

# **ALLY AS A VERB**

MAKETHEM. BE ONE. KEEPTHEM.

#### WHO ARE YOU?

- Your name?
- Your Union affiliation and length of membership?
- Where do you live?
- Why did you get in your trade?
- Who is your best ally at work and in your life away from work?



### **PRESENTERS**

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**ALLY DEFINED** 

• NOUN: a state formally cooperating with another for military or other purposes, typically by treaty.

 VERB: combine or unite a resource or commodity with (another) for mutual benefit.

Merriam-Webster

#### WHAT MAKES A GOOD ALLY?

- Effective Communicator
- Treats Allies as Equals
- Professional
- Invests Time In Allies
- Gives Best Effort

- Chooses Battles Wisely
- Gives In On Little Things
- Keeps Promises
- Resolves Conflicts Quickly
- Be an Ally (verb)



#### SKILLS WOMEN SHOULD HAVE AS ALLIES TO WOMEN

SAMANTHA COONEY

- Identify and address second generation bias
- Be a mentor not a competitor
- Sponsor and promote women
- Cut each other slack
- Educate and empower men to help



#### SKILLS MEN SHOULD HAVE AS ALLIES TO WOMEN

KATIE DUPERE

- Pay attention to gender
- Notice how women face different problems
- Learn to call out injustices
- Listen
- Be an advocate in the truest sense



#### WORDS ALLIES DON'T USE

#### KATIE DUPERE

- Lame
- Retarded
- Colored
- OCD
- Derp
- Crazy

- Tranny
- Illegal
- Gyp
- Exotic
- Ghetto
- Fat



#### **BULLIES-WHY DO PEOPLE DO THIS?**

- They like to feel powerful
- They feel threatened by others
- Unrealistic self-image
- They suffer from stress
- Mental problems or personality disorders



#### WHEN IS IT BULLYING?

- Repetitive
- Dissimilar gender to gender
- Men-physical, yelling, overt messages
- Women-subtle, facial cues, body language
- Not often goal oriented



#### HOW TO DEAL WITH BULLIES

- Don't get emotional
- Don't blame yourself
- Do your best
- Have a support network
- Document everything

- Seek help
- Get counseling
- Stay healthy
- Educate Yourself
- Don't expect to change them