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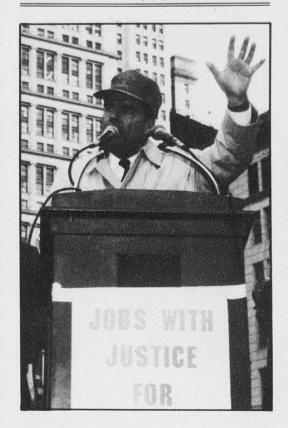
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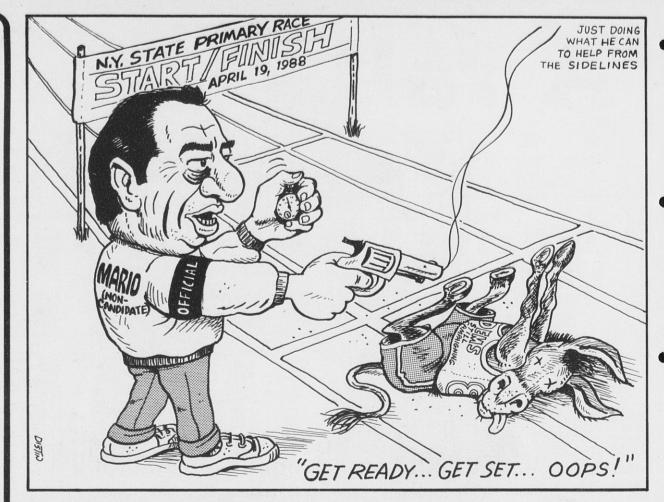
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Nassau County Local OKs pact

MINEOLA — Members of Nassau County CSEA Local 830 ratified a two-year agreement retroactive to Jan. 1 which includes salary increases of 5.5 percent and 5.75 percent. The contract effects 14,000 members.

"I urged the membership to ratify," said Local 830 President Jerome Donahue. "It's a good contract.'

Even with the increases in health insurance costs, the local was successful in negotiating that the county continue to pay employees' premiums in full.

Other highlights of the pact include:

- * improvements in the dental and optical plans;
- * higher differential pay;
- child care leave of up to two years, including leave entitlements;
- more meal money;
- * increased uniform allowance;

- * increased longevity payments;
- * a compensatory day for every two pints of blood a member donates in a calendar
- * an added holiday;
- * L/M group to study VDT guidelines and AIDS policy;
- * health insurance buybacks of up to \$2,000 per year;
- * guaranteed four hours of overtime; and
- * increases in sanitarium emergency rates, pediatric triage rates, social service employees rates and psychiatric ward personnel rates.

That team included CSEA Collective Bargaining Specialist Rigo Predonzan, Donahue, Rita Wallace, Ralph Spagnolo, Steve Goldberg, Jean Wichmann, Nancy Hernandez, Jack Geraghty, Pat Finno, Alice Grody and CSEA attorneys Dick Gaba and Lou Stober.

Statewide officers petitions deadline April 11

A reminder — April 11 is the deadline to return nominating petitions to be a candidate for a CSEA statewide office.

Elections will be held to fill the positions of statewide president, executive vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Petitions must be received at CSEA headquarters, 143 Washington Avenue, Albany, by 5 p.m. on April 11.

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ALBANY — "We're the family of New York" chanted hundreds of angry CSEA members representing thousands of mental hygiene workers from across the state. The crowd converged on the steps of the state Capitol for a recent rally to express outrage over understaffing in state mental health and mental retardation facilities.

Joined by CSEA's statewide officers and a score of state legislators including Senate Mental Health Chairperson Nicholas Spano and Assembly Mental Hygiene Chairperson Elizabeth Connelly, the CSEA crowd made it clear they will no longer accept policies that put the mentally ill on the street and turn care of the retarded

over to inferior private providers.

"The state of New York should hang its head in shame for creating these conditions," said CSEA President William McGowan.

Last January, CSEA's report, Working in Fear, showed that mental hygiene employees lost an incredible 160,000 workdays due to on-the-job injuries in 1986.

The report was prompted by the brutal murder of Rockland Psychiatric Center therapy side Clara Taylor who was left alone on a ward of 24 patients last therapy aide Clara Taylor who was left alone on a ward of 24 patients last

summer. A patient has been charged in her killing.
"Clara Taylor died because the state didn't want to pay someone overtime," McGowan told the crowd. "I don't know how the people who made that decision

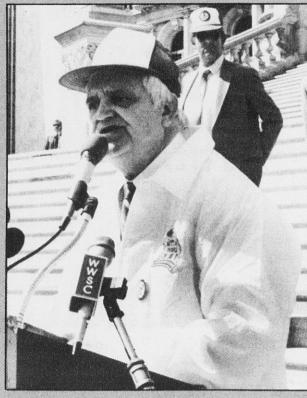
can sleep at night.

But McGowan also noted that, unbelievably, there has been no change in

staffing patterns since Taylor's death.

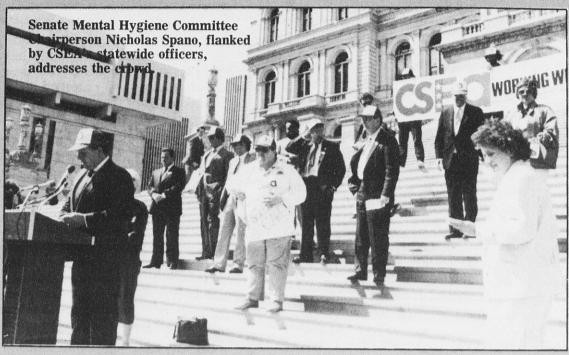
McGowan vowed CSEA will repeat these concerns over and over again until the governor and his mental hygiene commissioners "get the message."

And on this blustery spring day in Albany, CSEA members made sure they were heard where it counts.



CSEA President William L. McGowan.





CSEA calls for

By Lilly Gioia **CSEA Communications Associate**

NEW YORK — Chanting "I am somebody, I am somebody," workers from all over New York City massed at City Hall Park recently to kick off the AFL-CIO-endorsed "Jobs With Justice" campaign in the metro area, and CSEA members were in the

AFSCME President Gerald McEntee and CSEA Region II President George Boncoraglio were among labor leaders on hand hailing the nationwide "Jobs With Justice" goals, which include employment security, a decent standard of living and the right to organize on the job.

Braced against the biting March winds, workers gathered to hear politicians, labor leaders and retiree leaders condemn the loss of job security in America. McEntee and other speakers, including state Assembly Labor Committee Chairman Frank Barbaro and City Council President Andrew Stein, fiercely attacked Mayor Edward Koch for withholding urgently needed pay increases and health benefits for home health care workers.

Through the 1980s, attacks on the rights of workers, both public and private, have pushed working people to the wall, McEntee said. The mood among workers is, "enough is enough.

JOBS WITH JUSTICE PLEDGE

I'll Be There ...

... supporting our right to a decent standard of living and when necessary walking the picket line with my union brothers and sisters.

... supporting the right of workers to organize and bargain collectively.

... fighting for employment security and against efforts by management to close offices or factories in the name of competition.

- ... voting for candidates who support workers' rights.
- ..: organizing the unorganized.
- ... mobilizing the organized to preserve the rights that our parents and grandparents have already won.

During the next year, I'LL BE THERE at least five times for someone else's fight, as well as my own. If enough of us are there, we'll all start winning.

Signature		
Name (please print)		
Union/Organization		
Home Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone (day and evening)	Date	



CSEA SPEAKS OUT during the "Jobs With Justice" demonstration at New York City Hall recently. Region I President George Boncoraglio holds one end of the CSEA banner.

"Jobs With Justice' is the American labor movement's campaign to fight back," McEntee said.

Denis Tobin, president of New York City Department of Labor

CSEA Local 350, agreed.

