

March 21, 2011

SID RYAN
President
MARIE KELLY
Secretary - Treasurer
TERRY DOWNEY
Executive Vice-President



TO: All Affiliates

2011 OFL HONOUR ROLL SCHOLARSHIPS

The OFL is pleased to call for applications for its annual Labour Honour Roll Scholarships.

The OFL will award two scholarships worth \$2,000 each to a member or the child of a member of a local union affiliated to the OFL. The scholarships are awarded in honour of distinguished trade union activists selected by representatives of the OFL Executive Board.

Eligible scholarship recipients must be entering, in September 2011, the first year of a full-time course of study (leading to a diploma or certificate) at a public Ontario community college or the first year of an undergraduate program (leading to a degree) at a publicly-funded Ontario university.

The criteria for selection of the scholarship winners are the following:

1. A brief résumé outlining non-academic interests and activities, such as community or political involvement as well as goals for the future.
2. Evidence of understanding of the role and significance of the Canadian labour movement.

In order to satisfy point (2) above, applicants will be required to submit an essay of not more than 1,000 words. This year's topic is:

Recently in the State of Wisconsin, the newly-elected Republican governor, Scott Walker, contrived a budget deficit based on tax cuts and then sought wage and benefit concessions from public employees. Despite Wisconsin unions' acceptance of the state's budget demands, Walker further sought to strip the workers of their collective bargaining rights. Thousands took to the streets in protest.

What benefits have unions brought to our society, and why is it important for younger people to stand in support of workers like those in Wisconsin and those who provide services here in Ontario?

.../2



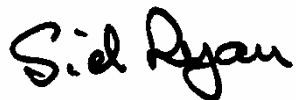
The deadline for receipt of applications is May 27, 2011. An Application Form is enclosed or can be found on-line at www.ofl.ca/youth.

The winners will be announced by July 5, 2011.

The OFL is very proud to contribute to the education and development of current trade unionists, as well as investing in the next generation of labour activists. While we fight together for post-secondary education that is accessible to all, we hope this financial assistance can provide support for our members and their children.

Please ensure that these scholarships are made known as widely as possible.

In solidarity,



SID RYAN
President
Ontario Federation of Labour

SR/ss/cope343

Attachment

copy: M. Kelly, T. Downey, OFL Executive Board

LABOUR HONOUR ROLL SCHOLARSHIP



2011 APPLICATION FORM

[Information on this application will be kept strictly confidential]

PART ONE: THE STUDENT

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FIRST LANGUAGE: _____

POST-SECONDARY COURSE AND INSTITUTION YOU ARE PLANNING TO ENTER:

STATEMENT OF INTERESTS AND GOALS:

Please attach a brief résumé outlining non-academic interests and activities, such as community or political involvement as well as goals for the future.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 27, 2011
THE WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY JULY 5, 2011**

PART TWO: THE UNION

NAME OF PARENT [OR APPLICANT] WHO IS A UNION MEMBER:

EMPLOYER:

OCCUPATION:

NAME OF UNION:

LOCAL UNION NUMBER:

I, the undersigned, attest that:

[Name of applicant or parent]

is a member in good standing in this local union which is affiliated to the Ontario Federation of Labour:

NAME OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER:

[Please print]

SIGNATURE OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER:

PHONE NUMBER OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER:

PART THREE: THE ESSAY

Please attach a **double-spaced** essay of not more than 1,000 words on the topic:

Recently in the State of Wisconsin, the newly-elected Republican governor, Scott Walker, contrived a budget deficit based on tax cuts and then sought wage and benefit concessions from public employees. Despite Wisconsin unions' acceptance of the state's budget demands, Walker further sought to strip the workers of their collective bargaining rights. Thousands took to the streets in protest.

What benefits have unions brought to our society and why is it important for younger people to stand in support of workers like those in Wisconsin and those who provide services in Ontario.

Please return Application Form and required documents to Sylvia Stewart at the OFL by e-mail or regular mail.

Sylvia Stewart, Ontario Federation of Labour
15 Gervais Drive, 2nd Floor
Toronto, ON M3C 1Y8
E-mail: ssewart@ofl.ca
Tel: (416) 443-7677 - Fax: (416) 441-1893