



CEP Local 404

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HUNGRY IN HAZELTON

Tribute to members of Local 298

Congratulations on Tentative Settlement

By the time you receive this members of CEP, Local 298 from the Eurocan Mill in Kitimat will be voting on a tentative collective agreement reached with the employer.

For the past 3 month, 298 members have been driving to Hazelton and doing 24 hour picket duty to shore up the blockade at the Carnaby Mill site.

Mo Azaz, President of Local 404 at Carnaby said, "Local 298 members have shown incredible solidarity. We could not have done as well holding off the company sale of equipment and dismantling of the mill without their support."

"We have been out of work for a long time and we know the hardship they have faced during their 3 month strike -- yet they were there every day for us. We want to express our deep gratitude to them and wish them well in their settlement"

Dave Coles, Vice President, CEP Western Region, stated, "It is this kind of solidarity and working

together that makes the CEP a strong union and a voice to be reckoned with."

We're proud of you all at Local 298!!

Carnaby Plays Cat and Mouse at Blockade

New Skeena bosses have been seen scuttling in and out of Carnaby Mill Site all week. At the same time salaried employees have been busy in the yard. They start the "Wagner" (one of the huge pieces of equipment that would have to be dismantled to be moved off site) they run it around the yard, and then they park it outside of maintenance The next day the same game.

Mo put out a call for a heavy duty chain and lock to block the entrance in case they try to move trucks in and the Wagner out. Within half an hour he had more chains on site than he could use. Thanks to all who responded. He may eventually need all of the chain because the company has already cut the first one he put up.

Mo says, "There's lots of activity down there, but nothing really happening -- at least not yet." The vigil continues!

Hazelton Blockader to be at Western Region Conference

CEP Locals have been extremely generous in their support of the Hungry in Hazelton campaign but the struggle is not over. **What can your local do?**

- **Hear the Hazelton Blockade story from Brother Azaz and take it back to your local;**
- **Bring messages of support and solidarity for Mo to take to his members;**
- **Bring donations from your locals. There will be an opportunity to make a presentation.**