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SUNY Upstate Medical University

PRESIDENT'S CORNER ANew Beginning and Change

As you have probably already heard by now, as of June 1st, Mike Lyon had stepped down as president of the Upstate UUP Chapter and I took over as president. I want to first thank Mike for his leadership and dedication to not



Carl Pettengill UUP Chapter President

only our Chapter, but for all his work at the state wide level. Besides being the chapter president, Mike was also a member of the statewide UUP Executive Board, temporarily filled in for 4 months as the State Membership Development Officer, until a replacement was elected and last but definitely not least, served on the last negotiations team for our last contract and currently is working on our team for the new negotiations starting this month with the Governors team. Mike has agreed to continue on as the Academic Grievance officer for the campus and still serves on several local and statewide committees. Some other changes with the chapter leadership, Theresa Baxter NP, has

Upstate supports the Ecuador earthquake relief effort; donations being accepted

Doretta Royer, Public Relations

When Upstate Medical University's Anna Stewart Ibarra, PhD, traveled to Ecuador last fall to continue her research into a global public health threat, she didn't expect that she would also be dealing with a natural disaster-an earthquake that left the country in a state of emergency, particularly affecting small coastal fishing villages.

Stewart Ibarra is a faculty member in the Department of Medicine and the director of the Latin America Research Program at Upstate's Center for Global Health & Translational Science. An internationally recognized expert in the ecology of infectious diseases, she has been working in Ecuador for the last nine years and her research includes studies on the environmental and sociopolitical drivers of the transmission of dengue fever in coastal Ecuador, where dengue is hyper-endemic.

She's been based in Ecuador since last fall working with her partners to develop a prototype for a new device to specifically attract and exterminate Aedes aegypti mosquitos that cause dengue fever and Zika virus, among other diseases.

"After learning of the earthquake, I was concerned about her well-being and contacted her through email,"



Following the earthquake, Stewart Ibarra registers people seeking medical care at the Sathya Sai school in Bahia de Caraquez. Physicians from Machala, as well as volunteer physicians from across the world have traveled to the area to provide care.

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been appointed to fill my position as Vice President for Professionals. Joyce Freeman was appointed to replace Theresa as the Contingent officer. Rich Veenstra continues as the VP for Academics, Deb Benware continues as Treasurer and Colin Massulik continues as the Secretary. Please feel free to contact any of us if you have a question or issue. You can always call the chapter office at 422-5028, and Peggy our Chapter Assistant will help direct your call or assist you.

Our annual downtown members meeting and picnic marked the beginning of summer. This year was our largest attendance with approximately 400 members in attendance. We had a guest speaker from Albany, our state Membership Officer, Tom Hoey.

Our Fall members annual meeting and picnic at the Community Campus will be held on Wednesday, October 12th. Mark your calendars now. More information for that event will be provided as we near that date.

I also wanted to bring to your attention that our Membership team here at Upstate is busy contacting staff that may have overlooked signing up to become official voting members of UUP. If you didn't sign a membership card to become a member, your are considered a fee payer, which means you're just paying the membership fees, but have no voice in how your union is run and miss out on valuable benefits. Negotiations for the new contract start this month with the state. You will not be able to vote or even comment on the contract if you're not an official member. Please take a moment and fill out a membership card either on line or in person if you are con-

tacted by someone on the membership team.

As the contract negotiations moves forward, we will keep you informed as to any announcements from the state officers. You can always check the UUP website (www.uupinfo. org) in Albany for the latest information as well. If you are not receiving emails from the Upstate chapter office or me, please call the Chapter office to provide your email to Peggy and she will sign you up for email notifications.



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CHECK PAY STUB TO MAKE SURE

In order to be a member of the union, your paycheck *must* say "UUP Member." If it says "UUP Agency Fee," then you are included in the Professional Services Negotiating Unit, but are *not* a member of the union.