It is time "all New York City unions show their solidarity and join the 'Jobs with Justice' campaign," Tobin said. "Too many decent-paying jobs are being destroyed and replaced by low-paid temporary workers with no benefits. That's why I'm proud that CSEA is involved with the demonstration and others planned for the coming months.'

The key to the success of "Jobs with Justice" is its blue and white pledge card. Thousands of workers across the country have already signed and pledged to join in at least five "Jobs With Justice" events in the coming year.

The campaign has mobilized community, religious and labor groups around local issues in Florida, South Dakota, Maine, Connecticut, New Mexico, Iowa, Tennesee, New Jersey, Texas and New York.

According to CSEA's Boncoraglio, "Jobs With Justice" is an important and on-going program with new activities springing up

across the country every day.

"'Jobs With Justice' is a vehicle to build a stronger labor movement and to support specific labor struggles," he said. "It will help us unite behind candidates in 1988 who are responsive to workers' rights."

"You don't have to be a union member to believe in this cause or sign the pledge card," said Region II First Vice President Denise Berkley. "Anyone who cares about the values and issues of working

people is welcome to join.'

CSEA members who sign the pledge card should return it to Metro Region II Headquarters, c/o Jobs With Justice, 11 Broadway, 15th floor, New York, N.Y. 10004. They will then be notified by phone of the date, time and location of the next "Jobs With Justice" action.



SPEAKING AT THE "JOBS WITH JUSTICE" demonstration in New York is AFSCME President Gerald McEntee. To his left is City Council President Andrew Stein.

OCA Files Charge Against CSEA

The Office of Court Administration has filed a charge of improper practice with the Public Employment Relations Board charging the Civil Service Employees Association acted in bad faith by refusing to negotiate with the state at a pre-scheduled negotiating session last week in Schenectady.

The charge stems from a dispute that arose over a guarantee of the attendance of Vincent F. Martusciello, president of a CSEA local and a senior appellate court clerk in Brooklyn, at a negotiating session last Thursday and at all future

Basis for Charge

According to Howard Rubenstein, director of OCA's Employee Relations Unit, CSEA representatives refused to negotiate because Mr. Martusciello, one of three members of an important court unit in Brooklyn's Appellate Term of Supreme Court could not be granted leave from his assignment to attend the session, and the state was unable to guarantee that leave could be granted to him at all times in the future.

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Mr. Rubenstein said that the threeperson unit to which Mr. Martusciello is assigned, currently lacks one
person, who is in a hospital, and it
can not function without at least two
persons present. Therefore, Mr. Martusciello's absence from work would
interfere with the operational needs

of the Appellate Term.

Mr. Rubenstein said that "as is required under the current CSEA contract, the Appellate Term has made its best efforts to accommodate Mr. Martusciello and the CSEA. In fact, Mr. Martusciello has been granted leave to attend two prior negotiating sessions this year. However, given the size of the workload in the Appellate Term and the unpredictability of the staffing situation in Mr. Martusciello's unit, it is impossible to guarantee that he can be granted leave for every future session."



CSEA protests slanted story

EDITOR'S NOTE: An article in the March 22 edition of the New York Law Journal has drawn the fire of CSEA statewide President William L. McGowan. The newspaper, under headlines which read "OCA files charges against CSEA," gave a one-sided account of a dispute created by the Office of Court

Administration's refusal to allow CSEA negotiating team member Vincent Martusciello to attend contract talks. In order to set the record straight, McGowan immediately sent out the following "Letter to the Editor." It is printed in its entirety here.

To The Editor:

I must take exception to your recent coverage of a dispute between the Civil Service Employees Association and the Office of Court Administration.

Allow me to set the record straight. The Improper Practice OCA filed against the union was

strictly in retaliation for an IP we previously filed.

The CSEA IP charge accused the court system of "bad faith bargaining" that is "inherently destructive of the employees' Taylor Law rights." Specifically, we protested OCA's sudden refusal on March 15th to allow Local O10 President Vincent Martusciello leave time to participate in contract negotiations scheduled for March 16 through 18.

OCA had sufficient notice of Mr. Martusciello's schedule. Its contention that the illness of a co-worker precluded his absence belies the fact that under similar previous circumstances he was granted leave time. Indeed, one must question supervisory practices that are apparently unable to cope with the absence of two out of 3,600 employees.

OCA's action is a naked attempt to influence contract negotiations. No employee organization

can permit an employer to dictate the makeup of its negotiating team.

We have a duty and an obligation to make sure all our membership is represented at the bargaining table. Denying Mr. Martusciello's leave time, in effect, denies representation to the 700 OCA employees of his Local.

It is, finally, gratifying to hear OCA contend that the absence of one court clerk brings the whole judicial system to a grinding halt. It is a contention we won't ignore at the bargaining table.

William L. McGowan

William L. McGowan Albany



Joe Cannone: A different drummer

By Sheryl Carlin **CSEA Communications Associate**

SMITHTOWN — By day he wears a blue workshirt and works as a heavy equipment

But by night he dons his black tuxedo and works as a drummer in an eight-piece band

called "Naked Truth."

It all began, Joe Cannone says, when his father, a drummer in the Army, "showed me a rap tap on the drum." Cannone was 12 years old at the time, and he's been hooked on drums ever since.

"I started taking lessons right after that

JOE CANNONE, above, a heavy equipment operator by day, and Joe Cannone, left, a drummer by night.

and I got my first drum set when I was 15," he recalls.

Cannone, now 32, has been a member of the Smithtown CSEA Unit of Suffolk County Local 852 for 11 years. And he's been a member of "Naked Truth" since 1974, the year after the group was formed.

Music's a busy second career for Cannone. The band performs at about 125 weddings, parties and bar mitzvahs each year. The band also rehearses faithfully each week.

"It takes up a lot of my time because I have a professional attitude about our music," he admits, "but it's still a hobby to me and I love it.'

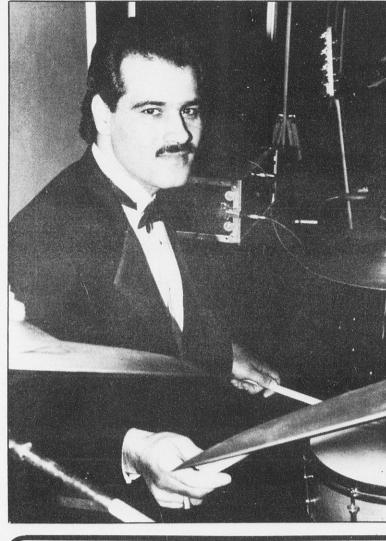
Cannone, who earned a degree in music performance at Suffolk Community College, says the band's music is diverse, from big band and swing sound to top 40 and some rock and roll. They have a road crew to set up and break down the sound system and a

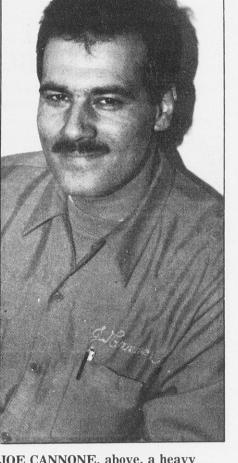
12-foot box van to transport the equipment.
"Understanding" is the way Cannone
describes his wife, whom he married last June. "She's not demanding. We met while I was involved in the band and she knows it takes a lot of my time. She also know that whatever I make is for both of us.'

He says he personally enjoys the music of such bands and performers as Kansas, Steely Dan, Robert Palmer, the Police and Whitesnake.

"To be honest with you, Michael Jackson and Madonna do nothing for me."

Cannone promises to give a substantial discount to any CSEA members who book "Naked Truth." You can call Joe Cannone at (516) 732-2101 for details.





CSEA education program attracts 800 school employees in Yonkers

YONKERS — More than 800 Yonkers School District employees participated in a CSEA-sponsored Education Day program recently.

CSEA Unit President Ray Moniz said the turnout showed a great deal of interest on the part of school district employees in the many workshops CSEA

offered during the program.

