



Federation of Social Workers  
IUE-CWA 81381

## THE UNION REVIEW



### March with Labor in the Rochester Juneteenth Freedom Parade!

When: Saturday, June 14, 2025

Parade begins at 11 am (line up 10am)

Where: Lineup between Plymouth Ave & State St

Who: Members of all Labor Council Affiliates &  
Constituency Groups

**WEAR YOUR UNION SHIRTS & BRING YOUR UNION BANNERS**

For more information or to sign up to  
march with Labor contact

**FSW CCRE CHAIR: JOYCE PRESCOTT**

**(585) 362-7440 or [precottj38@yahoo.com](mailto:precottj38@yahoo.com)**

*Sponsored by the Rochester Labor  
Council Racial Justice Special*

*Committee & FSW CCRE Committee*





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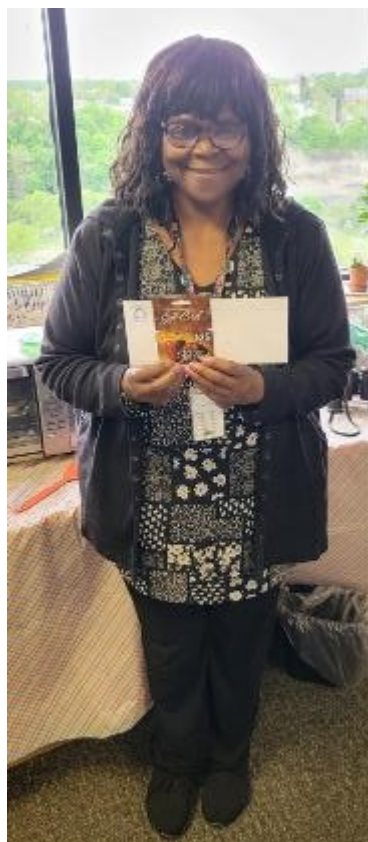
Shavon Guadalupe  
St Paul St April 2025



Karen Garwood  
St Paul St Dec 2024



Vilma Herring  
St Paul St January 2025



Teresa Smith  
St Paul St March 2025



Queenisha Sampson  
Westfall March 2025





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Courtaney Jarrett  
City Place February 2025



Renee Rocco  
City Place March 2025



Jessica Seeley  
Quarterly Winner January 2025



Annette Henderson  
City Place January 2025



LaWanda Shipman  
Quarterly Winner April 2025

### Not Pictured:

Alana Johns

Westfall December 2024

Michelle McGrain

St Paul St February 2025

Bethany Brightful

Westfall February 2025

Irene Spinx

Westfall April 2025



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# LINE DANCING



*G Force Linedance and  
Fitness Class Schedule*

*Tuesdays 6:00 -7:30 pm  
FSW Union Hall  
740 Driving Pk  
Rochester, NY 14613  
Fee \$5.00*

*Learn all of the new line dances  
for the cook outs this summer!*

**\*\*\* FREE FOR FSW MEMBERS \*\*\***

*Contact Gwendolyn Cooper  
585-201-6525*





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# LABORNOTES

PUTTING THE MOVEMENT  
BACK IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT

## **Labor Notes National Call: Beating the Billionaires in 2025**

This national online workshop will dig into specific practices we can engage in as organizers to meet this moment.

Labor Notes will provide a training on overcoming fear and division in your workplace, to help build the kind of member solidarity that can unite whole communities and beat back the boss attacks and the billionaires.

**When:** Tuesday, June 17

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. ET / 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. PT

**Where:** This is an online workshop and will be held via Zoom.

## **Secrets of a Successful Organizer**

**Mondays, June 16, 23, and 30**

**7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Eastern (4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Pacific)**

Management can slow walk bargaining, use pressure tactics to extract concessions, and use the fear of discipline and retaliation to disorganize. But rank-and-file members have seen it all, and have developed battle-tested strategies to rebuild power.

Join our ["Secrets of a Successful Organizer" workshop series this month](#) to connect with rank-and-file members and hone essential organizing skills like mapping the workplace, building campaigns around issues, and effectively mobilizing your coworkers.

**When:** Mondays, June 16, 23, and 30 (attendees are encouraged to join all three sessions!)

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Eastern (4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Pacific).

**Where:** This is an online workshop and will be held via Zoom.

These workshops are open to any FSW member in good standing, please contact Christina at [president@fsw-union.org](mailto:president@fsw-union.org) to sign up.



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## Stewards' Workshop: Maintaining Unity in an Open Shop

More unions than ever are operating under "open shop" or "right to work" conditions, particularly after attacks on federal workers.

Join Labor Notes for an online workshop for shop stewards to discuss strategies to build worker power through [maintaining unity](#), despite attempts to undercut the union.

**When:** Wednesday, June 25

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern (4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pacific).

