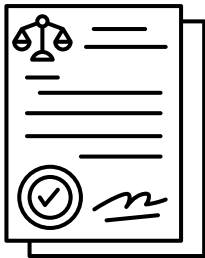




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'Sup, Sibs?

What's up Siblings, this week our Spotlight is on Danny Bernardini, Business Manager of the Napa Solano Building and Construction Trades Council. We are very proud of the working relationship we have with our Building Trades, and their affiliates are some of the most active in our Council.

I personally learned so much about the Labor movement from Lou Franchimon, who occupied that seat when I began working with the Trades as the Political Director of the Firefighters in 2001, starting the United Workers for Local Government, which still meets to this day. Lou taught me not only the nuts and bolts of Unionism but also how to deal with people and work with allies and adversaries alike to best represent working people, and the respect we have for Lou is reflected in the naming of the CLC Lifetime achievement award after him.

Danny had very big shoes to fill when he took over helm 8 years ago and the work he has done and the steady guidance he brings to the job has allowed both organizations to thrive, building coalitions and turning those relationships into not only work for our members, but a newfound respect for Labor in the communities we serve. I am proud to call him a friend and fellow Sib!

Speaking of UWLG, we are in the middle of our second round of interviews for the contested seats to be decided in November. We anticipate another three full days as our affiliated leaders come together to hear from those candidates that show working Men and Women the respect of sitting down with our members, hearing our issues and assuring us they share our values when seeking your endorsements. Whether it is for City Council, Supervisor or School Board, our members, working families, community allies and elected officials are all certain that the candidates we choose to endorse are done so after a vigorous process for both the candidates and the dozens of affiliates who have to come to consensus and agree on a candidate we are certain share our values and will fight for our issues.

We will also take another look at the news from the recent Labor Federation Conference where we said goodbye to a Labor Warrior and welcomed in a proven Lioness to lead our movement. This Month at our coalition meetings, we will be discussing AB 257, the fight for \$15 and a bill of rights of sorts for the fast-food industry, essential workers who still fight for respect in the workplace and a living wage. These jobs are no longer the part time entry positions for teenagers but professional positions filled by Siblings trying to put food on the table for their families. This is a priority bill for our Labor Siblings looking for a better slice of the American dream!

Be safe and have a great week!



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General Election 2022: Endorsements and Upcoming Interviews

The Napa-Solano Central Labor Council (AFL-CIO), representing workers across both Napa and Solano Counties and from all walks of life, has confirmed a series of Early Endorsements for the General Election this November. The candidates listed below were interviewed by the representatives of workers across all parts of the local economy, from public sector to construction, and from manufacturing to teachers, nurses, and the service sector.

Candidates who are incumbents with a track record of support for workers' issues and with past endorsements from the labor movement, running to be re-elected to the same positions, were eligible for interviews for Early Endorsement. Following in-depth interviews and the consistent use of extensive, substantive questionnaires, these elected officials were evaluated based on their continued understanding and support of workers' issues. All of these candidates who received these Early Endorsements have a demonstrated record as champions for working people, and we gladly support their continued service to the public.

As always, interviews for candidates for other elected offices across Solano and Napa Counties will continue this August.



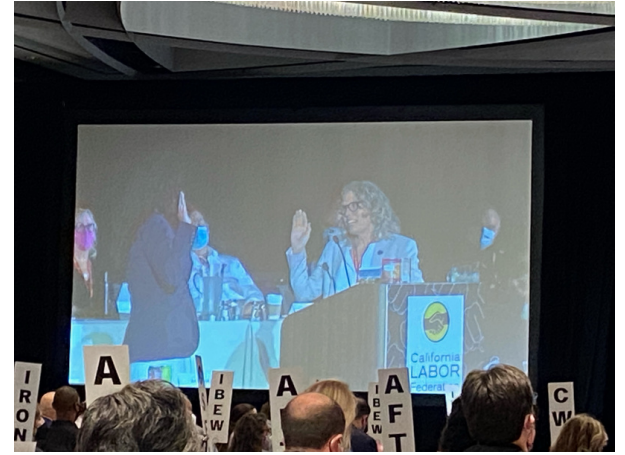
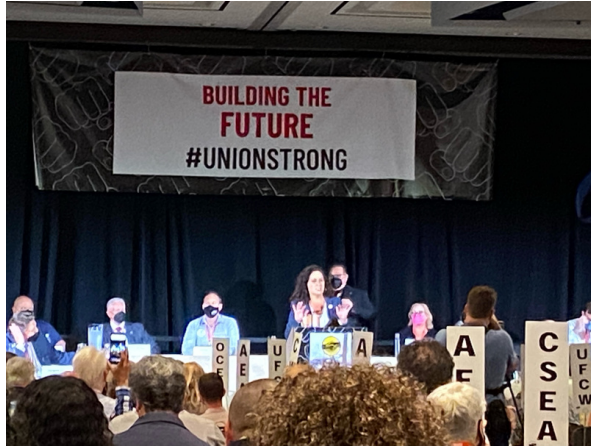
Early Endorsements for Solano County

