WVMEA NEWS BULLETIN
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A WORD FROM YOUR UNION

It has been a busy few months, with bargaining and ratification voting for all four collective agreements taking centre stage. We once again extend our sincere thanks to our Bargaining Committees, whose dedication, expertise, and countless hours of work helped secure strong agreements for our members. We also appreciate the Executive Board members and Stewards who volunteered their time to assist with the ratification vote count.

As the pace begins to slow, the office staff will spend the remainder of the summer catching up on ongoing projects and preparing for the adjudication of the 2026 WVMEA Scholarships in August. Although the WVMEA remains open throughout the summer, staffing schedules may vary. Members are encouraged to call ahead before visiting to confirm staff availability, and all in-person meetings should be arranged in advance. A quick phone call helps us ensure we can make the most of your visit.

Summer is a great time to recharge and enjoy everything the season has to offer - walking the seawall, hiking local trails, paddleboarding, cycling, sailing, gathering with family and friends for a barbecue, or simply soaking up some sunshine. We hope everyone has the chance to relax, enjoy the longer days, and have a joyful and rejuvenating summer.

WVMEA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

We are looking for members to join our Scholarship Committee to be a part of the adjudication of applicants. Experience is not required. Interested volunteers would need to be available for one meeting in late July/ early August. Please contact the office info@wvmea.com 604-925-7447, if you are interested in volunteering or would like to find out more.

MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN

Members of the Municipal Pension Plan (MPP) should have received their annual pension statement in June. This statement summarizes your pension contributions, service history, and estimated monthly pension at various retirement ages. It also provides an opportunity to review your information and ensure your records with MPP are accurate and up to date. If you have not received your statement please contact MPP at 1-800-668-6335. You can sign up online for ***My Account*** to access your information and make the switch to paper-free statements.

MPP is hosting their AGM in the fall which will provide insights into the plans performance and what it means for members. If you are interested in attending the **MPP Annual Year in Review** registration is now open:

Date: Thursday, October 16, 2026
Time: Noon to 1:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time
Location: Online
Registration: https://mpp.pensionsbc.ca/annual-general-meeting

If you are unable to attend the meeting at the scheduled date and time, a recording will be made available to all registrants after the meeting. The Municipal Pension Plan offers continuous online learning and instructor led webinars for members. Please visit the Municipal Pension Plan Website https://mpp.pensionsbc.ca/ to view the various topics available for all stages of employment. It is particularly important for those members approaching retirement within 5 years to learn and understand the important decisions that need to be made with regards to their pension.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Our next **General Membership Meeting** is scheduled for **12:00 pm** on **Wednesday, September 15, 2026**. This **in-person** meeting meeting will be held in the **Welsh Hall** at the **West Vancouver Memorial Library** located at 1950 Marine Drive in West Vancouver. It is the third meeting of the 2026-2027 meeting year. A reminder that all members are required to attend 1 (one) meeting each meeting year to avoid the $25 meeting assessment. Please click on the links below to access the Meeting Agenda and the list of Meeting Dates. We hope you will join us!

- Sep 15, 2026 GM Meeting Agenda
- 2026-2027 GM Meeting Dates

MEMBER DISCOUNTS

WVMEA members can access a variety of discounts available through Union Savings, as well as directly with other participating merchants. Further information is available using the link below. Contact our office if you have suggestions for any other discounts you would like us to explore.

- WVMEA Member Discounts

MUNICIPAL, LIBRARY, POLICE RATIFICATION UPDATE

As shared last week, WVMEA Municipal, Library and Police members overwhelmingly ratified new Collective Agreements. We are now waiting for ratification on behalf of the Employer and Council. The Employer has indicated that their ratification process should conclude by the end of July, with retroactive pay expected no later than early August.

Benefit improvements will be implemented in two phases, as outlined in the signed Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs). The first phase takes effect immediately following full ratification of the Collective Agreement, while the second phase will come into effect on January 1, 2027. Please refer to the MOAs previously emailed to you for details on these changes. We will share further information as it become available.

OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The WVMEA remains open for the summer! The best way to reach us is by email or by calling the office number (604) 925-7447. Please note that all in person meetings will need to be arranged in advance.

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