

PSAC Members and the Upcoming Federal Election

Your Government, Your Employer, Your Choice: VOTE!

As government workers, we can be discouraged by our employer's unique power to legislate our wages and working conditions.

But we also enjoy a unique power.

We get to elect our employer.

If we choose to take it, we have the opportunity to decide who will sit across the bargaining table from us. We can elect an employer that values government workers and then we can hold them accountable at the bargaining table

"Vote for no man whose conduct in private and public life is not above suspicion, and inquire with due diligence before you give your suffrages."

William Lyon Mackenzie, in an address to the reformers of Upper Canada, 1834.



Get Informed

Mr. Mackenzie's quote is as valid today as it was 170 years ago. Our current prime minister, Paul Martin, has shown us that he is not above suspicion in his private life. He registers his shipping company outside Canada to avoid Canadian taxes and labour laws. Nor is he above suspicion in his public life, due to the missing millions funneled to agencies with close liberal ties.

To find out more about Paul Martin checkout this website: www.paulmartintime.

Get Registered

When you cast your ballot, you are choosing someone to represent you in Canada's Parliament. Your vote is a precious right. Even today workers around the world are putting their lives at risk to exercise it. In Canada, the best way to safeguard that right is to use it.

Make sure that you and your family are registered to vote. It's easy. See the attached document, entitled Voter Registration or visit Elections Canada website: www.elections.ca.

Sadly, youth participation in the electoral process is very low. Therefore, it is especially important to encourage our young family members to register. Get them to check out this website. It's designed for young voters: www.rushthevote.ca.

Get Active

Some people view elections as bothersome and intrusive. In fact, they can be a lot of fun if you get personally involved. You might consider working for a candidate that expresses your hopes for Canada. Or, you could attend an all candidates meeting to ask questions that uncover the candidates' intentions regarding issues that are important to you.