Doriss Panduro	Fairfield City Council
Jeanette Wiley	Vacaville City Council
Gregory Ritchie	Vacaville City Council
Christina Strawbridge	Benicia City Council
Lionel Largaespada	Benicia City Council
Mark Maselli	Benicia Unified School District
Sheri Zada	Benicia Unified School District
John Fox	Vallejo School Board, District 5
Alma Hernandez	Mayor, Suisun City
Teresa Lavell	Solano County Board of Education, Area 4
Dana Dean	Solano County Board of Education, Area 3
Sales Tax, General Purpose	City of Vallejo
Sales Tax, General Purpose	City of Benicia

Early Endorsements for Napa County

Mark Joseph	American Canyon City Council
David Oro	American Canyon City Council
Mary Lueros	Napa City Council
Liz Alessio	Napa City Council

California Labor Federation (AFL-CIO) Conference – Transition of Power



The California Labor Federation (AFL-CIO) held its Biennial Convention in San Francisco on July 26-27, in which it finalized Federal and State-level endorsements for the 2022 General Election. Crucially, the Labor Federation elected its new leader, Executive Secretary-Treasurer Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher, to take the reins and spearhead a new era of worker advocacy across the state.

Gonzalez Fletcher is succeeding Art Pulaski, who served the California Labor Federation for 26 years as Executive Secretary-Treasurer. Pulaski led the movement over a generation of challenges and victories, fighting to establish pro-labor majorities in Sacramento.

Following the endorsement votes for Congress, State-level electeds, and the State-level ballot measures, the official transition of power began. Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher was unanimously elected by the delegates. As a former State Assemblymember and the previous leader of the San Diego-Imperial Counties Central Labor Council (CLC), Lorena has formidable experience championing labor issues at both the local and state-levels. As a State Assemblymember, she was the author of AB5, the most significant state-level labor legislation in recent years, which attacks worker misclassification and fundamentally expands core workers' rights into the current gig economy. Additionally, she introduced and passed various legislation advancing workers' and civil rights across the State.

After the official ceremony, Gonzalez Fletcher announced several critical updates for the labor movement in California. First, she announced the admission of the great United Farm Workers (UFW) to the California Labor Federation. Second, the CA Labor Federation will be accelerating efforts to recruit and elect union members to public office and will be coordinating with the local Central Labor Councils to help achieve this task. Finally, a new organizing initiative, Unionize California, has been launched. This effort will directly connect workers from any sector or industry directly with organizers via the California Labor Federation, enabling and accelerating organizing in all places and circumstances possible.

The transition in leadership at the CA Labor Federation will bring about an exciting new chapter for the labor movement in California, and this labor council will stand in solidarity and on the front lines to build worker power any time and any place.

Read more about Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher and the new leadership of the California Labor Federation here:
calaborfed.org/lorena-gonzalez-elected-as-executive-secretary-treasurer-of-the-california-labor-federation/



FAST Recovery Act - AB 257 - Fast Food Workers/ Fight for \$15

Amidst the historic surge in union organizing across the nation, State-level legislation is now in development to strengthen workers across the fast food industry. The FAST Recovery Act (Fast Food Accountability and Standards Act - AB 257) is currently in the State Legislature, and will fundamentally support workers in two ways-

-Giving workers more power- Workers need a seat at the table where standards across the fast-food industry are being set. The bill isn't just about our safety during COVID-19, but having a voice to address issues that so many fast-food workers have faced like wage theft, sexual harassment, discrimination and violence in the workplace.

-Holding major corporations accountable for working conditions facing workers- We know that in fast-food, the real boss often isn't the managers in the stores, but the big corporations like McDonald's, Burger King, Jack-in-the-Box and others that control many aspects of working in the stores. These corporations will also be held accountable by this bill.

(Source – SEIU 1021 on the FAST Recovery Act www.seiu1021.org/post/fast-recovery-act-new-bill-supersize-california-fast-food-workers-power-fight-safe-workplaces)

This legislation, supported by various fast food workers, the labor movement, and Fight for \$15, will aim to establish safe and improved working conditions in a sector known for low pay, abuse, and wage theft, all exacerbated by the pandemic. The novel effort to establish worker representation at a sectoral level is a potential sign of greater reforms to come. In our ever-evolving efforts to establish and proliferate workers' rights and power across all sectors of the economy, this legislation will establish crucial precedents in this regard.

Sign the Petition to Support the FAST Act and Fast Food Workers here:

actionnetwork.org/petitions/pass-the-fast-recovery-act/



Member Spotlight - Danny Bernardini, Napa-Solano Building and Construction Trades Council

My introduction to unions and having your voice heard was at the dinner table. My mom would complain about school district leadership and my dad would lament the moves by President Reagan to damage labor and how NAFTA would hurt trucking. Those talks soon turned into walking picket lines in front of Lucky stores and listening in on strategy sessions before my dad and his brothers headed down to Vallejo for a Teamster meeting.

