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### **UNION WOMEN TAKING BACK AMERICA**

## Books and Films to Read and Watch and Discuss Also Posters and Web Sites!



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# Union Women: Getting Political About Making Change 33<sup>rd</sup> Northeast Regional UALE Summer Institute for Union Women Books and Films to Read and Watch and Discuss Also Posters and Web Sites!

Summer School is just the beginning. Here are resources you can use to learn more about the labor movement and to expand your activist's "tool kit". It is a selected list; use it as a starting point to browse and explore. Web sites are listed within each section.

Most of the books and films listed are still in print; they can be ordered through the Internet (Powell's City of Books is a union-friendly site: <a href="http://www.powells.com/">http://www.powells.com/</a>) or from one of the specialized sources listed in the back. Or hopefully they can be found in your local public, union, or extension school library. If not, request them!



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#### LABOR UNION FACTS & FIGURES & RESEARCH

Bollen, Peter. *Great Labor Quotations: Sourcebook and Reader.* Red Eye Press, Inc., 2000. Not comprehensive, but a fun and useful resource, especially for union newsletters and speechwriting.

Doherty, Robert. *Industrial and Labor Relations Terms: A Glossary*. Ithaca: ILR Press, 1989. Concise definitions and historical background for 300 words, phrases, and acronyms frequently used in the labor world.

Gifford, Court, ed. *Directory of U.S. Labor Organizations*. Wash, D.C.: Bureau of National Affairs, annual. Keep up with the mergers! Addresses, telephone numbers, names of major officers of major U.S. unions, state federations, and, a new addition, listings of locals by state (but minus addresses & phone numbers). Statistical appendix includes BLS & AFL-CIO membership data.

Jacobs, Eva E., ed. *Handbook of U.S. Labor Statistics*. Lanham, MD: Bernan Press, annual. Subtitled "employment, earnings, prices, productivity, and other labor data", this is a collection of current and historical data tables derived from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, published annually.

Historical Encyclopedia of American Labor (2 vol.), ed. by Robert E. Weir and James P. Hanlan. Greenwood Press, 2004.

A good reference book for your public or school library.

Murray, R. Emmett. Lexicon of Labor: More Than 500 Key Terms, Biographical Sketches, and Historical Insights Concerning Labor in America. New Press, 1998.

#### WEB SITES - STARTING POINTS FOR LABOR RESEARCH:

LABOR RESEARCH PORTAL (UC Berkeley, Institute for Research on Labor and Employment Library) http://www.irle.berkeley.edu/library/index.php?page=4

The IIR Library has "Labor Guides" to online & print resources as well as its basic web guides to unions, labor studies programs and libraries, government agencies, and career guides.

INTERNET RESOURCE GATEWAY: JOHN F. HENNING CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS (UC Berkeley, Labor Center)

http://www.iir.berkeley.edu/henningcenter/gateway/index.html

This website contains links to organizations, articles, position papers, and training materials on labor and the global economy.

RESEARCH PORTAL: CATHERWOOD LIBRARY (Cornell University, ILR School)

http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/library/research/

The Catherwood Library, the research library of the ILR School, has a number of academic-oriented research guides available here, plus "Best of the Web" guides for working people.

#### LABOR UNIONS AND THE INTERNET

http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/library/research/subjectGuides/laborUnionsInternet.html

This website contains an extensive collection of web sites related to collective bargaining, labor law, and other labor topics; currently edited by the author.

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR: FIND IT BY TOPIC

http://www.dol.gov/dol/topic/index.htm

The DOL offers a vast amount of information on its web site, including employment statistics, full text of all publications, text and explanations of employment labor laws and regulations. This is one way of locating what you need.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR: FIND IT BY AUDIENCE

http://www.dol.gov/dol/audience/aud-women.htm

http://www.dol.gov/dol/audience/aud-labor.htm

And, another way to find DOL information is to use these portal web sites for women and labor unions.

#### U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

http://www.bls.gov/

BLS is the part of the Dept. of Labor responsible for collecting and publishing statistics about labor and employment. Starting here, you can find statistics on the labor force, unemployment, inflation, wages & earnings, plus online publications such as the Occupational Outlook Handbook and the Monthly Labor Review.

#### U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS: UNION MEMBERSHIP

http://www.bls.gov/news.release/union2.toc.htm

This annual publication tracks labor union membership.

AFL-CIO

http://www.aflcio.org

**CHANGE TO WIN** 

http://www.changetowin.org/

#### XPDNC LABOUR DIRECTORY

http://www.xpdnc.com/

A labor directory to labor union web sites plus sites on labor-related topics (campaigns, research, politics, women, and work).

#### **LABOURSTART**

http://www.labourstart.org

Labor news from around the world.

#### LABOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATION: WORKING LIFE

http://www.workinglife.org/

News & reports.

UNIONSTATS.COM: Union Membership and Coverage Database

http://www.unionstats.com/

This Internet data resource provides "private and public sector union membership, coverage, and density estimates compiled from the Current Population Survey (CPS) using BLS methods"; it is updated annually.

#### **BIG LABOR.COM**

http://www.biglabor.com/

Created by Union Communications Services, this site features extensive links to U.S. union web sites (internationals and locals), updated weekly, plus a weekly labor cartoon, song, quote, book, steward tip, & today in labor history.

#### AFSCME PUBLICATIONS

http://www.afscme.org/publications/

Online books on labor topics, many useful to all workers.

#### UNION JOBS CLEARINGHOUSE

http://www.unionjobs.com



#### **BARGAINING & ORGANIZING IN THE WORKPLACE**

AFSCME. We're Worth It! An AFSCME Guide to Understanding and Implementing Pay Equity. Wash. D.C.: AFSCME. [also available online at: <a href="http://www.afscme.org/publications/1225.cfm">http://www.afscme.org/publications/1225.cfm</a>]

Berger-Marks Foundation. Women Organizing Women: How Do We Rock the Boat Without Getting Thrown Overboard? Washington, DC: Berger-Marks Foundation, 2005. [available online at <a href="http://www.bergermarks.org">http://www.bergermarks.org</a>]

A report summarizing the discussion and recommendations of a retreat of women union organizers.

Better, Maurice B. Contract Bargaining Handbook for Local Union Leaders. Washington, D.C.: BNA: 1993. A nuts-and-bolts handbook.

BNA Editorial Staff. Grievance Guide, 11th ed. Washington, D.C.: BNA Books, 2003.

A compilation of the "common law" of labor arbitration; gives summaries of actual cases and analyses of trends in such areas as discipline & discharge, union rights, strikes, and sexual harassment.

Bobo, Kimberley A., et al. *Organizing for Social Change: Midwest Academy Manual for Activists.* Calif.: Seven Locks Press, 2001.

The Midwest Academy has been training people to organize since 1973. [available from USC]

Bronfenbrenner, Kate, et al., eds. *Organizing to Win: New Research on Union Strategies*. Ithaca: ILR Press: 1998. These articles by union & academic researchers present new frameworks and strategies for organizing; topics include strategic initiatives, community-based organizing, building membership, and public support.

Building Regional Power Research Project.

This ongoing research project documents "how local labor movements are developing systematic strategies for achieving regional power." Case studies of innovative practices are posted on this web site, to be shared and used as models. <a href="http://www.laborstudies.wayne.edu/power.html">http://www.laborstudies.wayne.edu/power.html</a>

Caiazza, Amy. 'I knew I could do this work': Seven Strategies to Promote Women's Activism & Leadership in Unions. Wash.DC, Berger-Marks Foundation, 2008. [available online at <a href="http://www.bergermarks.org">http://www.bergermarks.org</a>]
Based on interviews, this report analyzes obstacles union women face and strategies (mentoring, flexible options for involvement) that unions could use to encourage women's involvement and leadership.

