

UNITED WE STAND

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OPSEU Local 109



OPSEU Local 109 DROP-IN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

STRIKE UPDATE THURSDAY, SEPT. 15 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

At the CAW Hall, First Street beside the Local 109 Strike Headquarters Trailer. Hour-long meetings will start every hour beginning at 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Please come before or after your shift so that picket lines can be maintained throughout the day.

Faculty invites support to attend Welcome Back party

Our brothers and sisters in OPSEU Local 110 have invited all Fanshawe College support staff to their annual **Welcome Back** event on Sept. 29 as a show of their support, appreciation, and respect for the work we do.

The event takes place from 4-7 p.m. at Palasad-North, on corner of Oxford and Adelaide streets. Local 110 holds the event each fall for all full-time, partial load, part-time and sessional faculty.

OFL plans Day of Solidarity for college workers


The Ontario Federation of Labour (OFL), the London and District Labour Council and hundreds of labour councils and unions across Ontario are rallying to the side of striking college support staff. Following an OFL affiliates meeting earlier this week, every labour council in the province has “adopted” a local college. There will be a province-wide Day of Solidarity Sept. 20 with rallies taking place at all 24 colleges.

“It’s all part of our strategy to tell the public that your struggle is the struggle of working people everywhere. We all agree the fight is about good jobs today and good jobs for tomorrow,” said John Cartwright, president of the Toronto and York Region Labour Council.

The London and District Labour Council is organizing a rally at Fanshawe’s London Campus. Patti Dalton, President of the London and District Labour Council, also has arranged for OFL President Sid Ryan, a well-known Canadian labour activist and former head of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), to visit the London picket lines Thursday.


Sister Dalton also sent a message for Local 109 members: “Stay strong. Thousands of union activists are standing with you in solidarity.”

Weather Forecast for Friday, September 16




Cloudy, chance of showers
High: 15°C
Low: 7°C
Wind: NW 20km/hr
POP: 40%

LONDON




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ST. THOMAS



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SIMCOE



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Couponsing 101

Don't pay full price anymore. You don't have to!

With television shows like TLC's Extreme Couponsing gaining in popularity, people are starting to change their views on coupons. No longer is the practice limited to little old ladies, rather singles and families alike are using coupons and other money-saving strategies to shave precious dollars from the already tight family budget.

To get you started, here are a couple of terms you should know:

Free Product Coupon (FPC) – the most coveted of all coupons, the FPC allows you to purchase a product at no cost or for just the taxes. These are fairly rare and are most often sent by the manufacturer of the product when you call or email them with a compliment or a complaint.

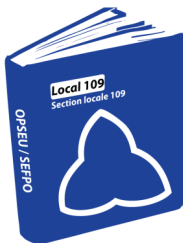
High Value Coupon (HVC) – any coupon that has a face value over \$1.00 or gives the redeemer at least 1/3 off the cost of the product is a high value coupon. Look for these coupons in magazines, newspapers and their inserts, on store shelves and on the products themselves. Online coupon sites and social networking applications like Facebook are also great sources of high value coupons.

Cents Off Coupon – these are the most common of coupons that give less than a dollar off the cost of your item. But don't overlook them because they can add up to big savings in the long run.

In future newsletters, we will explore the ways to get the most of your coupons and save you and your family a bundle on the items that you purchase every week.



"Henderson, you're already doing the jobs of three people... how can you possibly have time to join a union."



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