

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Antics Shame Carpenter's Union

I WONDER IF the Carpenter's Union Local 1319 realizes how completely ridiculous its picketing antics appear to the citizens of New Mexico.

In these tough economic times, this union continues to harass honest, hardworking, tax-paying businesses. If I were a member of the Carpenter's Union, I would be furious my dues were being used to fund this type of nonsense.

My father was a dues-paying member of a trade union (IBEW) for 35 years. When he retired, he had become disillusioned with the union concept and voiced his con-

cerns to me. "I'm sick of seeing my hard-earned money paid as dues to buy corrupt politicians and pay the salaries of sleazy union business agents."

It's time the Carpenter's Union gets a grip on real-life realities. Their behavior has become quite old and annoying.

Oh, and by the way, Diane Denish, it's no secret that the Carpenters Union is one of the largest contributors to your campaign. As the union itself says, "Shame on you."

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