



FULTON COUNTY TIMES



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LOCAL 818 CONNECTION

This is the time of year we say goodbye to winter and hello to spring.

It is a time for growth. A time for revival. A time for our union to continue on its path.

The path ahead is constantly taking us through twists and turns. However, when we accept the challenges ahead we have the ability to take those obstacles on with power.

I would like to express that our local and units are in a time of need. A time for help. A time for members to offer assistance. Our local is desperately in need of committee members. Most importantly is the Political Action Committee.

I know, "politics," Most of us cringe when we hear that word. On the flip side, as I have spent time in this local as a vice-president and now president I have started to realize the importance of our



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strength in getting the politicians we need in office. Most importantly our local offices and boards are what we need to target.

Since I took office we have successfully defeated an entity, the "Johnstown Water Board," that was ready to farm out our members jobs. We joined forces with the mayor of Johnstown and successfully brought control of the water department back to the city.

We also endorsed and helped to elect Thomas Roehl as a Fulton County Supervisor. He was a write-in, they usually never stand a chance to win.

We made a difference in getting a real mind that wants positive change on the board.

A bit of sad news, we have not done enough. We need to get involved and influence our local school boards, county board and any entity that has an influence on our contracts and jobs. If we do not successfully get more involved in electing those leaders it will be harder to negotiate future contracts.

Please reach out to me and join our fight. We will develop our plan together. Thank you so much for this consideration and thank you for all you do daily making our union proud.

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Our local board is always willing to assist you in any way. If you have questions or concerns we are always here for you. Please reach out.

SAVE THE DATE

September 21, 2024
General Membership Meeting/Clambake @ the Concordia Club!
Hope to see you there!

CleenStreet will be back as entertainment!



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FIX
TIER 6

CSEA has been working diligently to fix Tier 6. We are not on to the next step and need your help to help make our voices heard. Let's fight for real change. Beneficial change that will have a direct impact on recruitment and retention. How can we all help?

It is very easy. CSEA has set it up so you are just a few clicks away from making a difference desperately needed!

Email your legislator now! Visit cseany.org/fixtier6

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SHOP STEWARD TRAINING IN GLOVERSVILLE

CSEA Local 818, the strength of our Union rests with the recruitment and education of new activists, often in the role of Steward. This two-part workshop provides the skills that are needed to carry out the responsibilities of the Steward, including: communicating, organizing and leading employees in the workplace.

It is a two-evening training taking place on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 and Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Registration will take place from 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM with the training itself running from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM. **Please contact the CSEA Capital Region 4 Office at (518) 782-4400 or (800) 874-7344 to register. A light dinner will be provided. The office has a limited capacity and it is important to pre-register as the workshop attendance is used to determine the amount of materials and reservations for meals.**

CSEA STATEWIDE ELECTIONS FINALIZED



Pictured left to right, Statewide Secretary, Richard Bebo, Statewide Treasurer, Nicole Meeks, Executive Vice President, Ron Briggs and Statewide President Mary Sullivan

Mary E. Sullivan has been elected to a second term as CSEA Statewide President. Sullivan's next four-year term begins March 1, 2024, and will continue through Feb. 29, 2028. Also elected as CSEA statewide officers are: Executive Vice President: Ron Briggs, Statewide Secretary: Richard Bebo and Statewide Treasurer: Nicole Meeks.