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NEWSLETTER

Members that work at FIRST NICKEL INC.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of First Nickel Inc.,

We have two dismissal grievances in arbitration. On Thursday, February 26th, 2015, Roger and I met with the company to hear outstanding 2nd stage grievances. The grievors were present for their meetings and we will be receiving replies to each this week.

We also met on the 9 hour shift schedule and the company made a proposal to which we countered and offered other ideas. We will be discussing all offers with Anne Marie and Richard and you will have a vote on the final options.

Elections for the Election Judges is being held at the General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, March 4th at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 5th at 1:00p.m. at Mine Mill Union – Craftshop – Richard Lake Dr. Please try to make one of those meetings and vote.

The company has expressed a concern that we have 2 too many stewards now. We have come to an agreement that we will only post for the number now required in the spring elections.

Our sincere condolences to the family of our brother Claude Belanger Sr. Who passed away on February 21st. A cash collection is being made by our members to help Mrs. Belanger purchase a bench at Vale Hospice in Claude's name and memory. A request has also been made to the Union for a donation to support this cause.

With regards to Joint Health & Safety, Roger and I would like to remind you all that you have the right to refuse unsafe work with no fear or reprisal.

The issue of cage tender for day shift on the weekend is being addressed. There must be a cage tender designated to the cage when persons are working underground.

In Solidarity,

Cathy Mikkelsen

Cathy Mikkelsen, Unit Chair

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Something to strive for!!!

