The Wisconsin Labor Movement and Our Progressive History

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 - 10 AM to noon
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This presentation will explore the role of workers and the Wisconsin labor movement in the development of Wisconsin's historic progressive government. The discussion will highlight major incidents in worker history and their impact upon our state.

Ken Germanson, president emeritus of the Wisconsin Labor History Society, is recognized as a knowledgeable historian on workers and the labor movement in Wisconsin. A onetime newspaper reporter and editor, Germanson worked as a union representative and top official of the former International Union, Allied Industrial Workers Union, which was based in Wisconsin, for nearly 30 years. He was president of the Society for 17 years and continues in the role of acting executive director.

Since his retirement in 1992, Germanson was employed for 24 years for Community Advocates in Milwaukee, working on behalf of low-income families in the areas of child abuse prevention, gun violence strategies and health care access.

In 2018, Germanson was awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee for his work in the community and for preserving and promoting the history of labor in Wisconsin. In 2014, the City of Milwaukee Common Council awarded Germanson the Frank P. Zeidler Community Service Award.

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