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1996 ELECTIONS

Legislatively Speaking

by Donald Pisani, Legislative Chair

Nov. 5, 1996 a very important date to remember. Election day this year will prove to be extremely important to all citizens, as well as to those of us who work for SUNY. The election races this year are focused on the Presidential election, as well as seats for Congress and the entire New York State Senate and Assembly.

NYSUT/UUP have endorsed numerous candidates for election [see Endorsement section]. It is of utmost importance that we support those candidates that have been endorsed. It is also important that you do vote and also encourage your families and friends to vote. In a local NYS Assembly race two years ago, the race was decided by less than 1,000 votes. As you can see, your vote does count; do not think that your one vote is not important. I urge you to vote this election day so your voice can be heard. Remember, please support those candidates endorsed by NYSUT/UUP since they do have a positive track record when it comes to educational issues. In the current climate of a continuing budget crisis, it is imperative that we can elect those representatives that are sensitive to the issues of education.

Election Endorsements Reward Education Supporters

Early this summer Vice President Al Gore said, "Don't be complacent." UUP's statewide affiliate, New York State United Teachers, took that warning to heart, endorsing a bipartisan slate of candidates in 195 legislative and 27 congressional races. The NYSUT Board of Directors also voted to support the

re-election of President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore. "Candidates value a NYSUT endorsement," said NYSUT Executive Vice President Alan Lubin. "Support from NYSUT means the time and energy of thousands of volunteers at the grassroots level, financial contributions that help defray the cost of campaigns, and a strong turnout at the polls for those candidates who support public education, health care, and working men and women throughout New York."

The vast majority of candidates on the endorsement list are incumbents. Lubin said it's no coincidence, "For two straight years, the Assembly and Senate have rejected devastating cuts to public education proposed in the Executive Budget. The budget battles have been bruising, but these legislators-Republicans as well as Democrats-have stood with us in opposition to proposed cuts."

UUP President William Scheurman said this was "the most open and democratic" endorsement process in recent memory. "Our members' concerns were heard, and NYSUT has promised to deliver those concerns to legislative leaders when they inform them of who was and was not endorsed." Scheurman is encouraging UUPers to be active participants in the upcoming elections, volunteering to work on political campaigns and manning phone banks. "New York is pivotal to the outcome of the presidential election, and the future of the university and its work force hinges on the state Assembly and Senate races," he said. "No UUPer can afford to sit this election out."

CHAPTER MEETING

Tuesday, October 29th - 12:00 Noon -
Statewide President: William Scheurman
Discussion Topics: negotiations and benefits

**UUP/NYSUT
Endorsement
Recommendations
for Long Island and
New York City**

U.S. CONGRESS

CD 1 Nora Bredes [D]
 CD 2 NO ENDORSEMENT
 CD 3 NO ENDORSEMENT
 CD 4 Carolyn McCarthy [D]
 CD 5 Gary Ackerman [D]
 CD 6 Floyd Flake [D]
 CD 7 Thomas Manton [D]
 CD 8 Jerrold Nadler [D]
 CD 9 Charles Schumer [D]
 CD 10 Edolphus Towns [D]
 CD 11 Major Owens [D]
 CD 12 Nydia Velazquez [D]
 CD 13 Tyrone Butler [D]
 CD 14 Carolyn Maloney [D]
 CD 15 Charles Rangel [D]
 CD 16 Jose Serrano [D]
 CD 17 Eliot Engel [D]
 CD 18 Nita Lowey [D]

NEW YORK STATE SENATE

SD 1 Kenneth LaValle [R]
 SD 2 James Lack [R]
 SD 3 Caesar Trunzo [R]
 SD 4 Owen Johnson [R]
 SD 5 Carl Marcellino [R]
 SD 6 Kemp Hannon [R]
 SD 7 Michael Tully [R]
 SD 8 Norman Levy [R]
 SD 9 Dean Skelos [R]
 SD 10 Alton Waldon [D]
 SD 11 Frank Padavan [R]
 SD 12 Ada Smith [D]
 SD 13 Emanuel Gold [D]
 SD 14 George Onorato [D]
 SD 15 Serphin Maltese [R]
 SD 16 Leonard Stavisky [D]
 SD 17 Nellie Santiago [D]
 SD 18 Velmanette Montgomery [D]

