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Support Labor Movement By Supporting Labor Day Activities

By Rick Galiano Labor Council President

Participating in Labor Day parades and celebrations is an excellent way for members of different unions to demonstrate their solidarity with each other. Attending these events is an excellent way for community members to learn about the Labor Movement and the issues for which it stands.

The number of opportunities to participate in and attend Labor Day events has increased this year as the COVID-19 pandemic slowly recedes.

The annual Allegheny-Fayette Central Labor Council parade will be held for the first time since 2019. This parade is often billed as the largest Labor Day parade in the U.S.

Marchers will assemble at the Melody Parking Lot located near the former site of the old Civic/Mellon arena at 9:00

AM and the parade will begin at 10:00 AM. Its route will take it along Grant Street and the Boulevard of the Allies to Point State Park. Participating unions usually provide their marching members with union logo Tshirts and with lunch and refreshments after the parade.

Allegheny-Fayette CLC office at 412-28-7450 for additional information.

In addition to the Allegheny-Fayette CLC parade, two other parades will be held in Western Pennsvlvania.

The Great Lakes Building and Construction Trades' Council will sponsor the annual Erie Labor Day parade for the second consecutive year. The parade is the succes- County's Northmoreland sor to the parades sponsored by the NWPA ALF for several vears. Please contact Jim Number, **IBEW Local 56 Business** Manager, at 814-860-0297, for additional information. Also refer to the

parade flyer attached to this issue of the UNION BUG.

The Mercer County CLC will spearhead Organized Labor's participation in the Labor Day Parade (Buhl Day Parade) in Mercer. For more information call 724-854-0605 or refer to the parade flyer attached to this Please contact the issue of the UNION Bug.

The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council will again team up with the Westmoreland **County Commissioners** and the Westmoreland County Parks Department for the two-day Labor United Celebration, The Celebration begins on Sunday, September 4th, and continues until 6:00 PM on Labor Day. It will be held in Westmoreland Park. Please see the attached Celebration flyer for additional information.

Again. let's march together on Labor Day to build our solidarity.

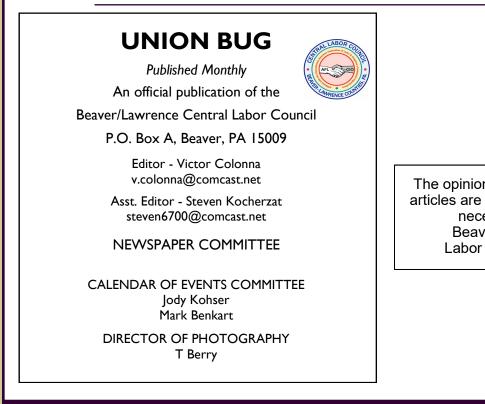
President's Report

By Rick Galiano Labor Council President

* Please note that the August Labor Council meeting will be held at the PSEA Building in New Castle. It will be our first meeting in New Castle since February 2020, the month before the Covid -19 pandemic shut down meetings throughout our country. The Labor Council normally holds monthly meetings in New Castle in February, May, August and November of each year. The Labor Council meetings scheduled for New Castle between May 2020 and this month were moved to the IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex in Beaver because the PSEA kept its building closed to outside organization meetings during the height of the pandemic.

* The 2022 awardees of the two scholarships administered by the Labor Council have been chosen. The Labor council has awarded two \$1,000 scholarships for many years to high school seniors who are dependent children or grandchildren of union members in good standing and registered as full-time students in postsecondary programs. Kylie Crown (Carpenters Local Union 420) was awarded the Donald McNutt Memorial Scholarship and Luke Smarra (Boilermakers Local Union 154) was awarded the Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship. Kylie will attend Kent State University and Luke will attend Tulane University. Thank you to Sara Dudash for serving as chairperson of the Labor Council's Scholarship Committee. Sara has announced her resignation as chairperson effective as of the distribution of the 2022 awards. Labor Council delegates who are interested in assuming her position should contact me as soon as possible.

