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President's Message

I want to thank all of you for the support that you have shown the teachers. Walking the line is never easy and going without pay makes it harder, let us all hope that a negotiated settlement is in the near future.

I will also take the time to thank all of you for the support you have shown me over the years as I have worked on the CUPE executive. I will miss this very much as I move into retirement.

One thing that has made this move easier for me is knowing what good hands the local is in. Our executive are great and always ready to answer your questions, support you, and fight for your rights. They all have many years, of experience and are all skilled at what they do..

Your new President as of Aug.1st, 2014 is Cameron Gordon Findlay. Cameron has been your VP for 4 years now and has been a tremendous support to not only me

but to your executive, he is or has been a bus driver, an EA, a noon hour assistant and a custodian in this district. Cameron has been at most Board meeting in the last 4 years and sits on a Provincial Table for EA's for South Vancouver Island so you can understand why I feel confident that I am going and leaving you in good hands.

Many of you have asked me if it is true that I plan on running for school board trustee this fall.

The answer is YES.

I wish all of the 10 month members a restful and happy summer and all of the rest a good and safe summer. Thank you again for all of the support you have shown me

Jan Peever
President 459 (till July 31st)



~ Summertime Heads Up ~

Employers' Responsible for Young or New Worker Orientation and Training

Section 3.23 of the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation clearly stipulates that a young or new worker must be given a health and safety orientation and training specific to that young or new worker's workplace before the young or new worker begins to work. Employers need to ensure that training and orientation is provided and documented. Employers must provide a young or new worker additional orientation

and training if workplace observation reveals the young or new worker is not able to perform the work tasks or work processes safely or it is requested by the young or new worker.

So if you are any of your family members are out there working over the summer months please take care of your safety by knowing your rights and responsibilities.

Stay safe out there!!



CUPE TEAM #459 at the Tournament of Hope

Once again I am proud to be coaching a team for the 23rd annual Michael Dunahee Tournament of Hope. The tournament is held at Topaz Park August 8, 9 & 10th, 2014.

The Tournament of Hope is Child Find BC biggest fundraiser and is a worthy cause that we have been supporting for many years.

For the last 22 years the money raised through this tournament has allowed Child Find BC to assist thousands of families in British Columbia. The money raised at this tournament goes toward Child Find BC, and the Michael Dunahee Search Centre. We use those funds to supply "ALL About ME" ID Kits with child finger printing and photos to families and to host ID Clinics throughout BC. We provide literature and tips for families to assist them keeping our children safe. All of this is provided at no charge to BC parents as a direct result of the fundraising dollars raised at the annual "Tournament of Hope".

If you are interested in playing or supporting our team. Please send me an email I can get you the information you need.

In Solidarity,
Amber Leonard

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CUPE 459 STAFF SHIRTS FOR SALE

\$20 EACH

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Bargaining Update...

We have told the employer that we are ready to start bargaining. At this time no dates have been set and we will keep you informed. On the Provincial level we are now in bargaining and there is a **tentative agreement** that still needs to be ratified by the Presidents council then by membership. Watch your e-mails or our web page for updates.

Our Collective Agreement has taken some time to get ready to print and the last reading of it will take place on June 17 and then off to the printers (I know it is about time). I would like to take this time to thank Lisa Haug who for several rounds of bargaining has chaired the local com. As always Lisa has done a great job with this and we will miss her on this next round.

BEHIND TEACHERS LINES...

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION

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CUPE 459 GENERAL MEETING



June 21st is National Aboriginal Day

CUPE 459 will be having a General Meeting at 9am at Belmont in the Cafeteria on June 21st, 2014.

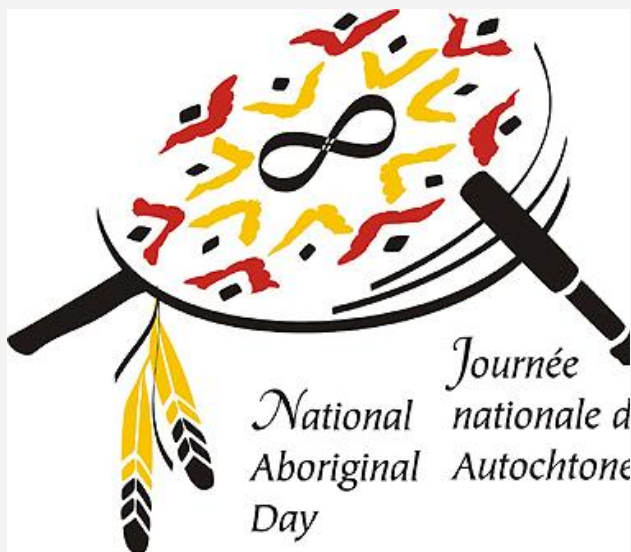
We will be having an Aboriginal Welcome at the beginning of the meeting. Please join us.

Also there will be a snowball draw as well.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO
ALL OUR GRADUATES
AND BURSARY WINNERS**

**HAVE A SAFE AND
HAPPY SUMMER**



Events & Dates to Remember



June 13 - 15, 2014 - Miner Memorial, Cumberland B.C.

June 21st, 2014 - National Aboriginal Day

August 8-10, 2014 - Michael Dunahee Tournament of Hope - Topaz Park

September 8th - International Literacy Day

October 4th, 2014 - Sisters in Spirit Vigils across Canada

October 17th - International Day for the Eradication of Poverty