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Labor 2020 Calls for Election Campaign Volunteers

By Jim DePoe
Beaver-Lawrence CLC
Labor 2020 Lead

Pennsylvania is a major battleground state in 2020. People are voting now, and it is going to be a record turnout year.

Joe Biden can win the presidency with a victory in Pennsylvania on November 3rd. If Biden wins Pennsylvania, Trump does not have a path to victory. We must protect Conor Lamb in CD 17. Kristy Gribus has an excellent opportunity to win CD 16. We can take both the House of Representatives and the Senate in Harrisburg for the first time since 2008.

Many union members from New York, Rhode Island, Maryland and Delaware are volunteering their time to make phone calls to our union members in Beaver and Lawrence counties.

2020 has given us some unique challenges

for this election season. We as proud union members will face this challenge. We will work to elect our Labor friendly endorsed candidates in Beaver and Lawrence counties.

We need folks to educate and distribute leaflets at their worksites and send union mail to our union brothers and sisters. If you need leaflets, please contact me.

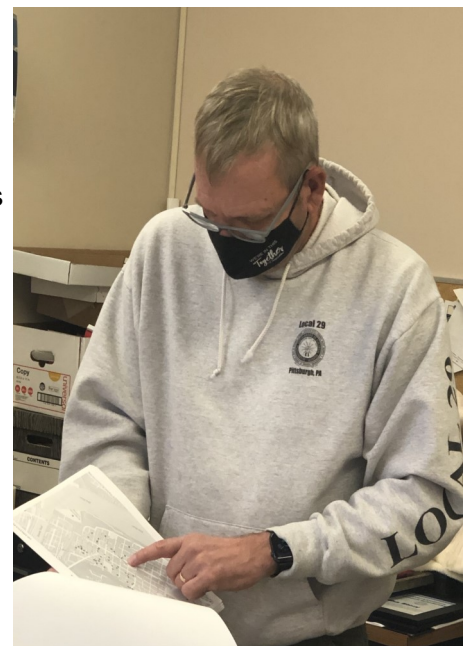
We need more folks to volunteer a few hours a week to do candidate literature drops and phone calls to union households. Please volunteer for a few hours. Our futures depend on it.

Volunteer for phone banks at

www.paafclcio.org/volunteer

Volunteer for lit drops Thursdays 3pm-7pm and Saturdays 9am-3pm at IBEW 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex, 217 Sassafras Lane Beaver, PA.

Please contact me at jdepoe@ibew29.org or 412-956-6446 if you need additional information.



Jim DePoe reviewing map of houses scheduled for literature drops at Beaver-Lawrence Labor 2020 campaign headquarters in IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex in Beaver.

President's Report

By Rick Galiano
Labor Council President

* Thank you to all the labor union members and friends who attended the September 19th Beaver and Lawrence Counties Kickoff Rally of the Pa. AFL-CIO Labor 2020 Campaign. The rally was held in the parking lot of the IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex in Industry, Pa. AFL-CIO endorsed candidates US Rep. Conor Lamb (CD 17), Pa. Reps. Chris Sainato (HD9) and Rob Matzie (HD16), Pa. Senate candidate Stephen Krizan (SD 47) and Pa. Rep. candidate Bob Williams (HD 15) spoke. Krizan is a member of Teamsters Local 340 and Williams is a member of USW Local 1211. Pa. AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Frank Snyder also spoke.

* Jim DePoe is the Beaver and Lawrence Counties Labor

2020 coordinator for the November general election. He is a Labor Council delegate representing IBEW Local 29. Please contact Jim at jdepoe@ibew29.org or 412-956-6446 if you want to serve as a local campaign volunteer.

* The Labor Council held in-person Executive Board and Membership meetings on September 21st. They were the first Labor Council in-person meetings with quorums since February. The meetings were held outside the main entrance to the IBEW Edwin D. Hill Complex. NWPALF Director Rossann Barker, Pa. AFL-CIO Director of Communications Samantha Shumaker and Jim DePoe spoke at the meeting.

