



## April 28th - Day of Mourning Events in the Atlantic Region

### **Nova Scotia Federation of Labour**

Halifax - Province House  
11:00 am - April 28th

### **Nova Scotia Labour Councils**

#### **South Shore**

Bridgewater - DesBrisay  
Museum, 7:30 pm - April 28th

#### **New Glasgow**

Trenton Steeltown Park  
6:00 pm - April 28th

#### **Cumberland**

Amherst Town Hall, 11:00 am  
- April 28th

#### **Cape Breton**

Sydney Steelworkers Hall, 369  
Prince Street, 11:00 am - April  
28th

### **Prince Edward Island Federation of Labour**

Charlottetown  
Province House, 7:00 pm -  
April 28th

### **New Brunswick Labour Councils**

#### **Acadian Peninsula**

Shippagan, Day of Mourning  
Monument, Centennial Park,  
12:00 noon - April 28th

#### **Bathurst**

Day of Mourning Monument,  
next to the Library on Douglas  
Avenue, 11:00 am - April 28th

#### **Miramichi**

Day of Mourning Monument,  
River Front Park, 6:00 pm -  
April 28th

#### **Moncton**

Day of Mourning Monument  
Bore Park, Main Street, 12 noon  
- April 28th

#### **Restigouche**

Atholville Town Hall, Cer-  
emony, 1:00 p.m. - April 24th

#### **Saint John**

Longshoremen Monument.  
Pugley Park - 11:00 am - April  
28th

### **Newfoundland/ Labrador Labour Councils**

St. John's CLB Armoury,  
Harvey Road, 12:00 pm -  
April 28th



#### **Baccalieu Trail**

Carbonear - Community Centre,  
Water St., 4:30 pm - April 28th

#### **Corner Brook**

Workers Monument, CBPP,  
5:00 pm - April 28th

#### **Central Newfoundland**

Grand Falls Town Hall (Lower-  
ing of Flag), 12:00 pm - April  
28th

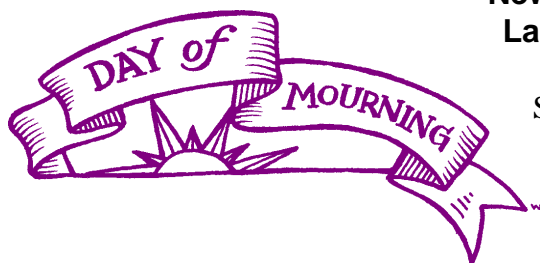
-Club 63 (Ecumenical service,  
candle lighting and wreath  
laying ceremony. Lincoln  
Road, Grand Falls, 7:00 pm -  
April 28th

#### **South Coast**

St. Lawrence St. Thomas  
Aquinas Church/ Echos of  
Valour Monument, 5:30 pm -  
April 28th

#### **Labrador**

Wabush, Cenotaph, outside  
USWA Hall, 4:30 pm - April  
28th



# CUPE Local 5050 on strike

About 1,400 teachers' aides, bus drivers and other support staff belonging to CUPE Local 5050 under the Cape Breton-Victoria Regional School Board walked off the job on April 3.

Federation President Rick Clarke has asked Education Minister Jamie Muir to take an active role in facilitating a resolve.

"We do not accept the stated position that neither you nor the province has a role in this matter and that it is a matter between the workers and their employer; for it is our view that the government has played a contributing role that has forced these workers to take this action in an attempt to obtain fairness and equity.

"These workers provide a vital service to the education system and they appear to be receiving different treatment from your Department and government than that received by others in the education system. "

Clarke reminded Muir these workers have been without a collective agreement for over a year now, attempting to resolve outstanding issues such as wage disparity, contracting-out, medical plans and issues concerning casual workers.

If the Minister had accepted CUPE's offer to bargain provincially on these issues, this strike could have been averted, but the Department of Education turned the offer down, Clarke said.

For more information, check out: [www.5050.cupe.ca](http://www.5050.cupe.ca).

If you are in the Sydney area, support CUPE 5050 workers, please call either the CUPE office at 539.4933 or CUPE Local 5050 strike headquarters at 564.6875 for picket line location and information and support our brothers and sisters on the picket line.



## Writing Briefs A workshop for union activists

You wouldn't start a job without the proper tools, would you? The same holds true for writing briefs. When you take the time to prepare a brief, you want to make sure that you are getting your message across. This new workshop, prepared for the the Federation will help you write convincing briefs. The hands-on workshop will cover:

- Getting started
- Organizing your brief
- Setting priorities
- Communicating effectively

Tannis Atkinson, Editor of Literacies magazine, will facilitate the workshop. She works with writers across Canada who

are trying to express what they know about adult literacy work. She specializes in helping people write what they want to say.

The workshop can only accommodate 15 people so we will accept the first 15 who register. If you have any questions, please call the Federation office.

**When:** April 21, 2005

**Where:** CAW Office, 63 Otter Lake Court, Bayers Lake, Halifax (downstairs meeting room)

**Time:** 9 am - 12 noon

**Registration:** Please call Joan Wark at the Federation office at (902) 454-6735

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