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Labor Council Nominations and Election of Officers Scheduled

by Lisa Alexander
Labor Council Recording
Secretary

dents from five different
internationals/nationals
shall be elected.

shall be held to fill the va-
cancy.

The two-year cycle for election of officers for the Labor Council is here again. Nominations will be opened at the November delegates meeting and the election will be held at the December delegates meeting. Nominations may be reopened at any time prior to the election by a majority vote.

The following are the rules that govern the nomination and election process:

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Central Labor Council shall consist of a President, Financial Secretary Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Executive Vice President and seven Trustees, who together shall constitute the Executive Board of the Central Labor Council. In addition, five other Vice Presi-

Section 2. Established AFL-CIO Constituency Groups in the Central Labor Council's geographic boundary may appoint a representative to the Executive Board. Where there are no Constituency Groups, the Executive Board shall have the ability to appoint up to three additional board members after each election for purposes of diversity. Their terms shall expire at the same time as the other Executive Board members.

Section 3. (a) Each officer, at the time of the election or appointment and at all times during the term of office, shall be a duly accredited delegate and member of their affiliated organization. If the officer ceases to be a delegate, the office held shall become vacant immediately and a special election as elsewhere provided for in this constitution

(b) No individual shall be eligible to serve as an officer of; member of the Executive Board or committee or other governing body of; or as a delegate from, or representative, agent or employee of this Central Labor Council who consistently pursues politics and activities directed toward the achievement of the program or purposes of authoritarianism, totalitarianism, terrorism and other forces that suppress individual liberties and freedom of association. No person shall be eligible to serve in any of the aforementioned capacities who holds a salaried position or any other position of administrative or executive authority in a union, or any subordinate branch of a union, which has been suspended from, is unaffiliated with or has disaffiliated from the AFL-CIO.

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President's Report

By Rick Galiano
Labor Council President

* The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council endorsed candidates running in November 4th general election are:

Beaver County

Court of Common Pleas Judge

Laura Tocci (Dem.)

County Commissioner

Tony Amadio (Dem.)

Clerk of Courts

Judy Enslin (Dem.)

District Attorney

Edward 'Ted' Knafelc (Dem.)

Prothonotary

Mike Rossi (Dem.)

Recorder of Deeds

Dee Dixon (Dem.)

Register of Wills

Tracey Antoline Patton (Dem.)

Sheriff

Wayne Kress (Dem.)

Treasurer

Lori Bohach (Dem.)

Midland Borough Council

Dan Onuska (Dem.)

* The Pennsylvania AFL-CIO has endorsed **Amanda Green-Hawkins** (Dem.) and **Dan McCaffery** (Dem.) for Superior Court judgeships.

* The Labor Council has printed slate cards with the names of its endorsed candidates. Please contact me if you want cards to distribute.

* Labor Council Community Services Chairman Mark Benkart will receive a Community Service award by the Beaver County NAACP at its 22nd annual Human Rights Banquet on October 19th. Please help the Labor Council celebrate Mark's selection by attending the banquet. See Calendar of Events for more information.

* Congratulations to NWPALF Director Rosann Barker on her selection by the Greater Westmoreland County Central Labor Council as its 2019 Outstanding Labor Honoree. Rosann's selection will be recognized at the Greater Westmoreland County Central Labor Council's 32nd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner on October 26th.

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Nominations and Election Scheduled

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(c) In accordance with the AFL-CIO Ethical Practices Code, no person who is convicted of any felony involving the infliction of grievous bodily injury, any crime of dishonesty or any crime involving abuse or misuse of such person's position, or employment in a labor organization or an employee benefit fund shall serve as an officer or managerial employee of the Central Labor Council.

Section 4. The term of office shall be two years and each officer shall hold office until a successor has been elected and installed.

Section 5. Not more than two delegates from the same local union, nor more than four delegates from the same National or

International Union, shall be eligible to hold office at the same time. The president and secretary-treasurer shall be from different international unions.

ARTICLE VII – ELECTION AND VACANCIES

Section 1. The election shall be held at the regular meeting in the month of December in odd-numbered years. Nominations shall be opened at the meeting in the preceding month and may be reopened at any time prior to the election by majority vote. The election shall not be postponed except for absence of a quorum or by order of the AFL-CIO. A postponed election shall be held at the first succeeding regular meeting with due notice being given all affiliated organizations, or as may be directed by the AFL-CIO. An election committee

shall be appointed by the President at the meeting prior to nominations.

Section 2. Installation of officers shall be held at the conclusion of the election, except that officer-elect who is unavoidably absent shall be installed at the earliest possible meeting following the election or may be given the obligation at a meeting of the Executive Board.

Section 3. The election for uncontested offices may be by acclamation. The election for contested offices shall be held by per capita roll call vote. It shall require a plurality to elect. The seven candidates for Trustee and nine officers receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Nuclear Power Station Rally



Labor Council Executive Vice President, Dan Onuska, addressing rally in support of the continued operation of the Beaver Valley Nuclear Power Station in Shippingport. The rally was held on the steps of the Beaver County Courthouse on September 20th. Dan is a member of IBEW Local 29 which represents many of the Power Station's employees.



Pa. Rep. Rob Matzie, D-16, addressing September 20th rally. Other speakers included Allegheny-Fayette Central Labor Council President Darrin Kelly, Pa. Rep. Josh Kail, R-15, and Beaver County Commissioner Tony Amadio.

TRICK OR TREAT



This Halloween, hand out these sweet treats made by the Bakery, Confectionery, Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers' International Union members around the country.