Coalition of Labor Union Women. *Bargaining for Family Benefits: A Union Member's Guide.* N.Y.: Coalition of Labor Union Women, 1992.

Successful programs and contract clauses negotiated by unions across the country. This book is slightly out-of-date and out-of print, but still useful. Check labor libraries for copies.

Department for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO. Organizing Professionals in the 21st Century Conference, March 14-16, 2005, <a href="http://www.dpeaflcio.org/conference\_2005\_materials/default.htm/">http://www.dpeaflcio.org/conference\_2005\_materials/default.htm/</a>

Conference presentations, studies, and data on organizing within professional occupations and industries.

Department for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO. *Rising Tide....Professionals: The New Face of America's Unions.* Wash. D.C.: DPE, AFL-CIO, 2003.

A report on organizing campaigns by 17 DPE affiliates. Available online: <a href="http://www.dpeaflcio.org/pdf/2003\_09\_risingtide.pdf">http://www.dpeaflcio.org/pdf/2003\_09\_risingtide.pdf</a>

Fine, Janice. Worker Centers: Organizing Communities at the Edge of the Dream. Ithaca: ILR Press, 2006. Fine studies the role worker centers play in organizing and assisting low-wage and immigrant workers.

Labor Project for Working Families. *A Job and A Life: Organizing and Bargaining for Work Family Issues.* Berkley, CA: Labor Project for Working Families, 2005.

Designed for union leaders, activists, negotiating teams and organizers, this step-by-step guide provides the tools needed to advance a successful work and family agenda. Order from web site: <a href="http://www.working-families.org/organize/quide.html">http://www.working-families.org/organize/quide.html</a>

Mauer, Michael. The Union Member's Complete Guide: Everything You Want—and Need—To Know About Working Union. Wash. D.C.: Union Communication Service, 2001.

Answers basic questions about unions and what they do: structure of the labor movement, the grievance process, core labor laws, and more. Good resource for new members or basic reference for officers & staff. Order from website: http://www.unionist.com/membersbook.htm.

Milkman, Ruth, ed. Organizing Immigrants: The Challenge for Unions in Contemporary California. Ithaca, N.Y.: ILR Press, 2000.

These essays on organizing and immigrants in the U.S. deal with issues that go beyond California boundaries.

Parker, Mike, and Jane Slaughter. Working Smart: A Union Guide to Participation Programs and Reengineering.

Detroit: Labor Notes. 1994.

Case studies by activists who have grappled with participation programs, strategies and tactics based on their experiences. Order from website: <a href="http://labornotes.org/workingsmart">http://labornotes.org/workingsmart</a>

SEIU, Education Department. Contract Campaign Manual. Wash. D.C.: SEIU, 2005.

The classic union contract campaign guide, totally rewritten. Sections of planning, research, mobilizing, pressuring the employer, and bargaining. [Order through USC]

Slaughter, Jane, ed. A Troublemaker's Handbook 2: How to Fight Back Where You Work-And Win! Detroit: Labor Education and Research Project, 2005.

This well-known workers' guide to organizing has been totally updated and rewritten. Its chapters are based on the experiences of over 250 activists; their stories are followed by tips and resources. New material is on the website <a href="http://troublemakershandbook.org/">http://troublemakershandbook.org/</a>; the book can be ordered there or from *Labor Notes*: <a href="http://labornotes.org/troublemakershandbook2">http://labornotes.org/troublemakershandbook2</a>.

#### **WEBSITES:**

#### BERGER-MARKS FOUNDATION

http://www.bergermarks.org

The Berger-Marks Foundation seeks "to bring the benefits of unionization to working women and to assist organizations committed to those principles." Their web site presents reports on their activities and conferences and information on how women organizers can apply for grants.

BUILDING POWER IN THE WORKPLACE: THE AFSCME INTERNAL ORGANIZING MANUAL <a href="http://www.afscme.org/publications/1668.cfm">http://www.afscme.org/publications/1668.cfm</a>

#### LABOR PROJECT FOR WORKING FAMILIES

http://www.working-families.org/

Resources (news, studies, contract language) for union members, negotiating teams, organizers, policy makers as well as community based organizations and activists on advocating for family friendly workplaces.

#### MIDWEST ACADEMY DIRECT ACTION ORGANIZING PROCESS

http://www.mindspring.com/~midwestacademy/Organize/page5.html

Outlines basic techniques of direct action organizing.

XPDNC: ORGANIZING DRIVE LINKS http://www.xpdnc.com/links/orgdrive.html

Links to websites of active workplace organizing campaigns around the world.

FACTS @ YOUR FINGERTIPS: AN INTERNET RESEARCH GUIDE FOR UNION ACTIVISTS - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

http://www.afscme.org/members/1254.cfm

Excellent guide to online resources for collective bargaining research for public and private sector workplaces.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FAQ'S (Univ. of Hawaii, Center for Labor Education and Research) <a href="http://homepages.uhwo.hawaii.edu/~clear/CB-FAQ.html">http://homepages.uhwo.hawaii.edu/~clear/CB-FAQ.html</a> Collective bargaining basics.

UE INFORMATION FOR WORKERS <a href="http://www.ranknfile-ue.org/stwd\_idx.html">http://www.ranknfile-ue.org/stwd\_idx.html</a> Costing out contracts & more.

#### LABOR CONTRACTS DATABASE (UC Berkeley)

http://www.iir.berkeley.edu/library/contracts/

#### MASSACHUSETTS HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION: UNION CONTRACTS

 $\frac{\text{http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=hrdsubtopic\&L=3\&L0=Home\&L1=Employee+\%26+Labor+Relations\&L2=Union+Contracts\&sid=Ehrd}{\text{racts\&sid=Ehrd}}$ 

Current copies of contracts and salary charts for unions that bargain with the State of Massachusetts.

### NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING http://www.goer.state.ny.us/CNA/

Text of bargaining agreements between New York State and various unions representing state workers. <a href="http://www.goer.state.ny.us/CNA/bumatrix.html">http://www.goer.state.ny.us/CNA/bumatrix.html</a>

A subject matrix of contract articles in NYS public sector contracts; a convenient way to research particular contract clauses.

#### AFSCME CONTRACTS ONLINE

http://www.afscme.org/publications/11568.cfm

AFSCME MODEL CONTRACT LANGUAGE http://www.afscme.org/members/2327.cfm



#### CHILDREN'S LITERATURE—LABOR

Atkin, S. Beth. Voices from the Fields: Children of Migrant Farmworkers Tell Their Stories. N.Y.: Little, Brown, 2000 (repr. 1993 ed.).

Photographs of children & teenagers of migrant workers, plus their words and their poetry.

Anderson, Marilyn and Jonathan Garlock. *Our Community of Workers Coloring Book*. Rochester: Rochester Labor Council, 1996. [Available from Labor Heritage Foundation]

Colman, Penny. Rosie the Riveter: Women Working on the Home Front in World War II. N.Y.: Crown, 1995. Great photographs.

Currie, Stephen. *We Have Marched Together: The Working Children's Crusade.* Lerner, 1997. The story of the army of child workers led by Mother Jones from Philadelphia to New York in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. For middle school children.

Cohn, Diana (writer), Francisco Delgado (illus.) & Sharon Franco (trans.) *Si, Se Puede! / Yes, We Can! : Janitor Strike in L.A.* El Paso: Cinco Puntos Press, 2002. [Available from Labor Heritage Foundation] This illustrated, bilingual book tells the story of Carlito, whose mother is a janitor in downtown L.A... Based on the Justice for Janitors strike of April 2000, for children in grades 4 – 6.

Cronin, Doreen and Betsy Lewin. *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type*. NY: Simon & Schuster, 2000. Farmer Brown's cows become literate and then strike for better working conditions; for adults and children.

