

A MESSAGE FROM OUR USW DIRECTORS

As a trade union, the USW cares about all workers' health and safety, human rights and economic security. The right to make decisions about one's own body is fundamental to those priorities. In the days following the U.S. Supreme Court decision on access to abortion, our union in Canada reaffirms its support of reproductive freedom as an essential element of economic security and human dignity. This includes abortion access for women, trans people and people of all genders who may need access to abortion services. This is a right guaranteed by the Canada Health Act, but abortion services are still inaccessible for far too many people.



We support the right to decide if and when to bear children and the right to access safe, publicly funded health care services. Those services must include abortion. We also support citizens' right to a livable income and to quality public services – including stronger supports for families and access to quality child care, health care and education– so that children grow up in a safer, more equitable world.

As with so many issues, there are differing views about reproductive freedom. Let each of us make our own uncoerced decisions about our own bodies. And let's contribute to a political climate in this country that maintains and strengthens that right to choose.

In solidarity,

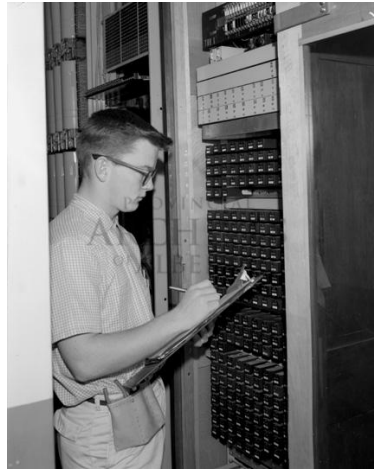
Marty Warren - National Director for Canada, Scott Lunny - District 3 Director,
Dominic Lemieux - District 5 Director, Myles Sullivan - District 6 Director



A LOOK INTO OUR PAST



AGT Telephone Operator 1960



AGT Telephone Tech 1960



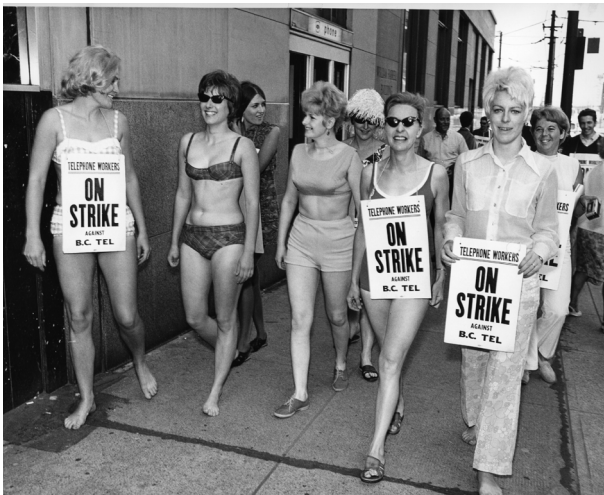
BC TEL Automation 1960



BC Tel new phone book cover 1965



BC Tel Operators 1954



BC Tel Strike 1969



BC Tel Truck 1956

SO MUCH HAS CHANGED



BC Tel Display 1940



BC Tel Lineman 1927



Operators at BC Tel's Seymour exchange 1940's



Laser Demo Oct 21 1966



BC Tel operators 1971



BC Tel Strike 1981

OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS



Our Executive Board got together in person in Burnaby to run the business of our Local and discuss several motions for the International Policy Convention.

Pictured Left to Right: Trustee Jenn Turner, Trustee Ross Brown, REO ON Michelle Ravary, President Donna Hokiroy, Secretary Treasurer Michael Phillips, REO BC Alina Gherghinoiu, District 3 Director Scott Lunny, Vice-President Pierre-Luc Dick, REO AB Richard Blais, REO BC Corey Mandryk, Staff Representative Jayson Little and Trustee Jennifer Lyons



Vice-President Pierre-Luc Dick, President Donna Hokiroy and Secretary Treasurer Michael Phillips



REO ON Michelle Ravary and Trustee Ross Brown



The Executive Board in discussion



District 3 Director Scott Lunny attended to discuss opportunities for our Local and exciting ideas to strengthen our Union.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 3



Brothers Robert Briza and Czar Loquia attended LDS Level 3 in Mississauga, Toronto. This was the first time it has been held in Canada. Working hard on developing the leadership skills needed to drive change.

Robert Briza showing his support for Local 446M on the Picket Line



Robert Briza, Liezsel Carioso and Chad Sullivan



Czar Loquia, Liezsel Carioso and Dan Bunker

OUR FLAG'S JOURNEY CONTINUES



Unit 501 - Barrie, ON



Unit 3 - Duncan, BC



Unit 201 - Medicine Hat, AB



Unit 3 - Nanaimo, BC



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CHANGES TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

USW Local 1944 Trustee Natasha Aodan has left the employ of Telus and therefore by extension the Local's Executive Board. However, we are very pleased to announce that the Executive Board has unanimously selected Jennifer Lyons to join the Board in this Trustee position.



Jennifer Lyons

Jennifer Lyons is a Loyalty and Retention Representative headquartered in Scarborough, Ontario, Unit 502. Her activism includes being a shop steward, sitting on the Local's Civil and Human Rights Committee, and Organizing initiatives, among other activities. We are confident that Sister Lyons' energy and passion for helping members will serve the Local well on the Board.

The Local thanks Sister Aodan for her involvement and services as a Trustee, we wish her all the very best in her future endeavors. We are excited to welcome Sister Lyons to the Executive Board.



Natasha Aodan



Sister Jennifer Lyons being sworn in as a new member of the Executive Board by our President Donna Hokiro

CORY SERSON, OUR NEW LOCAL UNION REPRESENTATIVE



Cory is our newest Local Union Representative who has been working with us since May 9th, 2022 and will be working out of Edmonton to help support our members. Cory is coming to us from Kingston, Ontario where he was a member of an independent union for 17 years and served as Union President of the Kingston Independent Nylon Workers Union (KINWU) for the last two years.

Cory served on KINWU's union executive for 8 years, during which time he held positions of Trustee, Chief Steward, Vice President and President. He has extensive experience representing members in all facets and is looking forward to bringing his experience to help serve our members.

Cory is a loving husband and father of two boys. He enjoys spending time with his family, coaching sports, travelling and is almost always listening to music.



Rachel Worley



Corey Mandryk

Special thanks to Brother Corey Mandryk and Sister Rachel Worley for stepping in as Temporary Local Union Representatives.