'A majority of the employees, for instance, signed up for the workshop on child abuse, which shows me they care about children," Moniz said.

"A lot of employees do the job of two people. They don't do it for the money, they do it out of devotion," he said.

Several information booths were staffed

and workshops were offered on such subjects as civil service regulations, communications skills, health benefits, time management, job advancement, preparing for civil service examinations, retirement planning, stress management, recognizing signs of child abuse, family financial management, Social Security and tax reform.



SUMMERSCAPE AT SUI

Right now is the time to start planning that special vacation for you and your family this summer. And for an unusual, affordable vacation and learning experience, you should consider SUMMERSCAPE

SUMMERSCAPE is a unique and inexpensive vacation and education program offered this summer exclusively for CSEA members or retirees and their families.

SUMMERSCAPE will operate from July 16 to Aug. 6 at three State University of New York (SUNY) college campuses. Interested members or retirees may select the campus of their choice and reserve inexpensive accommodations on campus from a single night

The program will be conducted at SUNY at Buffalo, SUNY at

Plattsburgh and SUNY Maritime College.

Each campus offers comfortable, affordable accomodations, the use of campus dining and many other facilities, educational courses and seminars for participants at modest fees and nearby points of

SUMMERSCAPE is sponsored by the joint CSEA/State Labor/Management Committees in cooperation with SUNY.

Following are details about each campus, including courses to be offered, cost of accommodations, area points of interest and name and address of person to send the coupon, printed at bottom of this page, for information, including reservation forms.

The completed coupon should be sent to the appropriate person at the campus at which you wish to stay.

SUNY AT BUFFALO

A new light-rail rapid transit subway puts recently invigorated downtown Buffalo just 15 minutes away from the campus. Niagara Falls is a featured attraction within easy driving distance. Toronto, one of the most exciting cities in Canada, is a 90-minute drive.

COURSES

Arts and crafts programs will be offered with instructions in pottery, jewelry, weaving, photography, stained glass, paper making, air brush, silk screen and calligraphy.

(Participants will be charged an average of \$5

(Participants will be charged an average of \$5

for supplies and instructions).

COST OF ACCOMMODATIONS

A single room is \$22 per person, per night or \$90 per person, per week.

A double room is \$16.50 per person, per night

or \$82.50 per per person, per week.

Children under 12 in same room will be \$3.50 per night.

Triple and four person rooms also available. Linens are provided at no additional cost. Lounges equipped with TV

MEALS

Meals are available at campus dining facilities and range from \$2.50 for breakfast to \$7 for dinner.

FACILITIES/ATTRACTIONS
Facilities include basketball, tennis and raquetball courts, swimming pool, gym, weight room and track.

Local attractions include botanical and zoological gardens, amusement parks, theater and concerts, museums, Niagara Falls and Buffalo Bison professional baseball.

FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATION FORMS, CONTACT:

Office of Housing/Residence Life 479 Red Jacket Quad Buffalo, N.Y. 14261 (716) 636-2171

SUNY AT PLATTSBURGH

Located in the Lake Champlain/Adirondack Region near the Vermont and Canadian borders

COURSES

Courses will be offered on History of the Adirondacks, Space Exploration, Nutrition and Well-Being, Financing a Child's Education and Aerobics. (Except for the one-hour aerobics course, courses are two hours and will cost

COST OF ACCOMMODATIONS

Single rooms are \$28 per person, per night or \$75 per person, per week.

Double rooms are \$21 per person, per night or \$55 per person, per week.

Children six years and over accepted. Children under 12 must occupy a room with their parents. Linens are provided at no cost.

MEALS

Meals are available at campus dining facilities and range from \$2.75 for breakfast to \$4.75 for dinner.

FACILITIES/LOCAL ATTRACTIONS Campus facilities available include gymnasium, handball and racquetball courts

and bowling lanes.

Nearby attractions include Lake Champlain beaches, ferry trips to Vermont, boat tours of Lake Champlain, La Ronde Amusement Park in Montreal, Lake Placid Olympic sites tours, Ausable Chasm, fishing, SUNY Plattsburgh summer theatre

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NYS/CSEA Labor Management Committees 1 Commerce Plaza Suite 1930 Albany, N.Y. 12260 (518) 473-3417

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COURSES

Courses to be offered include The Story of Navigation, Personal Finance, Introduction to Personal Computers, Nutrition and Health and The World Today (the story of various nations of the world as told by their representatives in the United Nations). Athletic instruction will also be available in swimming, tennis and racquetball.

Each course is one to two hours and will cost less than \$10.

COST OF ACCOMMODATIONS Single rooms are \$25 per night per person and double rooms are \$17 per person per night. Linens are provided at no cost.

MEALS

Meals are available at campus dining facilities for \$3.50 for breakfast, \$4.20 for lunch

and \$4.85 for dinner.
FACILITIES/LOCAL ATTRACTIONS Training ship Empire State, Fort Schuyler Maritime Museum, R.J. Reynolds Planetarium, Yankees and Mets baseball, South Street Seaport, Broadway shows, Bronx Zoo, Bronx Botanical Gardens, golf courses and Northwind Maritime Museum are nearby.
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Region

SYRACUSE — More than 150 CSEA officers and special guests turned out for a recent three-program workshop.

The full-day workshop included sessions conducted by statewide and regional legislative and political action committees and safety and health committees. It also included a segment on issues of special significance to women CSEA members.

Speakers during the political action program included Joyce Dimitri, director of CSEA Political Action Committee (PAC) operations; CSEA Lobbyist Damaris "Demi" McGuire; Region V PAC Chairperson Dorothy Penner-Breen; and Regional PAC Coordinator Dwight Evans.

Those attending the safety and health session heard Mike Messina of the Central New York Council of Occupational Safety and Health and James Valenti, project director for the United Steelworkers.

Chris Carletta, Region V Women's Committee chairperson, presented a twopart program that included a film on respect in the workplace.

The keynote luncheon address was delivered by U.S. Rep. Sherwood Boehlert of



Utica. Describing himself as a moderate, the Republican stressed the need for raising the minimum wage, day care legislation for working parents and an adequate family leave program. Region V President James J. Moore also

introduced Syracuse Mayor Tom Young and Onondaga County Executive Nicholas Pirro.



workshop

BETTY HEWITT, Jordan-Elbridge School Unit president, receives an award from Onondaga County Local 834 President Dale King for her leadership and courage while suffering suspension and management pressure during negotiations.



A WARM WELCOME - U.S. Rep. Sherwood Boehlert is greeted at the Region V Workshop, along with other participants. They are, from left, Syracuse Mayor Tom Young, CSEA Lobbyist Demi McGuire, Region V PAC Chairperson Dorothy Penner-Breen, Boehlert, Region V President James Moore and Onondaga County Executive Nicholas Pirro.



AT THE RECENT Region V Workshop are region Women's Committee members, from left: Alberta Bardoscini, Syracuse State Employees Local 013; Committee Chairperson Chris Carletta, Rome Developmental Center Local 422; Margaret Bunn, Willard Psychiatric Center Local 428; and Regional First Vice President Doris Herrig, committee adviser.

Rescue earns member honors

"All I saw was a foot coming out of the

ELLENVILLE — A Palisades Interstate Park Commission employee has been commended by state lawmakers for saving the life of a three-year-old child last summer.

Adams, a park maintenance worker,

State Assemblyman William Larkin recently presented a legislative resolution to Tim Adams, a member of Palisades Interstate Park Commission CSEA Local 105.

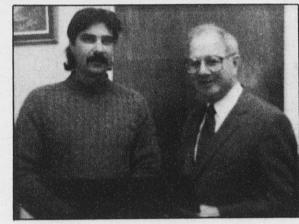
"All I saw was a foot coming out of the water."

