

*Amtrak management is not willing to help make our jobs safe....*

# **We have to do it ourselves!**



On April 3 we lost two brothers at Chester, PA. A month earlier, on March 1 we lost a brother in New Brunswick, NJ and shortly before that on the Albany line we lost a sister on October 29, 2014. Our unions have been calling for proper training, enforcement of safety protocols, and a collaborative safety program where front-line workers' concerns are heard and acted on.

Amtrak has ignored us. If they had listened, Brothers Joe Carter, Pete Adamovich, Dawod Bahr and Sister Minwella Kline might still be with us and their families today.

Management is being clear in their ignorance: they do not care about our safety. It's on us to INSIST on a safe workplace. Here are some things you can do with your coworkers to make your workplace safe:

- **JOB & ON-TRACK BRIEFINGS:** raise all safety concerns with management at the job/worksites briefing (every shift) – no matter how small they may seem.
- **UNSAFE CONDITIONS:** if you believe that a work condition is unsafe, tell management immediately. Make sure you have a union sister or brother as witness. Stand by until the unsafe condition is fixed – you have a right to refuse unsafe work. If your concerns are not addressed, offer to do other work that is safe and call your safety liaison or union representative to help resolve the unsafe issue.
- **GET READY TO TAKE ACTION:** if Amtrak doesn't start taking concrete action, we'll ramp up on management in the coming weeks.



***Together we're stronger!***