

NextGen News: Focused on the Future

IBEW Runs Around the Bay

The NextGen Committee at Local 105 put a challenge out to other NextGen Committees in the area to join them in participating in the oldest race in North America, running five kilometers around the Bay in Hamilton to raise money for St. Joseph's healthcare. They raised nearly \$4000 through their efforts and had a great day giving back! Giving back to the community is something NextGen Committees continue to take on, while having some fun doing it. Great job Local 105!





RENEW/NextGen Conference Registration Open and Planning Underway

The 2017 RENEW/NextGen Conference will be held at the Westin Convention Centre in Pittsburgh, PA from Thursday September 21, 2017 through Saturday September 23, 2017. The Conference will focus on workshops and training activities that invest in the future of our organization. This will mark the third conference and we are hoping to have a strong Canadian showing. Talk to your Local Union Leadership for more information.

May: Canadian Labour Congress Convention Takes Place in Toronto

The upcoming Canadian Labour Congress Convention will be held from May 8th to May 12th, 2017 in Toronto, Ontario. Your Local Unions have been sent credential packages, for the number of credentials they are each allotted. In addition, the IBEW as a national body, can send three youth delegates (members 30-years-of-age and under), in addition to the regular delegates. Any Local Union interested in covering the costs to send a young member to fill one of these spots should contact the First District office as soon as possible. These will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. For those members attending as delegates, Young Workers for a #FairFuture: CLC Young Workers' Strategy Session will take place Sunday May 7th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participation in this session requires arriving a day early for Convention for anyone who is traveling from out of town. There is no registration fee, and there will be simultaneous interpretation. More details and registration is here: http://sms.clc-ctc.ca/17convyws.html. Also, if there are any local young union members who want to come (but are not delegates to CLC Convention) they are also able to register.

Local 2038 NextGen Committee Fundraises for Telehealth

On February 25th, the NextGen Committee at Local 2038 held a fundraiser in support of the Saskatchewan Kinsmen Telemiracle. Kinsmen Telemiracle is a foundation that through the support of donations, helps to provide people in Saskatchewan the special needs equipment they require and aids in access to treatment. This year Telemiracle raised over five million dollars during their annual telethon. We held a steak night at a local brew house, where we were able to raise over \$2000 in fundraising and with help from our Local Union matching the amount we raised. Great job Local 2038!

Brandon Laliberte,

Chair Local 2038 NextGen Committee

April 28 National Day of Mourning

The National Day of Mourning takes place on April 28th, every year Local Unions across the country pay their respect to, and remember, the thousands of workers who have been killed, injured or suffered illness as a result of work-related incidents. April 28 is when we honour those lost, and the many families and friends who have been deeply affected by these tragedies. Every worker has the right to return home safely at the end of every work day, a principle the IBEW was founded on back in 1891. Check with your Local Union office to find out about Day of Mourning events being planned in your area.

UFCW Looking for Support on Pay Equity
Campaign
UFCW Canada is running
a thunderclap (a social media sharing
platform) where they hope to have allies lend
their support around their campaign around
closing the gender wage gap. Click on the



image to visit their page and learn more.

NextGen Local Union Committees

Contact Kate Walsh (kate walsh@ibew.org) to submit an article on your Local

Union NextGen Committee for the next newsletter. We want to hear from you!