

9th annual

UNTOLD STORIES

a national award-winning series of free programs celebrating Labor History Month

NAN ENSTAD: *THE JIM CROW CIGARETTE*

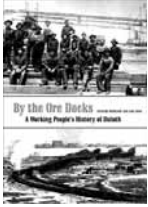


Thursday, April 12 at 7 p.m.

Professor Nan Enstad will examine the history of today's global market in cigarettes in the 2007 David Noble Lecture, "The Jim Crow Cigarette: Tracing Cultures of Transnational Capitalism before World War II." As a key industry in transnational capitalism, the cigarette industry reveals connections between corporations and individuals, labor and consumerism and pleasure and vulnerability in the early 20th century. For more information call 651/259-3015. Co-sponsored by the University of Minnesota Departments of American Studies and History.

MINNESOTA HISTORY CENTER, 345 WEST KELLOGG BOULEVARD, SAINT PAUL

BY THE ORE DOCKS WITH RICHARD HUDELSON



Wednesday, April 18 at 7 p.m.

For much of its history, Duluth has been the site of vast steel, lumber, and shipping industries, and home to people who worked tirelessly in the harbor, rail yards and grain elevators. For the first time, *By the Ore Docks: A Working People's History of Duluth* presents a compelling, full-length history of the people who built this port city and struggled for both the growth of the city and the rights of their fellow workers.

RICE STREET BRANCH LIBRARY, 1011 RICE STREET, SAINT PAUL

ON THE LINE: THE FORD ASSEMBLY PLANT IN ORAL HISTORY & VERSE

Tuesday, April 24 at 7 p.m.

In the late 1990s, UAW Local 879 and the Minnesota Labor Interpretive Center interviewed twenty-five retired auto workers as part of an oral history program documenting the experiences of working at the Ford Assembly Plant. Listen to excerpts from these interviews in a dramatic re-telling, read by recently retired auto workers. In the second half of the program, Ford workers Denny Dickhausen and Joe Callahan, members of a writer's workshop created by poet Mark Nowak, share poems inspired by life and labor at Ford. Also, see a poetic exchange with Ford workers in South Africa, who share their own stories.

FORD TRAINING CENTER, 966 MISSISSIPPI RIVER BOULEVARD SOUTH, SAINT PAUL

THE FORD ASSEMBLY PLANT AND BEYOND



Monday, April 30, 7 p.m.

Join a panel of historians, labor activists, and auto workers to discuss the history of labor at the Ford Assembly Plant and look to the future. The panel features Brian McMahon, a historian completing a book on the history of the Ford Motor Company in Minnesota; Dave Beal, co-author of *Manufacturing Works*, and Rickey Brown, retired Ford worker.

MERRIAM PARK BRANCH LIBRARY, 1831 MARSHALL AVENUE, SAINT PAUL

TRIUMPH & TRAGEDY: MINNESOTA HISTORY DAY PRESENTATIONS

Wednesday, May 9 at 8 p.m.

History Day encourages young people to explore a historical subject related to an annual theme—this year, "Triumph & Tragedy." Watch labor history come alive with imaginative exhibits, original performances and media presentations, as students display their 2007 projects.

SAINT PAUL LABOR CENTER, 411 MAHONEY (AKA MAIN STREET), SAINT PAUL

LABOR AT THE LIBRARY: 125 YEARS AND MORE OF LIBRARY WORKERS



Thursday, May 10 at 7 p.m.

Join Saint Paul Public Library associate Robin Madsen, of Local 1842, and Jan DeSirey, president of AFSCME Local 2864 and a Teen Services librarian at the Southdale Public Library, as well as Urban Library Program administrator Regina Harris, for a program that looks at over 125 years of labor history at the library, and toward the changing face of library workers in the future.

SAINT ANTHONY PARK BRANCH LIBRARY, 2245 COMO AVENUE, SAINT PAUL

DE-INDUSTRIALIZING SAINT PAUL: A VIEW FROM THE INSIDE

Saturday, May 12 at 2 p.m.

Millwright Dennis Levendowski has dismantled and removed machinery from disappearing St. Paul industries over the last 20 years. Join Levendowski and labor historian Dave Riehle as they visit sites of manufacturing plants whose operations and often the buildings themselves, have vanished, usually outsourced to union-free, low wage countries. Sites include former Whirlpool, US Gypsum, 3M, American Hoist operations and more, as well as the soon-to-be-closed Ford Assembly Plant. Travel on a Minnesota Transportation Museum classic bus from the early 1950's. Before the tour, see labor history documents on display in the Minnesota History Center Library. Please call 651/222-3242 to reserve your seat on the bus.

MINNESOTA HISTORY CENTER, 345 WEST KELLOGG BOULEVARD, SAINT PAUL

DAVID BACON PRESENTS *CHILDREN OF NAFTA*



Tuesday, May 15 at 7 p.m.

Children of NAFTA: Labor Wars on the U.S./Mexico Border investigates the impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement on those who labor in the agricultural fields and maquiladora factories on the border. Journalist David Bacon paints a powerful portrait of poverty and struggle, offering a devastating critique of NAFTA in the most pointed and in-depth examination of border workers published to date. Bacon is joined by Javier Morillo, president of SEIU Local 26.

METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY/DAYTON'S BLUFF BRANCH LIBRARY, ECOLAB ROOM, 645 EAST 7TH STREET, SAINT PAUL



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A National Award-Winning Series on Labor History

The Friends of the Saint Paul Public Library was honored with the John Sessions Memorial Award in 2003 for the development and ongoing support of the annual *Untold Stories* series.

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Celebrating Labor History Month

UNTOLD STORIES: A celebration of labor history



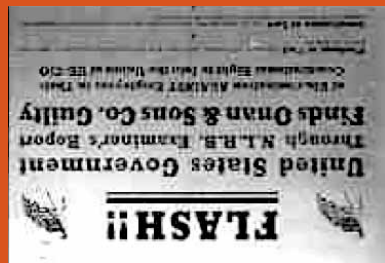
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TO ORGANIZE**

Much of the history of workers' right to organize can be found in paper that was meant to be used once and thrown away. A great deal of this ephemera has been saved by the Minnesota Historical Society, some of which will be on display in the MHS Library from May 1 through June 18, 2007. The Library is free and open to the public; please check the web site for hours: www.mnhs.org.