UUP Membership Entitles You To:

- · Vote on collective bargaining agreement
- Hold union office
- Attend union meetings
- Elect union leaders on your campus and choose your representatives at the state and national levels
- Maintain UUP membership after retirement and be eligible for benefit programs
- Upon separation of service, obtain Associate Membership with NYSUT and be eligible for benefit programs

Please contact your chapter officers for a membership application.

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said David C. Amberg, PhD, vice president for research at Upstate, "I was relieved to hear from her that she and her team were fine and learned that they were mobilizing to help the ground relief efforts in the most affected areas. In her email, she asked if there was any way that Upstate could help."

That request has resulted in an Ecuador Earthquake Relief effort of the Upstate Foundation, presented in tandem with a local community health NGO (non-governmental organization) in Ecuador. Stewart Ibarra and her field team are overseeing the account to ensure that the donations will be used where most needed.

She says that medical supplies are needed most at this time and that 100 percent of the donations will be used for these purchases. The supplies, she says, are being distributed to the community by her team of volunteers on the ground in Bahia de Caraquez.

In addition to a lack of medical supplies, she also says that there is a shortage of health care professionals to provide medical care and that Ecuador is facing a long-term public health crisis post earthquake.

"There are thousands of people without homes, sleeping outdoors, who need primary medical care, including many vulnerable infants and elderly," says Stewart Ibarra. "We have partnered with volunteer physicians from all over the world to attend to hundreds of families in a makeshift clinic that we set up at the Sathya Sai school in Bahia de Caraquez. We are grateful to the directors of the school for opening their doors and supporting this endeavor and we thank those who are contributing to the Upstate Ecuador Earthquake Relief effort. We also invite doctors, nurses and other health care providers to consider joining this relief effort as a medical mission." According to a recent CNN report, at least 277 people were killed and at least 2,500 others were injured in the worst natural disaster to hit Ecuador since its last major earthquake in 1949. These numbers are expected to rise as the search for survivors continues.

"Upstate has a long-standing relationship with Ecuador, particularly through its Center for Global Health & Translational Science where our researchers collaborate with Ecuadorian researchers on important infectious diseases studies," Amberg said. "For example, findings from our dengue studies may also translate into a greater understanding of the Zika virus. Our collaborations with Ecuador are very important to us, and to the World's population. The Ecuador Earthquake Relief effort through the Upstate Foundation is our way of showing our support to a partnering country in its time of need."

Visit Ecuador Relief Effort to contribute https://www.foundationforupstate.org/ecuador)

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481 Highway Cleanup

Mike Lyon, UUP Member, Otolaryngology

What can you say when you have the privilege of picking up someone else's trash? Most of the time I just say WOW! The best of all is that we have the section of 481, right by the trash burning steam plant. But there is an upside. A couple of

times ago we actually made a few bucks and it wasn't from returnable bottles and cans. It was hard cold cash. That's right \$21 buckaroos. Don't worry; it was put to good use, coffee and donuts for all. Unfortunately the gift cards proved to be just what they were, trash.

It's not all joyous times. Sadly, we do come across the occasional road kill. Try as I might I could not revive him. I must admit though I didn't try mouth to mouth and we didn't bring an AD unit. But

gladly there are success stories as well. We were fortunate to be able to revive Gumby!! In fact he insisted on driving home.

Seriously, I want to big **THANKS** to those that give up a Saturday morning to make things a little cleaner out there. Being the brilliant person I am I didn't write down the names of those I didn't know. Therefore, I have made an editorial decision to not name anyone except our organizer Dave Peckham. But you work with them and I am sure you can identify each and every one.







28TH ANNUAL * UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY/ESF UUP CHAPTERS

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DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLES, A DJ, AND MORE

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pathway to Wellness Programs & Community Events

Monday Mile Parks Passport Summer Challenge

Get active this summer at any of Onondaga Counties 17 Monday Mile trails. Walk, stroll or jog. Have your family join you. Register at www.healthymonday.syr.edu Pick up a passport or download on online. Walk any time that fits your schedule and get rewarded! Challenge goes to August 1st so get started now.