* I wish to thank the Labor Council again

for its donation to the Lawrence County Historical Society in memory of my wife, Maryann. The Society will name a room in its museum "The Maryann Galiano Room." An official gathering of the Society to name the room and dedicate a plaque in honor of Maryann will be held on Saturday, October 17th, at 2:00 pm. The museum is located at 418 North Jefferson Street, New Castle, Pa. 16113.



Labor Council President Rick Galiano addressing September Labor Council membership meeting.

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In Brief



Marion Tavemaris supporting the unions of the USPS in front of the Beaver Post Office on September 22nd. The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board adopted a resolution on July 20th encouraging all union members to call Senator Casey and Senator Toomey and ask that they support immediate financial relief for the USPS.



Sandy Gobbo of Baden, UFCW Local 23, now UFCW Local 1776, retired, and Lisa Maravich of Economy, APWU Pittsburgh Metro Local 081, retired, at Ridin' for Biden car caravan in Ambridge on October 10th. Approximately 50 motor vehicles formed the caravan that travelled the main streets of Ambridge with horns honking. The caravan participants urged onlookers to vote in the November 3rd election.



USW Local 1016 will hold a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for the strike and defense fund of its members on strike at the NLMK Pennsylvania plant in Farrell. The strike began on August 22nd. The spaghetti dinner will be held at the Farrell VFW on Saturday, October 24th, from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Please see the fundraiser flyer appearing at the end of this issue of the UNION BUG for additional information.

Labor 2020 Kickoff Rally



Left (above); Congressman Conor Lamb (CD 17) addressing Beaver-Lawrence Counties Pa. AFL-CIO Labor 2020 Kickoff Rally on September 19th. See President's Report on Page 2 for details.

Above: State Representative Rob Matzie (HD 16) addressing Kickoff Rally.



Left (below): Social distancing at Kickoff Rally

Teamster's 341 Encourages Support for Stephen Krizan State Senate Candidacy

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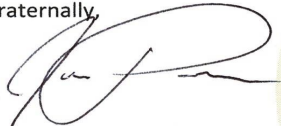
10/14/2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am writing to let you know that Teamsters Local No. 341 will be endorsing one of our own Teamster union members Steve Krizan, in the upcoming election for the State Senate District 47.

Steve is a hardworking, devoted union member who values bringing a "voice" to the working class. Since he has been a member, he has been a dedicated supporter of the members and working family's issues. We feel that if he is elected, he will be good for not only our union, but all working men and women. Therefor we are asking you to support Steve Krizan, and ask your friends and family to do the same.

Fraternally,



Joseph Podolak

President Teamsters Local No. 341

BEAVER/LAWRENCE
CENTRAL LABOR
COUNCIL



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

Calendar of Events

- 10/17 **Labor 2020 Literature Drops** for Union Households. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; Assemble at IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex. See flyer at the end of this issue of the UNION BUG for additional information on all drops. Also see Labor 2020 phone bank training flyer at the end of this issue.
- 10/18 The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council 33rd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner: A Celebration of Union Essential Workers; 5:00 pm, Lakeview Restaurant, Rt. 30 Greensburg. See flyers and registration form attached to the back of this issue of the UNION BUG for additional information.
- 10/19 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and Membership meetings. Please check with Executive Board members for status of the meetings.
- 10/22 **Labor 2020 Literature Drops** for Union Households; 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm; IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex.
- 10/24 **Labor 2020 Literature Drops** for Union Households; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex.
- 10/24 USW Local 1016-03 Strike Solidarity Spaghetti Dinner; Farrell VFW. See flyer attached to the back of this issue of the UNION BUG for additional information.
- 10/24 Lawrence County Historical Society dedication of Maryann Galiano Room; 2:00 pm; 418 North Jefferson Street, New Castle, Pa. 16113. See President's Report, Page 3, for additional information.
- 10/29 **Labor 2020 Literature Drops** for Union Households; 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm; IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex.
- 10/31 **Labor 2020 Literature Drops** for Union Households; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex.
- 11/03 **Election Day**
- 11/16 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and Membership meetings. Please check with Executive Board members for status of meetings.