-Rescuer Tim Adams

In addition to his legislative commendation, Adams received the New York Valor Award in December from the park commission.

water," he recalled. The foot belonged to three-year-old Donna Pierce of Brooklyn, who had fallen

into the water. Adams dove off a 25-foot cliff into the 60-foot deep water and pulled the frightened child from the lake and put her into the arms of her parents.



A HERO — Tim Adams, left, receives a legislative commendation from Assemblyman William Larkin for saving the life of a threeyear-old last summer.

heard screams coming from Lake

Minnewaska one day last summer.

Should your employer have the right

to eavesdrop?



JANET GESHEIDLE **Dutchess County Education Local 867 Region III**

"No, you're entitled to privacy and if the end result of your work is good quality, there's no reason to invade your privacy. If your work is not up to par there are other ways to investigate the circumstances."



ROBERT SELLE South Beach **Psychiatric Center** Local 413 **Region II**

"No! I don't think it's constitutional. They have no right to and I don't think it's fair. I wouldn't want that to happen to me.'



TOM FINGER **SUNY Buffalo** Local 602 **Region VI**

"No. Everyone has the right to privacy, and employers should not eavesdrop on private conversations."





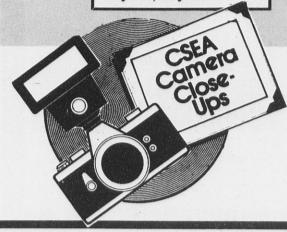
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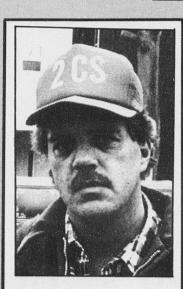
"Being a welfare examiner, it's a different situation. Sometimes I do share case consultations with my supervisor to get as much pertinent information as possible."



SHIRLEY HOLZMACHER **Nassau County** Local 830 Region I

"No, I don't think it's right to eavesdrop on anyone, anytime.





JOHN PAUL **Albany County** Local 801 **Region IV**

"No. I don't think it's fair for management to eavesdrop or listen in on the conversations of their workers at the worksite. The conversations are private, and they should remain that way."

Most committed to Dukakis

are on the ballots in state's primary election April 19

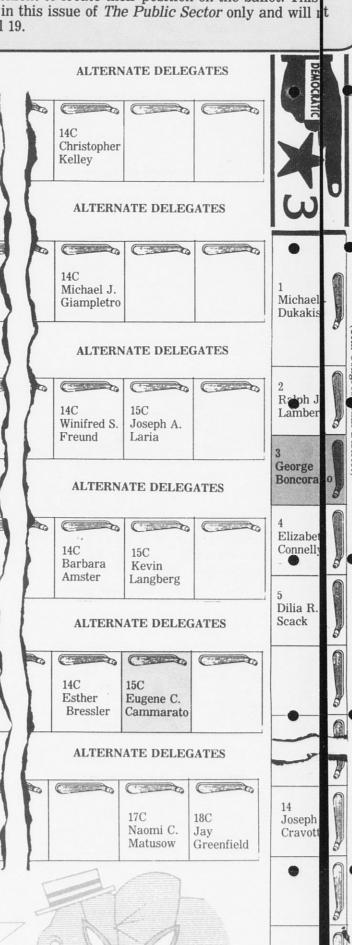
Many CSEA members who go to the polls to vote in New York state's presidential primary election on April 19 will find the names of CSEA members

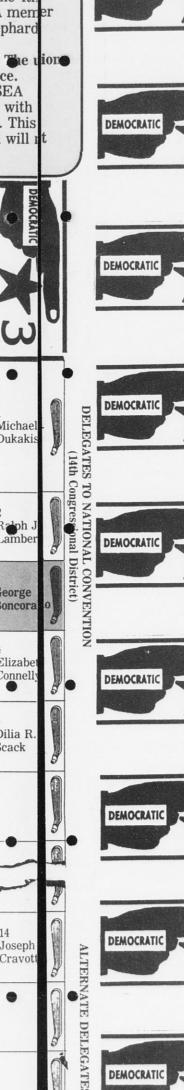
Twenty CSEA members are seeking to become elected delegates to the Democratic national convention. CSEA activists have qualified to appear on Democratic ballots in 16 of the state's 34 congressional districts. Most CSEA activists are running as candidates committed to Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis. Two members are running as uncommitted delegates; Kathryn Schne in the 2nd District, Dorothy Goetz in the 3rd District. Barbara Epstein in the 4th District is a candidate committed to Sen. Albert Gore. An additional CSEA meme qualified to appear as a delegate candidate committed to Rep. Richard Gephar who has since formally dropped out of the primary.

CSEA has NOT endorsed any candidates in the state primary election. The u urges members to freely vote for the candidate and delegates of their choice.

The sample ballots on this page list those Dukakis slates containing CSEA members as delegate candidates. The names of CSEA members are tinted with color here to make it more convenient to locate their position on the ballot. This color tinting is for identification in this issue of The Public Sector only and will appear on actual ballots on April 19.

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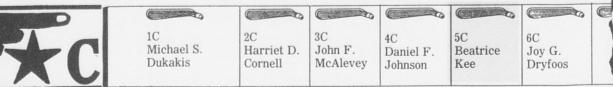




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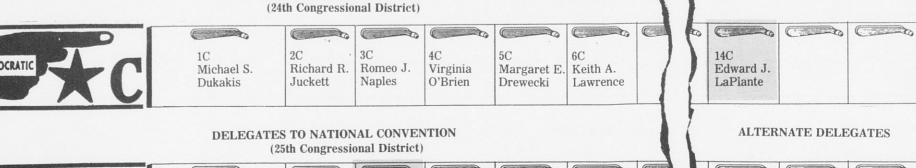
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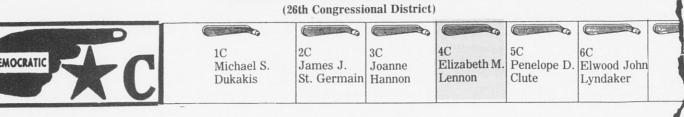
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ECT YOUR DELEGATES



Convention

June 19-24 Los Angeles



Ballots will be in the mail by April 8 for the election of CSEA delegates to the 1988 AFSCME Convention scheduled June 19-24 in Los Angeles.

CSEA will be sending 215 delegates to the AFSCME Convention. Delegates will be elected on a regional basis with each CSEA Region electing a specific number of delegates based on membership strength.

Ballots must be marked in accordance with instructions printed on the reverse side of the ballot. Ballots must be returned by noon, May 2. Ballots returned later will not be counted.

Ballots may be cast for individual candidates, an entire slate of candidates or combinations of both. But the total votes cast cannot exceed the number of delegates assigned for that particular region. Voting for more than the allowed number of delegates will void the entire ballot. Members may, however, vote for less than the region's designated delegates total. No write ins will be allowed when casting ballots.

Ballots should be placed inside the "secret ballot envelope" provided, sealed and then the "secret ballot envelope" should be placed in the enclosed self-addressed, postage-paid return envelope for mailing. Voters must sign the outside of the return envelope and write their Social Security number where indicated.

Social Security numbers are required to validate voter eligibility.

Candidates will, as usual, be afforded an opportunity to observe all aspects of the election process. Contact Marcel Gardner at CSEA Headquarters for details. Tollfree telephone number is 1-800-342-4146, or (518) 434-0191. Ballots will be counted Monday, May 2, at the Teletheatre, 711 Central Ave., Albany.

Results will be published in The Public Sector.

Samples of the ballots by regions are printed on pages 12-17 in this issue of *The Public Sector*. These are sample ballots and cannot be used for actual voting. Voting will be by official ballots only. The names and spellings as they appear on these sample ballots are as requested by the individual candidate.

