

Prince Edward Island Union of Public Sector Employees

Welcome to UPSE Educational - February 28, 2014

The Welcome to UPSE course will run on February 28 from 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the union office in Charlottetown (4 Enman Crescent). The introductory course will help you to:

- learn more about your union
- learn about UPSE's history and evolution in PEI
- learn about the union's structure, how it works
- learn about the tools you need to carry out your role within the union effectively
- the Welcome to UPSE course is a pre-requisite to further educational opportunities within the union including Steward training

Please register online at (www.peiupse.ca) under "events" or contact the union office to register at 902-892-5335, toll free 1-800-897-8773, or email peiupse@peiupse.ca by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2014.



CLC / Federation of Labour Educational

The courses listed below take place on Friday, March 14, 2014 from 8:30 to 4:00 p.m. at the Rodd Royalty located at 14 Capital Drive, Charlottetown. Lunch will be provided. Contact the UPSE office for more information. The registration deadline is Friday, February 21, 2014. *Call 902-892-5335 or toll free 1-800-897-8773*,

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Steward Level 1

This introductory course provides a solid framework for learning the roles, rights and responsibilities for a steward as a problem solver. The course encourages activism and challenges participants to broaden their understanding of the labour movement in the context of global solidarity within our communities.

Duty to Accommodate

The duty to accommodate is a growing area of labour law. With an aging population and an increasing awareness of accommodation issues among working people, this course offers a basic understanding of the rights and responsibilities of employees needing accommodation.

Mobilizing the Membership

This course deals with the important issue of recruiting and maintaining local union activists. Discussions focus on how to generate and activate volunteers. The course also looks at how to organize campaigns in our locals and how to get the message out.

Family Violence Prevention Week February 9-15, 2014

What is Family Violence?

• Family violence affects, or will affect, all people in Prince Edward Island. Family violence is connected to

abuse of power and control, and to injustice based on sex, race, age, class, sexual orientation, and physical or mental ability. Individual history, family history, and current circumstances play a role in family violence.

• Family violence is known by many names: child maltreatment, child abuse, incest, child exposure to domestic violence, intimate partner violence, spousal violence, woman abuse, domestic violence, sibling abuse, parent abuse, elder abuse, and abuse of older adults.



- Family violence can affect anyone, from any demographic: cultural, national and ethnic origin, socio-economic status, education, gender, age and physical or mental ability.
- Family violence can take many forms: harassment, verbal abuse, threats, financial abuse, psychological abuse, emotional abuse, spiritual abuse, neglect, damage to property, injury to pets, physical abuse, sexual abuse, and homicide.
- Family violence hurts. It can cause physical and psychological harm. Family violence violates the victim's rights and freedoms. Family violence harms the healthy development of children and youth.
- Family violence is a public health issue, a criminal justice issue, and a human rights issue. To address family violence, all of us in Prince Edward Island must work together and share our resources.

Silent Witness Display, 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 16 The Silent Witness Silhoutettes will be on display at Trinity United Church during the worship service. All are welcome to attend.



To see the above information and more go to stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca

This Bulletin is an internal publication of the Prince Edward Island Union of Public Sector Employees. Comments, questions, concerns and suggestions should be sent to: Mark Barrett, PEI UPSE Communications and Campaigns Officer, at mbarrett@peiupse.ca.

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