Carolina AFL-
CIO; Bob Gallie; Dennis Gallie, Quorum 325; Mike Griffin, War Zone Educational Foundation, United
Brotherhood of Carpenters member; Steve Edwards, Welfare Workers AFSCME; Bucky Halker;
International Socialist Organization ISO national and Chicago; Chris Kaihatsu; Ken Riley, President,
International Longshoremens Association ILA 1422, Charleston S.C.; Earl Silbar; Chicago Teachers
Against Privatization; Steve Zeltzer, Labor Video Project, San Francisco; and others.

Other events are being scheduled. If you can plan a meeting with them or put them up during their tour
contact National Tour Organizer. Also funds are needed to help finance the tour arrangements. You can
send donations to

Freightliner Five Defense Fund
P.O. Box 5144; Statesville, NC 28687

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