

# AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL



**“We have to decide between health insurance & our health and bills & bread.”**

– Mary White President IAM 62A

188 workers of IAM 62A from UTC Aerospace Systems (UTAS) plant in Cheshire began their strike September 17<sup>th</sup>. Workers face rising healthcare costs & inadequate pay raises as reasons for their decision to strike.

## Some background information:

- Their deductible for a family health insurance plan is \$17,000.
- Cost of health insurance is about \$106 a week. This cost does not include vision, dental, & prescriptions
- With the average wage of \$19.84 an hour, their unit has the highest deductible, yet makes the least amount in wages compared to the rest of UTAS.
- Last year, UTC Aerospace Systems had an operating profit of \$2.4 billion on sales of \$14.7 billion. Can they afford to share a little with these workers?

## There are 2 ways to support our sisters & brothers:

### Join the picket line

The UTC Aerospace Systems plant located on 250 Knotter Drive Cheshire. Best times to join are 5:30 am – 7:30 am & 2 pm, but the strike is 24/7. There is no parking at the site. Please call Mary White 203-510-3153 or Jeff Santini 860-670-4951 to arrange shuttle transport.

### Send a check

Payable to IAM local 62A & in the MEMO write “Strike Fund”. Mail to: P.O. Box 87 Marion, CT 06444. Checks can also be delivered in person to Mary White.

