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## CUPE Socials?

Would anyone be interested in starting to do some fun things together as a local? Maybe some would be involving our family members as well? Some ideas maybe sports leagues, picnics, card games.

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## Member Spotlight....

### **CUPE Local 1479 Has An Author... Suzanne Desrochers-Dobbie!**

Suzanne Desrochers-Dobbie is the author of Aunt Suzy's Life Lessons as told through her dog, Cuddles.



"Life's Little Lessons" by Aunt Suzy

She has written numerous children's stories about her Pug, Cuddles. The musical from the story, Cuddles Meets a Special Friend, will be released by the end of 2013.

Suzanne is also the author of a story in the book Chicken Soup for the Soul: Miraculous Messages from Heaven. The story is called, "Tom, Are You There?" She is

currently selling the books for \$15.00 and all the proceeds are going to St. Martha Catholic School Council.

She will be releasing the book Cuddles Meets a 'Special' Friend by the time its musical is performed at St. Martha's in June of 2014.





## Non-Teaching Internal Job Postings:

53-14-15-TUTOR - TUTORS IN THE CLASSROOM 53-13-14-TUTOR EXTERNAL BOARD  
WIDE 2/28/2014 4:00 PM

54-13-14-DIR - DIRECTOR - WOLFE ISLAND DAY CAMP 54-13-14-DIR EXTERNAL WOLFE  
ISLAND 3/7/2014 4:00 PM

55-13-14-CT - PERMANENT CARETAKER POSITIONS 55-13-14-CT INTERNAL BOARD WIDE 2/24/2014 4:00 PM

56-13-14-CT - 1.0 FTE CARETAKER III 56-13-14-CT INTERNAL BELLEVILLE 2/25/2014 4:00 PM

57-13-14-SEC.LS - 1.0 FTE LEARNING SERVICES SECRETARY 57-13-14-SEC.LS INTERNAL NAPANEE 2/25/2014  
4:00 PM

## OSBCC CONFERENCE (ONTARIO SCHOOL BOARD COORDINATING COMMITTEE) FEB. 4-8

Eight members from the Executive and Negotiation Committee attended this conference in Niagara Falls. This was an excellent learning opportunity for our local. Some of the areas of discussion were;

- Report from Bargaining Committee
- Campaigns Bargaining Support Plan
- Health & Safety /Injured Workers Forum
- Classification Meetings
  - EA's
  - Custodians
  - ECE's
  - IT
  - Office Clerical

- Trades
  - Instructors
  - Professionals
  - Library Workers
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- Political Action/Effective Lobbying/Trustee Elections
  - Bargaining Support/Communicator training
  - Public Speaking
  - Media
  - Social Media
  - Understanding Board Finances
    - Benefits
    - OMERS
    - Health & Safety/Injured Workers – Forms Etc.
    - Bargaining 101

Thanks to the purchase of a new computer I am able to send out copies of information compiled at the conference. If you are interested in receiving anything please send me your PERSONAL email to [lizjamescupe1479@gmail.com](mailto:lizjamescupe1479@gmail.com)

**[http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/bills/bills\\_detail.do?locale=en&Intranet&BillID=2882](http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/bills/bills_detail.do?locale=en&Intranet&BillID=2882) for more information on the topic. If you would like a copy of the minutes from this meeting please email [lizjamescupe1479@gmail.com](mailto:lizjamescupe1479@gmail.com) and I will forward them to you.**

The Ontario School Board Coordinating Committee unites CUPE members in the Education sector who do the work that makes learning and teaching possible.

They are the custodians and stationary engineers, administrative assistants, bus drivers, cafeteria employees, education assistants, English as a second language and literacy instructors, community advisory and clerical staff, both in the schools and at the board office. CUPE represents 45,000 members in this sector in Ontario.

The committee allows education workers from across the province to share information and strategies for bargaining and to discuss issues and policies of concern. With 300 CUPE locals organized into 24 regions, this committee helps locals to fight against contracting out and to defend public education in the face of cutbacks to education spending.

<http://www.cupe.on.ca/s24/school-board>

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## Next General Meeting

April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 9:30a.m.

JJ O'Neill, Napanee

### FROM CUPE ONTARIO SCHOOL SECTOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Your local is one of the locals where the employer is defaulting to 66.66% pay on the 12th day of absence, please complete and send the letter found in one of the links below. We are asking Premier Wynne to directly intervene in fixing this problem.

English: <http://osbcc.cupevotes.ca/>

French: <http://cccso.cupevotes.ca/>