

# UNTOLD STORIES

a series of free programs celebrating Labor History Month

## Eighth Annual David Noble Lecture: David Roediger

Tuesday, April 15, 7 p.m.

Minnesota History Center, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, Saint Paul



Acclaimed author of *The Wages of Whiteness*, David Roediger presents "Moving Towards May Day," a lecture considering the forgotten Midwestern origins of this international workers celebration. Formerly a professor at the University of Minnesota, Roediger is currently chair of the history department at the University of Illinois. Sponsors of this program include the departments of history and American studies at the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Historical Society.

## Public Employee Issues on the 30th Anniversary of PELRA

Wednesday, April 23, 7 p.m.

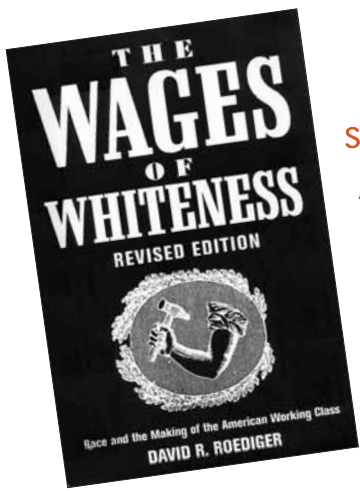
Hamline-Midway Branch Library, 1558 W. Minnehaha Avenue, Saint Paul

Metropolitan State University professor Thomas O'Connell moderates a panel discussion on the history of the Public Employee Labor Relations Act and current challenges impacting public employees. Panelists include Peter Benner, Executive Director of AFSCME Council 6, and Tom Beer, consultant to the AFL-CIO on community/labor coalition building.

## Book Discussion: *The Wages of Whiteness*

Monday, April 28, 7 p.m.

Saint Anthony Park Branch Library, 2245 Como Avenue, Saint Paul



As a follow-up to David Roediger's Noble Lecture, join a book discussion on *The Wages of Whiteness*. Roediger's work provides an original study of the formative years of working-class racism in the United States. *Wages* has been called, "An extremely important and insightful book," by Lawrence Glickman of *The Nation*. The book discussion will be led by Kate Shaughnessy, an instructor with the University of Minnesota's Labor Education Center, and is a part of the Minnesota Center for Working Class Studies book club.

## Highs and Lows: 50 Years of Minnesota Labor

Tuesday, May 6, 7 p.m.

Minnesota History Center, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, Saint Paul

Celebrate Minnesota labor history through the insights of Hy Berman, a professor of history at the University of Minnesota since 1961. This program, moderated by MPR's Cathy Wurzer, includes remarks by David Noble, professor of American Studies at the University of Minnesota; Marilyn Lantry, former Minnesota State Senator; and Dave Roe, former president of the Minnesota AFL-CIO.

Following the program, a reception with light refreshments will be held at the Labor and Professional Centre, 411 Main Street, Saint Paul.



## By These Hands: Portraits from the Factory Floor

Wednesday, May 14, 8 p.m.

Labor and Professional Centre, 411 Main, Saint Paul



David Parker presents his starkly beautiful photographs documenting the daily life of blue-collar workers. Published by the Minnesota Historical Society Press, *By These Hands* is a tribute to working women and men with photographs from twenty Minnesota factories. Parker will show slides of his photographs and discuss his work.

## The World of the Pullman Strikers Walking Tour

Saturday, May 17, 10:30 a.m.

Payne Avenue and Wells Street, Saint Paul

Join local historian and Untold Stories favorite Dave Riehle as he leads one of his famous labor history tours. On this walking tour, we'll discover at sites on Saint Paul's East Side that were part of the 1894 railroad strikes. Please register by calling The Friends at 651-222-3242 or friends@thefriends.org.



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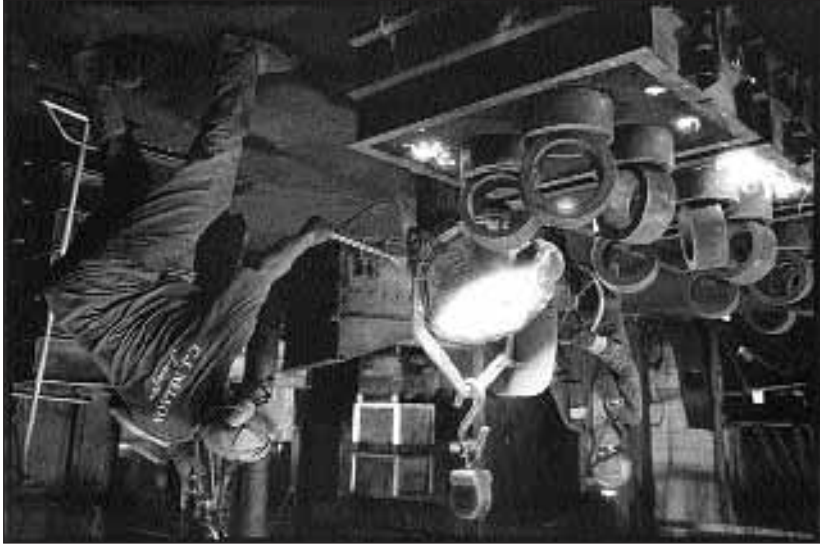
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