CWA Local 9410 News Bulletin for August 2014

August 12thExecutive Board MeetingAugust 19thSteward's MeetingAugust 24thCWA D9 Softball Tournament

2pm 5pm 8am – 6pm Union Hall Union Hall Martinez Softball Complex

ELECTION FOR OFFICERS

Nominations for CWA Local 9410 Officers and Executive Board Members for the term 2015 – 2017 will be held at the General Membership meeting on September 23, 2014 at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

HELP SAVE ATWATER AT&T MOBILITY CALL CENTER

AT&T Mobility had decided to close call center in Atwater, CA and Springfield, IL and eliminate almost 600 CWA jobs. CWA members have kept AT&T financially healthy and profitable with their experience, skills and dedication serving our customers and communities. CWA members also solicited our friends, families and fellow Union members to buy AT&T services and products since AT&T is the only completely unionized wireless carrier. CWA and **Unity @Mobility** have been actively pursuing bringing these jobs back to the company – AT&T needs to hear from us. Sign the petition asking AT&T to keep the call center jobs at: <u>www.facebook.com/CWALOCAL 9410</u>.

POST OFFICE WORKER UNDER ATTACK!

Post office jobs are under attack as the U.S. Post Office has closed hundreds of processing plants and open kiosks at Staples and other box stores. Work that should be done by uniformed postal workers in secure facilities have been contracted out, now jeopardizing security of the U.S. mail as well as good jobs for postal workers and letter carriers. We ask all of our members to **Boycott Staples stores**!

Read more at: <u>http://www.cwa-union.org/news/entry/cohen_to_apwu_members_us_mail_not_for_sale</u>

CALIFORNIA KIN CARE

California Kin Care law allows employees to take ½ of their annually accrued sick leave to care for an ill close family member. You can take Kin Care to care for the following family members: Spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, or child (includes biological, adopted, foster, step, legal ward or child of a registered domestic partner).

Also an eligible employee may take Kin Care to care for a family member with an illness such as the common cold or flu as well as serious health conditions covered by FMLA/CFRA. **(Cal. Lab. Code §233)** For more information visit:

http://workfamilyca.org/resources/pdf/ca_family_leave_guide2013.pdf

CALIFORNIA LABOR FEDERATION CONVENTION

On July 27-29th the California Labor Federation held its Bi-Annual Convention in San Diego. The focus was "All in to Win" with Unions workers standing together going on the offense against the big money/corporate greed.

As executive secretary Art Pulaski "Today, multi-millionaires and billionaires want to take away our right to organize; take away our right to have a voice; take away our right to participate in our democracy, **Prop 32** was just latest effort to attack working people – but we will fight back!"

General Election is on Tuesday, November 4, 2014! Register to vote!!

1St CWA DISTRICT 9 – NCNC SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

District 9 NCNC is hosting its 1st CWA softball tournament at the Martinez Softball Complex. Date: Sunday, August 24, 2013 Time: 10am -4pm If you are interested, please contact the Local or speak with your Steward.

Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement

CWA President Larry Cohen said 230 House members, three-fourths of our members of the House Democratic Caucus and Republicans wrote to the president rejecting the Trans-Pacific Partnership. They had issues with the failure to raise currency; lack of congressional input and lack of core labor standards(minimum wage) and enforcement of labor provisions(multinationals enforcing their claims). Phillip Morris could sue any country or corporation, organization or person that harm their future profits for "safety health warning on cigarette packets." WOW!

Contact your congress representatives and tell them to **VOTE NO ON TPP**!

Memoriam

Charlie James Dunn passed away on July 8, 2014 in Reno playing his beloved game of cribbage. Brother Dunn worked for the Pacific Telephone for 40 years where he became chief steward, then elected vice president and then President of CWA Local 9430 in Foster City (now Local 9423). Charlie has supported the labor movement throughout his life and always advocated fair play. He will be greatly missed.

Thank You For Supporting Your Union

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Respectfully,

Larry Yee Secretary/Treasurer