The HCT



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President's Pen



Dear Sisters and Brothers of the HCT,

Unions play a crucial role in helping to build working middle-class America, provide for economic stability for millions, level the playing field for both union and non-union workers, and advocate for equal opportunity for all.

Yesterday, our adversaries took a step to challenge our strength when the U.S. Supreme Court announced it will grant certiorari for, and take up the <u>Janus vs AFSCME</u> case this session.

Called 'Friedrichs with Teeth' by some in reference to a similar case before SCOTUS, this one has a history as sinister. A detrimental ruling last time around was avoided only by the death of Justice Antonin Scalia.

Make no mistake--this is an unrivaled attack on middle-class working people by the uber-wealthy 1% corporate CEO-types to further rig the rules in their favor. Self-serving politicians who craft policy for the benefit of the wealthy and powerful, are behind the attacks.

While we cannot overlook the importance of voting down the New York State Constitutional Convention, we must also be wary and vigilant about the proceedings in this case.

Stay apprised of the latest news about the case by following is on <u>Facebook</u> and Twitter (<u>@HCT Union</u>), by talking to your new building representatives, and visiting the <u>HCT website</u>.

In solidarity,

Tom Glenn

General Membership Meeting

HCT General Membership Meeting



SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Put the NO in November

NYS Constitutional Convention

DATE: October 17th

TIME: 3:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Hicksville High School Auditorium

The HCT will be raffling off great prizes* and door prizes at the meeting!!! Attendees of the October 17 General Membership meeting will be able to purchase discounted raffle tickets!

Raffle tickets will also be available for sale at Hicksville High School's Homecoming fair on Saturday, October 14th at the HCT booth. So come down, bring a friend, a smartphone for our interactive presentation, and a lucky charm as we will also be giving away door prizes to a fortunate few!

You'll leave with a wealth of knowledge about the Con-Con, and maybe a few surprises as well!

*Drawing will take place at the conclusion of the presentation. Winners don't need to be present but MUST write name and phone number legibly on the ticket in order to be eligible

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The Week in Activism

NYS Constitutional Convention Watch

Vote "NO"

November 7, 2017 on the Constitutional Convention



Are you **R.E.A.D.Y.** to defeat the referendum on November 7th?

Beside attending our **General Membership Meeting on October 17th**, be sure you're:

Registered to vote? <u>Click here</u> to be directed to the New York State Board of Elections site. Voter registration applications must be postmarked **no later than October 13th** and received by a board of elections no later than October 18th to be eligible to vote in the General Election

Educated on the Issues? If not, attend the general membership meeting on October 17th!

Activated to mobilize?

Determined to fight?

UNYielding in our efforts to save Public Education?

THE NEW YORK STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

NOVEMBER 7, 2017

THE "CON-CON COUNTDOWN"



Tenure Appointments



Congratulations to **Lindsey Karmen (Dutch)** and **Kristine McAllister (Lee)** on being granted tenure at the Septermber 27, 2017 Board of Education Meeting.

NYSUT Member Benefits

HCT Legal Services Plan to Conclude September 30, 2017



In a cost-saving measure, the HCT will no longer be providing the Legal Services plan to its members. Active members can continue to take advange of the service the service for a special annual rate of \$85.

Visit the <u>NYSUT Legal Service webpage</u> and read the <u>Plan Brochure</u> for further information.

Welcome to the World



Congratulations to **Sara Rose Myers (Middle School)** on the birth of her son, had a baby, Cole Jackson, on September 19, 2017.

Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to Members Celebrating Birthdays in the Month of October



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Tara	Schwartz	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/1
Frank	Charinan	Hicksville High School	10/2
Clare	Chotiner	Hicksville High School	10/4
Jennifer	Jedd	Hicksville Middle School	10/4
Michael	Guarascio	Woodland Elementary School	10/5
Christina	Marconi	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/7
Shelley	Chertoff	Old Country Road Elementary School	10/8
Kim	Giambrone	Hicksville High School	10/8
Karianne -	Rose	Hicksville High School	10/9
Tammy	Lao	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/10
Alisa	Cataldo	Hicksville Middle School	10/11
Dimitra	Anastasopoulos	Hicksville High School	10/12
Beth Ann	Atkinson	Hicksville High School	10/12
Lisa	Nowakoski	Hicksville High School	10/12
Rosemarie	Rosenblum	Hicksville High School	10/12
Agnes	Piwowar-Clark	Dutch Lane Elementary School	10/13
Dawn	Dillon	Dutch Lane Elementary School	10/14
Andrea	McAuley	Dutch Lane Elementary School	10/14
Robert	Morris	Woodland Elementary School	10/14
Diane	Newcombe-Lypen	Hicksville High School	10/14
Erin	Orcel	Hicksville High School	10/15
Lisa	Iovine	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/17
Carolyn	Marschean	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/17
Diane	Teneriello	Hicksville High School	10/18
Roxanna	Hungria	Hicksville High School	10/19
Katherine	Manning	East Street Elementary School	10/19
Patricia	Papageorge	Old Country Road Elementary School	10/19
Stacy	Polidoro	East Street Elementary School	10/19
Amy	Mastrocinque	Hicksville Middle School	10/20
Nancy	Redmond	Burns Avenue Elementary School	10/22
Jaqueline	Connors	Hicksville Middle School	10/23
Jennifer	Christy	Hicksville High School	10/25
Marta	Giovagnoni	Hicksville Middle School	10/25
Kevin	Bunting	Hicksville High School	10/26
Lydia	Butler	Burns Avenue Elementary School	10/26
Christine	Janda	Fork Lane Elementary School	10/26
Susan	Peterson	East Street Elementary School	10/28
Kristen	Pirozzi	Hicksville High School	10/28
Sapna	Garg	Hicksville High School	10/29
Eva	Shtein	Hicksville High School	10/29

If you have a birthday in October and do not see your name listed, let us know and we will update our records.

Condolences



Our deepest condolences to **Chris Wisnowski (Middle School)** on the passing of his father.

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