

CSEA Leadership Update

from President Mary E. Sullivan

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Dear CSEA Family,

Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week

The third week of July each year has been designated Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision week. Please join me in recognizing and celebrating all of our CSEA family who work in these jobs to help keep our communities safe every day!

July is Disability Pride Month

Please join me in celebrating Disability Pride Month, celebrated each July to commemorate the July 26, 1990, passage of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The goal of Disability Pride Month is to change how people think about disability, to end internalized shame among those with disabilities and to promote the belief that disability is a natural and beautiful part of human diversity. I'd also like to acknowledge and thank all the CSEA members who work with New Yorkers with disabilities, often treating them as family members. They are able to live a meaningful and dignified life as a result and we all owe our gratitude!

AFSCME endorses Kamala Harris for President

With the recent news of Joe Biden exiting the Presidential race, AFSCME has endorsed Kamala Harris for President. CSEA has not yet

made endorsements in any of this year's election races but that information will be coming soon. For more information about elections or CSEA endorsements when they are made, visit <https://cseany.org/vote>.

CSEA at the Yankees and NASCAR

CSEA members can save money on tickets for union weekend with the Yankees and support Special Olympics at the same time! The Yankees are offering great seats at even better prices to members for games on Friday August 30 to Sunday, September 1 using this link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/group/csea-local-1000-st-louis-cardinals-vs-new-york-yankees-aea1d91>. Each ticket purchased will result in the Yankees making a \$5 donation to the Special Olympics at no extra cost!

In the Western part of the state, CSEA has partnered with NASCAR to offer discounted tickets to Watkins Glen's Go Bowling at the Glen Race Weekend, September 13-15.

Visit <https://www.theglen.com/events/nascar-cup-series-race/> and use code **WGICSEA** to access the discount.

Thank you to our representatives at CBTU Region 1 Conference!

I would like to extend a personal thank you to all of the CSEA officers, members and staff who attended the Coalition of Black Trade Unionist (CBTU) Region 1 conference last week in Syracuse, NY. I know CSEA was well represented! If you are interested in learning more about CBTU, contact Sharon Lovelady-Hall, CBTU Region 1 Director, at Region1CBTU@hotmail.com.

Did You Know – Project 2025 targets labor unions for elimination!

There has been a lot of buzz recently about Project 2025. The goal of the Project 2025 Presidential Transition Project, in the form of a 900+

page mandate, is to encourage heavily anti-democratic, swift actions that would cut wages and overtime pay, reverse decades of progress for civil rights and reduce rules that provide worker safety, among many other things that target working class Americans. One way Project 2025 will attempt to achieve all this is by targeting and eliminating labor unions, because without labor unions in their way, they can do anything they want to workers. Project 2025 is an effort of the Heritage Foundation and is extremely well-funded by the rich and powerful, who are looking only to become MORE rich and powerful. We cannot let this threat become reality!

Regional News:

City of Lockport members fight for Juneteenth

When the City Council initially voted against making Juneteenth a holiday for City of Lockport CSEA members, they took their argument public. A brief local media campaign resulting in stories in several different media outlets in Lockport led to the City Council voting unanimously to make Juneteenth a holiday for ALL City workers!

Volunteers Needed for the New York State Fair

We are still looking for a few more volunteers to staff our booth at this year's New York State fair from August 21 to September 2. Volunteers are there to engage with CSEA members and the public about the importance of being a union member. If you are interested in signing up to volunteer, please contact Region 5 Communications Specialist Nicholas Newcomb (Nicholas.Newcomb@cseainc.org) for more information. We will hold a volunteer meeting on August 6 — more information to follow for those who sign up to help out!

Member Benefits Spotlight: save with a Mastercard through Broadview

CSEA partners with Broadview Federal Credit Union to bring CSEA

members a low fixed rate Mastercard. You may already be a member of Broadview and are able to take advantage of this great credit card. With a fixed annual percentage rate as low as 8.90% APR* and no annual fee, it's a win-win. [Let Broadview know](#) if you already have an account so you can start using this CSEA Member Benefit. You can find out more at <https://www.broadviewfcu.com/csea/csea-mastercard/> or call (844) 622-CSEA (2732).

*Annual Percentage Rate. No cash advance fee, balance transfer fee or annual fee. When you apply, an application review determines which type of card you may be eligible to receive.

A reminder to all officers in accordance with the CSEA Local and Unit Constitutions, Article V, Section 6: "All officers shall attend officers' training sessions, grievance training sessions as well as disciplinary training sessions as provided by the Association."

The following trainings are currently scheduled:

Required Union Representation **IN-PERSON Trainings:**

Local Government Discipline and Interrogation –Queensbury (Region 4)**

Tuesday, July 30, and Wednesday, July 31 from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm.
Call (518) 782-4400 to register.

Local Government Discipline and Interrogation – Canton (Region 5)

Saturday, August 17, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm.
Call (315) 433-0050 to register.

State Government Discipline & Interrogation – Orangeburg (Region 3)

Saturday, August 24, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Call (845) 831-1000 or (800) 757-CSEA to register.

Required Union Representation **VIRTUAL Trainings:**

Local Government Discipline & Interrogation Recertification

Friday, July 26, from 10 am to 12 pm.

<https://memberlink.cseany.org/Event.axd?e=1423>

Private Sector Discipline & Interrogation

Saturday, July 27, from 10 am to 12 pm.

<https://memberlink.cseany.org/Event.axd?e=1426>

For a full list and description of workshops offered by the Education & Training Department go to: <https://cseany.org/training-workshops>

Required Officer Trainings:

*****There are no scheduled officer trainings at this time.***

What do you want to read about?

I'm asking for your feedback on any topics you'd like to see covered in future editions of this weekly leadership update. If you have ideas, please take the time to fill out our quick online survey

at: <https://forms.office.com/r/seCVpFhVaG>.

I appreciate your response.

In Solidarity,

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