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Julie Garrett, St Paul St



Michelle McGrain, St Paul St



#### **Purple Shirt Raffle Ticket Winners**

**Unclaimed Winning Ticket Numbers** 

452159

452146

452147

452046

452068



Monifa Batiste, St Paul St



Elizabeth Peters, Westfall Rd



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For all workers who live an/or work in the Finger Lakes region.

Women's Committee Meeting
RESCHEDULED to Thursday May 23rd





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ALL local school districts except the City of Rochester have votes on budgets and board members next week.

If we want schools to remain educational institutions focused on teaching *all* our children and keeping them safe, we MUST elect candidates endorsed by educators, administrators, and our friends in the teachers unions.

Please don't sit this out: **Election Day** is **Tuesday, May 21** and the polls are open from **6am–9pm**. You can find polling locations on your district's website.



#### 2024 Local School Board Endorsements



Brighton	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends:  Dr. Christina Lee  Esther Winter
Canandaigua	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends:  Beth Thomas  Milton Johnson
Dansville	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends:  Kristy Ebert  Chris Hall  Nikole Berry
Fairport	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Rich Mueller Mary Caitlin Wight
Gates-Chili	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Robert Long
Greece	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Tracey Farmer Tammy Flores Sherita Traywick
Hilton	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Ed Mascadri

Stephanie Sloan

Pittsford	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Sarah Pelusio
	Rene Sanchez-Kazacos Jeff Casey
Spencerport	Endorsed/ Highly Recommends: Michael Miceli
	Jonathan Schallmo
Webster	Endorsed/ Highly Recommended Jeff McCaffrey
West	Endorsed/ Highly Recommended
Irondequoit	Kevin Schoepfel
	Tamara Wall
	Kate Copeland



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## FSW Civil Service Test Prep Sessions

Wednesday May 22nd 4 pm - 7 pm Sunday May 26th 9 am - noon

~Come to one or both sessions, stay as long as you like~

#### For titles:

- \*Youth Detention Caseworker
- \*Senior Youth Detention Worker
- \*Supervising Youth Detention Worker
- \*Rapid Response Youth Detention Worker

RSVP: (585) 328-7170 message@fsw-union.org

740 Driving Park Ave , Suite A Rochester, NY 14613





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## CWA Membership Card Distribution

Last year CWA moved to an online membership card. In December and then again in February emails were sent to the personal email address of everyone who had submitted one to the union with instructions on how to download it. It can be printed out or uploaded to your online wallets.

An email will go out once a month to all new members who joined after the February run with their membership card link. It takes several months for the new members to be processed so new members will not receive it the same month they join.

Many members expressed they preferred a physical card to an online one. FSW special ordered physical cards for every member on April 29th 2024. We will distibute them on the dates and times below. Any cards not picked up will be mailed to the addresses we have on file.

Any member who joined or returned after April 29th 2024 who want a physical card can call or email our office to request one be printed for you. (585) 328-7170 message@fsw-union.org

#### <u>City Place</u>

May 28th 12 pm - 1 pm

#### St Paul St

May 29th 12 pm - 2 pm

#### <u>Westfall</u>

May 31st 12 pm - 2 pm

#### **FSW Union Hall**

May 22nd 2 pm - 7 pm May 26th 9 am - noon May 30th 12 pm - 3 pm May 31st 5 pm - 8 pm June 1st 9 am - 12 pm June 8th 9 am - 12 pm



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## Applications Are Now Being Accepted for the 2024 Ed Grabowski-Dina Finn Memorial Scholarships!

If you are a member of the Federation of Social Workers and have a child or grandchild graduating high school (or already in college - see link for details) - don't delay and APPLY NOW for one of two FSW College Scholarships!

Make sure to submit the easy online application below before the deadline!

https://fsw-union.org/scholarship



Do you know an FSW Member who has contributions of service to the community?

Nominate them for member of the month!

<a href="https://www.fsw-union.org/member-of-the-month-nominations">https://www.fsw-union.org/member-of-the-month-nominations</a>



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#### 2024

FSW Heidi Yandricha Flag Day Celebration Friday June 14, 2023 FSW will once again be at Westfall Rd, City Place and St Paul St waving the flags and taking donations for

#### VETERAN'S OUTREACH CENTER!

Volunteers are needed and you don't have to be an FSW member to volunteer. We would love to have clerical and administration side by side with us.

Contact: Heather Yandricha Strocko



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# Labor Walks for Demond Meeks

Join us while we go to labor houses & get out the vote!

#### **DATES & LOCATIONS:**

June 1 - NYSUT 30 N. Union Street

June 8 - NYSUT 30 N. Union Street

June 15 - NYSUT 30 N. Union Street

June 22 - Afscme Hall 1956 Lyell Avenue

**MEETING TIME AT 10 A.M.** 

Show our elected officials we have their backs!



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Rochester and Genesee Valley Area Labor Federation, AFL-CIO



### Monroe Community College Faculty Union and Governance Leaders Respond to the Story Announcing Layoffs at MCC

The Faculty Association, the union representing the full-time teaching faculty and professional staff of Monroe Community College, and the MCC Faculty Senate are engaged in ongoing discussions with representatives of MCC management to enhance cost savings without the need for layoffs. We are confident that together we can achieve that goal. Given the current financial circumstances, we do not believe that layoffs are warranted, an no faculty layoffs have been confirmed at this time. However, we do understand the need for cost-savings measures which will minimize the reliance on our fund balance in the future. We are committed to continuing these discussions in good faith and believe that we will come to an agreement on alternative solutions to addressing the budgetary concerns. Faculty layoffs should be the last resort for any academic institution. The success of all MCC students, current and future, remains our priority.