NYS Well Every Day Monthly challenges

Each month, NYS Well Every Day offers a healthy challenge to NYS employees. Complete the challenge and receive a magnet. July challenge is: Be Physically Active for 20 Minutes Outdoors. August is a little different with the return of The Olympic Experience. September's Challenge is: to cut the amount of caffeine, soda or alcohol in half. To register for this month's challenge, visit www.worklife.ny.gov/wellNYSeveryday

NYS Welleveryday First or Next 5K

NYS Welleveryday encourages you to participate in your first or complete your next 5k walk/race. After completing your 5k, go to: http://www.worklife.ny.gov/wellnyseveryday/5k.cfm and register to receive your 5K magnet.

Quit Smoking Café

The Quit Smoking Café will be held Thursday, July 7 and on August 4 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the atrium of Upstate Cancer Center. The Quit Smoking Café will feature tips on how to quit smoking and smoking cessation support. For more information, visit http://www.upstate.edu/hospital/ healthlink/smokefree/

In September, watch for another session of Eat Right, Move, Losea behavior focused weight management program that is presented in classes and facebook group formats. These 20 minute sessions are at no charge. The program that starts in September will go right up to the Holiday Challenge that begins in November 2016.

UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY PATHWAY TO WELLINESS

For Weight Watchers at Work, please contact Virginia Russell for program start dates, location and fee information.

There will be an employee smoking cessation class starting in September, 2016. Contact Theresa Hankin for more details.

2016 Corporate Challenge Race Participants from Upstate!

Lee Berube was the race winner and Cara Lavier came in 4th place for women! Congratulations!



Phishing Emails and You

Shawn O'Reilly, UUP Member, IMT Department

When it comes to email, we've all come across a phishing email that appeared to be a legitimate email. Phishers take advantage of the fact that it is difficult to know with absolute certainty with whom you are communicating via email. They use this uncertainty to pose as legitimate businesses, organizations, or individuals, and gain our trust, which they can leverage to convince us to willingly give up information or click on malicious links or attachments.

Be Aware of Phishing Scams

First and foremost you should utilize a spam filter (this service is should be provided by your email provider), keep all of your systems patched and your anti-virus software up to date. The second line of defense against phishing is you. If you are vigilant, and watch for telltale signs of a phishing email, you can minimize your risk of falling for one. Telltale signs of a

potential phishing email or message include messages from companies you don't have accounts with, spelling mistakes, messages from the wrong email address (e.g. info@yourbank. fakewebsite.com instead of info@ yourbank.com), generic greetings (e.g. "Dear user" instead of your name), and unexpected messages with a sense of urgency designed to prompt you into responding quickly, without checking the facts. "Resume" and "Unpaid Invoice" are popular attachments used in phishing campaigns. Here are some scenarios you may encounter:

- An email appearing to be from the "fraud department" of a well-known company that asks you to verify your information because they suspect you may be a victim of
- identity theft.
 An email that references a current event, such as a major data breach, with a malicious link to setup your "free credit reporting."
- An email claiming to be from a state lottery commission requests your banking information to deposit the "winnings" into your account.
- An email with a link asking you to provide your login credentials to a website from which you receive legitimate services, such as a bank, credit card company, or even your employer.
- A text message that asks you to call a number to confirm a "suspicious purchase" on your credit card. When you call, the operator will know your name and account information and ask you to confirm your ATM PIN. (This is a form of SMSishing.) What should you do?

Recommendations

- Be suspicious of unsolicited emails, text messages, and phone callers. Use discretion when providing information to unsolicited phone callers, and never provide sensitive personal information via email.
- If you want to verify a suspicious email, contact the organization directly with a known phone number. Do not call the number provided in the email. Or, have the company send you something through the US mail (which scammers won't do).
- Only open an email attachment if you are expecting it and know what it contains. Be cautious about container files, such as .zip files, as malicious content could be packed inside.
- Visit websites by typing the address into the address bar. Do not follow links embedded in an unsolicited email.