Region I

Slate 1 (46 candidates) -

- "Regional Slate"
- □ Danny Donohue
- 2□Jerome P. Donahue 3□Gloria Moran
- □Nancy Hernandez
- ₅ □ Carol Guardiano ₅ □ Dorothy Goetz
- 7□Barbara Allen
- B William Maccaro
 Display Michael Curtin
- 10 □ Al Henneborn
- 11☐Tony Bentivegna 12☐Pat Hahn
- 13 ☐Joe LaValle
- 14 □ Paul D'Aleo
- 15 Hank Jenny
- 16 ☐ Tom Byrne
- 17 Jeanne Angiulo
- 18 ☐ Ted Matthews
 19 ☐ Anthony Ruggiero
- 20 □ Nick LaMorte
- 21 ☐ Nick Avella 22 ☐ Marilyn Mahler
- 23 Lucy Jackson
- 24 ☐ Marie Ardell 25 ☐ Ed Zurl
- 26 ☐ Joseph Sheridan
- 27 Ralph Spagnolo
- 28□Rita Wallace 29 Stephen Goldberg
- 30 □Jean Wichmann
- 31 Eugene Cammarato
- 32 John Aloisio
- 33 Roosevelt Jackson
- 34☐Robert Campbell 35☐Dina Chrils
- 36 Patrick Finno
- 37 Robert Ford
- 38 Thomas Gargiulo
- 39 ☐ Jack Geraghty
- 40 □ Alice Groody
- 41□Frank Jaronczyk 42□James Martino
- 43 Paul Nehrich
- 44 Vivian Landstrom
- 45 □ James LaRock
- 46 □ Catherine Green
- 47 ☐ Beth Luttinger
- 48 Barbara Harrington
- 49 William Stanley 50 Louis Dramis
- 51 ☐ Mary Calfapietra 52 ☐ Jay Cartman
- 53 ☐ Phyllis Condon
- 54 Arthur Schneider
- 55 □ Richard Bedell
- 56□William Morris 57□Kathy DiBari
- 58 John Shepherd
- 59 ☐ Annette Hunt

- 60 □ Ann McCann 61 ☐ Marie Fallon
- 62 Mike Turner
- 63 ☐ Kenneth Zwerling 64 ☐ Dorothy Garage
- 65 Tony Hernandez
- 66☐ Tim Courtney 67☐ James Moran
- 68 ☐ Dorothy Boxley 69 ☐ Robert Vorel
- 70 ☐ Ben Gumin 71 □ Aileen Ronayne
- 72 ☐ Marge Higgins
- 73 Bud Dieckman
- 74 ☐ Frances Moglia
- 75 James Madison
- 76 ☐ Elizabeth Puttre Richard J. Pankowski
- 78 Geraldine Esposito
- Phil Santella

 Mathy Griesbeck

 Jean Kendrick
- 82 James Donlon
- 83 Rolland A. Anderson 84 Joseph Harbison
- 85 Joseph Ciavarelli
- 86 □ Paulette Barbera
- 87 □ Eugene Haynes
- 88 Bob Tarsitano
- 89 Dolores Gabay
- ∞ Bessie Lo Balbo
- 91 Gene Townsend
- 92 □ A.J. Wade 93 □ William H. Oram
- 94 Robert Williams
- 95 ☐ Mike Stekardis
- 96 ☐ Mani Chaterpaul

Slate 2 (14 candidates) -

"Long Island Coalition for Union Awareness"

- 97 Edwin Urbat
- 98 □ Pat Doyle
- 100 ☐ Frank M. Laudonio 101 ☐ Walter Doroski
- 102 Joe Boland
- 103 Paul Berniak 104 ☐ John Anderson
- 105 ☐ Edgar August 106 ☐ Donald Mallon
- 107 ☐ Tom Shepard 108 ☐ Clark Nungesser
- 109 Betty Puntarich
- 110 Charles Montalbano

111 Frank Celentano

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 46 CANDIDATES

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Region II

Slate 1 (19 candidates) -

"Leadership Slate"

¹□George Boncoraglio ²□Denise Berkley

₃ □ Denis Tobin

↓□Tony Bailous

₅□Harriet Hart

6□Sharon Katz

¬□Vincent Martusciello

George AustinBob Nurse

10 ☐ Mickey Cruz

□ Mohamed Hussain

12 ☐ Jessie Jones

13 ☐ Peter Antico

14□Robert Keeler

15 Willie Terry

16 □ Priscilla Bullock

17 ☐ John Jackson

18 ☐ Jean Jenkins

19 □ Roy Seabrook

Slate 2 (10 candidates) -

"The Membership Slate"

20□Jimmy Gripper 21□Jeri McMillan-Cherry

22 Ernest Richardson

23 Brenda Nichols

24☐Shirley Baron 25☐Yvon Destine

26 □ James White

27 Kim Carter

28 ☐ Felix D. Rodriguez

29 ☐ Robert Gripper

Slate 3 (3 candidates)

"Rank and File Slate"

30 ☐ Joel Schwartz

31 ☐ Mary Greenman
32 ☐ Julia Stanley

33 □ Charles Perry

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 19 CANDIDATES

Rockland targets language barrier

NEW CITY — Rockland County CSEA Unit President Vicki Burton has been appointed to serve on a county committee to develop a job-related course on English as a second language. It will be offered to county employees at the county's health complex in Pomona.

The appointment was announced recently by the Rockland County

Executive John Grant.
Grant noted that approximately 150 county employees would benefit from the planned course.

A report prepared by the county's Affirmative Action coordinator suggests that the majority of those 150 are in the housekeeping, kitchen, laundry and other aide positions.

Also serving on the committee are Dr. Thomas Clark, president of Rockland Community College and Affirmative Action Coordinator Luis del

"I want to congratulate County Executive Grant for his initiative in this area," said Burton. "CSEA officials in Rockland as well as the state have been strong supporters of similar programs.

"I know many members will be looking forward to the opportunity to participate in this program. CSEA's involvement from the start will ensure that the program will meet our members' needs."

Members' generosity is overwhelming

EAST MEADOW — CSEA members at Nassau County Medical Center (NCMC) showed support and caring when a member's home was destroyed by fire recently.

Grace Benfari, a hospital aide at NCMC received cash, pots and pans, china, a toaster, a television set, blankets, clothing and a coffee maker.

Benfari wrote to CSEA Unit President
Jack Geraghty, "The membership
contributed substantially to our cause. They embraced us with their kindness and love. Without their help, we could never have been able to resume our lives as normally as possible after a major disaster. To all of the members, we are eternally grateful for your kindness.

The Benfari's Elmont home was destroyed last month. None of the family members were hurt. The family is currently living in a trailer on their lot and plan to rebuild

Phillip Benfari, Grace's husband, said he has called the hotlines of the Nassau County executive and the town supervisor to praise the kindness of the NCMC staff.



WARWICK CONTRACT — A three-year contract has been signed that will provide 200 Warwick Valley School district employees represented by CSEA with pay hikes of 24 percent over the life of the agreement. Shown at contract signing are, from left seated, Terry Sinsabough, CSEA Unit President Naomi Kaplan, Acting Schools Superintendent Dr. Norman Schwartz and CSEA Field Representative Jim Farina. Standing are Mary McConville, Business Administrator Mary Lou Donnelly and CSEA negotiating team members John Gorzynski and Rick Daubert. Team members Virginia Carr, Regina Foley and Dave Cooper were unable to attend the signing.

