

# Caroling for Justice!

INTERFAITH COMMITTEE FOR WORKER JUSTICE

Thursday, December 6, 2007

*Holiday Justice Carols in Support of University of California Service & Patient Care Workers*

## 1. *Deck the Halls (with vows of fairness)*

Deck the schools with vows of fairness, Fa la la la, la la la la.

'Tis the season of awareness, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Of injustice of the Regents, Fa la la, la la la, la la la.

Service workers pay the cost, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

They could surely make this right, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

If they'd simply stop this fight, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

'Gainst their own industrious work force, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

By pursuing now a just course. Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Those who bargain, you are able, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Put a contract on the table, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Respect our workers with a raise, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

They deserve a job that pays, Fa la la la la, la la la la!

## 2. *The Dreidel Song*

(UC-themed)

I wish I had a dreidel,  
and with it I would play,  
But I can't have a dreidel;  
UC won't raise mom's pay!

Shame on you, U.C.,  
you didn't do it right  
Denied mom her raise,  
And now she works at night.

I wish I had a dreidel,  
and with it I would play,  
But I can't have a dreidel;  
UC won't raise mom's pay!

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## 3. *Share the Dough!*

(Tune: "Let it Snow")

Poverty wages are just frightful,  
Workers find them truly blightful,  
U.C. Regents need to know:

*Share the dough! Share the dough! Share the dough!*

The fire within us blazes,  
As we fight for decent raises,  
And we want to get what we're owed,  
*Share the dough! Share the dough! Share the dough!*

We leave our families home at night  
Working hard on two jobs is the norm!  
And we know that it's just not right,  
This system needs real reform!

Workers' power is on the rising,  
In the schools we're organizing,  
And we're making our movement grow,  
*Share the dough! Share the dough! Share the dough!*

#### ***4. Twelve Days Working Poor***

(Tune: Twelve Days of Christmas)

On my first day Working Poor my kids said to me: “Why are  
**No presents underneath the tree?”**

On my second day Working Poor my bosses gave to me  
**Poverty wages**

On my third day Working Poor my bosses gave to me  
**No hope for raises**

On my fourth day Working Poor the taxpayers gave to me  
**4 kids on Medi-Cal**

On my fifth day Working Poor the utilities gave to me  
**5 past due bills**

On my sixth day Working Poor my second job gave to me  
**A cut in my hours**

On my seventh day Working Poor my bosses gave to me  
**No health insurance**

On my eighth day Working Poor the paper gave to me  
**Eight grocery coupons**

On my ninth day Working Poor the school gave to me  
**Nine free lunches**

On my tenth day Working Poor my landlord gave to me  
**Ten days to vacate**

On my eleventh day Working Poor the government gave to me  
**Eleven measly food stamps**

On my twelfth day Working Poor Scrooge gave to me  
**Twelve months of suff’ring**

## 5. *Joy to you all!*

(Tune: Joy to the World)

1. Joy to you all, who work so hard,  
You'll soon have your reward!  
We're with you and we'll be-e-e  
'Til the Regents hear our plea-e-e:  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract, fair contra-act for you now!
2. Joy to you all, who work so hard,  
A Living Wage is what you need!  
With you-oo we uni-ite  
Together in the fi-ight  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract, fair contra-act for you now!
3. Loud-ly proclaim: It is a shame,  
Workers' rights are not a game!  
The Regents have some ner-erve!  
Good wages are deser-erved,  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract for you now,  
A fair contract, fair contra-act for you now!

## 6. *Feliz Triunfo*

(Tune: Feliz Navidad)

Feliz Triunfo, Feliz Triunfo  
Feliz Triunfo, Prospero año y Felicidad

We want to wish you a Jolly Triumph  
We want to wish you a Jolly Triumph  
We want to wish you a Jolly Triumph  
from the bottom of our hearts!

With good jobs to support your fam'ly  
With good jobs to support your fam'ly  
With good jobs to support your fam'ly  
from the bottom of our hearts!

Feliz Triunfo, Feliz Triunfo  
Feliz Triunfo, Prospero año y Felicidad

## 7. *To the Bank*

(Tune: Jingle Bells)

**To the bank, to the bank  
Jingle all the way,  
Regents will not share the wealth  
And workers have to pay!**  
*(repeat chorus)*

Housing costs will rise,  
gas and healthcare too,  
It's hard for UC workers,  
who don't get a raise.  
We are here today  
to talk and sing and pray  
U.C. Regents listen to  
what workers have to say!

**To the bank, to the bank  
Jingle all the way,  
Regents will not share the wealth  
And workers have to pay!**  
*(repeat chorus)*

## 9. *We Wish You a Happy Holiday*

(Tune: “We Wish You a Merry Christmas”)

### **Chorus:**

**We wish you a Happy Holiday  
We wish you a Happy Holiday  
We wish you a Happy Holiday  
And a peaceful New Year**

We thank one and all  
For support that you bring  
At U.C. San Diego  
Solidarity Rings! **(Chorus)**

Now give all your workers raises,  
Now give all your workers raises!  
Now give all your workers raises,  
With holiday cheer! **(Chorus)**

We won't go until they get one,  
We won't go until they get one,  
We won't go until they get one,  
So call the Regents now! **(Chorus)**

On Kwanza or Hanukkah,  
Ramadan, Christmas too.  
A season of justice  
Is our wish to you! **(Chorus)**

## 8. *O Chanukah, O Chanukah* (UC-themed)

Oh Regents, U.C. Regents,  
come light the candles.  
These workers deserve a living wage,  
your workload they do handle.  
They serve you with their whole hearts  
to make U.C. the tops.  
Now you must do your part  
and remove all the stops.

And while we negotiate,  
new friends we will make.  
Knowing each other,  
Like sisters and brothers,  
Is what good will and labor peace will take.

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***Save the Date: Rally to Support University of California  
Service & Patient Care Workers  
Thursday, January 31, 2008***

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*Thank you for Caroling for Justice with us!*

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