* The July Labor Council Executive Board and Membership meetings were cancelled because of a lack of quorums. Let's work for quorums at the August meetings. The food and refreshments at the August meetings will be sponsored by the Labor Council.



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BEAVER/LAWRENCE CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL



We're on the Web: pa.aflcio.org/349

Calendar of Events

- 08/15 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and Membership meetings. Executive Board – 6:30PM; Membership – 7:30 PM. PSEA Building, New Castle.
- 08/26-08/28 PA AFL-CIO COPE & Community Service Institute. See flyer attached to July issue of the UNION BUG for additional information.
- 09/05 Labor Day. See Page 1 article for information on Western PA Labor Day weekend events.
- 09/19 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and Membership meetings. Executive Board – 6:30 PM; Membership – 7:30 PM. IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex, Vanport.

Correction: In the July 2022 issue of the UNION BUG, the person in the scholarship picture was incorrectly identified. The person who wrote the essay appearing at the end of the issue (Ashley May Wood) is the person appearing in the scholarship picture.

Calendar of Events submissions must be emailed to Jody Kohser, Calendar of Events Coordinator, at <u>jkohser@verizon.net</u>, by 6:00 p.m. on September 12th to be considered for publication in the September 2022 Issue of the **UNION BUG**.



2022 Labor United

Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Monday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

NORTHMORELAND PARK Free

The Fabulous

Gem Tones

Classic Hits from

the 70s to now

Monday, Sept. 5

3:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.

Free Admission & Parking



The Townsmen Plus One Big Band / Variety Monday, Sept. 5 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.



Big Trouble Party Rock Cover Band Sunday, Sept. 4 3:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m. Exotic Edventures Educational Animal Show Sunday & Monday 12:30, 2:00, & 4:00 p.m.



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Family Circus

Activity Pass

Wristband Required

Sunday & Monday

12:00, 3:30, & 5:00 p.m.



Bone Jacked Classic/Southern Rock Sunday, Sept. 4 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.





Dogs and other pets not permitted! Northmoreland Park is located in Allegheny Township and is accessible via State Route 356 from State Routes 56 & 66.



\$4 All Day Activity Pass Access to: Carnival Rides, Circus, Petting Zoo, Bounce Houses, Obstacle Courses, Rock Climbing Wall, and more













Dear Affiliates of the Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council;

Almost 50 years ago, the Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council, the County Commissioners, and the Parks Department gave birth to Labor United -- a two day Celebration of Labor Day at Northmoreland Park. Each year thousands of folks come to the picnic and enjoy the circus, carnival, bingo, flea market, great food, and are entertained by wonderful music.

For many years most of the food booths were sponsored and manned by Labor Unions. These were union members and their families that gave their time to provide reasonable prices on their hamburgers, hot dogs, meatball sandwiches -- all kinds of food so that working families could enjoy their day at our Labor United Celebration.

As the years have passed less and less of the food booths are sponsored by local unions-- and we see fewer union members volunteering to help. The Labor United committee is worried that too soon the Celebration will cease to be a *Labor* event. We need your Union to be involved and make sure that Labor United will continue.

This is where your Union can help:

- Become a Union Banner Sponsor -- for \$500 your Labor Union will have your banner displayed as folks enter the picnic as well as your name in our program -
- Union area - The Labor Council has a special UNION! booth- We need information that will highlight
 Union careers and information on how to become an apprentice and join your union. Have members
 volunteer to tell prospective members about your union. Also any items that we can give away at our
 booth will be appreciated.
- Sponsor a fun activity \$200 -- along with a Children's Activity/Diaper Changing Station -again this year we will again have a Rock Climbing Wall, Obstacle Course, and a Nerf Battlefield . Signs with your Union name and logo will be placed in front of your sponsored activity.
- Join us and Volunteer -- we need union members and their families to sell ride passes, work in the Labor Council Beer Stand, sell raffle tickets, and help out at the Bingo pavilion.
- All of the above -- become a part of Labor United Union Food Booths have priority and keep all of their profits. If your union has a food booth Labor United will pay for your banner.