Ella Jenkins and a Union of Friends Pulling Together (CD/audiotape). Smithsonian Folkways, 1999. [Available from Labor Heritage Foundation]

"Designed to open a wider concept of being part of a union" to young children through a variety of songs, rhymes, and stories, this recording is gentle and welcoming in the Ella Jenkins tradition.

Goldin, Barbara Diamond. *Fire!: the Beginnings of the Labor Movement*. N.Y.: Viking, 1992. An account of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in 1911. Recommended for children aged 7-11.

Gourley, Catherine. Good Girl Work: Factories, Sweatshops, and How Women Changed Their Role in the American Workforce. Brookfield, Conn.: Millbrook Press, 1999.

A history of the work girls have done over the years in the U.S.; for young adults.

Hoose, Philip. We Were There Too! Young People in U.S. History. N.Y.: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2001. Brief biographies and photographs of young people active participants in social movements. Labor figures include our own Jessica Govea, who as a teenager was a founding member of the United Farm Workers.

Kraft, Betsey Harvey. *Mother Jones: One Woman's Fight for Labor.* N.Y.: Clarion Books, 1995. YA (young adult) biography of the radical labor organizer.

McCully, Emily Arnold. The Bobbin Girl. N.Y.: Dial, 1996.

Recounts the everyday life of ten-year old Rebecca Putney who lives in a boarding house and works in a cotton mill. Is Rebecca brave enough to join a protest against a pay cut? Beautifully illustrated.

Paterson, Katherine. Lyddie. N.Y.: Puffin Books, 1991.

A young girl goes to work in the mills of Lowell, Massachusetts, hoping to save enough money to reunite her family; for young adults. Paterson is a popular, award-winning young adult author.

Wright, Sarah. *A. Philip Randolph: Integration in the Workplace*. Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Silver Burdett Press, 1990. The biography of the influential labor and civil rights leader.

Adler, William M. *Mollie's Job: A Story of Life and Work on the Global Assembly Line.* NY: Scribner, 2000. A fascinating study of three women, all of whom work the same job but in different eras and thus in different places: Paterson, N.J. in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, rural Mississippi during the civil rights era, and finally Matamoros, Mexico in the here and now.

Anderson, Sarah, et al. *The Field Guide to the Global Economy, revised ed.* N.Y.: New Press, 2005. Using charts, tables, and cartoons (!), this book aims to make "the international economy comprehensible for everyone and reveals the harmful effects of corporate-driven globalization".

Brecher, Jeremy and Tim Costello. *Global Village or Global Pillage: Economic Reconstruction from the Bottom Up.* Cambridge, MA: South End Press, 1998.

Barndt, Deborah. Women Working the NAFTA Food Chain: Women, Food & Globalization. Toronto: Second Story Press, 1999.

Ellwood, Wayne. *The No-Nonsense Guide to Globalization, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.* New Internationalist, 2006. Clear explanations in under 150 pages.

Featherstone, Liza. Selling Women Short: The Landmark Battle for Worker's Rights at Wal-Mart. N.Y.: Basic Books, 1994.

In telling the story of the women that are part of Dukes v. Wal-Mart, the largest class-action discrimination lawsuit in history, Featherstone also reveals how the Wal-Mart culture systematically devalues, underpays, and destroys the women who make up the largest portion of their workforce.

Hochschild, Arlie Russell & Barbara Ehrenreich, eds. *Global Women: Nannies, Maids, and Sex Workers in the New Economy.* N.Y.: Metropolitan/Owl Bks, 2002.

Korten, David C. When Corporations Rule the World, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. S.F.: Berrett-Koehler, 2001.

An explanation of how economic globalization has concentrated power in global corporations, with devastating results for people and the environment.

Louie, Miriam Ching Yoon. Sweatshop Warriors: Immigrant Women Workers Take on the Global Factory. South End Press, 2001.

Louie, an activist and organizer, tells the stories of Chinese, Mexican, and Korean women workers who have organized for change in transnational sweatshops and in the home.

Martens, Margaret, Mitter Swasti, eds. Women in Trade Unions: Organizing the Unorganized. Geneva: International Labor Office, 1994.

Sixteen case studies on organizing women workers in women-dominated occupations and industries around the world. Examples: domestic workers in Brazil, homeworkers in Canada, workers' education for rural workers in Africa. A source of ideas and inspiration.

Ross, Andrew. Fast Boat to China. NY: Pantheon, 2006.

The author spent a year in China, documenting changes to the people, the labor force, and Chinese society in a global economy.

STITCH. *Pushing Back: Women Workers Speak Out on Free Trade.* Wash. DC: STITCH, 2004. This publication "explores the impact of free trade on women workers" in Central America and the U.S. in their own words. These are the stories of women organizing in the garment, agricultural, and health care industries. (English & Spanish). [Order directly from STITCH: http://www.stitchonline.org/documentation.asp]

#### **WEBSITES:**

#### GLOBAL WOMEN'S ACTIVISM: SELECTED SITES

http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr gateway/research guides/womens studies/activism.shtml/

Links to organizations and online resources "devoted to worldwide women's activism".

NNIRR, National Network for Immgrant and Refugee Rights.

http://www.nnirr.org/

#### SOLIDARITY CENTER

http://www.solidaritycenter.org/

The AFL-CIO started the American Center for International Labor Solidarity in 1997 to assist workers around the world struggling to establish and build labor unions.



#### LABOR STUDIES

Clark, Paul F. Building More Effective Unions. Ithaca, ILR Press/Cornell University Press, 2000.

Clark, a labor professor, offers strategies on how unions can utilize recent social science research in a number of areas, including leadership, organizing, and union culture.

Frantasia, Rick & Kim Voss. *Hard Work: Remaking the American Labor Movement*. Univ. California Pr., 2004. A critique of the labor movement.

Krupat, Kitty and Patrick McCreery, eds. *Out at Work: Building a Gay-Labor Alliance*. Minneapolis: Univ. of Minnesota Press, 2001.

Articles on the continuing challenges faced by gay and lesbian workers on the job. Kitty Krupat is a NE Women's Summer School faculty member.

Mason, Patrick L., ed. *African Americans, Labor and Society: Organizing for a New Agenda*. Detroit: Wayne State Univ. Press, 2001.

"Statistical, historical, legal and public policy analyses that highlight the possibilities and challenges confronting the labor movement as well as the special concerns of African Americans."

Mantsios, Greg, ed. *A New Labor Movement for a New Century.* N.Y.: Monthly Review Press, 1998. A collection of essays by labor activists and scholars assessing the where the labor movement is at the end of the twentieth-century and where it might be going.

Mort, Jo-Anne. *Not Your Father's Labor Movement: Inside the AFL-CIO*. N.Y.: Verso, 1998. Insights and case studies of the "new" AFL-CIO by people directly involved with its resurgence, including Jo-Ann Mort (UNITE!), Karen Nussbaum, Richard Bensinger, and Juan Gonzalez.

Parker, Mike and Martha Gruelle. *Democracy Is Power: Rebuilding Unions From The Bottom Up.* Detroit: Labor Notes, 1999.

Milkman, Ruth and Kim Voss. *Rebuilding Labor: Organizing and Organizers in the New Union Movement.* Ithaca: ILR Press, 2004.

Recent research and analyses of recent labor organizing campaigns, including Justice for Janitors, Union Summer, plus studies of the people who do the organizing—organizers and union leaders.

Yates, Michael. Why Unions Matter. N.Y.: Monthly Review Press, 1998.

This is Yates' answer to those workers who think unions are only after their dues. He writes persuasively about collective bargaining, union structure, labor law, sexism & racism.

Burke, Bev, et al. *Education for Changing Unions*. Toronto: Between the Lines Productions, 2003. Applying the principles of popular education to labor unions, the authors discuss the job of union educator, designing effective education programs, and "our favorite union education activities". [available in U.S. through Highlander bookstore]

Louie, Miriam Ching and Linda Burnham. *WEdGE: Women's Education in the Global Economy.* Oakland, Calif.: Women of Color Resource Center, 2000.

