KANSAS TROUBLEMAKERS SCHOOL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Registration 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Coffee and light snacks served.

Welcome and Overview of Labor Notes 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Barbara Madeloni, Labor Notes (Wescoe Hall, 3139 Auditorium)

Workshops 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- 1. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Beating Apathy (Wescoe Hall 4043)
- 2. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Mapping Your Worksite and Assembling Your Dream Team (*Wescoe Hall 4045*)
- 3. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Turning an Issue into a Campaign (*Wescoe Hall 4046*)
- 4. Eight Lessons from Labor History You Didn't Learn in School (*Wescoe Hall 4050*)
- 5. Race and Labor: Let's Talk About It (Wescoe Hall 4051)

Lunch at the ECM and Plenary 12:00 - 1:15 p.m. Elizabeth Esch, UAE 2110 (former member), AFT, AAUP

(Ecumencial Campus Ministries Building) Lunch is provided.

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3:30-4 p.m. Closing



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Judy Ancel, Heartland Labor Forum, Missouri Jobs with Justice

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