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# March with FSW in the Labor Day Parade!

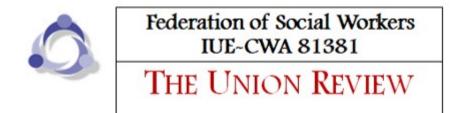
# Monday September 2nd 2024 Line up at 10 am in front of NYSUT Parade kicks off at 11 am

Families always welcome to march!

RSVP to Joyce at (585) 328-7170 or message@fsw-union.org NEW SHIRT DESIGN THIS YEAR!

~INCLUDE SHIRT SIZES FOR EVERYONE MARCHING ~





## Monday August 26 @ 8pm: CWA District 1 Election 2024 Kickoff Town Hall Call



The 2024 election starts NOW and this is going to be a HUGE one - we have the opportunity to elect candidates up and down the ballot who will have a major impact on our lives, our families, our jobs, and our freedoms. And it starts with electing Kamala Harris as President of the United States!

Join hundreds of other CWA members on August 26th for a Town Hall call over Zoom to hear more about the exciting Presidential race, why we're fired up and ready to get out the vote for Harris, about some of our other priority races in this election, and what you can do to help make history this year and win for workers!

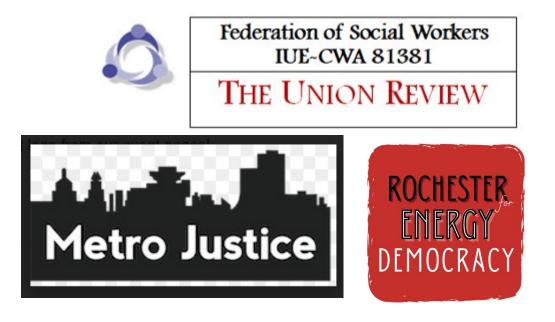
#### When: Monday, August 26, 8pm ET

**Where:** Online! This will be a virtual event over Zoom. Fill out the revistration form below to get the link to join.

As MN Governor Tim Walz said, "How often in 100 days do you get to change the trajectory of the world?"

#### Join us to be a part of something amazing this year.

Sign Up HERE: https://cwad1.org/election2024kickoff



Have you heard about the campaign to replace foreign-owned RG&E with a local, nonprofit public utility that would lower rates, improve service, and increase union jobs? FSW has been a key supporter of this campaign, and union members can help build momentum for our politicians to side with the community over a foreign corporation!

Please take 5 min to fill out this survey to share your thoughts and ways you're interested in getting involved!

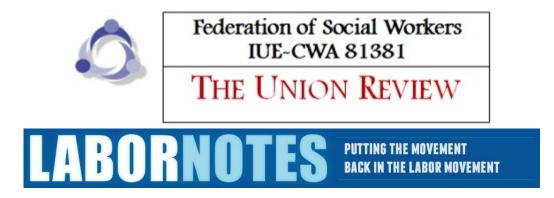
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8/30/24 Neighborhood Intro Event for a Public Utility

Friday, August 30, 2024 at 05:30 PM

St. Mark's and St. John's Episcopal Church, Great Hall (Basement, enter through the Kitchen Door on Rosewood Terrace)

It'll take a lot of public pressure from residents to outweigh RG&E's political influence and convince the City to lead where the County failed. So, join us for this Neighborhood Intro Event, on August 30th at: St. Mark's and St. John's Episcopal Church, Great Hall (Basement). Where you'll meet other supportive residents in your area and learn more about the RED Campaign. You'll have the opportunity to share your stories about RG&E, ask questions about public utilities and the steps to create one locally, and discuss how to bring in more people to stand strong against RG&E and push legislators to study creating a public utility. Food and non alcoholic- beverages will be provided; Children welcomed!!



### **Buffalo Troublemakers School (October 19th)**

Troublemakers Schools are day-long mini-conferences that cover organizing skills and highlight real-world examples of taking on the boss—and winning!

Whether you're new to union activism or are an experienced union activist, there's something there for you!

