

Local 002 Donates to Red Cross for Fort McMurray

On May 3, Alberta experienced an unprecedented disaster, with damage estimated to be in the billions. In Fort McMurray, 80,000 residents scrambled to escape the city. Whole neighbourhoods went up in flames and 1,600 structures were lost.

Albertans and other Canadians came together to support Fort McMurray. At Local 002's annual general meeting, council members voted to donate \$5,000 to support our northern neighbours.



Local 002 Chair, Karen Mann, presents cheque

Bill 4: Know your bargaining rights. Learn how new labour laws may affect you

The Alberta government passed a new labour relations law this spring that could impact your collective bargaining rights. Until now, in Alberta most public sector workers have been under a blanket ban preventing them from exercising their fundamental right to strike in the case of a bargaining dispute. Bill 4, An Act to Implement a Supreme Court Ruling Governing Essential Services, reverses that ban for most public sector workers. It also ensures that the most essential services in Alberta aren't interrupted in the case of a strike. So what does this mean and how will it affect you?

AUPE will host a series of town hall meetings in the month of June so members have all the information they need to stay up to date with changes to Alberta's labour laws and how those changes might impact collective bargaining.

Visit aupetownhalls.com for meeting dates and locations. *(If link does not work, copy the address into your browser.)*

Local 002 Members Learn about Job Classification System

AUPE Local 002 PREP training was delivered to members of Chapters 003 and 005 May 14 and 28, respectively. PREP - Point Rating Evaluation Plan - is the Employer's system used to determine Job Classification levels. Topics covered included: how to determine a job classification score; the re-classification process; and how to prepare for the CAB (Classification Appeal Board) session. Members were also made aware of the AUPE Local 002 resources available for members who wish to know more about PREP.

In the coming months, your AUPE Local 002 PREP committee will continue to work to support our members and bring them more opportunities to learn about PREP. Members can also contact the PREP committee through the AUPE Local 002 webpage.



Labour School 2016 – What Local 002 Members Had to Say

Once a year, AUPE organizes Labour School which is an advanced school. The courses are intended for members that have taken either one or two-day AUPE-sponsored courses and are active in their component. Hear what some Local 002 members had to say about their attendance in 2016.

Coralie was registered in Political Action. "I would encourage everyone to attend Labour School," says Coralie. "The course content was like stepping back to University Political Science classes and I have not experienced course material or instruction this comprehensive since - until Labour School. I would return at my first opportunity."

Brendan was in the same program. "This course provided a strong overview of the political landscape, both in Alberta and federally," says Brendan. "There was some discussion about political action as a union member. The last day featured a mock legislature and I was the fiery tempered and much disliked Leader of the Opposition party."

Two members were in the Mutual Respect program. According to Jay, "The Mutual Respect course content was extremely valuable for my office as the Worksite Union Steward. I was able to bring this information back to members at my worksite and use this new education when assisting with clarification and advocacy of our members. The information and course material from Labour School was brought back to my worksite and has now been available for all staff to review."

Read more about members had to say about Labour School.

http://local002.aupe.ca/Websites/aupe/aupe/2016_labour_school.pdf

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Chapter 001 Promoting AUPE Fun

Q: Why do giraffes have long necks?

A: Because their feet smell!

OK that was somewhat cruel to our giraffe friends but you have the opportunity to come apologize in person on September 18, 2016 at the **Calgary Zoo** for only \$5/person. Bring the whole family for this BBQ, meet other members and learn about what AUPE does for you. RSVP via email to Local2Chapter1@gmail.com for this amazing opportunity and watch for the poster on your bulletin boards.

See poster on AUPE website.

<http://local002.aupe.ca/chapter-001-bbq>

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\$25 Gift Certificate to the Keg looking for a good home. REGISTER and ATTEND the Introduction to Your Union 1 day course from June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 and you will be entered into a draw to win a Gift Certificate to the Keg. Information about the course can be found at www.aupe.org
Register by phone: 1-800-232-7284.



Date night – why not go to a movie ...

Edmonton Area Council sells Cineplex movie tickets and WEM Choice passes at discounted rates to our members throughout the year. Visit our website to find a member that you can purchase these tickets from – members are listed by worksite under Ticket Sales.

In order to purchase special event tickets, members are required to show their AUPE Membership Card and provide your local and chapter. If you need a membership card or don't know your local and chapter, you can call the Resource Centre at 780-930-3300 for assistance.

Remember - visit the EAC website @ edmontonareacouncil.aupe.ca for more information and to stay up-to-date on upcoming events. Subscribe to get notified on Facebook when Edmonton Area Council announces an event near you!

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Reminder: EcoStar Award - Nominations accepted until August 21

Nomination form: <http://www.aupe.org/documents/RKKUY/>

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