• Use discretion when posting personal information on social media. This information is a treasure-trove to spear phishers who will use it to feign trustworthiness.

• Keep all of your software patched and up-to-date. Home users should have the auto update feature enabled.

• Keep your antivirus software up-todate to detect and disable malicious programs, such as spyware or backdoor Trojans, which may be included in phishing emails.

For More Information

- Anti-Phishing Working Group: www.antiphishing.org
- Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3): www.ic3.gov/default.aspx
- Federal Trade Commission: https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0003-phishing
- More information on the CIS Critical Security Control 7, Email and Web Browser Protections: https://www.cisecurity.org/critical-controls.cfm

If you ever any questions related to cybersecurity or phishing scams, please contact Shawn O'Reilly directly at oreillys@ upstate.edu.

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Social engineering refers to the methods attackers use to manipulate people into sharing sensitive information, or taking an action, such as downloading a file. Sometimes social engineers interact with the victim to persuade the victim to share details or perform an action, such as entering information into a login page.



NYS's New Paid Family Leave Law: Implications for UUP Members

New York just became the fifth state to enact a paid family leave law. It's important to understand that the new law provides mandatory coverage for private sector employees only. Public sector employees will only be covered if their public employer elects to opt-in to coverage. For unionized public employees, this opt-in must be bargained.

In other words, benefits provided by the state's Paid Family Leave Law do *not* automatically extend to UUP members or other NYS employees.

But the law may have positive implications for our collective bargaining efforts:

- Establishing political support for the concept that all employees should have paid family leave benefits will strengthen our hand in negotiations.
- Allowing public employees to "opt-in" through collective bargaining will permit negotiation over how to best coordinate the new statutory benefits with existing—and possibly expanded—contractual family leave benefits.

It is still crucial to press SUNY to support UUP's efforts to bargain comprehensive paid family leave benefits in the NYS-UUP Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Fast Facts: New York State's New Paid Family Leave Law

Who's covered by the law?

Employees with 26 consecutive weeks of prior employment with the employer.

What does the law cover?

Leave for birth, adoption, foster care, or care of a family member with a serious health condition.

Length of Leave Period

- Jan. 1, 2018 8 weeks in any 52-week period
- Jan. 1, 2019 10 weeks in any 52-week period
- Jan. 1, 2021 12 weeks in any 52-week period

Leave Benefit Level

Jan. 1, 2018 – 50% of salary, up to 50% of state average weekly wage*

- Jan. 1, 2019 55% of salary, up to 55% of state average weekly wage
- Jan. 1, 2020 60% of salary, up to 60% of state average weekly wage
- Jan. 1, 2021 67% of salary, up to 67% of state average weekly wage

(Note: Minimum benefit of \$100 per week. Employees with salaries less than \$100 per week receive full salary.)

* Current state average weekly wage is \$1,296.48.



UUP MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PICNIC

Downtown Annual UUP Membership Meeting & Picnic



UUP MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PICNIC

















Social Engineering Through The Internet

Shawn O'Reilly, UUP Member, IMT Department

Cybersecurity experts continually identify the use of strong, unique passwords as one of their top recommendations. However, this is also one of the least commonly followed recommendations because unless you know the tricks, it's difficult to remember strong, unique passwords for every login and website.

Why Strong, Unique Passwords Matter

Cybersecurity experts make the recommendation for strong, unique passwords for several reasons – the first being that every day malicious cyber threat actors compromise websites and online accounts, and post lists of usernames, email addresses, and passwords online. This exposes people's passwords, and worse yet, they are exposed with information that uniquely identifies

the user, such as an email address. That means that a malicious actor can look for other accounts associated with that same person, such as work related, personal social media, or banking accounts. When the malicious actor finds those accounts they can try logging in with the exposed password and if the password is reused, they can gain access. This is why unique passwords matter.

