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Buzz Hargrove will outline The State of Unionism at Laurier

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WATERLOO – The head of Canada's largest private-sector union and a vice-president of the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) will outline *The State of Unionism in Canada* for an audience at Wilfrid Laurier University. Buzz Hargrove, president of the National Automobile, Aerospace, Transportation and General Workers Union of Canada (CAW-Canada) will deliver his lecture at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 16, in the Frank C. Peters building.

Hargrove, who became CAW-Canada national president in 1992, is known for taking bold steps and making tough decisions when workers' rights are at stake. His extensive bargaining experience and commitment to economic, social and political issues affecting workers led him to his current role as a vice-president on the executive committee of the CLC.

"Canada remains one of the most highly unionized nations in the world," said Jim Finnigan, vice-president of activities for Laurier Human Resources Association (LHRA) and organizer of Hargrove's lecture. "An understanding of the goals and interests of unions will complete the educational experience provided by a business school such as Laurier."

The LHRA is a student-operated association that provides Laurier student members with information on the human resources profession and contact with many of its professionals.

The lecture will be held in room P1025/27 of the Peters building. Admission is free and the lecture is open to the public.