FRANCIS XAVIER WALL



In Memory of Frank Wall - Inspirational and Visionary

The union family lost an inspirational advocate of union education when Frank Wall passed away on December 27, 2011, but students at the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) Pacific Region Winter School have a lasting legacy event each week to remember our great friend.

Frank Wall was a respected trade union leader, who had a passion for union education. He believed in the power created when working people gain the skills and knowledge to be effective union activists.

Born in Dublin, Ireland in 1927, Frank held a number of leadership positions in various unions. He was President of Local 5529 of the United Steelworkers of America, President of the Edmonton Labour Council, Education Director of the International Woodworkers of America, and he served as a Staff Representative for the Canadian Labour Congress.

For many years, Frank served as an instructor at the CLC Winter School. Students who had Frank as an instructor learned quickly how he could touch those he met. Frank was known for his exceptionally quick wit. A quick turn of phrase or light-hearted joke could bring a smile or outright laughter when it was needed most.

Frank's legacy to the CLC Winter School lies in a tradition that students always remember as part of their Winter School experience – Choir Night. One year, he challenged each class to write a song and perform it as a choir. And, being the choir judge, Frank also coined the judging category of "perspicacity" – a term that will be familiar to returning students, and one new students will very quickly learn. From that point, there was no turning back and Choir Night has been a tradition at Winter School ever since.

Each Wednesday evening, the school gathers together. We are entertained by the class songs and even those with the most stage fright have some fun. Win or lose, it is always a night that people remember as part of their Winter School experience.

Whether remembering his great commitment to social justice and this labour movement, his exceptional instructor skills, or his ability to bring people together in song, Frank Wall will always be an enduring part of the CLC Winter School.

Frank Wall Leadership Development Scholarship Application

The Frank Wall Leadership Development Scholarship is open to applicants who complete this application form with an accompanying essay of no more than two pages in length (300 - 500 words). Your essay should be on the following topic:

"What are some of the challenges the labour movement faces as we make a Just Transition towards a carbon neutral economy?"

The Frank Wall Leadership Development Scholarship is a full scholarship for the **Parliamentary Procedure and Public Speaking** course which covers the cost of registration, single room accommodation, meals, travel costs (to be arranged through the CLC office), and wage loss.

Applications should be addressed to the Pacific Region Director and must be received by no later than November 30, 2018. Completed application forms and essays may be submitted via email to: pacific@clcctc.ca or mailed to the CLC Pacific Region office at: #201 - 5118 Joyce Street Vancouver, BC V5R 4H1.

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