Secondly, when malicious cyber threat actors can't easily find or a guess the password, they can use a technique called brute forcing. This is a technique where they try every possible

password until the correct password is identified. Computers can try thousands of passwords per second, but for this technique to be worthwhile, the malicious cyber threat actor needs the password to be easy to identify, which is why a strong password matters. The stronger the password the less likely brute forcing will be successful.

When malicious actors use brute forcing techniques they often try every word in the dictionary because it's easier to remember words than random letter combinations. This technique is not limited to English-language dictionaries, so switching languages will not help. And since many passwords require a combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols, the malicious actors rely on human instinct to narrow down the possibilities. For instance, most users when faced with choosing a password that fits these requirements, will pick a word, put the uppercase letter first, and end the password with the number and symbol. Alternatively, many people will replace common letters with a number or symbol that represents that letter. This changes a common password, such as "password," into the only slightly more complex password of "p@ssw0rd," which is still an easy to guess pattern.

Recommendations

Consider using a password manager, which is an application

that can run on a computer, smartphone, or in the cloud, that securely tracks and stores passwords. Most password managers can also generate strong, random passwords for each account. As long as the password to access the password manager is strong and unique, and two-factor authentication is being utilized, this technique can be affective. However, if the company running the cloud-based password manager is compromised, or a vulnerability in their software is discovered and leveraged by an attacker (which does happen!) it is possible that all of your passwords could be compromised. If you choose a password manager that is local to your computer or smartphone, your passwords may be compromised if malware gets on your computer or you lose your smartphone. When choosing a password

manager, ensure it is from a known, trustworthy company with a good reputation.

Another technique to assist in building strong, unique passwords, is to choose a repeatable pattern for your password, such as choosing a sentence that incorporates something unique about the website or account, and then using the first letter of each word as your password. For example the sentence: "This is my January password for the Center for Internet Security website." would become "TimJp4tCfISw." This password capitalizes 5 letters within the sentence, swaps the word "for" to the number

"4," and adds the period to include a symbol. The vulnerability in this technique is that if multiple passwords from the same user are exposed it may reveal the pattern. Variations on this technique include using the first letters from a line in a favorite song or a poem.

Further Information

More information on the role of strong passwords in enterprise defense is available in the CIS Critical Security Controls: https://www.cisecurity.org/critical-controls.cfm

Further advice on passwords is available in the MS-ISAC Security Primer available at:

http://msisac.cisecurity.org/whitepaper/documents/Security Primer - Securing Login Credentials.pdf

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A strong password consists of at least 10, and includes a combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols. A unique password is a password that is only used with one account.

THE VALUE OF YOUR CAR

We've all heard how a new car's value depreciates the moment you drive off the lot. So it may seem counterintuitive to think of your car as a financial investment. However, a little effort along the way can pay substantial dividends down the road. Here are simple things you can do to drive the value of your car up when it comes time to sell.

Buy Smart

The time to start thinking about selling your car is before you even buy it. DMV.org suggests you do some online research to see which makes and models hold their value before you purchase a new car. You may even find that treating yourself to a nicer model is also a smarter move economically.

Park Smart

If possible, park your car away from other cars to avoid door dings. If you must park near other cars, watch out for 2-door models with extra long doors. When possible, park in the shade to protect the material of your dashboard.

Keep a Clean Machine

Dirt doesn't just look bad – it can actually deteriorate your car faster. Clean your car inside and out regularly to help protect paint and fabric. Plus, who doesn't love being behind the wheel of a just-washed car?

Stay Under Cover

Seat covers are a relatively small investment that will keep your interior looking brand new – especially if you have pets or children. They'll not only protect your seats from everyday wear and tear, they'll shield them from sun damage. If your seats are already looking a bit worn, seat covers can help them look new again.