Calendar of Events submissions must be emailed to Jody Kohser, Calendar of Events Coordinator, at jkohser@verizon.net, by 6:00 p.m. on November 10th to be considered for publication in the November 2020 Issue of the **UNION BUG**.



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PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO

Literature Drop for Union Households

Your Help Is Needed

We will walk our neighborhoods and drop off Leaflets with information about our 2020 Labor endorsed candidates to our Union Brother and Sisters. This is a no contact event to keep everyone safe.

Thursday October 8, 15, 22, 29 2020 3PM to 7PM

Saturday October 10, 17, 24, 31 2020 9AM to 3PM

IF YOU CANT LIT DROP ON THESE DAYS. YOU CAN PICK UP A PACKAGE AND WALK THEM AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.

Edwin D. Hill Complex
IBEW Local Union #712
217 Sassafras Lane
Beaver, PA 15009

Face Masks are Required

For more Info jdepoe@ibew29.org

4122-956-6446

Elections Have Consequences

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO

VICE PRESIDENT BIDEN

has stood with unions and fought for workers

Joe Biden is committed to building an economy that works for ALL Americans, but he can't do it alone. He needs allies in state government as well... and so do we.

We can have an ally in the 15th House District



BOB WILLIAMS will stand with us too



BOB WILLIAMS
15th House District

EDUCATION

Has promised to oppose the use of public education dollars to fund charter schools.¹



WORKER SAFETY

Has promised to support safe workplaces for ALL workers, including public employees.²



FAIR COURTS

Has promised to support fair elections and to oppose partisan schemes like gerrymandering.³



1. 2020 Pennsylvania AFL-CIO Candidate Questionnaire; 2. 2020 Pennsylvania AFL-CIO Candidate Questionnaire; 3. 2020 Pennsylvania AFL-CIO Candidate Questionnaire

VOTE NOVEMBER 3

How you vote is a personal decision. The Pennsylvania AFL-CIO has evaluated the candidates based on the issues that impact workers and we believe that **JOE BIDEN** for **President** and **BOB WILLIAMS** for the **15th House District** are the right choices for Pennsylvania workers. For more information, please visit our website at www.paafcio.org.

CAST YOUR VOTE BY MAIL-IN BALLOT

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, and polls will be open from 7:00am until 8:00pm; but we encourage everyone to **VOTE BY MAIL** this election. You can request your ballot today and voting begins in mid-September. To verify or update your registration, find your polling place, or apply for your mail ballot, contact your county election office or visit www.votespa.com.

VotesPA.com/MailBallot



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PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO

The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council

One Northgate Square **** Greensburg, PA 15601

To Local Unions and Friends of Labor;

This has been a difficult year for every American – and especially difficult for Union members who have been deemed “Essential.”

This year instead of giving an award to *one* Outstanding Labor Leader and a Government Official as we have for the past 32 years, we will honor those selfless union members who worked every day so that the rest of us could stay at home and be safe from the Corona Virus.

Union members in nursing homes, hospitals, schools, grocery stores, bus drivers, letter carriers, and crews that maintained our roads – all these workers, and more, doing important jobs so that we could have some semblance of normalcy in our communities during these really difficult times. These Unions and their members have pulled together for the benefit of us all.

Our Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council would like to recognize the efforts and sacrifices that these hard working union members have had to endure – leaving their homes each day, not knowing if they would become infected and become ill from the virus or bring sickness home to their families

We invite your Union to nominate any of your members, or any union worker that you know, who have been on the “Front Lines” of the Pandemic – members who have worked tirelessly to make sure that wherever they served and whatever the public needed, they were there. The honorees this year will be the representatives for their brothers and sisters that they have worked with side-by-side, providing needed services throughout this trying year.

