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'Sup, Sibs?

Whats up Siblings. Today's newsletter will focus on our interview process, tax measure support, a country that sees unions on the rise and I will comment on my recent trip to the AFL-CIO Conference. In the next several weeks the members of the CLC, Building Trades and other organization leaders will come together to interview prospective candidates for Council and School Board seats. Coming off a successful primary election, where our endorsed candidates, Wanda Williams in Solano and Joelle Gallagher and Anne Cottrell in Napa County all advanced to the General Election, our Leaders will come together under United Workers for Local Government, a coalition that originated in 2001 and meets monthly to this day, and will assemble for several full days to hear from those candidates seeking endorsements. We are conducting early endorsement interviews for elected officials we have endorsed in every race for the seat they are running for, to determine if they deserve the support of working people again. In August we will begin the grueling process of interviewing candidates that we have not yet supported and will come together to identify a Labor Slate which we will get behind and help labor friendly Siblings get elected. We will also be looking into the various Tax and Bond measures that will be on the ballots in Napa and Solano Counties.

We will also see a positive indication that union membership is on the rise as young people across the Country are standing up to demand the right to organize, collectively bargain and toil in a workplace that treats them with dignity and respect, with pay and benefits that will allow them to retire in the same manner! Pretty simple right? Businesses who were thought to be forever anti-worker are now seeing their workforces demand the core rights we feel every worker should enjoy.

I recently attended the AFL-CIO Convention in Philadelphia, PA where Labor Leaders came together for the first time since COVID-19 to elect our new leadership after the tragic passing of President Trumka. We also heard many exciting speakers including President Joe Biden and Stacy Abrahms, and also conducted the business of the convention, passing resolutions meant to bring Labor together. These including two that resonated with me personally. The body passed resolutions to give more support to Central Labor Councils and State Federations, allowing us to better organize and mobilize to support worker issues. They also pledged to provide resources and energy in support of organizing Young Workers to carry the movement forward. Take a look at our web site to get the full convention report.

Have a great week!

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General Election 2022: Preparation, Candidate Interviews, Bond/Tax Measures

As we approach the 2022 General Election, we are now preparing for our biggest and most advanced effort yet to fight for labor champions in both Solano and Napa Counties. These efforts will include the usual series of candidate interviews followed by Field Operations to reach union voters and the broader public.

As we strategize and prepare for the General Election, we have scheduled a series of dates for endorsements. Please note the dates that candidate interviews are planned to the right - exact times and locations to be determined. These interviews are critical for bringing together the broader labor movement and wide range of issues impacting our workers across sectors and all walks of life. Please note that there will also be multiple tax and bond measures that will be under consideration by this Council. These measures include critical investments in services, jobs, and infrastructure, and must be explored and considered by the local labor movement.

This Election presents us with the opportunity to establish pro-worker majorities in both Counties, alongside defending and expanding labor's power in a variety of the cities and school districts. Following the accelerated development of new digital methods of campaigning during Covid and the return of more traditional methods such as canvassing, the arms race for advanced field operations continues, and we will be the best at reaching workers and the broader voting public. We encourage all affiliates to participate in the upcoming candidate interviews, the updates on General Election strategy at our United Workers for Local Government (UWLG) meetings, and to be a part of the field operations in August through November. The opportunity for us to defend and advance worker power is here and now, and we look forward to seeing all of you on the frontlines.

