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Highlights for May 2022



Strike cheque distribution

As you know, Strike Cheques were distributed the week of May 16th – May 20th during which time most of you managed to receive your payment. Many thanks to the Stewards who volunteered their time to assist with the logistics. Most members have passed by to collect their cheques.

For those of you yet to get your Strike Pay, you can pass by the MUNACA office (3483 Peel, 2nd Floor) any day of the week between 12:00 and 14:00, or set up an appointment for another time by writing to research@munaca.com.

A few of you had errors on your Strike Pay, and the MUNACA Executive has now addressed all of these with both the PSAC, and with McGill HR. Corrections are currently being processed.



From CALM artist: Wilson

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Arbitration Update:

Following several attempts to secure a mutually agreed-upon Arbitrator (mainly due to their busy schedules and lack of availability into 2023-2024), we can now confirm that [Me Johanne Cavé](#) confirmed her availability. We will be meeting with her on August 29th and September 1st.



Photos

[Here](#) are some photos our picket captains and sister unions took over the course of the strike days. Feel free to [share](#) your picks with us! If you post any of your own photos to Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or TikTok, please use the following hashtags: [#munaca](#) [#strike](#) [#grève](#) [#faircollectiveagreement](#) [#mcgill](#) [#mcgilluniversity](#) [#munacaonstrike](#) [#workerstrike](#) [#munacaengreve](#) [#munacastrike](#) [#mcgill200](#) [#strike2022](#) [#PSAC](#) [#picketline](#) [#mcgillworkers](#) [#mcgilluniversity](#)

Reminders!

Annual General Meeting - Save the date!

MUNACA's 2022 AGM will be held on **Tuesday, June 14th**. Details will be sent in a separate bulletin.



Sign the [petition](#) asking for a better offer.

Stay tuned for more updates! Keep an eye on those spam folders. Give us an alternate way of reaching you. Talk to your colleagues. Check out our website and social media [Website](#) , [Facebook](#) , [Twitter](#). Everything you need to know is posted there. Anything you've missed is also posted there. If you have questions, don't hesitate to reach out. We are always happy to hear from you.

Check your Junk Email folder!

Right Click on the email within the list you want to redirect to your Inbox.
Drop down menu should offer "Junk"
In "Junk", select "Never Block this Group or Mailing List"
Selecting solely "Not Junk" will not work.



MCC Town Hall

On April 26th the McGill Community Council held its first joint town hall. The McGill Communities Council (MCC), a committee of unions and associations representing thousands of employees (academic, managerial, unionised) and students (graduate and undergraduate) at McGill convened a hybrid Town Hall of all the memberships to discuss challenges faced and lessons learned from the Covid-19 pandemic. The meeting focused on how the pandemic affected the McGill community, specifically union and association concerns, and the path forward as a university community. Three key areas for future action and cooperation were identified: pedagogy, governance, and health & safety. However, one thing we learned was that we had many issues in common.

As the McGill community emerges from the Covid-19 pandemic, MCC wants to move forward together in addressing health & safety, pedagogical, and governance issues in the University. Three areas identified by the Council are creating long-term thinking on the future of pedagogy in the University, adapting to the new reality of hybrid learning & work and how it can be adapted to the traditional in-person curriculum, and including faculty experts in the decision making process of the administration.



Lifting of mask mandates

As we know, masks are not obligatory at McGill as of May 24th (with the exception of the faculty of Medicine), in addition to the Quebec government lifting its mask mandate the week prior. As we head back to campus 100% next week, MUNACA encourages all members to be patient with these transitions, each member's situation is unique, and each of us will have to make those decisions for our specific needs, whether to keep wearing masks or not after this time.

We will have to be understanding with our fellow co workers regardless of whether or not we choose to wear masks. We will get through this post pandemic reality, so let's try to be respectful of everyone's choices.

Elections



As reported on May 24th by Chief Returning Officer Norman Nadeau, the following positions were **acclaimed**:

President, [Thomas Chalmers](#).

Vice-President (Communications & Mobilization), [Debra Yee](#).

Vice-President (Finance), [Deborah Martin](#).

Vice-President (Internal Affairs), [Sherrie Child](#).

Vice-President (Labour Relations), [Nancy Crowe](#).

Chair of the Communications Committee, [Lucia Guerra](#).

Chair of the Finance Committee, [Richard Rossi](#).

Chief Stewards (Downtown Campus), [Anne Bedard](#), [Andreas Gadmer](#), [Isabelle Harvey](#), [Diana Lee](#), [David Roseman](#), [Robin Stanford](#), and [Heidi Swan](#).

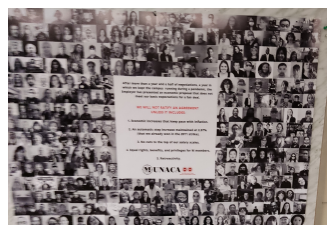
The **elections will open on Wednesday, June 1st, 2022 at 9:00AM and will close Tuesday, June 7th, 2022 at 12:00PM (noon)** for the below position.

Instructions for the electronic ballot will be sent to all eligible voters.

Vice-President (M Affairs), two (2) nominations were received. Therefore, an electronic ballot will be held for this position.

The **candidates are** [Simon Deverson](#) and [Mark d'Entremont](#). The pen sketches submitted by the candidates can be viewed by clicking on their name.

If you would like to see a poster in your area
Contact : Reception@munaca.com





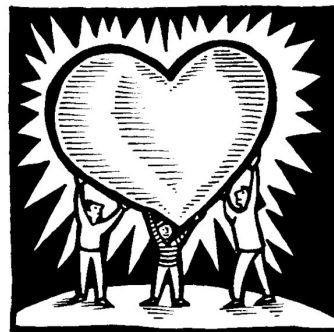
News from the Solidarity Committee

Our colleagues at the University de Montreal have voted 91% in favour of a strike mandate: <https://www.newswire.ca/fr/news-releases/possible-greve-a-l-universite-de-montreal-804447928.html>

Good bit of union History, In May 1975 police bludgeon striking workers at United Aircraft in Longueuil, Quebec, a general strike brings out 100,000 protesters. Later, a new government changes labour laws to support union security and ban the use of strikebreakers. [The Historic United Aircraft Strike - 1974-1975](#)



artist: Tricia Robinson



Graphic by CALM artist: Wilson



PSAC 2022 National Triennial Convention

From May 25th until June 3rd, your Executive Committee will be attending the [Public Service Alliance of Canada's convention](#), lending MUNACA's voice to the PSAC's 229,000 members. On Day 3, both McGill's Floor Fellows, and MUNACA had an honourable mention from President, Chris Aylward, for our strike action(s) held in April.

How can you help Ukraine right now?

ABVM CHURCH DONATION CENTER

What is still needed?

What is still accepted?

Non Perishable Food Items: Canned Food, Dried Food.

Priority for Refugees: Gift Cards for grocery stores and pharmacies (in increments of \$20-\$30)

When and Where to donate?

Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.

6185 – 10 Avenue, Montreal Quebec H1Y 2H5 ABVM

Donation Center (Church Hall) Phone: 514-593-0707

MONETARY DONATIONS

<https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/> or

Make your checks to Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. **Memo: Humanitarian Aid**

REFUGEE HOST REGISTRATION FORMS

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSee2Qp1Tf3neuOchD15NDoR-jMkB-BmS7ZZ3NzgLppZTebUsw/viewform>