When: Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Where: UAW Region 9 Hall, 35 George Karl Blvd # 100, Buffalo, NY 14221

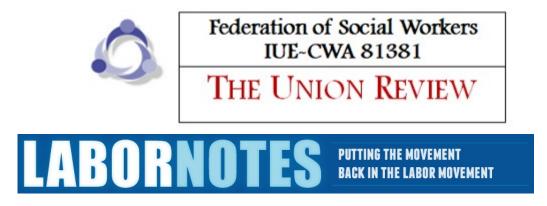
~ FSW has 10 spots for any members who would like to attend. Contact Christina if you are interested at president@fsw-union.org

### **Buffalo Labor Notes Social! (September 5th)**

And if you're in the area, meet local troublemakers at the Buffalo Labor Notes happy hour on **Thursday**, **September 5**, 2024!

Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Where: Eugene V. Debs Hall (483 Peckham Street Buffalo, NY 14206).





### Upcoming Online Workshops

#### Stewards' Workshop: Fighting the Wrongs of Management Rights

Management rights clauses have found their way into almost all union contracts. Learn how to make sure workers can still vigorously enforce their contract!

This workshop will be facilitated by Don Taylor, the director of the School for Workers at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

When: Tuesday, September 10 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.

#### **Democratic Rights for Union Members**

Unions are required by the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act to make certain public disclosures about how they're governed, and to conduct union elections according to certain standards, among other things.

Learn how to use the law to build and maintain rank-and-file power in your union!

**When:** Wednesday, September 18 **Time:** 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern (6.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Central / 4.30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pacific). **Where:** This is an online workshop and will be held via Zoom.

Workshops are FREE for FSW members, contact Christina to register at

president@fsw-union.org



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# FEDERATION OF SOCIAL WORKER'S ANNUAL COOKOUT

# SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH

# FUN-FOOD-PRIZES

Bounce House and Video Games

12-4 PM 740 Drving Park Ave RSVP by calling Joyce at 585-328-7170 by 9/5/24

# **FREE Line Dancing**

Every Tuesday at 6 pm FSW Union Hall

Free for members, all others \$5

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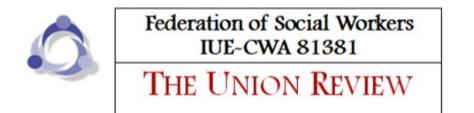
FSW Members can attend the Organizer School for FREE, great for those who want to get more involved or run for steward!



Movement building takes skill: learn from experienced organizers on how to recruit new activists, build committees, increase engagement and build organization to win for the working class.

Open to workers that want to organize unions, current union members, union leaders and community activists.





# 2024 National Kidney Foundation Walk

Who: Michelle McGrain

What: Raising money for the Kidney Foundation

Where: Ontario Beach Park

When: Sunday September 15, 2024

Why: My father passed away from kidney issues and I have two very close family members who also have concerns regarding their kidneys.

How: Can you help-

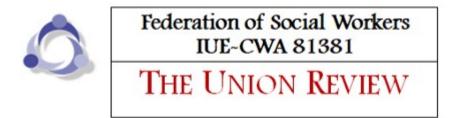
Donate or walk- click on the link below OR

I have \$5.00 football squares available for the September 8<sup>th</sup> Buffalo vs St Louis game where ½ the money will go to NKF and the other ½ split among 4 quarters of football.

Please reach out to me for the details!

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation.

If you can't join the walk, please donate by going to: <u>FSW</u> <u>Putnamators - 2024 Upstate and WNY Kidney Walk</u>



### **FSW Stewards**

### <u>St Paul St (Barlue)</u>

Rayenda Lennon - 2nd Floor

Matthew Ferris - 5th Floor

Heather Yandricha-Strocko - 4th Floor

Timothy Buntley - 1st Floor

Donna Jean Steele - 3rd Floor

### CSSU/Public Defender (Barlue)

Maria Castellano

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

Lennie Murrell

### <u>Westfall Rd (LaSonia)</u>

Darius Weaver - 1st & 2nd Floor

Lara Festa - 3rd & 4th Floor

Troy Coffie - 5th Floor

Carol Wilson - 6th Floor

Kimberly Cody - 7th & 10th Floor

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

~ Open ~

### **FSW Executive Board**

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CCRE: Joyce Prescott
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Mobilization: Open
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