

June 4, 2009

Sisters and Brothers

As the summer approaches, on behalf of the executive and committee members, I wish everyone a safe and restful summer break!

I would like to welcome and congratulate the members that were acclaimed to the following executive and officer positions for our local:

Sister **Jacklyn Rocco** – Vice President
Sister **Linda Ivey** – Recording Secretary
Brother **Stan Comfort** – Unit Chief
Steward – Plant Unit
Brother **Mark Luciani** - Unit Chief
Steward - Office Clerical/Technical and Instructional Support Unit
Sister **Colleen Thibodeau** – Secretary
Treasurer
Brother **Les Thibodeau** – Health & Safety Chair
Sister **Kathy Wootton** – Warden

Thank you to all of our stewards and committee representatives for their dedication in representing our members.

Our **Retirement Celebrations**: is being held on Wednesday June 10, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in the Education Centre Atrium. All members are invited to attend.

A **Violence Intake Clinic** is being held Tuesday, June 16, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Holy Rosary Hall, 35 Queen St. South, Thorold. Our membership meeting will follow at the same location.

The Joan Crowe Award will be presented Monday June 22, 7:30 pm at the Education Centre.

This award is presented annually by Local 4156 and the District School Board of Niagara in honour of a former Educational Assistant, Joan Crowe.

Our **4th Annual CUPE 4156 Golf Tournament** – is being held September 26, 2009 at the Emerald Pines Golf Club. Please register early to reserve your entry.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: check out our website as often as possible to keep informed on local, provincial and national labour issues. **You can access all up coming event information and local information from our website at www.4156.cupe.ca.**

As your President I am committed to providing responsible representation and administration of our local. As school board workers, over the next two years we will be facing many challenges. Working with our elected representatives and the membership we will strive to safeguard the rights of all members and provide responsible representation.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our next membership meeting on Tuesday June 16/09, at our local union office (**morning meeting**), and at the Holy Rosary Hall in Thorold (**evening meeting**).

In solidarity,

Frank Ventresca
President
CUPE Local 4156