Glenn Loveall
Special Projects Coordinator
Napa/Solano CLC

Endorsement Interview Dates

Early Endorsements

Tuesday, July 12th

and

Monday, July 18th

*to be ratified at the
NSCLC meeting on
July 20th.*

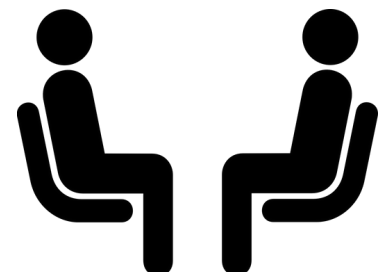
General Election Endorsements

Monday, August 1st

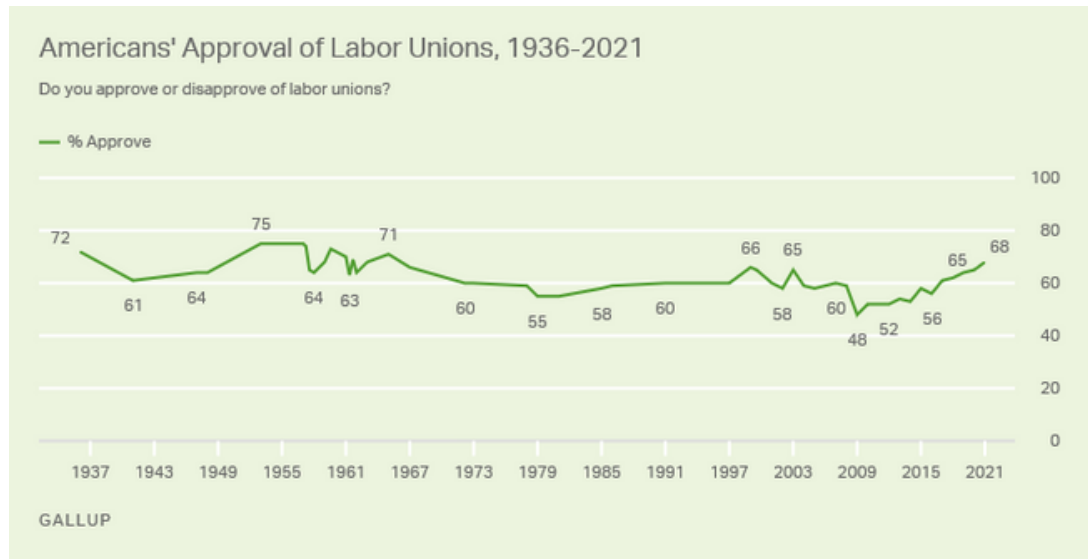
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Tuesday, August 16th

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NSCLC meeting on
August 17th.*



Worker Surge – Public Opinion and Support for Unions



Source: news.gallup.com/poll/354455/approval-labor-unions-highest-point-1965.aspx

Support for unions is back, and the public is the most interested it's been in workers rights in decades. Following more than 40 years of stagnating wages and diminishing unionization rates, supermajorities of the public now support unions, with new organizing and strike actions across the board. As the gap between the wealthy and everyone else has reached heights not seen since before the Great Depression, workers everywhere are ready to fight back and stand up for their rights. From Google to Amazon, and from Starbucks to non-profits and the staff of Congress itself, the once unimaginable is now possible.

This increase in public interest and worker actions is an historic opportunity for our movement. Fundamentally, our broader society shares the many values of labor, from supporting middle-class jobs to protecting workers rights to organize and our advocacy for economic justice and basis fairness. While public perception is often broadly positive for us, it can be endangered in times of recession and anti-worker political reactions. Nonetheless, the broadly shared public support for us is pervasive and seen across income and education levels, as well across racial groups (See the chart above).

Public support is crucial in many ways, including voter support for our public policies and candidates and for community solidarity and pressure to assist union organizing efforts. These public opinion trends also reveal a potential weakness that we must look out for- the presence of ambiguous views about our impact on the broader workforce and our society as a whole. While we often enjoy more support than not in this department, public education is critical. Higher unionization rates result in better wage and working conditions for all workers. Ultimately, our movement works to improve the lives of workers alongside advancing broader policies that are beneficial to the public and the working and middle classes alike, such as expanded access to education, infrastructure, health care, and civil rights protections from discrimination. When push comes to shove, we will not leave our communities and we will always fight for a better path for workers and the societies in which we live.

Member Spotlight – Glenn Loveall, Napa-Solano Central Labor Council



My name is Glenn Loveall, and some of you already know me as the Special Projects Coordinator for the Napa-Solano Central Labor Council (AFL-CIO).

I grew up in Fairfield and throughout much of Solano County, attending K-12 in the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District before going on to graduate from UC Davis (BA, Political Science, History) and then UC Riverside (Master's Degree- Political Science). Throughout my childhood, my family showed me the importance of public service and supporting workers' rights. My parents were both public sector employees, and my grandparents had always been deeply involved in the community. My Mom was a teacher and union member (F-SUTA) throughout her career. Following the guidance of my family and education, I first became involved in politics 10 years ago, seeking to make a difference in the time of the recession and hardship for our local communities.

After working for a series of political campaigns and on staff for Congressman John Garamendi, I joined the labor movement by becoming the Political Coordinator for the Iron Workers Union Local 378. In that capacity, I worked with this labor council and neighboring parts of the labor movement across the East and North Bay Areas on elections, worker solidarity actions, member education, coalitions, and public policy advocacy. I learned a lot from the leaders and rank-and-file members of the Iron Workers as well as the many unions and labor council fighting to good fight here. Earlier this year, I transitioned to serving this labor council and the broader local labor movement, building upon our on-going strategies to advance worker power everywhere.

Ever since my time in college, I've sought to work in some way for the betterment of our society. The place that I found to do this is in the labor movement, where it has always been my honor to serve workers and collaborate with fellow unions. Coming of age in the Great Recession and seeing all the crises that we have endured in recent years, I have committed myself to this objective- to employ all possible strategies and alliances to rebuild the labor movement and fundamentally reform our economy, society, and democracy to truly work for all of us. This is what I am committed to do with each and everyone one of you, and it is always my honor to learn and serve alongside you as fellow labor and community activists. I look forward to everything we will build together!



