

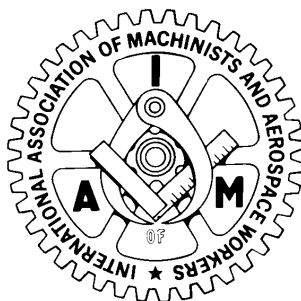
ATTEND YOUR UNION MEETING

Monday, May 14th, 4:15 PM

At the Ajax Legion Hall * 111 Hunt St. Ajax, ON

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**JUSTICE ON THE JOB,
SECURITY FOR THE FAMILY
AND
SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

Happy Retirement

Brother To-Ming is shown receiving a IAM retirement cheque from LL905 President Dave Thompson. Brother To-Ming is retiring working after 20 years at the Ajax plant.

Happy Retirement To-Ming!



Day of Mourning April 28

In 1991, the Parliament of Canada declared April 28 the National Day of Mourning. Every year since, unions, labour councils, families and community partners gather by the thousands to "mourn for the dead and fight for the living." What began through the efforts of Canada's labour movement is now observed in more than 100 countries.

This year April 28 was on a Saturday and I attended the ceremonies in Lindsay. As I stood at the monument and listened to the speakers it was clear awareness of Health and safety on the job has come a long way and still has a long way to go.

In the eight years since Bill C-45 was passed it was unused in Ontario, yet more than 500 workers have been killed on the job and more than two million injured. There is only one ongoing criminal trial over the 2009 Christmas Eve tragedy in which four migrant workers plunged to their deaths when their scaffolding broke. The fifth worker barely survived.

"Twenty-six years ago, in Canada, we mourned the loss of fewer workers than we do today. Mothers, fathers, children, friends and neighbours have endured the worst tragedies imaginable as the relentless drive for profits has been allowed to take precedence over the health and safety of workers. We must not permit one more company to ignore its obligation," says OFL President Sid Ryan.

In Ontario, in the first two months of 2012, there have been 71 deaths and 39,563 claims for work-related injuries and diseases reported to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board; in 2011, there were 436 fatality claims and 240,342 injuries and disease claims.

At the Lindsay Day of Mourning Ceremony the local MP finished his speech by telling us we had to continue to push for more legislation. I was not surprised that he didn't commit to

CELEBRATING YEARS OF SERVICE IN 905 DURING MAY

26 Years Shawn Giguere
 23 Years Peter Ferreira
 23 Years Shane Kingston
 23 Years John MacKenzie
 22 Years Mario Macam
 22 Years Peter Silarajs
 17 Years Jacqueline Allen
 17 Years Shelley Chapman
 17 Years David Mitton
 17 Years Deanna Spence
 17 Years Douglas Teske
 14 Years Lisa Cormack
 14 Years Jeff Shearer
 12 Years Pavel Blaha
 11 Years Kenneth Scott
 10 Years Robert A Christmas
 8 Years Lolita Gershfeld
 7 Years Thomas Gillespie
 7 Years Richard Sale
 6 Years Lynn McKenzie
 5 Years Elaine Scott
 5 Years Matthew Bolton
 5 Years Chris Galt
 5 Years Peter H Kennedy
 4 Years April Fickling
 4 Years Jason Gemmell
 3 Years Anwar Ahmad



Years of Service during January

4 Years Vishnu Tiwary



Get Well Soon

Leonard Bernard

Derek Bond

Alan Brown

Mike Buchler

Shelley Chapman

Randy Crawford

Angela D'angelo

Ali Elassal

Delfin Flores

Bradley Godfrey

Leonard Green

James Hughes

Dave Kamath

Phillip Kellar

Janice McKenzie

Michael McKelvey

Martin Price

Pauline Reilly

Douglas Teske

Keewatin Air Workers join IAMAW

Workers at Keewatin Air in Winnipeg are the newest members of the IAMAW. The 25 new members consist of Aircraft Maintenance Engineers (AME), Apprentice AME's, Quality Assurance Assistants, Maintenance and Parts Department Personnel. "We couldn't have succeeded in this campaign without the hard work and guidance of IAM District Lodge 181 Directing Business Representative Wayne Relf and his organizing committee," said Short. "They took the time to explain the benefits of IAM membership and answer the concerns of the workers."

Keewatin Air serves the Canadian Arctic from its main base in Winnipeg with scheduled service to Sanikiluaq in Hudson Bay. It operates a fleet of Beech 1900 and King Air 200 aircraft. Keewatin Air operates aircraft ground support at bases in Churchill, Manitoba, Rankin Inlet and Iqaluit, Nunavut, as well as charter and Air medical services throughout Nunavut, Manitoba and beyond.

IAMAW

IN MEMORIAM

Suddenly, on Thursday May 10, 2012, Tony Jordi, a member employed for the past twenty years at Nefab Inc. in Peterborough Ontario, passed away. He is survived by his mother Nellie and his two aunts, an uncle and several cousins in Holland. A private family service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Cancer Society. Tony was well liked by everyone who had contact with him and he will be sorely missed by his friends and co-workers at Nefab. The Local Lodge on behalf of its members, extends our deepest sympathies to his mother and surviving family members. Rest in peace Tony.

Bill Shipman

helping us in the fight for improvements.

In my opinion what we need is enforcement of the laws we have. Labour laws are there for a reason, to protect the worker.

Doris Wise



16th Annual Dave Ritchie Invitational Golf Tournament

Winner of 2 tickets

James Kyle Brown

A name was selected at random from the full LL905 membership list. Prize inclusive of golfing fees, golf cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Total value \$260.

Editor

Day of Action April 21, 2012 In Solidarity we stand!