Keep Records

Anyone can say they've taken good care of their car. Records provide proof, so be sure to save all receipts in a folder so you can present them to a prospective buyer. Carcare.org recommends that you maintain your car regularly, and take care of small problems before they become big problems. If you're placing an ad for your car, be sure to mention recent work that's been done.

What NOT to Do

Avoid smoking in your car; the smell will likely be a deal breaker to a non-smoker. Eating in your car is not only unsafe, it causes stains and leaves crumbs in hard-to-reach places. Finally, if you need to get your car painted, don't get too creative. A color that's hard on the eyes will certainly be a hard sell.



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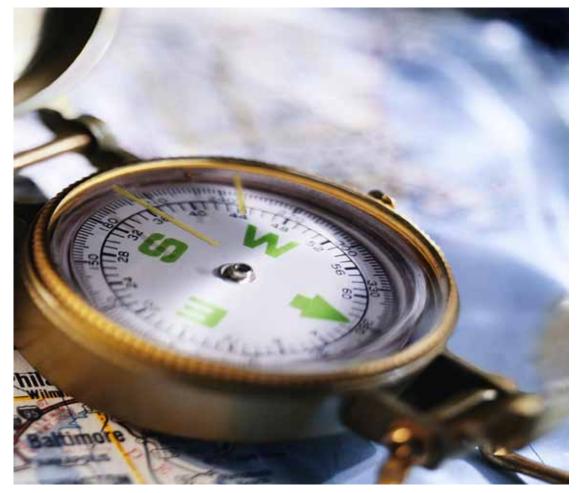
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How to Cheat and Get Away With It

Rosemarie Pagano Bundy

Enlightenment comes sometimes a bit too late. Reading books and articles on the economic conditions of today that have led to this crippling and anger-producing income inequality, one stumbles across bits of information that are startling. After a plethora of books by various authors, Listen, Liberals by Thomas Frank and Rewriting the Rules by Joseph Stiglitz came into view. The landscape they described about the state of the economy in our country was so bleak and was so dependent on "rents" (the economist's generic language for interest or return on capital assets) with the commensurate moneys being shifted to the 1%, that I went looking for just how individuals with capital assets use these assets to amass more money and assets for themselves.

I remember reading a long academic article by a Prof. William Lazonick when searching for information on a trope called MSV. Had no idea what that abbreviation meant so it entailed more searching. MSV, as an abbreviation, stands for maximize shareholder value. Now, that didn't seem so bad; shareholders do need to get some return on their money. But according to the professor it subverts the manner in which corporations had operated until the 1970's. The directors of large corporations increased the shareholder value, especially to themselves, by the mechanism of buying back their stock and increasing the share price; then exercising their stock options that they received in lieu of salary, they sell them at a higher price. Seems wonderful, but in the process they neglected: a) upgrading facilities, b) expanding the growth of their companies, c) rewarding their workers through benefits and training, d) and downplaying research and development to promote innovation. MSV has become the universal banner under which these corporations operate, never mentioning all the other purposes, or

supposed purposes, of having large industrial corporations in a nation. This is one method of subverting the economy that was designed to benefit all Americans, not just the elite 1%. Robert Reich calls this 'pre-distribution' of the money.

After this expedition into educating oneself in arcane economic terms, in the articles that popped up came a reference to Rule 10b-18. Mystifying; where is this rule stated, what is it for, and what does it mean? In the process of searching, the web sites that arose from the query for Rule 10b-18 it was joined by a basic discussion of Rule 10b-5. What a shock when I finally ferreted out what they applied to; Rule10b-5 is from the Code of Federal Regulations SEC Rule 10b-5 on fraud in buying and selling stock and one of its bedrock applications is the restriction of the felonius custom of using 'insider trading' to enhance a stock buy or a stock sale. That is, using insider information to time and target a sale or purchase of stock that the public does not have access to, thus giving the 'insider' a tremendous monetary advantage. Rule10b-5 says, No-No. Good for us, the general public; fairness in the markets.

