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Health workers push back against wage restraints, get ready for International Women's Day, solidarity with Ukraine, WestJet buys Sunwing, countdown to Childcare deadline, young workers mobilize, Saputo and Coke workers ratify deals, Ontario Regional Council next week plus EI temporary benefits.

WHAT'S HOT



Unifor condemns the invasion of Ukraine and stands in solidarity with European and international labour organizations to call for an end to this conflict, and donated \$150,000. As Canada's largest media

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International Women's Day



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union, Unifor has also sent a letter of solidarity to Ukrainian journalists.

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Health care workers represented by Unifor have launched a video appeal to Premier Doug Ford that shares the struggles they have faced during the pandemic, while being subjected to Ontario's Bill 124.

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Unifor welcomes WestJet purchase of Sunwing and Sunwing Vacations. The expansion means more jobs for Canadians, says Scott Doherty, the Executive Assistant to Unifor's National President.

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March 31 is the deadline to sign the federal child care agreement before Ontario loses the first year of funding - \$1.2 billion! Join our month-long countdown to urge Premier Ford to provide affordable, accessible, quality child care for Ontario families.

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Our future is worth the fight. But so is our present day. That's a key message young workers took away from a Unifor webinar held Feb. 24, 2022, which encouraged union workers under 35 in Ontario to mobilize to effect change in workplaces, their communities and government.



The approximately 60 new members of Local 4003 – based in Vaughan, Ont. – who joined Unifor in April 2021, are getting ready to bargain their first contract with dairy company, Saputo Inc. in late March.

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Local 973 ratified a three-year contract with Coca-Cola in Brampton, Ont. that includes increases to wages and benefits, pension and improved language changes to the AZ driver training program, Employee Family Assistance Program Representative and a minute of silence on the National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

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BARGAINING UPDATES

The newest unit to join Unifor Local 673 is celebrating its first deal with group health and benefits insurance company, Benecaid, in Toronto, Ont.

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 RESOURCES



Ontario Regional Council begins next week, with health care, child care and the upcoming provincial election on the agenda.

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