On Saturday April 21, 2012; members and friends of 12 Unions and 86 Community Organizations gathered on the lawn in front of the Queen's Park Ontario Provincial Legislature Building to protest the Austerity Cuts proposed by the Ontario government.

According to OFL figure 15,000 attend the Day of Action. The speeches were followed by a march on Bay and Bloor Streets.

Editor



Ontario MNR outsources licenses to U.S. for-profit company

Sarah Campbell, MPP for Kenora-Rainy River, is calling on the province's Privacy Commissioner to investigate increasing concerns that residents' personal information is being compromised by a Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) decision to outsource hunting and fishing licenses to a Tennessee company.

After raising concerns about the outsourcing just over a month ago, Campbell says her offices have received a number of calls from residents concerned with their personal information being stored across the border.

"When a member of the public calls the MNR licensing phone line, they are now warned that personal information will be stored outside of Canada, and will be subject to the laws of the jurisdiction where it is stored," Campbell wrote in a letter to the commissioner.

While the Ministry claims its contract with the American company forbids the use of information collected, American laws like the Patriot Act can require that private information be turned over to a third party.

In Question Period, Campbell grilled the Minister of Natural Resources over the decision to outsource the services.

"Why are Ontarians losing out on jobs because services are being sold off to companies in other countries, all while putting our privacy at risk?" asked Campbell. "There's close to 600,000 people out of work in this province and now, more jobs that could very well be performed by people in this province as a public service have been outsourced to the United States for profit."

NUPGE

#BlackOutSpeakOut: Silence is not an option

On June 4, CUPE will be joining individuals and groups across the country in calling for democracy and the public interest.

As part of the BlackOutSpeakOut campaign, we will be darkening our national website, cupe.ca, to support the right of environmental groups to speak out, and to draw attention to the ways in which the proposed changes in the federal budget bill (Bill C-38) will weaken environmental rules and silence the voices of those who defend them.

A large number of Canadian organizations, charities, non-governmental organizations, unions and social groups have joined together to defend our rights. This attack on environmental groups is part of a concerted attack by the Harper government to silence any alternative political voices.

The Harper government has consistently acted to silence opposing voices in society – including attacks on environmental groups, charitable organizations, labour voices and our rights to collectively bargain and to pursue political advocacy.

Silence is not an option. Please join us in speaking out and demonstrating that Canadians from all walks of life will come together to defend core democratic principles.

Visit blackoutspeakout.ca to find out how you can get involved, and join in speaking up.

LabourStart/CUPE

One member's experience with The Personal group insurer

My car insurance was being renewed at the same time I received a call from Canadian Tire, which is now in the Home Auto insurance business. I got my current policy and went apples to apples against Canadian Tire and would have saved \$400/year.

Then Dave Thompson told me that IAMAW is now affiliated with The Personal, a group insurer. I called the number, again with my current policy in hand, and got a better policy which saved me \$820/year. This is a no-brainer so I switched. Click it out for yourself. I wish I knew sooner because now being in the union 5 years. I could have saved \$5000.00.

Rob Gummage

Editor:

The Personal group insurer was introduced to our membership last year.

You can call them toll free: 1-877-2776914 for a group rate 8 to 8 Monday to Friday, 8 to 4 Saturday.

If you prefer online: <http://www.thepersonal.com/iamaw>, fill in the required info, it should return the group rate. Make sure it says group rate.

Remember there is no obligation to compare rates.

May is Asian Heritage Month

The CPR strike

A strike by 4,800 railway workers began Wednesday May 23 has discontinued deliveries of grain, coal, cars and other products.

Four days later Labour Minister Lisa Raitt said the railway workers and the company had until the end of the weekend to find a way to "do their own deal."

Raitt had created image of a crisis by saying sectors relying on rail to ship commodities and products were starting to hit a wall.

After the talks broke off Sunday afternoon, the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, which represents locomotive engineers, conductors and rail traffic controllers, said they were willing to get back to the bargaining table, but didn't expect any positive developments before today.

The union accused the company of bargaining in bad faith, saying CPR wanted a legislated solution.

Raitt served official notice to introduce back-to-work legislation in the House of Commons Thursday May 24, so the bill could be introduced as early as today following a week-long parliamentary break.

Both the NDP and the Liberal criticized the move to draft back-to-work legislation on the first day of the strike, saying it undermined the collective bargaining process and provided a disincentive for management to negotiate a deal.

LabourStart/Winnipeg Free Press

Canadian Made Safety Shoes

When looking for shoes Canadian made it is not always easy to find. Purchasing new shoes I found these Canadian made Mellow Walk shoes.

For info contact www.mellowwalk.com the following is a blurb from the site.

Safety shoes are Mellow Walk's bread and butter. Nearly 10 years ago, when we started to develop our very first safety shoe we knew it had to be different from what was already on the market. So, we looked inwards. We applied the knowledge we learned from making comfort and orthopedic shoes and put this thinking into safety footwear. And, while the market still leaned towards heavy duty work boots, we guessed that as the North American economy moved to light manufacturing, workers would move to light duty comfortable safety footwear. You could say that when our competition zigged, we zagged.

Our strategy paid off. Today, Mellow Walk is the innovator of light duty safety shoes.

Lets try and keep jobs in Canada!

Doris Wise

Editor:

Visit <http://www.mellowwalk.com>, click open men's or women's safety shoes; pick the shoes you liked, then click where to buy, choose Ontario and open the city dropdown menu, a full list of towns and cities in your neighbourhood. Some of these shoes available are already on Mark's Warehouse and Mr. Safety Shoe store shelves and mobile shoe trucks.

It is difficult to find safety shoe manufacturer in Canada these days, do support them if you can.