Glenn Loveall
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The Vallejo Waterfront Weekend is excited to announce that **WE'RE BACK** for the 2022 event! Planning is officially underway for the 8th Annual Vallejo Waterfront Weekend! The weekend of October 1st and 2nd will be packed full of activities, entertainment, and community resources to help get our City through this challenging time, and have a good time doing it! The festival unites the Downtown and Waterfront communities and also celebrates the historic significance of the Mare Island Naval Shipyard. This effort requires the support of local and regional sponsors, companies, vendors and hundreds of volunteers.

The first Vallejo Waterfront Weekend was established in 2004 as a collaboration of events and organizations in Vallejo and the surrounding area. After a decade, we re-established this event to once again bring our community together. By maximizing resources and reducing expenses to create one major event, we provide an organizational structure that local non-profits can benefit from for years to come. We are celebrating and uniting the unique talents and diversity of our community while providing a one-stop shop for regional sponsorships and fundraising efforts.

This year's beneficiaries are:

- **7 Generations Intertribal Council** to assist in funding their International Pow Wow on the Vallejo Waterfront
- **Greater Vallejo Recreation District (GVRD)** to support FREE winter community events at Children's Wonderland, along with gifts for the children
- **Humane Society of the North Bay** to create an on-site veterinary clinic at the facility for shelter animals and for animals to come get spayed and neutered
- **Leaf of Life Youth Rising** to help with "Problem Solving Kits" for under-served children and families
- **Love Is...** to provide relief to some of our most vulnerable citizens ... our seniors
- **The Coach Sarna League** will provide scholarships, jersey costs, field costs, equipment costs, etc for community youth
- **Vallejo PAL** to provide various sports equipment and uniforms for Vallejo youth teams
- **Vallejo TV** for media training classes for members of Vallejo Community Access TV
- **VEBA** to provide scholarships to deserving BIPOC and at-risk youths

We hope YOU will join us this year and support the Vallejo community!

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OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2022

VallejoWaterfrontWeekend.com

Exciting entertainment, performances and activities

- **Whaleboat Regatta**
 - Kids Zone
 - Live Music
 - Hot Rod & Classic Car Show
 - Splash Chair
- **Filipino Martial Arts Goodwill Tournament**
 - Glo Run
 - Disc Golf
- **Beer & Wine Garden**
- **Kornhole Tournament**
 - 5K Run
- **Community Info Booths**
- **Food & Craft Vendors**
- **Guided Tour of Vallejo Waterfront and Mare Island**
- **Events & Activities on Mare Island and Vallejo Waterfront**
- **... and much more!**

For more information scan QR code or go to



VallejoWaterfrontWeekend.com



Vallejo Waterfront Weekend

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS INCLUDE...

ADMIRAL SPONSOR — \$10,000

Name on all event materials, Stage/Venue Naming Banner, name on Whaleboat, listing in Event Advertisement, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, full page ad in Event Program, 12 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden, 10x10 Vendor Space.

CAPTAIN SPONSOR — \$5,000

Stage/Venue Naming Banner, name on Whaleboat, listing in Event Advertisement, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, 1/2 page ad in Event Program, 10 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden, 10x10 Vendor Space.

COMMANDER SPONSOR — \$2,500

Listing on Event Advertisements, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, 1/4 page ad in Event Program, 8 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden, 10x10 Vendor Space.

LIEUTENANT SPONSOR — \$1,500

Listing on Event Advertisements, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, 1/4 page ad in Event Program, 6 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden, 10x10 Vendor Space.

ENSIGN SPONSOR — \$1,000

Listing on Event Advertisements, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, business card ad in Event Program, 4 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden,

SEAMAN SPONSOR — \$500

Listing on Event Advertisements, listing in Press Releases, listing on Donor Signage at event, listing in Event Program, 2 tasting tickets to our Beer Garden,



Sponsorship Application

Yes, I want to be a sponsor of Vallejo Waterfront Weekend!

Business Name _____

Contact person _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

Sponsor Level: (see next page for benefit details)

- Admiral Sponsor \$10,000
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- Lieutenant Sponsor \$ 1,500
- Ensign Sponsor..... \$ 1,000
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- Other..... \$ _____

Please return this form with your check made payable to:

Vallejo Waterfront Weekend, 1525 Sonoma Blvd., Vallejo, CA 94590

or email your commitment to info@vallejowaterfrontweekend.com and we will bill you.

Sponsorship application due by September 1, 2022. Advertising art due by September 15.

For more information on sponsorship, please contact Visit Vallejo: 707.642.3653

For information on advertising email Carol Larson at carol6162@mac.com.

I would like to purchase an ad in the program, please contact me.

- Full page-\$600 1/2 page-\$35 1/4 page-\$200 1/8 page-\$100
- Check enclosed Please bill me Credit card (please fill out info below)
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Thank you for your support!



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