Our Celebration of Essential Union Workers will be at the Lakeview Restaurant on Sunday, October 18, with “Social Distancing” fellowship starting at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00. We will invite the families and friends of our honorees and ensure that they will be able to attend. We can accommodate up to 200 to attend at the 50% capacity for the room.

The Labor Council will print a Program Book for the occasion – your union is invited to place an ad or perhaps a Thank You to all of our Union Essential Workers – I have attached the forms for the dinner and program book.

We look forward to hearing from you – to become a part of the Celebration – whether to say a Thank You in an ad or to attend – you can reach me at 724-423-2878 or by email: ellenberger@zoominternet.net --

In Solidarity;

Harriet

Harriet Ellenberger
Program Chair

*The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council
is pleased to invite you to our*

***33rd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner
this year
A Celebration of Union Essential Workers***

Sunday, October 18

Lakeview Restaurant

6153 Rte. 30 West, Greensburg

"Social Distancing" Fellowship and Cash Bar at 5:00 pm

Dinner at 6:00 pm

2020 Outstanding Labor Honorees

This year we will honor Union members who have been at their jobs every day to make possible a sense of normalcy for the rest of us during these difficult times.

Each honoree and their guest will be our complimentary guests -

Friends of Labor, and union members - \$45 each

**Nominate a union member to be honored -
a person that will be arepresentative of all their co-workers**

**Send their name, Union, where they work, and contact information
and a sentence or two about why they should be honored.**

***Call Harriet Ellenberger, Dinner Chair, 724-423-2878
email: ellenberger@zoominternet.***

***At the core, labor unions (we) are working men and women, unified as one force.
Despite any personal differences that may exist between us, we have banded together to
protect and improve the lives of workers. We rise up together for the greater good.
We defend one another like family.***

*The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council invites you
to join us to celebrate*

33rd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner

A Celebration of Union Essential Workers

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Lakeview Restaurant, Rt. 30, Greensburg

"Social Distancing" Fellowship & Cash Bar at 5:00, Dinner at 6:00

*Friends of Labor and Union Members - \$45 each
(Lakeview can accommodate up to 200 with Social Distancing)*

Number of Dinners at \$45 _____ Total Cost \$ _____

Program Ads

Outside Back Cover	\$ 425 _____	Full Page (8 ½ x 11)	\$ 250 _____
Inside Back Cover	\$ 350 _____	Half Page	\$175 _____
Inside Front Cover	\$ 375 _____	Quarter Page	\$ 125 _____

Total Ad Cost \$ _____

Please call Harriet Ellenberger ASAP to reserve cover pages in Program Book: 724-423-2878

Email ads to: ellenberger@zoominternet.net

Please Print and Complete:

Name /Organization or Union _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Contact Person _____

Email _____

Union member nominated -(Contact Harriet with details) _____

Total Amount of Check \$ _____ Check No. _____

Make check payable to: GWCLC Special Events

Mail check and form to:

GWCLC, c/o Harriet Ellenberger, 170 Holly Place, Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666

Proceeds from this event will help get AFL-CIO endorsed candidates elected



Ethical Bites for a Sports-a-palooza TV Watch Party

The stadiums may still be empty, but during this unusual fall, there is no shortage of sports offerings to enjoy from the comfort of home. Between the start of the Major League Baseball playoffs, the NBA Finals between the Lakers and the Heat and the NFL season, you can spend hours cheering every hit, dunk and touchdown. But you'll need fortification. The munchies listed below, in addition to pleasing the palette, are made by companies that treat their workers well and give them a voice on the job. Happy couch-ing and let's all help build a stronger America.