Region III

Slate 1 (38 candidates) -"Unity Slate - Region III" □Pat Mascioli 2□Jack Cassidy 3□Rose Marcinkowski □John Lowery □Madeline Gallagher ₃□Sean Egan Norma Condon 10 □ Diane Lucchesi 11□Raymond O'Connor 12□Helen Zocco 13 ☐ Thomas LeJeune 14□Glenda Davis 15 ☐ Grace Ann Aloisi 16□Flo Kimmel i₁□Irena Kobbe 18 ☐ Lee Pound 19 □ George Ballard 20□Edward Carafa 21 □ Carl Mathison 22☐Irene Amaral 23☐Gary Eldridge 24☐Paul Shutowich 25☐Alex Hogg 26 ☐ Marie Lewis 27 □ Naomi Kaplan 28 □ Henry Walters 29 □ Tony Blasie 30 □ Martin Sherow 31 ☐ Maryjane MacNair 32 □ Alice May

Slate	2 (3 candidates) ———
1	"Westchester Schools Slate"
	39□William (Bill) Hughes 40□Vincent Bonelli 41□John Catoe
	42□Carol Peets 43□Marge Harrison 44□Raymond Moniz
Slate	3 (10 candidates)
	"School, County, City, State Unity Slate"
	45 ☐ Francis J. DeLauri 46 ☐ Barbara J. Hogan 47 ☐ Sabina Shapiro 48 ☐ Sally Bauer 49 ☐ Steve Bardin 50 ☐ Marianna Nelson 51 ☐ Doug Jefferies 52 ☐ Vincent Panetta

53 □ Colleen Manning 54 ☐ Michael Moravsky

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Slate 5 (4 candidates) -"Alternate Slate" ∞ George Kelley 81 ☐ Elizabeth Kearney 82□Cecile Ayres 83□Mary M. Moore

84 ☐ Vicki Burton

85 ☐ Peggy Maas 86 ☐ Douglas Mayette

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 38 CANDIDATES

Mamaroneck makes gains

MAMARONECK — A three-year contract for 65 village of Mamaroneck employees will result in wage increases of six percent retroactive to June 1, 1987; 7 percent effective June 1 of this year and 7 percent in 1989.

₃□Bea Kee

Pat Nealon □ Michael Torres

36 ☐ Andrea Christensen 37 □J. Dave Score 38 □ Rossie Smith

According to CSEA Collective Bargaining Specialist Donald Partrick, the new agreement also provides:

* \$50 increase in longevity payments

* Double time for snow-related work on Sundays & holidays

* 20-year retirement plan

* Increase in health insurance coverage for

In addition, any employee out of work because of a disability will have 100 percent of his or her insurance premiums paid for a threemonth period.

Village employees are members of Westchester County CSEA Local 860.



CONTRACT SIGNED — Village of Mamaroneck CSEA Unit President Jack Yannuzzi and Village Manager Joe Fraioli sign a three-year contract for 65 village employees. Seated next to them is Mary Santoro, a member of the negotiating team. Standing are Unit Treasurer Joan Flynn; team member John Gianunzio; Collective Bargaining Specialist Don Partrick and team member Lind Anderson. Missing from the picture -Unit Vice President Robert Germani and Region III Field Representative Wendy Hord.



Region IV

Slate 1 (39 candidates) -"United Slate" 1□Joe McDermott 2□C. Allen Mead

₃□Joan Tobin

□ Louis Altieri
□ Betty Lennon
□ Jeanne Lyons
□ Doug Persons

10□Jeanne Kelso

□Georgianna Natale

12□Lester Cole Jr. 13□Anita Walther 14□Rose DeSorbo

15 ☐ Charles Staats 16 ☐ Thomas Connell

17□Susan Matan 18 ☐ Frances Jeffress

19 Glennen Woodward

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Shirley Ponkos
Gerald Brewster

25 ☐ Richard Canniff 26 □ Delores Farrell 27 Elizabeth Habiniak

28 William Sohl 29 Richard Plumadore

30 □ Nunzio (Nick) Russo

31 Suzanne Waltz 32 Victor Putman

33 □ Leroy Holmes 34 □ Ellen Diange

35 Ida Barlow 36 □ Corinne B. Daly

37 William McMahon

38 ☐ John Gully 39 Cindy Egan 40 ☐ Marge Oxbrough 41□Judy Remington

Slate 2 (22 candidates) -

"Team IV Better Services Slate"

42□Barbara A. Stack 43 John Francisco

44□Susan Crawford 45□June Robak

46□Thomas Jefferson 47□John D. Wakewood

48 Marianne Herkenham 49□ David Biddle

50 ☐ Kenneth Klemp 51 □ Carol Strokes

52□Peg Buko-Farber 53□John V. Loveday Jr.

54☐Mary Mallgraf 55 ■ Netha DeGroff

Polly Kimmey
Gloria J. Rutkey
Kathy Fitzpatrick
Catherine E. Wilkie

∞ Marta Tuthill

61 □ Louise McGlauflin 62 Kathy Wojnarowski 63 Fran Wilusz

Slate 3 (6 candidates) -

"United A-1 Slate"

64 ☐ George La Plante

65 □ Cheryl Abbott 66 □ Robyn L. Brown

67 ☐ Kathleen Hoodack 68 ☐ Karen Jazvinski

69 □ Kevin Kosiba

70 ☐ Ernestine Lafayette

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 39 CANDIDATES

Improving reading and writing skills objective of unique literacy program

BRENTWOOD — Dozens of CSEA members at several state psychiatric and developmental centers around the state are participating in a literacy program jointly sponsored by CSEA and the Governor's Office of Employee Relations.

One of those facilities is the Pilgrim Psychiatric Center, where nearly two dozen members of CSEA Local 418 are participating.

The program, know as Principal of the Alphabet Literacy System (PALS), is geared toward CSEA members whose reading ability falls below the equivalent of a sixth-grade level. The program teaches reading and writing by using IBM

interactive computers. The course, lasting about 20 weeks, is designed to develop reading and writing

skills as well as enabling the individual to become familiar with computers and touch typing. Sessions are about 90 minutes long, and members attend on state time under the

Local 418 President Pat Hahn applauded the program and the cooperation between CSEA and the state.

"I think this program is very important to our members. Being literate is a key to being able to advance in the workplace and in one's personal life," Hahn said.

CSEA Long Island Region President Danny Donohue called the program "a phenomenal benefit to the members who use and said he hopes similar programs will be implemented in other facilities on Long Island soon.

Self-help guide to retirement planning soon to be available to state employees

If you're age 50 or older, now is the time to do some serious planning for your retirement.

Pre-retirement planning is the key to a successful retirement. Studies show those who do advance planning reduce their own anxiety about retirement and increase their personal satisfaction about being retired.

The key is to start thinking, and doing something about it well before reaching actual retirement age. The New York State Office for the Aging hopes to stimulate the 46,000 state employees who are 50 years of age or older to think about and begin planning for their eventual retirement.

A comprehensive workbook for pre-retirement planning, titled *Directions: A* Self-Help Guide, has been developed and will soon be made available to all state employees 50 years old or older who are

> State employees 50 and older should watch for posters in the workplace for information on how to obtain workbook

represented by CSEA, PEF, AFSCME Council 82 and GOER's Division of Management/Confidential Affairs.

Directions: A Self-Help Guide is funded by joint labor/management committees of the state and the unions.

The workbook is designed to provide retirement information and resources, help individuals identify what questions they must start asking and motivate personal retirement planning.

The workbook contains information about state pensions, retiree health insurance, Social Security and financial planning. Also included is information about leisure time, housing concerns, health, legal affairs and work options. The workbook format allows all retirement information to be kept in one

Each state agency will be responsible for distribution of the workbook to eligible state employees 50 years of age or older. The workbooks will be available this spring, and posters will go up in the workplaces soon informing employees of their agency's distribution system.