But there's more.....along with the rule prohibiting insider trading, etc, the SEC wrote Rule10b-18. The euphemism for Rule 10b-18 is 'safe harbor'. This rule is meant to aid the CEO's, members of the Board of Directors, Veeps, and managers of corporations to steer clear of the law but still manage to buy, sell, and exercise stock options without incurring felonies within the realm of insider trading. There is even a website that has the title 'FAQ's on Rule10b-18'. SEC ends up giving aid to enemy. How can the average guy or gal maintain a middle class existence when our regulatory agencies are giving away the store! Talk about being rigged.

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To download the Employee Course Tuition Waiver form, go to: http://uupinfosyr.org/tuitionforms.html

Here are some that did take advantage of this benefit:

Ray Muldoon graduated this May, having earned a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree, awarded by our College of Nursing. "I was in the first cohort at our college to earn this degree. My research project was a retrospective study of the effect of a family-systems based intervention upon early psychiatric readmission. My paper is entitled: "The Effect of Therapeutic Consultation upon Psychiatric Readmission within Thirty-Days". I utilized our union tuition benefit to defray a large portion of the cost related to earning this degree." On a personal note Ray will become a grandfather for the second time! His daughter Melissa (a graduate of SUNY Buffalo State College and The University of Buffalo) will have her first baby (a girl) in September.

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One of the benefits that we get via our contract is the ability to take on space available basis tuition free at any SUNY campus. You will still have to pay any fees and this doesn't include community Colleges.



I would like to give a shout out to UUP to helping me achieve my "bucket list" of obtaining my Masters of Science in Management from Keuka College. I will be graduating May 28th. I appreciate the opportunity, as well as the monies that I received to help support my goals.

"Were there none who were discontented with what they have, the world would never reach anything better." - Florence Nightingale

Michelle Strom, RN, BSN, MSM Nurse Manager Midwifery/GYN

Theresa Baxter, VPP

Hello, I'd like to introduce myself; as your newly elected interim Vice President for Professionals, Upstate Chapter of UUP. Previously I was your elected Officer for Contingents, a role now held by Joyce Freeman.

A little about me: First and foremost, I'm the mom to 3 amazing people- Brandon, Josh, and Kristen. I enjoy having a great

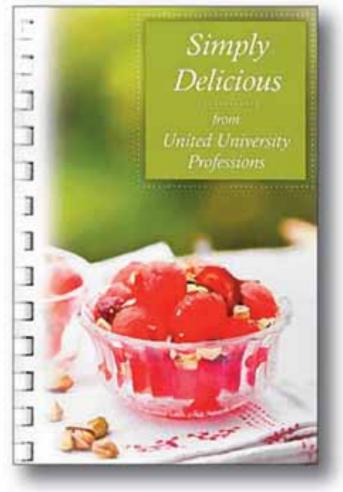


Picture above are Upstate Nurses raising awareness for Domestic Violence at the Katie M. Socci Stampede. From left: Theresa Baxter NP, Lisa Johnston RN (SICU), Olivia King NP

garden, exercising, discovering new healthy foods, and fun adventures, to name a few things. Personally and professionally, It's satisfying to help people to help themselves, and staying active to help resolve the opioid epidemic. Everyday is an opportunity to learn and to make a difference.

After graduating from Crouse Hospital School of Nursing, I was a Registered Nurse/Patient Service Leader in the SICU downtown campus for 8 years. While there, I continued my education, receiving BS in nursing from Keuka College, and MSN from SUNY Upstate. I've been in my current role of Nurse Practitioner for Acute Pain Service, downtown campus for about 2 ½ years. When I began this position and became a member of UUP, I decided to learn more about the union, which led me to this role. I'm looking forward to working closely to make this union great for all members, and activating my clinical brothers and sisters. Working together, we can become stronger!