This is a great opportunity to participate in an event that celebrates Labor's contributions. Please show your support through sponsorship and join Labor United to make the two Labor Day event special for working families.

In Solidarity, Harríet Ellenberger Chair, Labor United

Labor United Sponsor form

Banner Sponsor _	\$500 Include the wording and logo that you would like on your banner. Banners are 30 inches by 10 feet in length			
Activity Sponsor _	\$200 Send your logo and name of your union to be placed on a Yard Sign			
Union Booth	We will provide literature and/or items to give away at the event.			
Volunteers	We will have(number of volunteers) for the Celebration Sunday 11:00 am until 7:00 - Monday, Labor Day10am until 6:00 pm Volunteers' Names and time available - works best to schedule for at least 2 hours If you have at least 3 volunteers Labor United will provide a banner for your union.			
Name of Your Uni	on			
Name	Phone:	Email:	Day & Time	
	Please contact <i>We are looking</i>	\$400 for Two-day event If your union is interested to make some money Please contact Harriet; the Committee must approve any new foods <i>We are looking for a Vegan and an Iced Coffee vendor</i> what is your idea! Our Union would like to make a donation to support Labor United's future		
Donation	Our Union would lik	e to make a donation to sup	oport Labor United's future	
	Please return to:			
Labor United				
	C/9	O Harriet Ellenberger		
170 Holly Place				
	Mt.	Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666		
	for more inform	for more information call: Harriet 724-423-2878		
	or email: elle	enberger@zoominternet.ne	t	
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This year we will have a very special guest on Sunday at 2:00 -- The "Grievance Man" -- Mike Stout has been writing and singing songs about the blight of workers and Labor's fight since the 1980s. You have probably heard him at a Labor rally, on the picket line, or at a Labor Convention. You don't want to miss this chance welcome Mike Stout and to sing "*Solidarity Forever*"

MARCH WITH US IN THE 2022 ERIE LABOR DAY PARADE



Monday, September 5th 10:00 AM Line-up begins at 8:30 AM for Vehicles and 9:30 AM for Marchers Parade Route: 11th & State to Perry Square

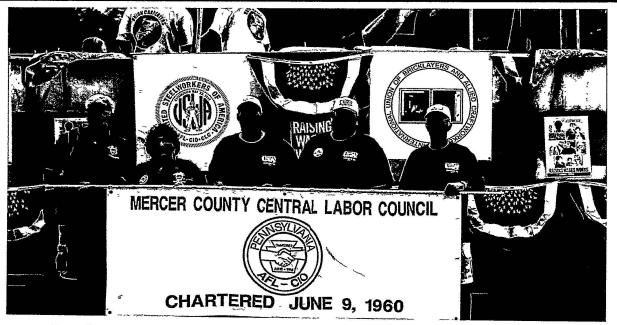
Fun for the entire family parade features include Honor Guard, High School Marching Bands, Labor Unions, Public Safety and Construction Vehicles, Floats, Clowns, and more.

"Labor Day celebrates and honors the contribution of organized labor and workers to the prosperity and economic strength of the nation." Join us in Solidarity and celebrate the true meaning of LABOR DAY!

For more info on how to get involved, Call the JIM NUBER at 814-825-5505, or 814-882-5656, or Terry Baker at 814-860-0297, or Email: jnuber@ibew56.org

Local Coordinator is _____

Please, contact him/her at _____



Join the Mercer County CLC at the Labor Day Parade (Buhl Day Parade) in Hermitage, PA

Monday, September 5th Line-up at 8:30 am step off at 930 am.

Walk with Organized Labor, our staging area will be at Flynn's Funeral Home (2630 East State Street, Hermitage, Pa 16148) across from Kranyak's.

Donuts and water will be provided at the start. The parade will end at Buhl park and you can get on the float for a ride back to the staging area.

For more information cal 724-854=0605.