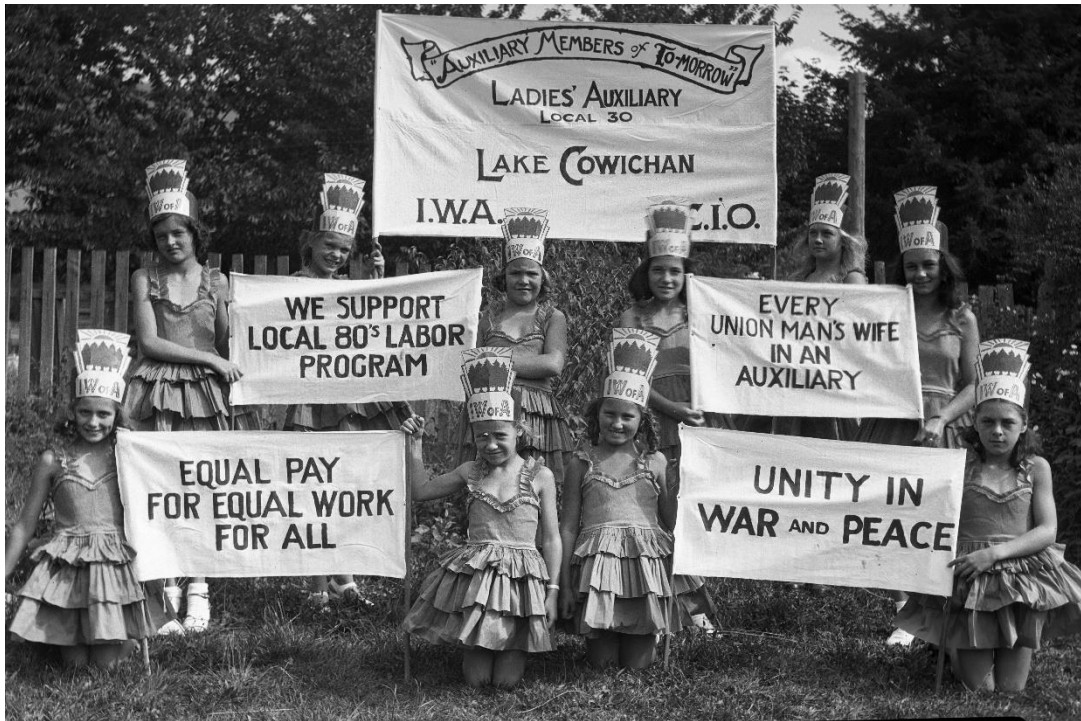


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IWA Local 30 Ladies' Auxiliary, Lake Cowichan Labour Day Parade (1943), Kaatza Station Museum & Archives, Wilmer Gold Collection, © USW Local 1-1937.

25 Pretty Awesome Things We Did in 2019

1. **Winnipeg General Strike.** It was the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Winnipeg General Strike and sympathetic strikes across BC. [Listen to a union seaman](#) who arrived in Vancouver during the 1919 strike.

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2. **Focus on Prince Rupert.** Our new Prince Rupert Labour History Walking Tour is now available for download on our "[BC Labour History Walking Tours App](#)".

3. Original BCLHC research **walked us through** the [1919 Prince Rupert General Strike](#).

4. We conducted nine [Oral History interviews](#) with current and past **union activists in Prince Rupert**.

5. We shared the story of [Prince Rupert's Labour Watchdog, George Casey](#) (1876-1962).

6. Proceeds and royalties from the sale of "[On the Line: A History of the British Columbia Labour Movement](#)" were used to put a copy in every public secondary school in the province.

7. Our **social media posts** reached over 100,000 users. An audience favourite: that time in 1975 when [Led Zeppelin became Part of the \[CUPE\] Union](#).



BC Federation of Labour Officials (on right) George Johnston and Len Guy picket CKLG radio in Vancouver, 1975. UBC Rare Books and Special Collections, BC1844/58.

8. Rod Mickleburgh received **The George Ryga Award for Social Awareness** for *On the Line: A History of the British Columbia Labour Movement*. [Read Rod's exceptional acceptance speech.](#)

9. We told you about **Emmitt Holmes**, the only black member of the Vancouver Local of the International Woodworkers of America ([IWA Local 1-217](#)) in 1944.

10. The **Labor Arts Guild** organized two Vancouver Art Gallery exhibits in 1944 and 1945 in Vancouver. [Read the story.](#)

11. Our [virtual exhibit](#) produced for the Canadian Museum of History's Virtual Museum has been published. **"Solidarity: The Largest Political Protest in BC's History"** will be online for five years.

12. **Solidarity Times**, published in 1983, [has been digitized.](#)

13. The **Grant De Patie** [story](#) has been an inspiration to young workers to take up the fight for workplace safety.

14. The feminist **Association of University and College Employees** (AUCE) at UBC won the [first fully funded maternity benefits](#) in a collective agreement in 1974.