This popular education workbook explains in easy-to-read language how global restructuring affects women both here and abroad, and how women are fighting back.

Project South. Popular Education for Movement Building: A Project South Resource Guide, Vol. II. Atlanta: Project South.

Workshops on Work & Wages, Public Education & Movement Building, plus facilitation tips, group guidelines. Order from website: <a href="http://www.projectsouth.org/pages/mainbody.htm">http://www.projectsouth.org/pages/mainbody.htm</a> (see "store").

Project South. *Today's Globalization: A Toolkit For Popular Education In Your Community*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Atlanta: Project South, 2005.

Exercises and "games" to use to educate people about the historical development of globalization and its current effects. Order from website: <a href="http://www.projectsouth.org/pages/mainbody.htm">http://www.projectsouth.org/pages/mainbody.htm</a> (see "store")

Wertheimer, Barbara Mayer, ed. *Labor Education for Women Workers*. Phil.: Temple Univ. Press, 1981. How to put together training and education programs for union women. Written by labor educators, many of whom have been involved in summer schools past and present.

#### WEBSITES:

UALE (UNITED ASSOCIATION FOR LABOR EDUCATION

http://www.uale.org/

http://www.uale.org/links/links.shtml

UALE is the professional association of university and union labor educators. In addition to information on its conferences, this is where you can find out about the regional women's union summer institutes, the Labor Studies Journal, and position announcements in the field. See the Links page for listings of Labor Education programs in colleges, universities, and independent organizations.

#### Your Notes:



Bravo, Ellen, and Ellen Cassedy. 9 to 5 Guide to Combating Sexual Harassment: Candid Advice from 9 to 5, The National Association of Working Women, updated ed. Milwaukee: 9to5 Working Women Education Fund, 2000.

This popular guide focuses on working (not executive) women, using real-life stories to illustrate what sexual harassment is and the most effective ways to prevent or fight it. [Order from CLUW or UCS]

Feldacker, Bruce. *Labor Guide to Labor Law, 4<sup>th</sup> ed.* N.J.: Prentice-Hall, 1999. Text on labor law written from a labor, rather than management, perspective.

Outten, Wayne N., Robert J. Rabin and Lisa R. Lipman. *The Basic ACLU Guide to the Rights of Employees and Union Members*, 2<sup>ND</sup> ed. rev. Southern Illinois Univ. Press, 1994.

Useful, inexpensive, packed with information on your rights as a worker and a union member in a question-andanswer format.

Repa, Barbara Kate. *Your Rights in the Workplace, 8<sup>th</sup> ed.* Nolo Press, 2007. [E-book version also available] Nolo Press is known for its easy-to-use legal guides. This recent edition covers all aspects of employment law.

Schwartz, Robert M. *The FMLA Handbook: A Practical Guide to the Family and Medical Leave Act for Union Members and Stewards, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.* Cambridge: Work Rights Press, no publication date.

See author's website for order info & chapter one online: http://www.workrightspress.com/index.html.

Schwartz, Robert M. *The Legal Rights of Union Stewards, 4th ed.* Cambridge: Work Rights Press, 2006. Question-and-answer format; the grievance process, union right to information, duty of fair representation. For order info & chapter one online: <a href="http://www.workrightspress.com/index.html">http://www.workrightspress.com/index.html</a>.

Yates, Michael. *Power on the Job: The Legal Rights of Working People*. Boston: South End Press, 1994. Readable, informative, written for workers, grounded in a union perspective.

#### **WEBSITES:**

**FINDLAW** 

http://www.findlaw.com

This legal web directory will point you to the correct place online for anything legal.

FINDLAW / LABOR LAW

http://www.findlaw.com/01topics/27labor/index.html

And this is the directory to web sites on labor and employment law.

#### LEGAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE

http://www.law.cornell.edu

This site serves as both a directory to U.S. laws & court decisions and a source for brief explanations of legal subject areas. A good source for the full text of US Supreme Court decisions.

#### YAHOO'S INDEX TO EMPLOYMENT LAW SITES

http://dir.yahoo.com/Government/Law/Employment\_Law/

Yahoo's directory of employment law sites.

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

http://www.dol.gov

A huge web site, check here for laws and regulations (original language and summaries), forms, contacts for DOL divisions, full text of DOL publications.

ELAWS: DOL EMPLOYMENT WORKPLACE LAWS

http://www.dol.gov/elaws

#### U.S. NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

http://www.nlrb.gov

Full-text of most NLRB publications, explanations of the National Labor Relations Act, full-text of NLRB decisions back (as of this writing) to 1979.

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARDS

http://www.afscme.org/publications/11159.cfm

A list of all existing boards, including links to web sites where available, courtesy of AFSCME.



#### POLITICS, ECONOMICS, WORK TRENDS

Barone, Michael & Michael E. Cohen. *The Almanac of American Politics*, 2008. Wash., D.C.: National Journal, 2007.

The Almanac, published every two years, is a unique blend of facts and analysis; it includes profiles of every member of Congress and state governors, narrative profiles of all states and House districts, plus analyses of demographic, political, and cultural factors related to the 2008 elections.

Heintz, James & Nancy Folbre. The Ultimate Field Guide to the U.S. Economy: A Compact and Irreverent Guide to Economic Life in America. NY: The New Press, 2000.

Economics made understandable from those progressive people at the Center for Popular Economics.

Mishel, Lawrence, et al. *The State of Working America, 2006/2007, 10<sup>th</sup> ed.* Ithaca: ILR Press, 2006. Comprehensive, understandable analysis of the U.S. labor market by the Economic Policy Institute, a well-known think tank. Statistics, graphs & tables illustrate living standards of U.S. workers. Selected chapters and fact sheets on income, wages, etc. are available online: http://www.stateofworkingamerica.org/.

U.S. Office of the Federal Register. *The United States Government Manual.* Washington, D.C.: GPO. Published annually, this book is the place to go for names of government officials, addresses of agencies, and descriptions of what they are both supposed to be doing. Available from your local library or online: <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/gmanual">http://www.gpoaccess.gov/gmanual</a>.

#### **WEBSITES:**

#### **FIRSTGOV**

http://firstgov.gov

A portal for U.S. government information; go here first if you're not sure where to search.

#### **THOMAS**

http://thomas.loc.gov

The web site of Congress, check here for bills, laws, committee reports, and anything related to the work of the House of Representatives or the Senate.

AFL-CIO: WORKING FAMILIES VOTE 2008

http://aflcio.org/issues/politics/

A voters' guide for union members.

#### PROJECT VOTE SMART

http://www.vote-smart.org

This non-profit organization is dedicated to providing neutral information—facts, biographies, voting records--of political candidates.

#### FACTCHECK.ORG

http://factcheck.org/

This nonpartisan, nonprofit 'consumer advocate' for voters aims to reduce the level of deception and confusion in U.S. politics by monitoring the factual accuracy of what is said by major U.S. political players.

#### **OPEN SECRETS**

#### http://www.opensecrets.org

Detailed information on PAC and individual campaign fund contributions.

#### CENTER FOR AMERICAN WOMEN AND POLITICS

http://www.cawp.rutgers.edu/Facts/Officeholders/cong-current.html

Factsheets and research on women office holders in the U.S.

#### **ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE**

http://epinet.org/

Briefings and reports on economic issues such as minimum wage, trade policies, employment trends.

#### INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S POLICY RESEARCH

http://www.iwpr.org/

IWPR conducts research on women and employment, work and families, and related issues. Many of their reports can be downloaded free from their web site.