The Union Label and Service Trades Department, AFL-CIO, does its best to verify products are union-made. If you find a product listed is no longer union-made, please email unionlabel@unionlabel.org. Always check the label as many products are made in both union and non-union facilities.

BCTGM MADE SWEET TREATS

- » American Licorice
- » Annabelle Candy Company
- » Bachman Company
- » Berkshire Hathaway (See's Candies)
- » Brown & Haley
- » Catterton Partners (Farley & Sathers)
- » Lindt & Sprugli (Ghirardelli)
- » Consolidated Brands (Boyer Brothers)
- » Hershey Company
- » Jelly Belly Candy Company
- » Hot Tamales
- » Just Born
- » Marshmallow Peeps
- » Mike and Ike
- » Teenee Beanee
- » Zours
- » Necco
- » Nestle USA
- » Russell Stover Candies
- » Montrose, Co.
- » Tootsie Roll Industries



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

Calendar of Events

- 10/19 Beaver County NAACP 22nd Annual Human Rights Banquet: 5:00 PM; The Club at Shadow Lakes, 2000 Beaver Lakes Boulevard, Aliquippa. See flyer attached to September UNION BUG for additional information.
- 10/19 New Castle Branch of NAACP Freedom Fund Annual Banquet: 5:30 PM; The Gathering Banquet Center, 2552 Benjamin Franklin Highway, Edinburg, Pa. 16116. See flyer attached to September UNION BUG for additional information.
- 10/21 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and membership meetings; Executive Board - 6:00 PM; Membership - 7:30 PM; IBEW 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex, Vanport.
- 10/26 Greater Westmoreland Central Labor Council 32nd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner: 5:30 PM, Lakeview Restaurant, 6153 Route 30, Greensburg, Pa. 15601. See invitation and registration form attached to this issue of the UNION BUG for additional details.
- 11/04 **Election Day:** See President's Report on Page 2 for list of Labor Council endorsed candidates.
- 11/11 Community Services/Moral Monday meeting: 7:00 PM; IBEW Local 712 Edwin D. Hill Complex, Vanport.
- 11/18 Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Executive Board and membership meetings; Executive Board - 6:00 PM; Membership - 7:30 PM; PSEA Bldg, New Castle

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 8th to be considered for publication in the November 2019 Issue of the **UNION BUG**.

Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council

*One Northgate Square **** Greensburg, PA 15601*

Dear Friends of Labor;

For the past 32 years the Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council has honored an Outstanding Labor Leader and Outstanding Government official. Each year the Council recognizes men and women who epitomize the values of the Labor Movement and have made important contributions to working families.

The Greater Westmoreland County Labor Council appreciates your support --We look forward to welcoming you to our celebration -- and please purchase an ad to support the work of our Council and our affiliated 55 Local Unions, to work to build a better Labor Movement throughout Pennsylvania. See the Dinner Form for details.

This year's Labor honoree, Rosann Barker has been the guiding light as Director of the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO's Northwestern Area Federation of Labor (NW ALF) for the past several years. She is responsible to guide 10 Central Labor Councils, representing 19 Counties and all of their affiliate unions, to work together and with the PA AFL-CIO. Always with a friendly smile and a kind word, our Labor Councils count on Rosann -- Whether through scholarships, organizing the ever-growing Labor Day Parade in Erie, fundraising, and visiting all of the Labor Councils to make sure they have information on issues and programs of the AFL-CIO. "Solidarity Forever" is not just a slogan, but a commitment for the Northwest Region.

Our Outstanding Government Honoree, Commissioner Ted Kopas, has earned Labor's respect, support, and endorsement for all of his nine years as Commissioner -- we can always count on him to "say a few words," introduce other speakers, and present proclamations. Ted works diligently to make sure that Westmoreland County is a safe, welcoming home for all of its citizens. He volunteers as a coach, and is actively involved in organizations that help support and teach children and adults with special needs. He recognizes that as a public servant he faces important obligations - caring for the young, the aged, the disabled and those who cannot help themselves. We are proud to honor his accomplishments and commitment to working families.

We hope that you will be able to join our Council to help us celebrate these dedicated and hard working Labor and Government leaders. We are sure that you will be entertained, informed and inspired at this year's Labor Recognition Dinner. Please plan to attend -- bring your families, colleagues, and union members to enjoy an evening of fellowship. We have invited some Special Guests and have some surprises - come and see some old friends, and make some new ones.

In Solidarity,

Harriet Ellenberger
Event Chair, COPE Director

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

32nd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner

Saturday, October 26th

Lakeview Restaurant
6153 Rte. 30 West, Greensburg

Fellowship and Cash Bar at 5:30 pm
Dinner at 6:45 pm

Dinner \$65.00

Tables of 8 for \$500.00

2019 Outstanding Labor Honoree

Rosann Barker
Director, NWPA AFL-CIO Labor Federation

2019 Government Honoree:

Ted Kopas
Westmoreland County Commissioner

Special Guests and Surprises

Greetings from Governor Wolf

***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.***

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

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

32nd Annual Labor Recognition Dinner

Saturday, October 26th, 2019

Lakeview Restaurant, Rt. 30, Greensburg

Cash Bar & Fellowship at 5:30, Dinner at 6:45

Dinners at \$65.00 each _____

Table(s) of 8 at \$500.00 each _____

Total Dinner Cost \$ _____

Total Table Cost \$ _____

Special dietary selections must be ordered by October 20 -
contact Harriet at 724-423-2878 or email: ellenberger@zoominternet.net

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Half Page \$ 150 _____

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Quarter Page \$ 100 _____

Total Ad Cost \$ _____

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

Email your ads to: ellenberger@zoominternet.net

If you know who will be attending from your group, please list names on back of form.

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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