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10B Enjoys Football Fun

A group of Unitex Employees kicked off the new year by participating in a one-day football tournament. The team started out strong, winning the first round, but then lost the second round and got eliminated in the playoffs. Spectators enjoyed seeing the camaraderie, competitive spirit, and drive to win. The team was formed by 10B employees: **Byron Robinson, Tommy Huzar, John Rossol, John Meyers, Tysean Spence, Joseph Bass, Gabriel Gerena.** —Submitted by **Leticia Bueno-Gerena**

Newburgh Celebrates the Holidays

The Unitex Newburgh plant management team was treated to a home-cooked lunch prepared by General Manager, **Ramon De Los Santos**, as well as a secret santa gift swap in appreciation for a good year.

Top photo Back L-R: Kevin Punch, Michael Johnson, Frank Lammana, Justin Vernoooy

Front L-R: Art Palmer, Ramon De Los Santos, Marie Mulgrew, Yadira Hernandez, Dife Daka, Emily Cruz, Sheyla Granados, Mabel Cruz, and Lilliana Gutierrez

Bottom photo: General Manager Ramon De Los Santos hosted an employee luncheon giving plant staff the opportunity to unwind and enjoy a delicious catered meal with some spontaneous dancing and fun.



The Faces of Unitex: Meet Luis Martinez

Luis joined Unitex after working for Airco International, a cooling and heating appliance manufacturer based in Utica, NY. Luis was a lead material planner, responsible for purchasing the components necessary to build the products. After ten years at Airco, Luis felt ready for a new challenge and joined Unitex in 2014.

Luis started as a pack-out supervisor at 155, quickly moving up to production supervisor and then garment supervisor. Luis' quick rise is attributed to being a hard worker, ready to learn from his peers and take advice from supervisors. When asked what he likes best about the job Luis readily responds with, "I love working with people and I get along with everyone. The fast-paced environment can be stressful at times, but I'm up for the daily challenge."

On a personal note, Luis came from El Salvador at 9 years old and has a 21-year-old daughter who lives in Georgia and a 9-year old daughter who lives with him in Rockland County. When not at work or spending time with his family, Luis indulges his passion for cars, traveling the northeast with his car club, ***Mopar for Life***, in his black Dodge Charger. Laughing good naturedly, Luis quips how he gets to spend extra time in his Charger due to traffic on the newly renamed Mario Cuomo Bridge.

What advice would Luis give to a new employee to help them succeed at Unitex? "Listen and learn from your supervisors and peers, take in all you can, and work hard. Do that and good things will come," says Luis. "Unitex is filled with opportunity and I plan to be here for a long time."

We hope so as well.



Linen Awareness Day at Southside Hospital/Northwell



On a rainy day in January the team from Unitex presented a Linen Awareness Day for the staff of Southside Hospital/Northwell Health in Bay Shore, NY. Turnout was excellent, exceeding everyone's expectations! Pictured above from L-R: **Bill Bender**, Sr. Manager of Ancillary Services, Northwell Health; **Donna Donaghy**, Supervisor Support Services, Southside Hospital/Northwell Health; **Rocco Susi**, VP Account Services, Unitex; **Seth Gershman**, Director Marketing, Unitex; **Jose Vasquez**, Director Environmental Services / Laundry and Linen, Southside Hospital/Northwell Health