#### **SAFETY & HEALTH**

AFSCME Women's Rights Dept. *Domestic Violence: An AFSCME Guide for Union Action*. Washington. D.C.: AFSCME. Also available online: http://www.afscme.org/publications/1665.cfm

Askari, Elaine. Violence on the Job: A Guidebook for Labor and Management. Berkeley: Labor Occupational Health Program, 1997.

Bonomo, Perry & Daniel Seidler. *Why Does Working @ My Computer Hurt So Much?* N.Y. ErgAerobics, 1999. Easy-to-use guide to preventing and alleviating RSI (repetitive stress injury) symptoms. Many stretches and exercises for neck, back, shoulders, even face.

CLUW Center for Research and Education. *Health Fact Sheets* on topics such as menopause and osteoporosis can be downloaded from their web site: http://www.cluw.org/publications.html

The Labor Institute. *Repetitive Strain Injuries: A Training Workbook for Office Workers.* NY: Labor Institute, 1997. [distributed through Apex Press]

"Designed to get workers talking to each other about the issue"; video also available.

Labor Occupational Health Program. *Collective Bargaining for Health and Safety: A Handbook for Unions.*Berkeley: LOHP, 2000. [order at <a href="http://ist-socrates.berkeley.edu/~lohp/">http://ist-socrates.berkeley.edu/~lohp/</a>]

Sample contract language from actual contracts on such topics as worker information and training, specific hazards, right to act, joint labor-management activities, protective measures, injured workers.

#### See the following Internet sites for additional occupational safety & health publications:

#### Labor Occupational Health Program

http://ist-socrates.berkeley.edu/~lohp/ and click on "publications".

In addition to above, LOHP offers books and training guides for union workers on hospital hazards, cosmetology health & safety, computer workstation health & safety, violence on the job and more; many publications are bilingual, some are online only (& free!).

#### National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/homepage.html

A wealth of online information sheets, studies, training materials, AV materials on all OSH aspects, including reproductive health, stress, health care workers. Also provides a gateway to health and medical databases of articles and chemical information.

SEIU: Education & Leadership Development: Safety and Health

#### http://www.seiu.org/mbe/safety\_and\_health/index.cfm

Books and fact sheets on various health & safety issues, including HIV/AIDS, "sick buildings", and smallpox. Some are downloadable from the web site, some need to be purchased.

New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH) http://www.nycosh.org

In addition to current news & data, NYCOSH has an excellent collection of links to online resources in the areas of industry and workplace hazards.

Safe Jobs Now: An AFSCME Guide to Health and Safety in the Workplace is one of the many safety & health publications available on the web from AFSCME:

http://www.afscme.org/publications/1334.cfm





#### **UNION SKILLS**

Bernhardt, Debra. How to Keep Union Records: A Guide for Local Union Officers and Staff. Washington, D.C.: Labor's Heritage Press, 1992. [out-of-print; check nearest labor library or archives]

Shaw, Catherine M. *The Campaign Manager: Running and Winning Local Elections*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Westview Pr, 2004. Written with political elections in mind (the "local" is geographic), some of these how-to's can be applied to running for union election or to support a labor-friendly candidate. This is a very elementary book, best for political beginners in small cities or towns.

Till-Retz, Roberta. Your Local Union Newsletter: Key to a revitalized Local: Why it's important, how to get started, what to include. 2002. [pdf version available for download:

http://www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/laborctr/pdf/Newsletters.pdf]

Brief guide to help new editors get started with tips on getting content and basics of layout.

Hoff, Ron. "I Can See You Naked: A New Revised Edition of the National Bestseller on Making Fearless Presentations. Kansas City: Andrews and McMeel, 1993.

Public speaking tips; nervousness, voice, what to do with your hands.

Lund, John. Auditing Local Union Financial Records: A Guide for Local Union Trustees. Ithaca, N.Y.: ILR Press, 1992.

Parliamentary Procedure Made Simple: The Basics, 2nd ed. Robert McConnell Productions, 1994. video, 1 hr, 20 min.

All About Motions. Robert McConnell Productions, 1996. video, 1 hr. 40 min., 2 vol.

Videos based on Robert's Rules of Order. [Order online: <a href="http://www.parli.com/main.htm">http://www.parli.com/main.htm</a> or order from McConnell Productions, 1-800-532-4017]

Williams, Eesha. Grassroots Journalism. N.Y.: Apex Press, 2000.

"A practical manual for doing the kind of newswriting that doesn't just get people angry, but *active*—that doesn't just inform, but *inspires*."

Zimmerman, Doris P. Robert's Rules in Plain English. N.Y.: HarperResource, 1997.

For beginners to parliamentary procedure; a more advanced book will be needed for more advanced meetings.

Good to know:	6. Stating the Question.
The original 1916 Robert's Rules of Order is	When a motion has been made and seconded, it is the duty of the
available free on the web:	chair, unless he rules it out of order, immediately to state the
http://www.bartleby.com/176/	question — that is, state the exact question that is before the
	assembly for its consideration and action



Basch, Reva & Mary Ellen Bates. *Researching Online for Dummies, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.* Foster City, CA: IDG Books, 2000. Basch and Bates are leaders in the online research field.

Hock, Randolph. *The Extreme Searcher's Internet Handbook, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.* CyberAge Bks., 2007. A guide for research professionals; even if you think you know it all, you will learn something.

#### **WEBSITES:**

FACTS@YOUR FINGERTIPS: AN INTERNET RESEARCH MANUAL FOR AFSCME ACTIVISTS http://www.afscme.org/publications/1670.cfm

One of the best research guides on the web, not just for AFSCME members.

#### CORPORATE RESEARCH PROJECT

http://www.corp-research.org/

See tutorial "How to do Corporate Research" by "dirt digger" supreme Phil Mattera.

#### THE INTERNET PUBLIC LIBRARY

http://ipl.org

Quick guide to online reference books.

#### REFDESK

http://www.refdesk.com

Fast facts, figures, definitions, the web site you'll wonder how you ever did without.

#### BARE BONES 101: A BASIC TUTORIAL ON SEARCHING THE WEB

http://www.sc.edu/beaufort/library/pages/bones/bones.shtml

Good tutorial on using search engines, including separate sections for the major search engines.

#### **SEARCH ENGINES & DIRECTORIES:**

#### GOOGLE / GOOGLE ADVANCED SEARCH

http://www.google.com

http://www.google.com/advanced search

If you haven't tried the Advanced Search page, try it. It's pretty easy to use and can be very helpful in narrowing down your search.

#### YAHOO! SEARCH

http://search.yahoo.com/

#### **GOOGLE IMAGES**

http://www.google.com/images

Google's search engine for locating graphics, tests indicate it brings up more images than its competitors.

#### GOOGLE U.S. GOVERNMENT SEARCH

http://www.google.com/ig/usgov

Use to locate government information or web sites.

#### **GOOGLE SCHOLAR**

http://scholar.google.com/

Locates online academic materials (i.e., research papers, scholarly articles, citations of articles, theses, books, abstracts). Not comprehensive, useful for leads to scholarly titles.

#### **Hints for Using Search Engines:**

- o If possible, use unique terms.
- o Or, use 2 or 3 key words or phrases.
- o Identify phrases by using quotation marks
  - example: "chocolate turtles" instead of chocolate turtles
- o If you don't get any results, think of synonyms
  - example: "medical care" or "health care"
- o If you get too many results, explore the advanced features of the search engine
  - Can you search by key word in title?
  - Can you limit the date?
  - Can you limit the domain (.edu, .org)?
- Try the Advanced Search Page, it's not that hard.
- o Use credible web sites, by recognizable authors or organizations.

Remember that not everything is on the Internet! If you can't find anything after using the above hints, try the print resources or online periodical databases available through libraries and colleges.

#### Your Notes & Web Sites:



#### WOMEN WORKERS TODAY—(MOSTLY US. & CANADA)

Briskin, Linda, and Patricia, eds. McDermott. *Women Challenging Unions: Feminism, Democracy, and Militancy*. Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press, 1993.

