



April 21, 2011

STEWARD UPDATE



Discussions between SEBAC member unions and the Malloy Administration are ongoing. Both sides have agreed not to release details of the discussions due to the media circus that would interfere with the process. Our goal is a reasonable plan to reduce the state budget deficit, save jobs, protect services, and fund our pension & retiree health insurance plans.

If we are able to agree on a plan that accomplishes our goals and is worthy of putting out to the membership, we will publish the details and members will have an opportunity to understand the proposals & ask questions. Before any changes can be made to our contract or the 1997-2017 SE-BAC Pension and Healthcare Agreement, members would have to vote and approve any changes.

If we cannot come to a reasonable plan, members will have to fight even harder for a fair budget and to protect the services we provide. For now, we need members to call their State Legislators and tell them that shared sacrifice means that the wealthy and big businesses must pay their fair share. If you have questions or need to know who your legislators are, please call Political Director Jim Vigue at (860) 343-8736

Do not believe rumors or media reports! Please call the Union Hall at (860) 343-8700 if you have any questions or concerns about this update or anything else you hear or read.

Lastly, please encourage members to call Tracy at (860) 343-8712 to get on the list serve for email updates or visit our website at www.ceui.org for up to the minute updates.

Reminder-Membership Meetings:

Monday, May 9, 2011

4:30 p.m. – Oliver Wolcott Technical High School, Torrington

7:00 p.m. – Naugatuck Valley Community College , Waterbury

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Noon – DPW, Buckingham Street, Hartford

4:00 p.m. – UConn Storrs (location TBA)

7:00 p.m. – Yantic Firehouse

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Wednesday, May 11, 2011

7:00 p.m. – Gateway Community College (New Haven Campus)

Thursday, May 12, 2011

7:00 p.m. – CEUI, 110 Randolph Road, Middletown

Picnic Dates:

Friday, May 27, 2011 – Willimantic – French Club

Friday, June 17, 2011 – Middlebury -- Quassy Amusement Park

Friday, July 1, 2011 – New Haven – Fort Hale Park Main Pavilion

Friday, July 8, 2011 – Middletown – Falcon's Grove

Other:

COPE Fundraiser — Saturday, May 7, 2011 bus trip to Fenway Park to see the Red Sox play the Minnesota Twins. For information and reservations call Tracy at 860-343-8712. The full flyer on the trip can be found on our website at www.ceui.org

Golf Tournament – Thursday June 23, 2011 at Portland Golf Course (fundraiser for the scholarship fund)

Labor Night with the New Britain Rock Cats – Saturday June 25, 2011 at New Britain Stadium

The CT AFL-CIO Union Energy Alliance lets you save on your electric bill, without any changes to the service you now have. You get the same service from your current utility (CL&P or UI) — they send out the bill and take care of any power outages. The only change is that YOU save by choosing the Union Energy Alliance as your electricity supplier. The program is safe, it is easy to participate, there is no fee to join and you save without sacrificing service. Your participation also helps Connecticut's Working Families — the United Labor Agency and GrowJobsCT both receive funds to help them carry out their missions serving Connecticut workers. Go to www.advantageenergy.net for more information. You can also see full instructions on how to make this change on the CEUI website.

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