

Bev asked if they could get bags for the Wellness Group that will be having a day at her local. Congratulations Bev.

All nominations that were received are well deserving of this award.

Ken Lewenza, CAW National President.

Welcomed the opportunity to speak. Thanked the RWE for the role that they play in the union. Len Harrison has a strong voice on the NEB. We are a generous group for the United Way. Touched on having a pharmacare program. Will be good for all of us. Thanked Jenny and Dean for the work that they do on behalf of retiree's and the organizing. Sometimes you have to wear 2 hats but we all work together as a union, fighting for our rights. Don't listen to negative media reports. You know that we have. You know that we have our best interest at heart. CEP merger, don't like calling it a merger but a New Union. CEP is a strong union and when we join the new union we will be even stronger. Will work harder as we become one united. Keep up the good work. Have to stop Stephen Harper. Workers rights are being attacked. Trying to break the unions. Worried about the next generation. What is going to be left for our children and grandchildren? Investment in Canada. Defined Benefit Pension Plans needed and kept. PCOLA active members got theirs back; retiree's need PCOLA back too. Will be a bargaining tool. Keep manufacturing jobs in Canada. Do not want a two tier wage system. Keep health care benefits alive. Will not forget the retiree's at bargaining. Will fight to keep what we have.

Questions: Mike Holjevac, Rick Reaume, Karl Zimmerman, Dave Tremblay, John Marlow, Eva Bailey, Naresh Manku, John Gatens, Gerry Graham, Mary Straus.

POI--- Roxie Baker Picture of Bev McCloskey should be in the sisterhood room.

Credentials Report - Mary Straus

Delegates 127

Spouses 47

Guests 2

Special Guests 2

Presidents 1

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Guest Speaker: Gaetan Menard, introduced by Barb Abrams.

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