Activist and feminist struggles in the Canadian labour world.

Browne, Irene, ed. *Latinas and African American Women at Work: Race, Gender and Economic Inequality.* N.Y: Russell Sage Foundation, 1999.

Cobble, Dorothy Sue, ed. *The Sex of Class: Women Transforming American Labor.* Ithaca: ILR Press, 2007. A collection of articles that explore "how the sex of workers matters in understanding the jobs they do, the problems they fact at work, and the new labor movements they are creating." Authors include Ruth Milkman, Katie Quan, Janice Fine, and Karen Nussbaum.

Cobble, Dorothy Sue. ed. *Women and Unions: Forging a Partnership*. Ithaca: ILR Press, 1993. Over 30 articles on leadership, organizing, homework, temporary and part-time work, meeting family needs, and the wage gap.

Costello, Cynthia B. et al., eds. *The American Woman, 2001-2002: Getting to the Top.* N.Y.: Norton, 2001. Sponsored by the Women's Research and Education Institute, a collection of essays on women's leadership status in several fields, including Lois Gray's article on women's leadership in labor unions.

Dept. for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO. Salaried and Professional Women: Relevant Statistics, 2003 Statistics. Washington, D.C.: DPE, AFL-CIO, 2003. Available online: <a href="http://www.dpeaflcio.org/pdf/entire\_2003\_WomensChartbook.pdf">http://www.dpeaflcio.org/pdf/entire\_2003\_WomensChartbook.pdf</a>

Ehrenreich, Barbara. *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting by in America*. N.Y.: Metropolitan Books, 2001. Investigative journalist Ehrenreich tries to make ends meet as a waitress, cleaning person, and salesperson; written with intelligence and clarity, this is an excellent, very readable book.

Eisenberg, Susan. We'll Call You If We Need You: Experiences of Women Working Construction. Ithaca: ILR Press, 1998.

The experiences of 30 women who entered the construction industry during the past 20 years, and found endless challenge, collected by a master electrician/poet.

Harley, Sharon and the Black Women and Work Collective. *Sister Circle: Black Women and Work.* New Brunswick: Rutgers Univ. Press, 2002.

A collection of articles exploring the history and meaning or work for black women.

Ling, Huping. Voices of the Heart: Asian American Women on Immigration, Work, and Family. Truman State University Press, 2007.

The stories of women who immigrated to the U.S. from China, Japan, Korea, Vietnam, Laos, India and Pakistan; the women talk about their experiences in a new culture, with their families, and in the workplace.

Ortiz, Altagracia, ed. *Puerto Rican Women and Work: Bridges in Transnational Labor*. Philadelphia: Temple Univ. Press, 1996.

Historical, statistical, sociological articles on women workers in Puerto Rico and the U.S. mainland.

Roth, Silke. Building Movement Bridges: The Coalition of Labor Union Women. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2003.

A study of CLUW, based on the author's dissertation. Very scholarly, contains little about the regional summer schools though Silke did attend a Northeast school at UConn.

#### **WEB SITES:**

#### COALITION OF LABOR UNION WOMEN (CLUW)

http://www.cluw.org/

#### **CLUW LINKS**

#### http://cluw.org/links.html

Also called "Websites We Like", this is an excellent collection of websites of interest to working women; topics are: Women and Work, Women's Health, Reproductive Rights, Getting Older/Staying Healthy, Women and the Global Economy, Other Constituency Groups and Allied Labor Organizations, Miscellaneous.

#### FEMINIST MAJORITY FOUNDATION

http://www.feminist.org/

#### LABOR PROJECT FOR WORKING FAMILIES

http://www.laborproject.org/

Contract language and newsletter on work/family issues.

U.S. WOMEN'S BUREAU

http://www.dol.gov/wb/

#### U.S. WOMEN'S BUREAU FACT SHEETS

Employment Status of Women and Men in 2006: <a href="http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/Qf-ESWM07.htm">http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/Qf-ESWM07.htm</a>
Women In the Labor Force in 2006: <a href="http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/Qf-laborforce-07.htm">http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/Qf-laborforce-07.htm</a>
Quick Facts on Nontraditional Occupations for Women: <a href="http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/nontra2007.htm">http://www.dol.gov/wb/factsheets/nontra2007.htm</a>



#### **WOMEN'S LABOR HISTORY**

These titles are a starting point. For a more complete list, see the Tamiment Library's online guide to *Sources in U.S. Women's Labor History:* <a href="http://www.nyu.edu/library/bobst/research/tam/women/cover.html">http://www.nyu.edu/library/bobst/research/tam/women/cover.html</a>.

Baxandall, Rosalyn, and Linda Gordon. America's Working Women: A Documentary History, 1600 to the Present, rev. ed. N.Y.: W.W. Norton. 1995.

Revised to include more on Native American, African American, Hispanic, Asian American women, rural labor, current issues.

Cobble, Dorothy Sue. Dishing It Out: Waitresses and Their Unions in the Twentieth Century. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1991.

Deslippe, Dennis A. Rights, Not Roses: Unions And The Rise Of Working-Class Feminism, 1945-80. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2000.

Devault, Ileen A. United Apart: Gender and the Rise of Craft Unionism. Ithaca: Cornell Univ. Press, 2004.

Foner, Philip S. Women and the Labor Movement. N.Y.: Free Press, 1979.

A comprehensive history of women and trade unions in the U.S. Two editions are available: the original 2-volume edition, and a condensed 1-volume version.

Jones, Jacqueline. *American Work: Four Centuries of Black and White Labor*. N.Y.: W.W. Norton, 1998. Jones explores the history of labor through the lens of politics and economics that determined in different times what occupations were suitable for which group of individuals.

Jones, Jacqueline. Labor of Love, Labor of Sorrow: Black Women, Work and the Family, From Slavery to the Present. N.Y.: Vintage, 1985.

Jones wrote this book in response to the lack of material on black working women.

Kessler-Harris, Alice. Out to Work: A History of Wage-Earning Women in the United States. Oxford Univ. Press:

1983, 2003.

Cited as "the single best survey of transformation of women's paid and unpaid work from the colonial period to the present" (AHR); the 2003 anniversary edition has been updated.

Kessler-Harris, Alice. *Women Have Always Worked*. N.Y.: Feminist Press, 1981. An excellent, very readable history of women's work in and out of the home.

Murolo, Priscilla, A.B. Chitty, and Joe Sacco (illus.). From the Folks Who Brought You the Weekend: A Short Illustrated History of Labor in the United States. New Press, 2003.

Von Drehle, David. *Triangle: The Fire That Changed America*. NY: Atlantic Monthly Press, 2003. This well-reviewed book has brought new attention and interest to the tragedy that was a turning point for organizing immigrant needle trade workers and instigating health and safety practices.

Wertheimer, Barbara Mayer. We Were There: The Story of Working Women in America. Phil.: Temple Univ. Press, 1977.

The first readable history of working women in America, written when Barbara could not find a suitable text to use with union women. Barbara was also the founding spirit of the UCLEA Women's Summer Schools.

White, Julie. Sisters & Solidarity: Women and Unions in Canada. Toronto: Thompson Educational Publishers, 1993. A comprehensive, up-to-date history.

#### **WEB SITES:**

#### WOMEN'S LABOR HISTORY LINKS (AFSCME)

http://www.afscme.org/publications/12441.cfm

Terrific listing of over 130 web sites on women in the labor movement.

#### AFRICAN AMERICAN LABOR HISTORY LINKS (AFSCME)

http://www.afscme.org/publications/12440.cfm

Excellent bibliography of online resources on African American workers and general history, including links to materials on the Sleeping Car Porters, A. Philip Randolph, and Martin Luther King, Jr.

