



MANITOBA FEDERATION OF LABOUR

30th ANNUAL HEALTH & SAFETY CONFERENCE

April 14 & 15, 2011 Fort Garry Hotel

AGENDA

Thursday, April 14, 2011

Registration 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Conference Opening 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

- MFL President, K. Rebeck
- Minister of Labour, Hon. J. Howard
- Panel: The Dangers of Complacency—
What's at Stake in Health & Safety

Workshops 10:30 - Noon
Lunch (on your own) Noon - 1:00 pm
Workshops 1:00- 4:30 pm

Friday, April 15, 2011

Workshops 9:00 - Noon
Lunch (on your own) Noon - 1:00 pm.
Workshops 1:00 — 3:00 pm
Plenary Session 3:00 — 4:30 pm

- Workshop Reports
- Keynote address
Dave Sauer, President,
Winnipeg Labour Council

Please note there will be a keynote speaker after the workshop reports during the Friday afternoon Plenary. All participants are expected to attend the Plenary Session.

WORKSHOPS

Workshop 1 - Level 1, ABC'S of Health & Safety

This Workshop is ideal for new Health & Safety Committee members, providing 2 days of orientation and training on the law, the 3 workers' rights, and the roles & responsibilities of effective committees.

Workshop 2 - Dealing with Stress & Personal Harassment in the Workplace

Last year's workshop on workplace stress will be updated to also address new regulations to protect workers against harassment and bullying in the workplace. Participants will learn about employers' legal responsibilities and the role of harassment prevention policies in ensuring respectful workplaces.

Workshop 3 - Strategies and Trends in Dealing with Management

This year's workshop, aimed at experienced health & safety activists, will include a new focus on dealing with lean production strategies such as "5S". We will develop strategies and skills for communicating with management to eliminate hazards and maximize workplace safety.

Workshop 4 - The Basics of Workers Compensation

This workshop presents a guide to working with the Workers Compensation Board. It is a must for advocates, stewards and union reps who assist members and co-workers in reporting injuries and working with the WCB system.

Workshop 5 - Health and Safety in Federally Regulated Workplaces

This workshop is aimed at union activists in the many Manitoba workplaces that fall under federal labour laws. Participants will learn about the differences between federal and provincial rules on health and safety, and will develop knowledge and skills to maximize safety in federal workplaces.

Workshop 6 - Changing Workplaces: Making a Place for Vulnerable Workers

Some workers are particularly vulnerable to exploitation. This workshop will look at ways to overcome the challenges faced in the workplace by vulnerable workers, particularly in the area of health & safety.

Workshop 7 - Current Environmental Issues in Manitoba

This workshop will focus on the controversial environmental issues that currently loom large in Manitoba—water quality (wastewater treatment, hog barn growth, saving Lake Winnipeg), climate change (cap and trade, energy efficiency, renewable energy), and the future of the East Side (boreal forest protection, Boreal 3, world heritage site).

Please note-Registration fees must be received by the MFL prior to your participation in a workshop.

Registration deadline is March 31