

ATU 1342 Newsletter

Charter Union Meeting

April 11th

ATU Union Hall
196 Orchard Park Rd.
West Seneca NY

**10:00 AM and
7:30 PM**

Agenda

- Regular order of Business
- Read Only (no discussion) on Proposed By-Law Changes

From the President's Desk **By: Jeff Richardson**

The information below is an update on Janus v. AFSCME that was sent to me by our labor attorney. This is good news and a step in the right direction.

I wanted to share some very good news that came through the NYS Budget agreement that passed. The Budget contains several "fixes" to the Taylor Law that are designed to counteract the potential consequences of an adverse ruling in Janus v. AFSCME, which is currently pending before the Supreme Court. As you may recall, the Court is

poised to rule that compulsory dues deduction for public sector employees is unconstitutional.

First, the budget bill appears to eliminate the duty of fair representation for non-members, except as is related to negotiating your contract. This would mean, for example, that if a non-member was terminated, the union could decline to process the non-member's grievance through arbitration because the individual is a non-member. Under the prior rules, discrimination on the basis of membership status would have violated the duty of fair representa-

tion. These changes could cut down significantly on the potential free rider problem caused by an adverse ruling in the Janus case, as it eliminates the major incentive for individuals to become non-members.

Second, the bill accelerates the window within which public employers must deduct dues, provides for automatic deduction renewals, and provides the union with a right to access new employees on working time to discuss the benefits of membership.



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A Message From Charlie Sikora Financial Secretary/Treasurer



Committee on Political Action (ATU-COPE) needs your help. It was formed years ago by our International Union to provide a strong political voice for transit workers. Every major union in this country has a similar fund because the organizations that aim to destroy us do the same thing. Out of 1000 plus members only about 110 of us contribute. Most give \$1.00 a week and some give more. \$1.00 a week works out to be slightly over

.02 cents a day and is a direct deduction.

The power of this fund was one of the many tools we used to end our nine-year contract fight. This was done by playing that old political game (pay to play) and has been around since George Washington was President.

Since by law, union dues cannot be used to fund political campaigns, voluntary member contributions to ATU-

COPE are used to help elect pro-labor, pro transit candidates for local state and federal office. Once the election is over we keep politicians accountable to the interests of our members. As we did during our contract fight

Please help us to continue funding the campaigns of labor friendly candidates so we can increase our influence in the political ring for all our benefits.



Happy Birthday



Anderson, Christopher
Andrzejewski, Richard
Baker, Kenya
Balash, Anthony
Baldwin, Richard
Bauer, Donald
Belliveau, Steven
Birdsong, Eliot
Brammer, Robert
Bryant, Carolyn
Carter, Brett
Cason, Tremain
Caudle, Raymond
Chappell Jr, Baron
Cline, Kenneth
Coleman, Brian
Coleman, Willie
Colosanta, Sybrina
Daniel, Jermaine
Daniels, Glenn
De James, Mark
Drehs Jr, John
Duncan, Kenneth
Dynarski, Darryl

Everett, John
Fayson, Monica
Fomby, Latoya
Fronczak, David
Garner Jr, Charles
Hansen, Alfred
Harge III, Fred
Hassan, Natalie
Heft, Edward
Heil, Douglas
Hemphill, John
Howard, Isaac
Humphrey, Courtney
Hunter Jr, David
Huntley, Seth
Illg, Kevin
Johnson, Reginald
Jones, Marcus
Juszkiewicz, Peter
Kelly, Jacob
Kubisty, Christian
Lee, Barbara
Lobley, Gary
Manzella, Angelo

Marcucci, Timothy
Markelonis, Michael
Marshall, Glenn
McClerkin, Kim
McCoy, Gyrone
McDaniel, Vance
McKinney, Jennifer
Mickell, Alan
Montanez, Estella
Moody, Mark
Musgrove, Henry
Myers, Gary
Neal, Marquis
Nichols, Larry
Okie, Kevin
Ortiz Jr, Bernado
Overton, Daequan
Palmer, Isaac
Parker, Derrick
Parker, Wanda
Parrett, Quandra
Polinsky, Linda
Pulaski, Ryan
Purdue, Chato

Renfro, Sabrina
Ritzenthaler, Nathan
Rivera, Pedro
Rohrback, Terry
Sabadasz, Alan
Schilling, Cynthia
Schmitter, Paul
Shepherd Sr, Gregory
Shipp, Jarel
Stier, Andrew
Szeluga, Gregory
Szuflika, Richard
Tanner, Daniel
Thompson, Samuel
Trietley, Kevin
Trotta, Thomas
Troutman-Washington, Evelyn
Tyler, Anthony
Vega, Maira
Velarde, Michael
Velazquez, Vanessa
Vincent, Veronica
Woodard, Demario
Wright, Laura
Zeigler, Robert