SD 19 Howard Babbush [D]
 SD 20 Marty Markowitz [D]
 SD 21 Carl Kruger [D]
 SD 22 Seymour Lachman [D]
 SD 23 Robert DiCarlo [R]
 SD 24 John Marchi [R]
 SD 25 Martin Connor [D]
 SD 26 Roy Goddman [R]
 SD 27 Catherine Abate [D]
 SD 28 Olga Mendez [D]
 SD 29 David Paterson [D]
 SD 30 Franz Leichter [D]
 SD 31 Efrain Gonzalez [D]
 SD 32 NO ENDORSEMENT
 SD 33 Larry Seabrook [D]
 SD 34 Guy Vellella [R]

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY

AD 1 Patricia Acampora [R]
 AD 2 Fred Thiele [R]
 AD 3 NO ENDORSEMENT
 AD 4 Steve Englebright [D]
 AD 5 Paul Harenberg [D]
 AD 6 Robert Wertz [R]
 AD 7 Thomas Barraga [R]
 AD 8 Phil Boyle [R]
 AD 9 John Flanagan [R]
 AD 10 James Conte [R]
 AD 11 Robert Sweeney [D]
 AD 12 NO ENDORSEMENT
 AD 13 David Sidikman [D]
 AD 14 Marc Herbst [R]
 AD 15 Donna Ferrara [R]
 AD 16 Thomas DiNapoli [D]
 AD 17 Michael Balboni [R]
 AD 18 Earlene Hill [D]
 AD 19 Charles O'Shea [R]
 AD 20 Harvey Weisenberg [D]
 AD 21 NO ENDORSEMENT
 AD 22 Thomas Alfano [R]
 AD 23 Audrey Pheffer [D]
 AD 24 Mark Weprin [D]
 AD 25 Brian McLaughlin [D]
 AD 26 Douglas Prescott [R]
 AD 27 Nettie Mayersohn [D]
 AD 28 Melinda Katz [D]
 AD 29 William Scarborough [D]
 AD 30 Joseph Crowley [D]
 AD 31 Gregory Meeks [D]
 AD 32 Vivian Cook [D]
 AD 33 Barbara Clark [D]

AD 34 Ivan Lafayette [D]
 AD 35 Jeffrion Aubrey [D]
 AD 36 Denis Butler [D]
 AD 37 Catherine Nolan [D]
 AD 38 Anthony Seminerio [D]
 AD 39 Anthony Genovesi [D]
 AD 40 Edward Griffith [D]
 AD 41 Helene Weinstein [D]
 AD 42 Rhoda Jacobs [D]
 AD 43 Clarence Norman [D]
 AD 44 James Brennan [D]
 AD 45 Daniel Feldman [D]
 AD 46 Jules Polonetsky [D]
 AD 47 Frank Barbaro [D]
 AD 48 Dov Hikind [D]
 AD 49 Peter Abbate [D]
 AD 50 Joseph Lentol [D]
 AD 51 Felix Ortiz [D]
 AD 52 Eileen Dugan [D]
 AD 53 Vito Lopez [D]
 AD 54 Darryl Towns [D]
 AD 55 William Boyland [D]
 AD 56 Albert Vann [D]
 AD 57 Roger Green [D]
 AD 58 Nick Perry [D]
 AD 59 Elizabeth Connelly [D]
 AD 60 Eric Vitaliano [D]
 AD 61 Robert Straniere [R]
 AD 62 Sheldon Silver [D]
 AD 63 Steven Sanders [D]
 AD 64 Richard Gottfried [D]
 AD 65 Alexander Grannis [D]
 AD 66 Deborah Glick [D]
 AD 67 Scott Stringer [D]
 AD 68 Francisco Diaz [D]
 AD 69 Edward Sullivan [D]
 AD 70 Keith Wright [D]
 AD 71 Hermand Farrell [D]
 AD 72 John Murtaugh [D]
 AD 73 John Ravitz [R]
 AD 74 Carmen Arroyo [D]
 AD 75 NO ENDORSEMENT
 AD 76 Peter Rivera [D]
 AD 77 Aurelia Greene [D]
 AD 78 Roberto Ramirez [D]
 AD 79 Gloria Davis [D]
 AD 80 Jeffrey Klein [D]
 AD 81 Jeffrey Dinowitz [D]
 AD 82 Stephen Kaufman [D]
 AD 83 Samuel Bea [D]

UUP Chapter at Stony Brook HSC Committees

Professional Evaluation Review Committee

Any employee who receives an unsatisfactory evaluation or an evaluation circled satisfactory where the content is truly written in an unsatisfactory manner is entitled to a review by the Evaluation Review Committee. In order to initiate the process, the employee must inform in writing his/her immediate supervisor, the Chair of the Professional Evaluation Review Committee (Mary Hoch), and Human Resources within ten working days of the receipt of their evaluation.

