



## BARGAINING UPDATE

### Information Sessions Scheduled

As you may be aware, we have run into a significant difficulty in the implementation of the recent Local 480 Agreement. At issue is a difference of interpretation with respect to the implementation date of the new Civil Service classification of Correction Officer, which merges the two previous classifications of Correctional Officer and Correctional Worker into one classification of Correction Officer.

The employer has taken the position the transition will not take place until April 1, 2010 rather than November 1, 2009, which would reduce the retroactivity otherwise payable to Correctional Officers.

Your Bargaining Committee and your Board of Directors would like to meet with you to discuss this issue further and hear from you. We have decided at this time to suspend participation in all committees except Occupational Health & Safety Committees until this situation is resolved.

We have scheduled information sessions as follows and encourage you to attend one near you:

**All of the information sessions are from 6-8pm**

- Thursday, January 19 - Antigonish Correctional Facility
- Friday, January 20 - NSGEU Cape Breton Office - 850 Grand Lake Rd., Grand Lake Firehall, Second Floor, Suite 14, Sydney
- Monday, January 23 - NSGEU Yarmouth Office - 56 Hawthorne St.
- Tuesday, January 24 - NSGEU Head Office in Dartmouth - 100 Eileen Stubbs Ave
- Wednesday, January 25 - Amherst - Wandlyn Amherst, Cumberland 2 Room (back of the hotel)

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Update On  
Bargaining  
Between NSGEU  
and Department  
of Justice

January 19, 2012

*If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a member of your Bargaining Committee or the NSGEU Labour Resource Centre at 424-4063 or e-mail us at [inquiry@nsgeu.ca](mailto:inquiry@nsgeu.ca).*

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