

STRIKING TIMES

(Daily strike update of Sault College Faculty's newsletter, *LOCAL MONITOR*)

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SEFPO Local 613

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STRONG SUPPORT NEEDED TODAY

We're back in negotiations, and although the mood is positive, there is always the chance that Management will stonewall again. But if they do, they are leaving the Minister and Premier McGuinty little choice but to step in. The Colleges have mismanaged this whole bargaining process so well that the words "Management" and "Strategy", when placed together will, from now on, be considered an oxymoron.

SINCERITY

In a picket-line discussion, Mike Farelli, the man who provides the "glitz" to Sault College, made a good point when he mentioned that the sincerity of the faculty was apparent and he had heard no discussion of salary and only expressions of solidarity for quality of education and feelings of sympathy for the students. So, in answer to Mr. Millroy's cynical *Sault Star* editorial on Saturday, we very strongly advise that the man either gets up-to-date with his details, or not dabble in things of which he clearly has little understanding. It's O.K to be semi-retired, but that doesn't mean that he should get lazy and pass judgment without doing the appropriate research. He owes his readership a degree of objectivity that is clearly missing. He has every right to his views, even when he seems to approve of management doing anything to guarantee the students their year, **but he has no right to** say "If the government waved a pile of salary cash in front of them ... I bet you would see them back in class in a heartbeat." That puts him in the same category as the fellow who drove by on Willow with the rolled down window. So Mr. Millroy, "Would you like fries with that?" Please don't judge us by your jaded lifeview!!

Millroy's punishment: He is now officially on the limerick list!! Go wild guys!!

Nouns, Verbs and Picket Signs

Few of us have failed to notice the picket sign used by a stray on the corner of Willow and Northern. It reads

“Selfish Faculty Fools Screwing Students”.

Does this imply that celibate students are not fooled by faculty?

Should we position someone next to the gentleman with a sign that says

“College Management Fools Nobody!”

(except Millroy)

HAIRSTYLING ROCKS!!

Diva Debbie has “upped the ante” by adding rock and other music categories to the agenda for the post-strike awards night ceremony. We think that a nice rap song (another oxymoron?) with appropriate picket dance would be good.

MANAGEMENT LIES

A person has been hired to supervise and evaluate nursing students at their hospital placements starting REPLACING A STRIKING FACULTY MEMBER. This person will be evaluating! We have been told that the nurse’s union is opposed to this and plans to picket. Local 613 will not be picketing at the hospital.

However, we will be escalating legal picket duties and notifying other locals of Sault College’s decision to engage in strike-breaking. STAY TUNED!!

QUOTE OF THE DAY AND POTENTIAL PICKET SIGN

ROLL OUT THE TIM TO WIN!!