**Where:** This is an online workshop and will be held via Zoom.

## Workshop: Winning a Strong Contract Parts I & II

We will cover the basics of building a Contract Action Team (CAT), putting together an escalating campaign (potentially culminating in a strike), and dynamics between the bargaining committee, CAT, and the membership.

**When:** Mondays, July 7 & 14

**Time:** 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ET / 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. PT

**Where:** This is an online workshop and will be held via Zoom.

**Prerequisites for this workshop:** We strongly encourage workshop participants to also first attend our upcoming ["Secrets of a Successful Organizer"](#) workshop series in June.

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# **Save the Date**

**Union Night with the  
Rochester Red Wings**

**Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> 2025  
6:05 start time**

**Tickets will be \$5 each with \$5 Diamond Dollars issued  
at ticket pickup (pickup at the game)  
~ Max 4 tickets per member ~**





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# Why Union?

Why are you a Federation of Social Worker Union Member ?

What does it mean to you to be a Union Member?

Please submit your reasons why you choose to be a Union Member and win a prize!!

Chosen entries will be published in the Union Review.

Email entries to:

**[Communications@FSW-Union.org](mailto:Communications@FSW-Union.org)**

Make sure your name and contact is on your entry!!







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## **Applications for the FSW Scholarship are NOW OPEN!**



# **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

### **Ed Grabowski/Dina Finn Memorial Scholarship Application**

Thank you for choosing to apply for one of two Federation of Social Workers' Scholarships. Listed below are the eligibility criteria:

1. Applicants pursuing a higher degree must be the child or grandchild of a current FSW member or a current member of FSW Retiree Council in good standing, or FSW member in good standing must be the legal guardian to the applicant.
2. Applicants must have participated in at least 5 hours of FSW sponsored labor movement activities in the last 4 years. Documentation may be required.
3. Completed Ed Grabowski/Dina Finn Memorial Scholarship Application.
4. In the event that two approved applications for a child or grandchild are not received by July 18, 2025, applications will then be opened to any current FSW member pursuing a higher degree, with a deadline of August 15, 2025.

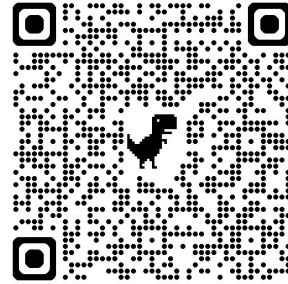
**Apply at [fsw-union.org/scholarship](https://fsw-union.org/scholarship)**

**To complete volunteer hours contact Christina at [president@fsw-union.org](mailto:president@fsw-union.org)**



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Our friends at Union Plus are back with another way to help union families explore more, save big, and make unforgettable memories along the way.

This time? It's all about America's most iconic cities.

Think a slice of pizza in NYC, cherry blossom trees swaying in D.C, the sunset over the Santa Monica pier, live jazz in New Orleans.

Enter the Union Plus Explore Iconic American Cities Sweepstakes for your chance to win a \$5,000 cash prize *plus a hotel stay at Hotel Rumbao in Old San Juan, Puerto Rico courtesy of the Union Plus Hotel Discounts Program.*

It's one more reason we're proud to team up with Union Plus, whose travel benefits are built just for union families, making adventures like this more affordable, more accessible, and more fun.

Ready to explore? Enter the Explore Iconic American Cities Sweepstakes today!





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### **FSW Stewards**

#### **St Paul St (Barlue)**

Timothy Buntley - *1st & 2nd Floor*

Lindsay Fagan - *3rd Floor*

Heather Yandricha-Strocko - *4th Floor*

Gina Colon - *5th Floor*

Open - *6th Floor*

#### **Westfall Rd (LaSonia)**

Darius Weaver - *1st & 2nd Floor*

Queenisha Sampson - *3rd & 7h Floor*

Open - *4th/10th Floor*

Troy Coffie - *5th Floor*

Carol Wilson - *6th Floor*

#### **CSSU/Public Defender (Barlue)**

Maria Castellano

#### **Detention Center (Michelle)**

Denielle Fisher (acting)

#### **MCH/Bivona/Jay St (Barlue)**

~ Open ~

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### **FSW Executive Board**

President: Christina Christman

Vice President: LaWanda Shipman

Secretary: Julie Garrett

Treasurer: Brittany Everett

Grievance: Michelle McGrain

Grievance: LaSonia Simmons

Grievance: Barlue Allen

Trustee: Sheree Nellons

Trustee: Matthew Ferris

Elections: Percy Smith

Health & Safety: Bob Way

Social Action: Lolita Smith

Membership: Frederick McAllister

Communications: Suzanne Putnam

CCRE: Joyce Prescott

Political Action: Adam McFadden

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Women's: Deborah Jackson

Organizing: Jillian Evans

Mobilization: Melita Jason

Retiree: John Rabish