

Nathalie Lapointe

Name:

Local 1976, District 5

Local Number/USW District #:

Union representative but worked formerly at CP Rail

Employer, Job Title:

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Our members work in the railway industry

Years as USW Member:

What does your local do or make?

Dolbreau-Mistassini, QC

Hometown:

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

"I am worried about the many young people leaving my little village of Dolbreau-Mistassini. Quebec is large. We must stay here in our own space whatever it costs."

What does this year's theme, "The Power of Unity," mean to you? How has your local benefited from putting unity into action?

"It means that the more mobilized we are, the better the group holds together and the stronger we are."

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

"The important thing will be to hold on to our pension plan. We will need to be vigilant."

What's your favorite alternative fact?

"The number of people attending Donald Trump's inauguration...

Who would you prefer to have dinner with: Sean Spicer, Betty White, Vladimir Putin, Drake, or Céline Dion? Why?

"The clear choice for me would be Betty White. She is an activist. She's funny and tells it like it is."

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

"The opening speech given by Leo W. Gerard and his tactful comments on the recent American elections."

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

"I hope to spend some time with my colleagues."

What in this convention will you put to work when you return home?

"The fact that we can never be reminded too often of the importance of mobilization."