Chairperson: Mary Hoch, Phone 4-2063

Professional Promotion Review Panel

The Professional Promotion Review Panel provides an appeal process for university professionals (non-teaching professionals) who have requested promotion and are dissatisfied with the result. Promotion is defined in the Memorandum of Understanding (July 1979) between SUNY and UUP (Articles III; Paragraph A).

Chairperson: Joseph Berendowski, Phone 4-1462

Health & Safety Committee

This joint labor/management committee monitors all health and safety issues that come to their attention. Among their concerns are personal security, indoor air quality, radiation safety and occupational exposure to health risks.

Chairperson: Donald Pisani, Phone 4-1906

Legislative Committee

The unprecedented attacks on the state university are unlikely to disappear this next year. Lobbying in legislator's home districts as well as the Capitol dramatically assists the legislative strides the union has made in the last few years. Become part of an active political process that determines our role within the university.

Chairperson: Donald Pisani, Phone 4-1906

You may contact the chairperson or watch for more information on these committees in upcoming newsletters.

Are you a member of VOTE/COPE yet?

VOTE/COPE is the political action arm of UUP through which funds are raised and used to rally support of legislators in SUNY's favor. UUP has successfully worked against major budget cutbacks, retrenchment, and layoffs. We need to continue union legislative action to reinstate our benefit funds, and support the Bragmann-LaValle hospital flexibility

legislation. We need to support the election of candidates who support SUNY.

No union funds may be used for any of these successful and ongoing efforts, only VOTE/COPE funding may be used.

Please sign and return your VOTE/COPE payroll deduction card to the UUP office today.

Every \$1,2,3,4, or \$5 per week is needed. A truly UNITED UUP effort is imperative.

Your Regional VOTE/COPE Coordinator
Doris R. Weisman, NP, MS.

Do You Have A Rep?

Is your department represented by a Department Rep? If not, would you be interested in representing your department?

The responsibilities include the following:

- routing and/or posting notices
- attending department rep meetings
- acting as an initial contact person for other members who might need the assistance of a union officer or labor relations specialist.

Position requirements are few – a little time and the ability to keep contacts confidential are all you need!!! If you would like to volunteer to serve as a department representative, please contact the Chapter Office at 444-1505. Get involved today!

Still Shopping at

Wild By Nature

Did You Know That:

- ◆ Wild By Nature is owned and operated as a subsidiary corporation by the King Kullen grocery store chain, which runs 4 Long Island supermarkets, all under union contract with the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW).
- ◆ King Kullen closed its Setauket store in April 1995 and did not rehire its 55 union employees for Wild By Nature – many of them residents of the Three Villages – as part of its strategy to operate Wild By Nature as a non-union store.
- ◆ King Kullen walked away from a valid, existing contract with the union, and still refuses to negotiate with the union.
- ◆ The National Labor Relations Board, Region 29, found on April 30, 1996 the "the evidence adduced by the investigation established that the King Kullen Setauket store, which closed in the Spring of 1995 and reopened as Wild By Nature in November 1995, is covered by said agreement between Local 1500 and King Kullen." But because King Kullen refuses to settle this dispute, a labor board trial on charges that King Kullen violated federal labor law began on July 9. A decision is expected sometime this Fall.

Employee Holiday Schedule

Mark the following dates on your calendar. They are the holidays observed by UUP members at the State University of New York at Stony Brook:

Columbus Day '96	Monday, October 14 th
Election Day '96	Tuesday, November 5 th
Veterans' Day '96	Monday, November 11 th
Thanksgiving Day '96	Thursday, November 28 th
Christmas Day '96	Wednesday, December 25 th
New Year's Day '97	Wednesday, January 1 st
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day '97	Monday, January 20 th
Lincoln's Birthday '97	Wednesday, February 12 th
Washington's Birthday '97	Monday, February 17 th
Memorial Day '97	Monday, May 26 th
Independence Day '97	Friday, July 4 th
Labor Day '97	Monday, September 1 st

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The UUP Newsletter welcomes articles and letters submitted by members of the Stony Brook community. Remember, this is *your* newsletter. Share your thoughts with us, we want to hear from you. Persons who have material they wish to submit should contact: Bethany Prehodka at 444-3097 or 444-1505.