

ONE-YEAR LATER, STILL STANDING STRONG:

Fundraiser for Locked Out Sugar Workers



TUESDAY, AUG 21
6PM-8PM
UNITED LABOR CENTER
ROOM 218

312 Central Ave SE, Minneapolis

August 1, 2012 marked the 1-year anniversary of the Bakery, Confectionery, Tobacco Workers, and Grain Millers International Union lockout by the bosses at Crystal Sugar. At the end of June, the BCTGM workers rejected a third contract offer that would double health care costs and allow management to ignore seniority when filling new positions and contract work out to non-union workers. These workers have held strong against this unfair contract. Workers from North Dakota never received unemployment insurance during the lockout and the Minnesota workers' unemployment is beginning to run out. Our union brothers and sisters in the Red River Valley are going through difficult times and are engaged in a very difficult fight. The President of Crystal Sugar likened the union to a cancerous tumor that must be removed. Union busting is becoming all too familiar with 'Right to Work' legislation being introduced around the country and more attacks by bosses every day. Join us for a solidarity dinner and discussion on how we unite these struggles, show solidarity for the locked out Crystal Sugar workers, and learn from their experience.

*Checks can be made out to MN AFL-CIO with BCTGM in the memo line,
mail to AFSCME 3800, 1313 5TH St SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.*

Panel Speakers (followed by Q&A):

- Mark Froemke, President, AFL-CIO West Minnesota Area Labor Council and Representative of the Bakery, Confectionery and Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers (BCTGM) Union
- T-Roy Anderson, musician and locked out sugar worker
- Joe Burns, Author of *Reviving the Strike: How Working People Can Regain Power and Transform America*
- Michelle Sommers, President, ATU 1005



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