#### SOURCES IN WOMEN'S U.S. LABOR HISTORY

http://www.nyu.edu/library/bobst/research/tam/women/cover.html

Online version of a guide to scholarly resources (books, records, videos, etc.), including a section on Internet resources.

WORKING WOMEN, 1870 – 1930 (Harvard University Libraries Open Collections Program)

http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/ww/

Digital collection of books, pamphlets, photographs, and manuscripts from Harvard's libraries "exploring women's roles in the U.S. economy between the Civil War and the Great Depression". Still in process, and growing.

#### THE TRIANGLE FACTORY FIRE

http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/trianglefire

Excellent multimedia site created by the Cornell ILR Kheel Center and UNITE!; history, photographs, documents, oral histories, cartoons, research guide for high school students.



#### **WOMEN'S LABOR HISTORY - BIOGRAPHY**

Camp, Helen C. Iron in Her Soul: Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and the American Left. Washington State Univ. Press, 1995.

Gurley Flynn was a charismatic speaker, an IWW leader of the Lawrence and Paterson strikes.

Cook, Alice Hanson & Arlene Kaplan Daniels. *A Lifetime of Labor: The Autobiography of Alice H. Cook.* N.Y.: Feminist Press, 1999.

Alice Cook's energy was legendary. She at the age of 94, leaving behind a lifetime of labor organizing, education, and research. Cook spoke to NE Summer School women several times; each time was inspiring.

Forten, Charlotte L. and Ray Allen Billington, ed. *The Journal of Charlotte Forten: a free Negro in the slave era.* N.Y.: Norton, 1981 (repr. 1953).

There are several editions of the diaries of Charlotte Forten, writer, teacher, and anti-slavery activist.

Gorn, Elliott J. *Mother Jones: The Most Dangerous Woman in America*. N.Y.: Hill & Wang, 2001. Well-reviewed biography of Mary Harris Jones, fighter of rights for the mine workers.

O'Farrell, Brigid, and Joyce L. Kornbluh. *Rocking the Boat: Union Women's Voices, 1915-1975.* N.J.: Rutgers Univ. Press, 1996.

In 1975, Kornbluh directed an oral history project that recorded the "stories" of 54 union women pioneers. Their voices were direct, their stories inspiring and fascinating. This book presents 11 of these stories.

Orleck, Annelise. Common Sense & A Little Fire: Women and Working-Class Politics in the United States, 1900-1965. Univ. of North Carolina Press, 1995.

The absorbing story of the labor and family lives of Rose Schneiderman, Fannia Cohn, Pauline Newman, and Clara Lemlich.

O'Sullivan, Judith, and Rosemary Gallick. Workers and Allies: Female Participation in the American Trade Union Movement, 1824- 1976. Washington, D.C.: ILR Press, 1975.

Excellent reference book on women's labor history.

Painter, Nell Irvin. *Sojourner Truth: A Life, A Symbol.* N.Y.: W.W. Norton, 1997. Painter, a well-known historian, takes a new look at both the life and the legend.

Perez, Frank, with Dolores Huerta. *Dolores Huerta (Contemporary Hispanic Americans series)*. Raintree, 1996. A "young adult" book, but still informative and readable.

Richards, Yevette. *Maida Springer: Pan-Africanist and International Labor Leader.* Univ. of Pittsburgh Press, 2000. Springer lived an amazing life as a black woman active in the ILGWU and later the AFL-CIO. This study focuses on the latter part of her career. (Springer visited the N.E. Summer School several years ago.)

Seldon, Bernice. The Mill Girls: Lucy Larcom, Harriet Hanson Robinson, Sarah G. Bagley. NY: Atheneum, 1983. One of the few biographies of Sarah Bagley.

#### **JOURNALS & NEWSLETTERS**

Dollars and Sense. Bimonthly.

[29 Winter St., Boston, MA 02108, 617-447-2177, http://www.DollarsAndSense.org]

Explains U.S. and international current economic issues from a left perspective. Many articles on work and unions.

Labor News for Working Families. Labor Project for Working Families. Quarterly.

[LPWF, IIR, 2521 Channing Way #5555, Berkeley, CA 94720; 510-643-7088; <a href="http://www.working-families.org">http://www.working-families.org</a>] Newsletter of union activities and resources.

Labor Notes, Labor Education & Research Project. Monthly

[7435 Michigan Ave., Detroit MI 48210; (313) 842-6262; http://www.labornotes.org]

Articles from an activist viewpoint; useful Resources list.

LRA Research Online: Working Life. Labor Research Association. Irregular.

[http://www.workinglife.org]

Online news on economic trends & union issues; replaces LRA's print *Economic Update*. Not updated comprehensively, but good source for tracking recent studies and economic reports.

New Labor Forum. Labor Resource Center, Queens College, CUNY. Biannually.

[LRC, Queens College, 25 West 43<sup>rd</sup> St., NYC 10036; 212-827-0200; http://www.newlaborforum.org/]

Articles, fiction, poetry, and discussion of contemporary work issues. Selected articles are available online.

WorkingUSA. M.E. Sharpe. Bimonthly.

[http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/submit.asp?ref=1089-7011]

Labor-oriented journal with readable articles on current, provocative issues by journalists & academics.

#### **MUSIC**

Music has always been an integral part of Summer School. If you would like to listen to "labor music" at home or at your union meetings (or in the office!), here are some suggestions, mostly women-oriented. You can purchase these CD's or audiocassettes by from the Labor Heritage Foundation (see Sources section) or from CDBaby, an online distributor of independent music (.http://www.cdbaby.com/home)

#### Linda Allen

Women's Work

Songs about women's real work -- building ships, soothing the sick, caring for children in and out of our homes, and working as labor leaders, teachers and builders of peace.

#### **Brooklyn Women's Chorus**

The Power of Song

Directed by our own Bev Grant, the Chorus sings songs of labor, peace and justice, many of which will be familiar to summer school alums.

#### **Coal Mining Women**

Re-release of songs by Hazel Dickens, Florence Reese, Phyllis Boyens, Sarah Gunning and others.

#### DC Labor Chorus – 2-song CD

Includes "Welcome Union Members" and "Health Care Stomp"

#### **Anne Feeney**

Have You Been to Jail for Justice? Look to the Left Union Maid Compilation of 23 union songs. United We Bargain, Divided We Beg

#### Anne Feeney & Chris Chandler

Flying Poetry Circus Live From the Wholly Stolen Empire

#### **Bev Grant**

http://bevgrant.com/

We Were There: Songs of Women's Labor History

Relive Labor History Night with this CD; accompanying songbook

#### **Pat Humphries**

Hands

Named for Humphries' cover of Phil Ochs' unreleased song. Includes No Sweat and We Were There.

#### Ella Jenkins

Ella Jenkins and a Union of Friends Pulling Together

Labor songs and recitations for children; wonderful for the under 6 set.

#### **Tom Juravich**

Out of Darkness

Songs from the United Mine Workers movie.

#### **Charlie King and Karen Brandow**

Puppet Town

Songs of political puppets, corporate rats, and ordinary people all over the world struggling to make it better.

#### **Charlie King and Martha Leader**

Steppin' Out

With We Just Come to Work Here and World Turned Upside Down.

#### **New York City Labor Chorus**

http://www.nyclc.org/

In Solidarity

15 songs, with Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee.

Workers Rise: Labor in the Spotlight

Features union songs as well as lively selections from gospel, jazz, classical, and folk traditions.

Pipets - The chorus of the Harvard Union of Clerical and Technical Workers (AFSCME)

Gonna Build A Union

#### **Six Labor Choruses**

The Great Choral Convergence Live!

A recording of 'the best of the best' of a historic concert featuring six labor choruses from around the country, which took place in Washington DC in 2004, part of the Great Labor Arts Exchange.

#### We Just Come to Work Here, We Don't Come to Die

Songs of work and safety by Sweet Honey in the Rock, Laurel Blaydes, Anne Feeney, Joe Glazer, Larry Penn, and others.