Who knew 30 years later the labor movement would call me to that exact union hall as the head of the Napa-Solano Building Trades. As the building trades interests became more political, those in charge came looking to teach construction to a reporter/government affairs guy rather than convert a construction worker to this complicated world. Seven years later we have taken the BTC in new directions while acquiring PLAs and keeping our local members working in the communities they live.



How we got here is like many of our members' stories. After toiling away at a career in newspaper reporting it was time to reinvent myself and use the skills earned along the way to reach higher levels. There was government affairs work for the Northern Solano Realtors, back to journalism and staffing Senator Lois Wolk. There were many days that having a job with benefits and a pension seemed like an unattainable wish. It was all worth it.

When not interviewing candidates and helping our high school students explore the trades, the outdoors is what calls me. Disc golf is an obsession as well as getting into the mountains to hike, ride dirt bikes or hunt big game. Along the way I've picked up degrees from Contra Costa College and Chico State. Other than a few years longer than planned in Chico, Solano County has been my home. Vacaville, Benicia, Vallejo and now Vacaville again have given me a great outlook on what life is like in these very different cities.

It's been such an educational and rewarding experience getting to know this world I had only seen from the outside. I've leaned on so many that helped build this movement and smile every time they retire in their 50's. While many have taught me before they left, I so look forward to learning from those around me and our next generation which is making headlines as they push the labor movement to new heights.



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR
2022 Labor Day
Breakfast

Please join Napa - Solano Central Labor Council in our tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and the well-being of our Country.

"Working people standing together"

SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE:

Congressman Mike Thompson, Congressman John Garamendi,
 Senator Bill Dodd, Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Assemblymember Tim Grayson,
 Assemblymember Lori Wilson & more!

**DATE AND
 TIME**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2022 @ 10am

LOCATION

Ironworkers Local #378
 3120 Bayshore Rd.
 Benicia, CA 94510

COST

Adults: \$40.00
 Children 4-12: \$5.00
 Children under 3: Free

**SPONSORSHIPS
 LEVELS**

Presidential - \$5,000
 Senatorial - \$2,500
 Congressional - \$1,000
 Assembly - \$500



**50/50
 Raffle**

**For everyone's
 comfort and safety,
 dining will be
 outdoors!**

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For more information please contact: Jon Riley - Btruckcap@gmail.com
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2022 Labor Day Breakfast SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2022 @ 10am

PRESIDENTIAL	20 event tickets, Full Page Ad (Size - 5.25" Wide X 8" Tall, pdf preferred) in our program & sponsor 's banner displayed at event.	\$5,000.00
SENATORIAL	10 event tickets, 1/2 Page Ad (Size - 5.25" Wide X 4.125" Tall, pdf preferred) & sponsor 's banner displayed at event.	\$2,500.00
CONGRESSIONAL	8 event tickets, 1/4 page Ad (Size - 2.625" Wide x 4.125" Tall, pdf preferred) & sponsor 's banner displayed at event.	\$1,000.00
ASSEMBLY	6 event tickets, Logo in program & recognition at event.	\$500.00
WORKFORCE FRIEND	Individual ticket	\$40.00

Each of our Sponsors will receive recognition on our website and Facebook media platforms.

Your sponsorship or donation will help us to continue the great work of this council! Join us & your Siblings on Labor Day to see what is being done in Napa and Solano Counties.



Sponsorship or Ticket Order Form

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Phone #: _____ Email _____

FPPC # (If applicable): _____

Sponsorship Level: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Individual Tickets \$25.00 X _____ (How many) = Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "Napa Solano CLC:",
2540 North Watney Way, Fairfield, CA 94533

Sorry, we cannot accept credit or debit cards at this time.

Questions, please contact Shirley Herbert, sherbertnsclc@gmail.com or 707-246-9727.

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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!

Sponsorship Opportunities

Run & Row to the Rhythm of the City!

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



Team Signups available for WHALEBOAT REGATTA

OCTOBER 1st & 2nd, 2022

see link below!

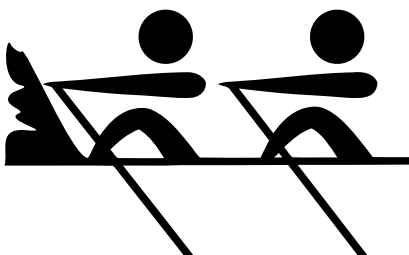
COMPLETED FORMS DUE

September 10th.

Race fee is **\$200.**

Vaccination certificate required.

vallejowaterfrontweekend.com/whaleboat-regatta





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
- Captain Sponsor..... \$ 5,000
- Commander Sponsor..... \$ 2,500
- Lieutenant Sponsor \$ 1,500
- Ensign Sponsor..... \$ 1,000
- Seaman Sponsor..... \$ 500
- 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)
- Credit card: VISA MC DISCOVER

Name _____ Expiration date _____

Credit Card # _____ CSC _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for your support!



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