Region V

Slate 1 (37 candidates). "Leadership Slate" 1□Jim Moore 2□Kathy Collins ₃ Dolores Herrig 6 □ Dorothy Penner-Breen 7 □ Maureen Malone ■Pat Crandall .☐Helen Hanlon 10☐Frank Perretta 11☐Irene Carr 12□Mary Lauzon 13□Ron Draper 14 Charles Whitney 15 ☐Joan Brower 16 ☐ Sharon Connor 17□Bruce Nolan 18□Doris Pratz 19 ☐ Frank Zammiello Dan Spring Dan Spring Roslie Tallman Dave Berry David Livingstone 24 Anne Cooke 25 Mary Sullivan 26 Bud Mulchy

27 Dale Dusharm

32□Mary Hanna 33□Tim Henehan

35 □ Richard Reno

37 □ Linda Crisafulli

36 ☐ Ken Bailey

34□Bruce Dickinson

28 □ Linda Fiorentino 29 □Jack Wood 30□Rick Galbally 31□Jean Alverson

"Alternates Slate" 38 ☐ Tom Ward 39 □ Barbara Reeves 40 ☐ Robert Goeckel 41□George Lawson 42□Ginger Sheffey 43 □ Patricia Labrozzi 44 □ Alice Steckiewicz Slate 3 (3 candidates)_ "Big Three Slate" 45 □ Rosemary N. Baker 46□Louise Smith 47 ☐ Joe Chiarello 48□Sandra Delia 49□Kay Walton Slate 4 (3 candidates) -"Upstaters Slate" 50 □ Gladys Smith 51 □ Ellen Price

Slate 2 (7 candidates) -

CSEA wins uniform rate

GOSHEN — Orange County employees who received a uniform allowance last year will share an award of \$6,700 thanks to a recent grievance filed by CSEA.

The 268 Infirmary and Health Department employees who are covered by the uniform allowance clause each received \$125 in 1987.

On Aug. 21, 1987, county officials and CSEA signed a new contract, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1987, which increased the uniform allowance to \$150 for 1987, \$175 in 1988 and

But the county balked at paying the additional \$25 for employees in 1987, if they had already received their allowance.

"In CSEA's view the contract required the full payment provided the employee had completed a full year of service," said CSEA Attorney Barton Bloom.

Arbitrator Martin Sheinman reasoned that the intention of the uniform allowance increase was in recognition of the increased costs related to wearing the uniform. "The parties agreed to improve the allowance from \$125 to \$150 in 1987," he noted.

Sheinman pointed out "the allowance is a yearly one, reflecting the wearing of a uniform for a year. As such, the allowance is not divisible and is not subject to part payment."

Orange County CSEA Unit President Dave Score said the winning of the grievance was a result of union teamwork and the good memory of infirmary nurse Mary Lempkin who remembered how the uniform payment situation was handled in 1981.

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 37 CANDIDATES

Time clock punched out in Newburgh schools

52 □ Emma J. Gregory

53 ☐ Berton H. Porter

56 ☐ M. Elizabeth Twing

54□Nathan "Nate" Giromini 55□Randy Hall

NEWBURGH — The Newburgh City School District violated the collective bargaining contract with CSEA when employees were unilaterally required to record their time of arrival and departure as well as meal breaks on a newly installed time clock.

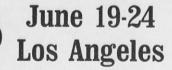
According to Region III Field Representative Jim Farina, full-time employees were required to sign in on an attendance sheet. But in July 1986, a time clock was installed, and a memo was issued ordering all library employees to record not only their arrival, but their departure and their lunch breaks as well. CSEA filed an Improper Practice charge.

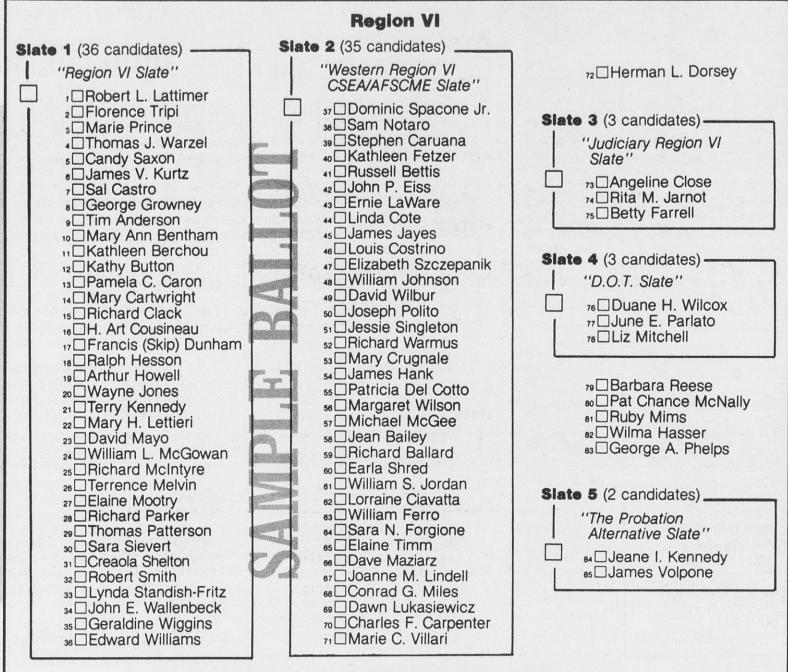
Although school district officials insisted that they had not changed any time and attendance requirements, Administrative Law Judge David P. Quinn disagreed and ordered the district to rescind the memo because it was never negotiated with the union.



AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ruled the Newburgh School District could not unilaterally require employees to record arrival, departure and meal break times on a newly installed time clock. Shop Steward Maria Rubino, right, is shown destroying a time card as a symbol of the union's victory. Also pictured are, from left, Region III Field Representative Jim Farina; Newburgh City School District Unit President Frank DeLauri, who also serves as Orange County Local president, and Shop Steward Joanne Lugo.







VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 36 CANDIDATES

Hefty pay hikes for Eastchester members

EASTCHESTER — CSEA-represented school district employees in this Westchester County community will receive pay increases of more than 18 percent over three years as the result of a recently-ratified contract.

CSEA Collective Bargaining Specialist Don Partrick said employees have received a 6 percent increase retroactive to last July 1 and will receive 6 percent this coming July 1 and 6.5 percent in 1989.

The new contract also provides:

* a 20 year retirement plan;

* the CSEA Employee Benefit Fund dental plan;

* increases in longevity pay and bereavement leave; * bonus pay for "superior" evaluations.

In photo at right, Eastchester School District Unit President Arlene Bonime signs a three-year contract. To her left is Vincent Forte, president of the Board of Education. Standing, from left, are Assistant School Superintendent Stephen Leiber, unit member Anthony Gizzo, CSEA Collective Bargaining Specialist Don Partrick and CSEA Field Representative Glenn Blackman.





Security is spread thin

Compiled by Daniel X. Campbell CSEA Communications Associate

ALBANY — Security for the tens of thousands of public employees and the general public who work in or visit the huge state government complexes here is being stretched so thin as to be virtually non-existent.

CSEA, which represents most of the thousands of public workers in the Albany area, and District Council 82, which represents the Capital Police employees, are jointly accusing the state of reducing security to a dangerous level. Both CSEA and Council 82 are major affiliates of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO.

"Management has allowed the security force to be cut so thin that it has reached an unsafe level, yet management continues to schedule even more cuts," says an angry John D. Corcoran Jr., regional director of CSEA's Capital Region.

And the executive director of Council 82 and the president of Capital Police Local 1870 charge the state is misleading the public about security at the various

facilities.

Council 82 Executive Director Richard J. Bischert and Local 1870 President Roland Martin both claim the state's recent public comment that the 72-member security force is adequate was wrong. Bischert and Martin note that 35 of the 72 positions are

management or special assignment ones, leaving a virtual skeleton force for actual patrol work spread over three shifts.

Martin said there may be as few as seven officers and one sergeant per shift to cover the vast Empire State Plaza complex, the huge State Office Building Campus area, all state parking lots and the many other large state office facilities scattered throughout the area. That meager force is often further reduced by illnesses or other reasons, he said.

As few as four officers often comprise the midnight shift.

"How," challenges CSEA's Corcoran, "can the state tell the news media there are 72 officers available when less than 10 percent of that figure is actually on patrol at any time?"

Both CSEA and AFSCME claim the Capital Police force was more than 100 strong in 1981 but has been reduced to 72 total personnel now because of attrition without any replacements. CSEA and AFSCME say that more surveillance equipment installed over the recent years is of help but cannot replace the human security element.