#### **POSTERS & STUFF**

#### See Ordering Information for addresses (snail & Internet)

#### AFL-CIO UNION SHOP ONLINE.

Offers a variety of posters, including Fasanella paintings, the Cesar Chavez stamp, and "Sweatshops: Who Made Your Shoes." Good selection of music. You can also buy books, videos, CD's, buttons, cards, and clothing here. AFL-CIO golf balls? You'll find it here.

#### BREAD AND ROSES CULTURAL PROJECT.

Bread and Roses was founded in 1979 as the cultural arm of what is now New York's Health and Human Service Union, 1199/SEIU. One of the wonderful side benefits of their work is a wealth of posters on women and on labor. Their online Social Justice Giftshop also sells t-shirts and calendars. Here are some of the poster series they have originated and which are available for sale:

Image of Labor Poster Series. 1199 Bread and Roses Cultural Project. Set of 10 posters, designed by well-known artists, with teaching guide.

Women of Hope Series. 1199 Bread and Roses Cultural Project.

Each series consists of a set of 12 posters designed to honor and recognize the contributions of women such as Ella Baker, Julia Alvarez, Maya Lin, Winona LaDuke & Bella Abzug, who serve as role models for children and adults. The posters can be bought individually or as a set. Teaching guides are available.

Women of Hope: African Americans Who Made a Difference.

Women of Hope: Asian American. Women of Hope: International

Women of Hope: Latinas Abriendo Camino

Women of Hope: Native-American/Hawaiian Women.

Gallery Posters. 1199 Bread and Roses Cultural Project.

A mix of posters that have been exhibited at Gallery 1199, including several Ralph Fasanella's.

#### LABOR HERITAGE FOUNDATION.

This is the place to go for labor music and books related to labor culture. Also sells posters, buttons, notecards, etc.

#### NORTHLAND POSTER COLLECTIVE.

Northland Poster, the "mall of the other America", has been in business since 1979. They offer a diverse collection of labor posters by artists such as Ralph Fasanella and Karin Jacobson, as well as labor t-shirts, buttons, bumper stickers, mugs, and even baby bibs.

#### **FILMS & VIDEOS**

Films that are starred (\*) are relatively easy to locate. Other titles may be located through a public or labor library (if you don't see it, ask the librarian to order it), or available for purchase online relatively inexpensively.

American Dream. 1992, directed by Barbara Kopple.

The story of the Hormel strike, by the Academy Award-winning director.

Bread and Roses. 2000, directed by Ken Loach. \*

The Justice for Janitors struggle is personalized in this engaging film with the fictional story of Maya, a newly arrived illegal immigrant, who joins up with an idealistic organizer and other workers to fight for better working conditions.

<u>Clockwatchers</u>. 1998, directed by Jill Sprecher, starring Parker Posey, Lisa Kudrow. \* Initially funny but finally disturbing film about the lives of temporary office workers.

Eyes on the Fries, Young Workers in the Service Economy. 2003, directed by Casey Peek.

This short film examines the rise of the low wage service sector and the young people who work in it. The film shows some organizing efforts, including the successful struggle to raise the minimum wage in San Francisco. It can be ordered from the Berkeley Labor Center, http://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/youngworkers/

Frontline: Is Wal-Mart Good For America? (PBS). 2004, Hendrick Smith, senior correspondent.

Originally broadcast on public television, this documentary tries to answer the title question by co

Originally broadcast on public television, this documentary tries to answer the title question by contrast-ing U.S. job losses with China's busy factories with American people's quest for low-price products. You can watch parts of this program online: http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/walmart/

<u>The Fight in the Fields: Cesar Chavez and the Farmworkers' Struggle.</u> Produced, directed, and written by RickTejada-Flores and Ray Telles; Paradigm Productions/PBS, 1997.

This documentary "follows the first successful organizing drive of farm workers in the United States, while recounting the many failed and dramatic attempts to unionize that led up to this victory". Includes footage, past and near present, of our own Jessica Govea Thornbourne.

La Ciudad (The City). 1998, Zeitgeist Films.

This highly praised film tells four stories about recent illegal immigrants to New York City, giving insight into their hopes and struggles. Written & directed by David Riker; Spanish-language with English subtitles.

Life + Debt. 2001, directed by Stephanie Black, narration written by Jamaica Kincaid.

An unforgettable look at the poverty that lies behind the luxurious tourism of the island of Jamaica, and a dissection of the effect globalization has had on the workers and the economy.

The Life and Times of Rosie the Riveter. 1980, directed by Connie Field, distr. by Direct Cinema.

A wonderful history of the "Rosies" who worked in the factories during World War II and who were forced out when the men returned, told by five "Rosies".

<u>Live Nude Girls Unite!</u> 2000, directed by Julia Query & Vicky Funari.

Query, a performance artist and former dancer, tells the story of a group of strippers in San Francisco who got fed up with their working conditions and formed the first Exotic Dancers Union.

Made in L.A. 2007, directed by Almudena Carracedo.

A documentary about three Latina immigrants, workers in Los Angeles garment sweatshops, who meet at the Garment Worker Center and campaign, for what turns out to be three years, for basic labor protections. Originally broadcast on public television (P.O.V.), this film can be purchased at http://www.madeinla.com/

Matewan. 1987, directed by John Sayles. \*

A tale of the bitter clash between union and coal company, told with the beauty and simplicity of folk ballads. Shows the important roles women played in the mining community.

- Newsies. 1992, directed by Kenny Orgeta, starring Christian Bale. \*
  - A Disney film about early-20th century newsboys who organize (and sing while doing it). Good for helping kids understand the importance of solidarity.
- Norma Rae. 1976, directed by Martin Ritt, starring Sally Field, Ron Leibman. \*

Based on the real-life story of Crystal Lee Sutton, a textile worker who joined forces with a labor organizer to unionize a Southern mill.

- North Country. 2005, directed by Niki Caro, starring Charlize Theron, Frances McDormand.
  - A single mother takes a job in the coal mine to make a living wage, but finds that the female miners are abused and humiliated by the other workers. But when she sues for sexual harassment, the other women are too scared to join her.
- Salt of the Earth. 1954, directed by Herbert Biberman.

Gripping story about the struggle of a New Mexican mining community for better working conditions, which explores roles of women, class, and human dignity. Film-makers themselves were blacklisted.

- Silkwood. 1983, directed by Mike Nichols, starring Meryl Streep, Cher. \*
  - The fictionalized story of Karen Silkwood, who struggled for safe working conditions at the nuclear plant where she worked, and was mysteriously killed.
- Union Maids, 1977, directed by Julia Reichert, distr. by New Day Films, 48 min.

The fascinating stories of Sylvia, Kate, and Stella, who tell the way things really were back in the days when people risked their lives and jobs to organize trade unions. Interviews intercut with newsreel footage.

- <u>Uprooted:</u> Refugees of the Global Economy. 2001, directed by Sasha Khokha, Ulla Nilsen, Jon Fromer, and Francisco Herrera.
  - An award-winning documentary that weaves together the stories of three immigrants, illustrating how the global economy has forced immigrants to leave their home countries. It can be purchased from NNIRR.
- With Babies and Banners: The Story of the Women's Emergency Brigade, 1978, directed by Lorraine Gray, distr. by New Day Films.

The "untold story" of the Women's Emergency Brigade, the working women, wives, mothers, sisters, who were the backbone of the 1937 Flint Sitdown Strike.

The Women of Summer: An Unknown Chapter of American Social History. 1985, Filmakers Library.

The story of the first working women's "summer school" at Bryn Mawr College under the inspiring leadership of Hilda "Jane" Smith.

#### ORDERING INFORMATION & SOURCES FOR LABOR TITLES

#### To Order Books Online:

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#### For Resources Cited in This List:

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