15. A tragedy in 1909 killed 23 **Japanese railway workers** in Burnaby. [The story says much](#) about working conditions and racial discrimination in BC's early history.

16. **Working People Built BC!** [Over 190 locations of importance](#) to working people in BC have now been mapped on our website.

17. A conference and a workshop for 100+ **teachers and union educators** shared our extensive resource of [videos and lesson plans on BC labour history.](#)

18. We hosted our first [BC Labour History Boat Tour of Burrard Inlet](#) with a trip around **Vancouver's working waterfront.**

19. Strong, democratic, socially conscious and passionate: the [Hospital Employees' Union](#) became our **newest sponsor.**



"Organization" by Fraser Wilson shown in 1944 at "British Columbia at Work", courtesy North Vancouver Museum & Archives, NVMA 2012.17.1

20. Happy Anniversary! The Provincial Civil Service Association of B.C held their first annual convention in 1919. [After 100 years](#), the **BC Government and Service Employees' Union (BCGEU)**, has over 79,000 members.

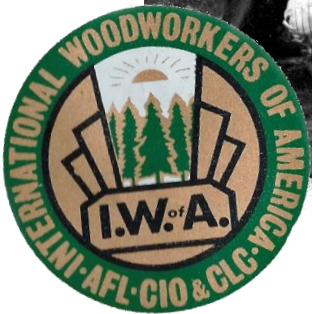
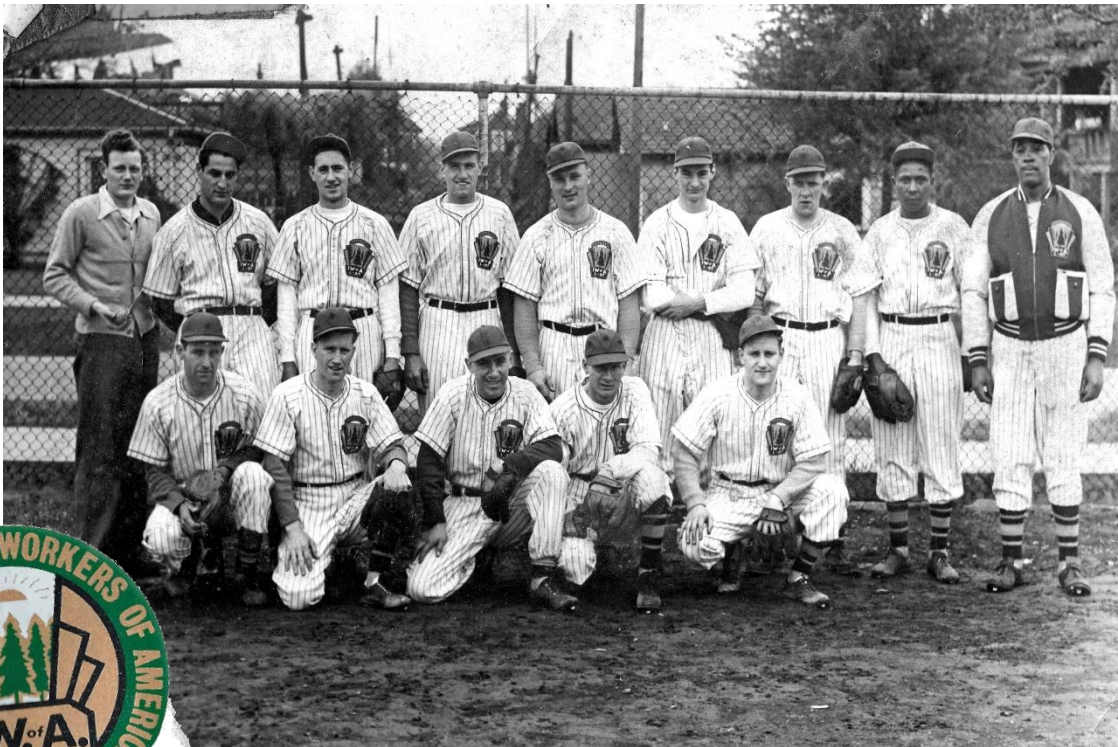
21. A record number of **schools** participated in the 2019 [Day of Mourning BC Schools Project](#).

22. We celebrated **15 years of accomplishments**, paid tribute to retiring Chair, Bro. Ken Novakowski and welcomed our new Chair Joey Hartman at a dinner in Burnaby.

23. [Watch](#): "**The BC Labour Heritage Centre**: Preserving Our Past, Preparing Our Future".

24. We added nine video interviews to our [Oral History Collection](#). The collection is housed at Simon Fraser University Library and **viewable online**.

25. Our **e-newsletter** bursting with BC labour history was sent [every month](#) to over 1,400 subscribers.



IWA Baseball Team [1940s], UBC Rare Books and Special Collections, BC1845_62

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