Congratulations to all the 2018 Safety and Service Award Recipients

Cold Spring

10 Year Safe Driving (Watch & Pin)

Tracy Robinson
DeVaughn Earthman
Tiawan Graves
Darnell Garrett
Verdrey McDaniel
Johnny Baldwin
Edwin Jones

10 Year Safe Maintenance-Shops (Watch & Pin)

George Barnes
Dan Garvin
Kenneth Cline
James Kearney

10 Year Safe Maintenance-Garage (Watch & Pin)

Randy Grimm

20 Year Safe Driving (\$100 Gift Card & Pin)

Jerome Hundley

30 Year Safe Driving (\$150 Gift Card & Pin)

Ronald Giza

Babcock

10 Year Safe Driving (Watch & Pin)

Raymond Taylor
Joel Hurtt
Robert Winters
Theodore Torres
Richard Baldwin

30 Year Safe Driving (\$150 Gift Card & Pin)

Paul Pyzikiewicz

Frontier

10 Year Safe Driving (Watch & Pin)

Melissa Yanicki
Jennifer Johnson
John Evancho

10 Year Safe Maintenance- Garage (Watch & Pin)

Samuel Thompson

South Park

10 Year Safe Driving (Watch & Pin)

David Reid

10 Year Safe Maintenance- Garage (Watch & Pin)

Paula Lewis

Operators with more than 30 years of safe driving. (Pins)

Mark DeJames	31 years,
Timothy Denny	32 years
John Hall	32 years
Martin Smith	32 years
Robert Cummings	32 years

25 Years of Service (\$250 gift card)

Babcock Station

Wayne Dauer
Bernardo Nieves, Sr.
Donald Spence

Cold Spring Station

Quinton Fletcher
Arthur Johnson

South Park Station

Michael Kozak

Babcock Garage

Robert Cunningham

Cold Spring Garage

James Brunner

Shops

Thomas Bentley
Michael Follendorf

Rail Maintenance

Dennis Ebert Jr.
William Mitchell
John Rose (Storeroom)
Michael Wachowski

Anniversary Correction

In March's newsletter, Bill Burge was listed as having 21 years of service. That was a mistake. Bill was hired in March 1975. **That's 43 years of service.** Bill works in the Print Department and is #1 on the company seniority list. Sorry about that Bill.

Metro Anniversaries

Albino, Francisco	1	Ebert Jr, Dennis	25	Mitchell, Ray	11
Augustiniak, Laquita	12	Edmond, Michael	15	Mobilia, Christopher	3
Baines, Allison	15	Fomby, Latoya	12	Munyon, Daniel	1
Baldwin, Richard	14	Frank, Kathryn	4	Paliwodzinski, Patrick	3
Barten, Robert	1	Garcia, Bethzaida	2	Parks, Martrice	15
Barton, Darnell	7	Garon, Mark	30	Peacock, Valencia	15
Bauer, Donald	4	Greiner, Thomas	12	Piccolo Jr, Gerard	37
Beal, Tony	11	Griggs, Arthur	17	Pittorf, Michael	4
Bolt, Steven	12	Guizzotti, Melissa	3	Pratcher, Dylan	8
Bradley, Shenita	7	Howard, Charles	4	Reeves, Riel	7
Brady, James	4	Hurt, Joel	17	Robinson, Lemar	20
Brown, Denise	4	Joseph, Anthony	1	Robinson, Tracy	17
Bush, Valerie	14	Karsky Jr, Lawrence	18	Sabadasz, Alan	10
Butler, Denise	19	Kozak, Michael	25	Santa Maria, Jack	16
Chiles, Cleveland	1	Lainis Jr, John	33	Sargent, Anthony	15
Colosanta, Sybrina	15	Lewis, Paula	13	Seay, Kevin	14
Cox, James	4	Luczak, Tracy	12	Sibiga, Michael	1
Crapo, Bonnie	1	Mack, Kareemah	14	Simmons, Charity	16
Curry, Gwendolyn	17	Marcucci, Timothy	7	Spate, Tremaine	17
Dauer, Wayne	25	Masters, Anthony	8	Sundquist, Joseph	10
Davis, Marsha	17	McCabe, Joseph	7	Szymanski, Joseph	5
Davis, Monica	12	McClendon, Darnel	20	Terry, Jennifer	4
Dobozin, Jeffrey	14	McClerkin, Kim	19	Thompson, Douglas	10
Drehs Jr, John	5	McDaniel, Vance	16	Vaughan, Amanda	4
Dubose, Cynthia	17	Mendez, Josue	4	Vega Jr, Miguel	5
Earthman, Devaughn	14	Millard, Jonathan	24	Webb, Terrell	12
				Wright, John	16

Retired in April

Brian Madden
Martin Smith
Yvonne Stewart
Roy Striker

Deceased Members

Ralph Quance

3/14/18