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Dump on Trump's Visit to UK

A national demonstration in London has been called against the visit of Trump to the UK on Friday 13 July.

Your Branch Committee of stewards has unanimously passed a motion to support those wishing to attend this huge demonstration. The sexism and racism from Trump is against the values of equality held by UNISON and the trade union movement. Trump's re-tweeting of Nazi Britain Firsts posts exposes his Islamophobic racism.

Not content with threatening a war with North Korea and Iran, Trump has now begun a trade war with the rest of the world, including the UK. Yet Theresa May plans to welcome Trump!

If you want to be part of an historic huge demonstration to unwelcome the visit of Trump please contact the Branch Office 0121 569 5996 to check out local free transport to London.

Women Chainmakers' Festival Saturday 7 July from 11am

The 2018 Women Chainmakers' Festival celebrates the 1910 victory of over 800 chainmakers' from Cradley Heath, who after a ten-week long strike won the first ever minimum wage in Britain, that doubled their wages overnight.

The family festival celebrates this historic victory made in Sandwell and is the only festival that celebrates women fighting for their rights at work.

Sponsored by the Midlands TUC, the festival takes place on the very High Street of Cradley Heath where the picture shows the strike leader, Mary Macarthur, rallying the strikers.





Remembering the Dead, Fighting for the Living

UNISON took part in the first ever Workers' Memorial Day event held in Sandwell on 27 April. Speakers from our sister trade unions also attended.

Cllr Steve Trow (pictured above) gave his commitment to continue to work with trade unions to make workplaces as safe as possible.

Every year UNISON secures settlements for staff injured during their work. We all come to work to earn a living and contribute to society. Nobody deserves to be injured, or worse still, killed during work.

Remember, if you sustain an injury at work please contact the Branch Office to enquire how to make a claim.

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