Labor 411
 MAKING IT EASY TO SUPPORT GOOD JOBS
LOS ANGELES | SAN FRANCISCO | WASHINGTON, D.C. | PHILADELPHIA | NEW YORK

Beers:

- Bud Light (IAM, UFCW, UOEW)
- Budweiser (IBT, IAM)
- Coors (IBT)
- Coors Light (IUOE, IBT)
- Michelob (IAM, IUOE, IBT)
- Mickey's (IUOE, IBT)
- Miller Genuine Draft (UAW, IAM, IUOE, IBT)
- Miller High Life (UAW, IAM, IUOE, IBT)
- Sam Adams (IBT, IUOE, SEIU)
- Schlitz (UAW)
- Shock Top (IAM, IUOE, IBT)

Soft Drinks:

- Barq's Root Beer (IBT)
- Coca-Cola (UAW)
- Dr. Pepper (UFCW, UAW)
- Pepsi (IBT)
- Sprite (IBT, UAW)

Snacks:

- Act II Popcorn (UFCW)
- Cheez-It (BCTGM)
- Cheetos (BCTGM)
- Chex Mixes (IBT)
- Doritos (BCTGM, IBT)
- Rold Gold Pretzels (BCTGM, IBT)
- Slim Jim (UFCW, IBT)
- Sun Chips (BCTGM, IBT)
- Wheat Thins (BCTGM, IBT)





THE LABOR SCHOOL

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PITTSBURGH LABOR ACTIVIST ACADEMY



• **Location:** Classes will be held 6:00–8:30 p.m. at a yet-to-be-determined location. Please note that we may need to shift to online instruction at any point. We will run these classes on the set dates either in-person or virtually.

• **Cost:** The total cost for all twelve classes is \$300.

• **Register and pay here:**
bit.ly/LAARegistration

The Allegheny-Fayette Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, and The LABOR School at Penn State will host a series of labor education workshops designed to better equip labor union stewards, labor activists, and leaders to meet the challenges facing today's labor movement.

The curriculum consists of four comprehensive non-credit courses designed to develop critical thinking skills and increase capacity for building power. The courses encourage participation and networking with other activists.

2020–21 Academy Schedule

- 1. Our Current Labor Landscape: Lessons for Twenty-First Century Unions**
(November 10, 17, 24)
- 2. Building Power: Mobilizing Members**
(January 19, 26, and February 2)
- 3. Building Power: Effective Communications**
(February 16, 23, and March 2)
- 4. Bridging Divisions: Building a Stronger Labor Movement**
(March 16, 23, 30)

Questions? Please contact Zachary Zobrist at zach.zobrist@psu.edu or 814-865-5425.

"The techniques and tools from this course will help me be a better steward to represent my members."

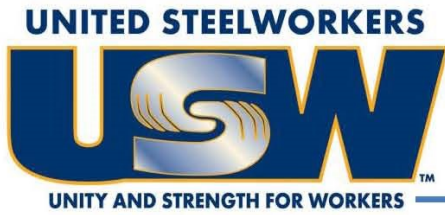
-Jesse Lewis, IBEW 29

"Every union member should take this class. It gave me a deeper understanding of the labor movement. Unions have a lot more in common than we think."

-Katrina Rectenwald,
SEIU Healthcare PA

"I will be working to increase member engagement in my union after attending this course."

-Stacia Young, UFCW 1776KS



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107 Broadway Avenue
Wheatland, PA 16161

Local Union 1016



Spaghetti Dinner

FUNDRAISER FOR STRIKE & DEFENSE FUND:

WHERE: Farrell VFW
(1233 Idaho Street, Farrell, PA, 16121)

WHEN: Saturday - October 24th, 2020

TIME: 11:00A.M – 6:00P.M

WHO: Anyone and Everyone is invited!
(Striking 1016-03 members & families eat free)

Open to public - \$5 donation for all you can eat.

Take-Out Available



Chinese Auction Information:

- Only \$5 per ticket sheet. (25 tickets)
- You are able to purchase as many ticket sheets as you'd like!

Donation Jars and Other Fundraisers Will Be Set Up!

If you would like to donate a basket or for more information please stop down or call the hall at (724)346-1212, or email USWLocal1016@gmail.com

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