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WELCOME TO THE EDUCATOR

Local 399 Council is proud to present the first edition of YOUR newsletter. This is an ongoing effort to provide our members with additional tools to educate and keep our members informed.

Our first tool that was created for you is a personal LOCAL 399 E-Mail address. This was created so that you can receive updates on all on-going issues in the privacy of your home. If you have not signed up to receive LOCAL 399 updates via e-mail, please do so by sending an e-mail to:
pef399@yahoo.com

We will never share your contact information with anyone and any e-mails that you send to us will be held **strictly confidential.**

COMING SOON !!!

Watch for your LOCAL 399 Web site that will be released soon. We will keep you updated as we progress on this additional communication tool.

Members Input

This is **YOUR** Newsletter. If you have any suggestions, stories, events, pictures, etc. that you would like to share, please send them to

pef399@yahoo.com.

We would like to remind you to visit PEF's web site at:

www.pef.org

This web site has all the information you need regarding your union. We encourage you to sign up for AIM during your visit to this web site.

AIM

[Active Informed Member]

They will e-mail you information about contract negotiation, legislation, mobilization activities and important working families' issues.

AN INVITATION FROM YOUR LEADER

I would like to Thank each and every member for your support. Local 399 is a unique Division with outstanding, talented members. I am proud to be a member of this

division as you all should be. I would like to **invite** each of you to join me in taking our Division into a new era. An era where we will educate ourselves on what our union stands for, what it can do for you and

what we can do for our union.

"WHERE THERE IS RIGHT ACTION.....THERE IS VICTORY"

-Sanskrit Proverb

LOCAL 399 COMMITTEES

LOCAL 399 has the following committees:

- Membership
- Constitutional
- Election
- Scholarship
- Communication
- Political
- Budget
- Auditing
- Grievance
- Fund Raising

We currently need Volunteers for the following committees:

- Membership
- Election
- Scholarship
- Communication
- Political
- Budget
- Fund Raising

Each Committee will have guidelines and goals. Minutes will be taken and provided to the Division.

Please e-mail us or let us know which committee you are interested in helping.

Committees will start meeting by the first week of August .

“Tell me and I will forget, show me and I may remember; involve me and I’ll understand”

Chinese Proverb

CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE

One of the first goals of the council was to set up a constitutional committee to make some necessary revisions that would better suite LOCAL 399.

We would like this committee to start meeting the first week of August. Once we have a committee set up, the General Membership will be informed of the committee members, so that if you have any

suggestions, you will be able to advise any committee member or you can e-mail us at:

pef399@yahoo.com

PAC COMMITTEE

The Region 5 PAC— Political Action Committee will meet on Thursday, July 22nd, at the Binghamton Regency. We will be doing our state legislative endorsements and

the endorsement in the Town of Binghamton Council Race. We will again meet in September to do all other local endorsements. Dinner will be served. Senator Thomas Libous will be attending.

NOTE: If any of you are interested in being a part of the PAC Committee, please advise us as we would like an additional representative from our Division

2004 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2004 LOCAL PEF 399 Scholarships.

Michael Merrill
Son of PEF Member-
Mary Ann Sacharov

Each recipient will Receive \$200 to use for their college education.

RECIPIENTS

Samantha Koncak
Daughter of PEF
Member—Janice Koncak

Maureen Shelp
Daughter of PEF
Member—James Shelp

2005 Scholarship process will begin earlier, so the students will be able to receive their scholarships at their graduation.

Amanda Fedish
Daughter of PEF
Member—Lauren Fedish

David Stanko
Son of PEF Member—
Barbara Stanko

“Our main business is not to see what dimly lies in the distance but to do what clearly lies at hand”

- Thomas Carlyle -

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

We have started a Fund Raising Committee. As we continue to educate ourselves and grow as a union our financial needs may change. We are on a very limited budget and need to ensure that we have sufficient funds to meet our operating expenses.

We would like to thank Joan Jewell and Mark Gordon for stepping up to get this committee going. Joan will be the chair of this committee. If anyone would like to help or you have any great ideas for fund raising, please speak with Joan at ext. 4326

FUND RAISING EVENTS

Candy Bar Sales will begin in August.

Broome County “Enjoy the City” Coupon Book sales will begin in September.

More details will follow soon !!

MEMBERSHIP Benefits Program

One of the LOCAL 399 goals is to increase the availability of benefits in our area.

To do this we need your input. If you would like to see a Golf Course, Ski

Resort, Restaurant, Health Spa, Tire Center, etc. from our area included in our benefits, please speak with Joe Kost at ext. 4434. We need a

specific name of a Company and a contact person to speak with. PEF Public Relations will contact them to work on a discount for our members.



Hi!
I'm Bene the Bear.
I'm here to help you explore the many benefit programs available to PEF members.