#### Join us for the 2024 COPE BBQ!

The Rochester Labor Council is a political force for working people in our community. This work comes out of COPE (Committee on Political Education) that interviews candidates on issues important to our members, makes recommendations for endorsements and then does the work to make those endorsements matter: knocking on doors and making thousands of phone calls.

Our program is based on member to member conversations where union members in the area talk to other union members about the importance of getting out the vote and knowing who is on our side. This helps us build union power while also moving forward the issues that we care about.

Each year, we gather for a BBQ to celebrate the last year's victories and look forward at the year to come. We know that 2024 is going to be a massively important year. So come find out how to get involved while enjoying some good food and good company!

WHEN: Thursday, July 11th 5pm

WHERE: Roundhouse Shelter, Genesee Valley Park

FSW has FREE tickets for members. Email

Christina at president@fsw-union.org



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## LABORNOTES

PUTTING THE MOVEMENT BACK IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT



#### **WORKSHOP:** Race and Labor

Thursdays, May 23rd & May 30th

This workshop has two parts. We ask that you attend both. The sessions will be on Thursdays, May 23rd & May 30th, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Eastern (4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Pacific)

How does racism show up in our workplaces and our unions? What are some strategies to confront it and build solidarity for a stronger, multiracial labor movement? And what can you say to union siblings who aren't convinced racial justice has anything to do with union politics?

<u>This online workshop</u> addresses how class and race are inextricably linked, tracing back the origins of "race" as an invention of the ruling class to divide workers. We'll talk about how to move to strategies of unity.

Accessibility: Zoom's automatic captions will be turned on during the session. Please feel free to contact us with other accessibility needs or questions.

If you have any questions or problems signing up, email <a href="mailto:courtney@labornotes.org">courtney@labornotes.org</a>.

Register for \$10 at

https://labornotes.org/events/2024/race-and-labor-may-2024

Or contact Christina at president@fsw-union.org to register for FREE



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FSW Members ONLY: \$5 per ticket (union reserves the right to limit ticket purchases, no refunds)

Every ticket purchased will also come with \$5 in Diamond Dollars that can be used at all Concession Stands, the Team Store, or the Ticket Office

Tickets will be picked up AT THE GAME - please look for the <u>FSW table outside of the MAIN GATES</u> (not at Will Call).

Checks: made payable to "Federation of Social Workers" and dropped off/mailed to 740 Driving Park Ave Suite A Rochester NY 14613 - put "Red Wings" in memo line

Venmo: @cmchrisc - put "Red Wings" in memo line Cash App: \$cmchrisc - put "Red Wings" in memo line

Cash: in person only to Joyce at FSW Hall, call (585) 328-7170 to arrange



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#### Daily Brief

AFL-CIO



On May 9, 1972, 4,000 El Paso Farah Manufacturing Co. workers went on strike for union representation and an end to the impossibly large workloads, pervasive job insecurity and low wages they faced. The work stoppage, begun in response to union organizers being harassed and penalized by management, was led by and largely carried out by Mexican American women who skillfully coordinated with local religious and political allies to call for a national boycott of Farah products. Their labor action, which lasted until they won union representation with Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America in March 1974, successfully secured the reinstatement of strikers, pay increases, seniority rights and a grievance procedure.

#### **Union Plus Pet Insurance Offers Relief for Union Couple**

Machinists (IAM) couple Adriana Picasso, an airline customer service employee, and David Lehive, IAM communications representative, are big Union Plus fans. Not only do they have a **Union Plus Mort-gage** and have used the **Union Plus Legal Program**, but they also have **Union Plus Pet Insurance** for their two cats.

Union Plus Pet Insurance, provided by Pets Best Insurance, helps members get reimbursed on their eligible vet bills. Members can choose between three types of plans with flexible coverage options and a user-friendly claim submission process.

Protect
your pet for
\$10/month
or less!

"I was so glad I got the insurance," Picasso said.

"Mason had a kidney stone, and they had to do surgery.

We only had to pay 10%. We were so glad we had the protection for him."

Visit unionplus.org/pets for more information. FSW members sign up under IUE-CWA local 81381.



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#### **FSW Stewards**

St Paul St (Christina)

**Westfall Rd (LaSonia)** 

Rayenda Lennon

Darius Weaver - 1st & 2nd Floor

**Matthew Ferris** 

Lara Festa - 3rd & 4th Floor

Heather Yandricha-Strocko - 4th Floor

Troy Coffie - 5th Floor

Timothy Buntley

Carol Wilson - 6th Floor

Donna Jean Steele - 3rd Floor

Natasha Collins - 7th & 10th Floor

**CSSU/Public Defender (Christina)** 

Maria Castellano

MCH/Bivona/Jay St (Christina)

**Detention Center (Michelle)** 

Alana Johns

Lennie Murrell

#### **FSW Executive Board**

President: Christina Christman Social Action: Lolita Smith

Vice President: LaWanda Shipman Membership: Frederick McAllister

Secretary: Julie Garrett Communications: Suzanne Putnam

Treasurer: Evelyn Evans CCRE: Joyce Prescott

Grievance: Michelle McGrain Political Action: Adam McFadden

Grievance: LaSonia Simmons Education: Open

Grievance: Barlue Allen Women's: Deborah Jackson

Trustee: Brittany Everett Organizing: Jillian Evans

Trustee: Tammy Beebe Mobilization: Open

Elections: Percy Smith Retiree: John Rabish

Health & Safety: Bob Way & Curtis Pound