CSEA says its members as well as the general public are subject to large numbers of incidents in and around the government facilities. Last year CSEA especially complained about a rash of muggings and car break-ins near state parking lots.

"So far this spring we had another member mugged, and recently a Capital Police officer was assaulted as well," notes CSEA's Corcoran. He says many incidents occur simply because scurity is spread so thin.

"It's getting closer and closer that one of my men is going to get seriously hurt or, God forbid, get killed," says Martin in reference to the officer assaulted. In mid-March a man suspected of breaking into cars in an underground state parking area assaulted a security officer and tried to wrestle-his gun away. The suspect was apprehended after three civilians came to help the officer. "He (the officer) might have been shot to death with his own weapon" if the trio of passersby had not come to his aid, Martin believes.

"That incident shows how dangerous it can be for employees and the public," says Corcoran. "The situation is very serious when even security officers are being assaulted. But a more constant danger is how few officers there are to respond to any incident."

CSEA and AFSCME say they plan to work together in an effort to convince the state to increase security in the various government facilities. Martin, for instance, says he would like to see an additional two patrolmen added to each eight-hour shift.

"That would be a good start," agrees CSEA's Corcoran.

City plays politics with Mt. Vernon unit

MT. VERNON — Mt. Vernon employees who are members of CSEA have charged city officials with using a lawsuit against the city as a bargaining chip in contract negotiations.

"We had the makings of a good contract," said Collective Bargaining Specialist Don Partrick, "and now the politicians are holding our contract hostage."

CSEA has declared an impasse in negotiations and has requested a mediator, Partrick said.

The class action lawsuit, filed recently in Westchester County Supreme Court, would require the city to give approximately 25 crossing guards permanent job status which would allow them benefits and Social Security deductions. The guards, all female employees, are currently paid on a per diem

basis and are considered temporary employees.

According to state civil service law, an employee who has worked in a temporary position for six months must be given a permanent appointment. In Mt. Vernon, the appointment must be made after just one month of temporary service, according to the city's own civil service law.

Despite these laws, some Mt. Vernon crossing guards have been working in temporary positions for as long as 16 years.

"We finally became so frustrated that a class action lawsuit was our only option," said Paul Sousa, Mt. Vernon CSEA Unit president.

City officials involved in the collective bargaining process with the union, have now thrown a wrench into negotiations. "We were nearly home with a satisfactory package," said Sousa, "and now they tell us that they'll wind up negotiations and settle the lawsuit if we pay for part of our health insurance which will help to pay for the cost of health benefits for the crossing guards. Then they'll give them permanent status.

"Why should we have to pay for benefits that the city should have given the crossing guards years ago?" Sousa asked.

CSEA Region III President Pat Mascioli said he was "tired of the games management is playing," and he warned "we will use all means to have the public employees of Mt. Vernon respected for the services they deliver to the citizens of the city."

The 149 employees are members of Westchester County Local 860.

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AND THE OTHER THING

If you have an item of interest for *This, That & the other thing*, bring it to the attention of your CSEA regional communications associate. Their phone numbers are listed on page 2.



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Case won by Merrit CSEA Local 819 Genes

CSEA Local 819 Genesee Community College Unit Shop Steward Karl Merrit has won removal of a disciplinary letter from his personnel file — a letter that should never have been there in the first place!

The letter was written following a CSEA right-to-know complaint against the college that was upheld by the state Attorney General. The situation was covered in depth in a recent edition of *The Public Sector*.

The removal of the unjustified letter from Merrit's file was part of the settlement.

A purr-fect hero

CSEA Racing and Wagering Board Local 460 member Louis Tucker is the *cat's meow* at the 400 Broome Street office in Manhattan, where he works as a supply and mailroom clerk.

Rescuing five healthy kittens abandoned in a brown paper bag left in the building's dumpster, Tucker and co-workers plied the newborns with milk until adoptive homes were arranged for all of them with state agency employees in the building.

"We were just about to dump heavy boxes on them, when I saw papers moving," said Tucker, who is a composer and musical arranger when not at his state post.

For his acts of kindness, we nominate him for the 1988 A-CAT-EMY Award!



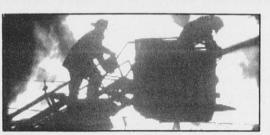
Fire destroyed their home

CSEA Downstate
Correctional Facility
Local 155 member Pat
Libretti and his family
lost all of their posessions
in a recent fire.

Libretti was home with his wife and three

children on the night of March 4 when a neighbor warned them that her apartment was in flames as a result of careless smoking.

"Thank God, we all got out in time," said Libretti.



"They lost everything but the clothes on their backs," added Local 155 President Bob Anderson, who is spearheading a drive for clothing, blankets and money to help the family.

Anyone wishing to make a donation should send it to Libretti's parents' home. The address is:

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Libretti 16 Kingston Avenue Poughkeepsie, New York 12603



Freudian mailbag

The Public Sector receives a lot of mail each day and every once in a while an item slips in that's worth a chuckle. For example, Editor Roger Cole recently received a letter addressed to Roger College — from the State University of all places!

Then there was a letter from a state legislator who carried the idea of contracting-out to ridiculous lengths, addressing us as *The Private*



GRIEVANCE WON — Newburgh Schools custodian Brad Clausen, left, won \$400 in back pay and advanced two schedules after CSEA filed an out-of-title work grievance for him. Although classified a cleaner, Clausen was operating equipment and performing mechanical work, too. Pictured with him are Unit President Frank DeLauri and CSEA Region III Field Representative Jim Farina.

Can't hide those lion eyes

Toll collector Cindy Teator thought it was strange that automobiles approaching the Rip Van Winkle Bridge were stopping to look up the hill. The bridge is in CATskill, but Teator couldn't believe that drivers had spotted a real live lion!

Teator called the state police — "They thought I was kidding!" — who found out the kitty cat belonged to a local resident who was not at home.

To the rescue, a true hero — the cat-handler from the nearby Catskill Game Farm, fearlessly armed with his trusty tranquilizer gun. Ready, aim, FIRE and bullseye! The giant cat was off to dreamland.

But how to get it to the game farm to await the owner? Teator suggested calling the local ambulance service to get a stretcher to bring it back alive.

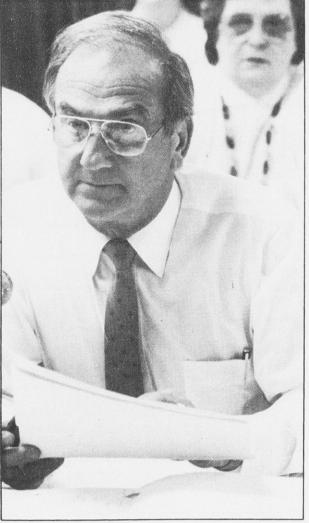
You can imagine the reaction of the ambulance personnel when they were told why they were called.

State contracts miss deadline

Intense bargaining continues



NEGOTIATIONS—In above photo, Mary Pat Fox, chairman of CSEA's Administrative Services bargaining team, is deep in concentration. In center photo above, CSEA chief negotiator Ernest Rewolinski goes eyeball to eyeball with a state negotiator across the table. In photo at lower right, CSEA's Director of Research William Blom, in shirt sleeves, confers with CSEA statewide President William L. McGowan about a bargaining proposal.



ALBANY — Despite late night, sometimes nearly around-the-clock bargaining as the deadline drew near, CSEA and state negotiators failed to reach agreement on new contracts covering 105,000 state workers as old contracts expired April 1.

As this issue of *The Public Sector* went to press, negotiators continued to meet long and tiring hours in an effort to reach a tentative agreement on new contracts as the deadline came and went.

Contract talks between CSEA and the state have been on-going since late last year. Affected are about 105,000 state employees in the Administrative, Operational and Institutional Services units and the Division of Military and Naval Affairs.

Provisions of the expired contracts remained in effect while negotiators worked feverishly to hammer out new agreements.

