

Next General Membership Meeting

Saturday May 4, 2024

Meetings start at 10:00 am

Croatian Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Drive,

WEB PAGE: www.iuoe963.ca

Vancouver, BC

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Cafeteria Members with E. I. Eligibility

10 month Cafeteria employees who are eligible for Employment Insurance are reminded that they can defer receiving their vacation pay until September which may slightly increase E.I. payments over the summer, but you have to select this option.

If you defer receiving vacation pay until September you will receive an email from the VSB confirming this option.

IUOE Canadian Conference Educational Bursaries

The Canadian Conference of the International Union of Operating Engineers is calling for applications for ten (10) bursaries of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars. These educational bursaries are intended to provide financial assistance to IUOE member's dependents.

The bursary recipient must be entering the first year or subsequent of a full-time course of study (at least two years in length) leading to a diploma, certificate or degree from any recognized public Canadian college or university.

Applicants from the following five regions will be considered for the respective bursary:

1. Atlantic Canada (P.E.I., New Brunswick, Nova Scotia & Newfoundland)
2. Quebec and Ontario (Gary O'Neil Bursary)
3. Saskatchewan and Manitoba (Brian Woznesensky Memorial Bursary)
4. British Columbia
5. Alberta

Applications must be supported by recent transcripts of school achievement (grades) and be accompanied by a detailed letter of recommendation from an individual with personal academic knowledge of the candidate outlining reasons why the bursary should be awarded.

In addition, applicants must submit a one-thousand (1,000) word essay on the reason why the bursary will be of assistance or the impact that being a dependent of a union member has had on the applicant's life.

Please forward all applications to the local union office by close of business on Friday June 28, 2024. The local union will forward these applications to Winnipeg.

The deadline for applications to be received by the Recording Secretary in Winnipeg is August 1, 2024.

For more information please contact Shannon at 604-876-6287 (Tuesday to Thursday).



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Offer from Community Savings Credit Union

Banking Bonus for IUOE Local 963 Members



\$2,500 Interest Free* Line of Credit

Free* Premium Chequing Account

Community Savings the union's credit union

IUOE Local 963 is pleased to partner with Community Savings Credit Union to offer our BC members an exclusive banking package.

IUOE Local 963 and Community Savings banking package:
 - 3-year, interest-free, line of credit, up to \$2,500*
 - 3 years of free banking*

Recognizing the cost of living crunch that many of us are facing, Community Savings is offering a 3-year interest-free* line of credit, and 3 years of free banking* for IUOE Local 963 members. This package creates savings of over \$2700 over three years.

Community Savings is a credit union formed by the labour movement and provides best-in-class financial services to its members across six branches in the Lower Mainland and Victoria. Not near a branch? No problem, full online banking is available and access to over 685 ding free ATMS across BC.

To sign up for this exclusive offer, visit <https://unionmember.comsavings.com>

*Terms and conditions apply

Service Recognition Pins

Members attending General Membership meetings will be awarded a **Service Recognition Pin**, starting at members with 10 or more years of being initiated as a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Pins are awarded in 5 year intervals. Congratulations to all!



20 Years

Andrea Bosse

Cafeteria Workers FoodSafe Training 2024

The Local Union will again be arranging *FoodSafe* training for cafeteria workers if there is sufficient interest from members. This training will be held on a Saturday later this Spring at the union office, 707 Durward Ave, Vancouver, B.C. Please contact Shannon (Tuesday to Thursday) at 604-876-6287 to be placed on a list.

Reporting of New Incident, Hazard, Air Quality, Noise

Members now have the ability to report workplace incidents, hazards, air quality or noise complaints by logging into Vancouver School Board OurHealth portal at ourhealth.vsb.bc.ca

This is an effective way to report workplace health & safety issues to the employer so that the appropriate actions can be taken.



Transit Reimbursement Process

The union office has received inquiries about the Transit Pass Reimbursement process. It is as follows:

A new contract clause regarding a **Transit Reimbursement fund** provides certain members with up to \$100 per calendar year for the purpose of offsetting the cost of a monthly transit pass.

Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis, and will require sufficient proof of purchase of a monthly transit pass, until the fund is depleted in any calendar year.

The new clause applies to:

- Permanent Supervision Aides;
- Steady Part-Time Custodians;
- All Casual employees (Operations, Cafeteria & Supervision Aides)

How to apply-by EMAIL:

1. Send an email to humanresources@vsb.bc.ca and on the subject line enter "IUOE Transit Pass"
2. Include employee full name and employee #
3. Attach receipt. A photo is fine, but it must clearly show the date the pass was purchased, the amount paid, and that the transaction has been completed (paid for)

How to apply- by BLUE BAG:

1. Send "To the Attention of Labour Relations"
2. Include employee full name and employee #
3. Attach receipt: A photo is fine, but it must clearly show the date the pass was purchased, the amount paid, and that the transaction has been completed (paid for)

