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President's Message

Spring is in the air, and now it's time to focus on Bargaining. It is well underway and the Union and the City have met numerous times over the past several months. Talks are progressing very well and we are feeling optimistic that we will have a fair, respectful and reasonable offer in the new future.

I am once again so incredibly proud of all the City Workers here in Surrey. We were recently co-recipients with the City and IAFF, at the United Way Spirit Innovation Award. The United Way Innovation Award recognizes the workplace campaign team that created the most innovative fundraising strategies and maintained or increased dollars given directly to the United Way.

My personal belief, that helping other is an extremely rewarding experience and is a part of being a caring community. A large amount of the employees at this great city have consistently gone above and beyond when it comes to giving, it makes me very proud to be an employee at the City of Surrey.

I am also open to meeting with individuals or groups on their own time to discuss any issues that you may have. Please feel free to contact me anytime during working hours to arrange a meeting.

In Solidarity,

Jeannie

Events

General Membership Meetin April 13, 2016 5:15 p.m	ng CITY HALL	
May 11, 2016 5:15 p.m	NEWTON SENIOR CENTRE	
Women's Committee Meetin	ig March 16, 2016 5:15 pm	UNION OFFICE
Health and Safety Meeting	March 21, 2016 5:00 pm	UNION OFFICE
Environment Meeting Party for the Planet	March 22, 2016 5:00 pm April 23, 2016 10:00 am	UNION OFFICE CITY HALL PLAZA
Day of Mourning	April 28, 2016 7:30 am	OPERATIONS WORKS YARD

Check out www.cupelocal402.com for more details



Social Media What you need to know

The City of Surrey acknowledges that employees may host, comment or otherwise participate in Social Media and the City respects the right of employees to do so. However, the following standards apply:

- The City does not authorize the personal use of the City's logo or trademark by an employee
- If an employee chooses to self-identify as a City employee, that person must clarifies that all opinions posted are his/her own and do not reflect those of the City
- Employees can be personally liable for defamatory or discriminatory Content about other individuals. All employees have a responsibility to avoid making public comments or posting Content that is defamatory, derogatory or offensive toward coworkers or other persons, even if those people are not directly identified.
- Employees are reminded to exercise common sense and good judgement in the use of Social Media. Once something is posted, control over the Content of that posting may be lost forever.



DAY OF MOURNING

The Day of Mourning is on April 28th where we honour and remember those who have been injured or have lost their lives on the job. Last year almost 200 mothers, fathers, brothers, and sisters never made it home from work in British Columbia. And just today, we lost a brother from CUPE Local 5153 in Quebec, Brother Thierry Leroux. The national symbol for Day of Mourning is the yellow canary. Before gas detectors, miners would send a canary into the mines with them because of their higher sensitivity to airborne hazards and oxygen deficiencies. If the canary died, they knew they had to rush out.

April 28 is a reminder for all of us and our commitment to workplace safety cultures and to make sure all workers go home safe every day! Please join us at the Works Yard on April 28th at 7:30 am for a moment of silence.

PARTY FOR THE PLANET

Once again CUPE 402 will be hosting a booth at this event, the largest Earth Day event in the Province. Be sure to stop by our booth – lots of prizes – for kids and fun! If you would like to volunteer – call the office or send us a message on Facebook, volunteer meeting will be held at the Union office on March 22^{nd} at 5pm for details and information.

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