My office number is 464-9273; I can also be found providing quality patient care most evenings. Interested in becoming involved in your union? Call, drop me an email, say hi to me in the hallway!



'Simply Delicious' UUP Cookbooks on sale for \$10

UUP is selling cookbooks of favorite recipes submitted by UUPers, spouses and staff. Just print this page, fill out the coupon below and mail!

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The UUP Scholarship Development Committee, co-chaired by Pat Ghee of Buffalo State and Deb Zinser of Plattsburgh, produced the cookbook. We have a limited number of these in the chapter office, call if you want one 422-5028.

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UUP Join Hundreds at Rally for UAW Workers

UUP members joined hundreds of Capital Region unionists in a June 15 march and rally in support of United Auto Workers in Green Island, who have refused to accept a punitive contract offer from Honeywell Aerospace.

The 42 members of UAW Local 1508 walked out five weeks ago, and have watched while replacement workers were bused into the factory as they picketed outside. Pictured below are Negotiations Team members Mike Lyon, left, Tom Tucker, right, and Albany Chapter member Vincent Commisso, center.



Chants of "Scabs go home!" rose in front of the block-long brick building as unionists from UUP, NYSUT and dozens of other labor organizations gathered.

"We don't believe in locking workers out," said UUP Membership Development Officer Tom Hoey, above, second from left. "Replacement workers are not the way to go.



The presence of UUP and NYSUT members was cited by speakers at the podium as a long list of supporters was read. "Out of solidarity, we have to stand with our brothers and sisters in all the unions. When support is needed, UUP is there," said Tom Tucker, who co-chairs the UUP Outreach Committee. Outreach Committee Co-chair and Negotiations Team Assistant Chief Negotiator Pamela Malone, right, was at the rally, along with a dozen other UUP members, many of them from UUP's Negotiations Team. Pictured with Malone are Negotiations Team members Paula White, left, and Anne Wiegard. UUP Chief Negotiator Philippe Abraham also took part at the rally.

The striking workers, who make brake pads at the factory, have turned down the company's latest offer because it hiked health insurance costs considerably, froze the pension plan and provided no cost-of-living increases.

A number of federal and state lawmakers pledged their support for the strikers. Mario Cilento, president of the New York State AFL-CIO, told the strikers that his staff remained ready to provide assistance to the Honeywell workers. He also told them he fully understood how stressful it was to be on strike.

"You fought for a fair contract, and now it's everyone's fight," Cilento said. "You'll be successful because we stand together. We just have to outlast them for one day."



GOING ON VACATION?

Vacations were invented to help you leave your worries behind. Here are a few tips designed to help ensure that your trip isn't interrupted with problems from the home front.

Tell the Good Guys You're Going Away...

Ask a neighbor to watch your house, or have a friend drive by to keep an eye on things – it will be well worth the added peace of mind. You can even bribe them with treats or a souvenir from your trip. The U.S. State Department also recommends that you have a friend or neighbor hold onto your spare key and, if possible, ask them to park their car in your driveway to make it look like someone is home. Be sure to notify the Post Office and have your mail delivery stopped, suspend your newspaper deliveries, and for longer trips, notify the police department.

...Not the Bad Guys

While it's hard to resist sharing selfies taken on the beach, be careful about what you post to social media. AARP.org cautions against broadcasting that your home is empty. Make sure your settings allow only family and friends to view your feed. An un-mowed lawn can also be a tip-off, so be sure to hire someone to keep it trim while you're away.

Put Lights on Timers

A house that is dark all evening is a sure sign that nobody's home. Same thing with a house where the lights are on all night. A timer will not only create the illusion that someone is flipping the switch, it will help you use energy efficiently. If you normally keep your curtains open, don't close them while you are away.

Lock Up More Than Your Home

If you have a safe, throw in important documents, computers and valuables. If you need to hide money, don't put it in your sock drawer...thieves know most people hide cash in their dresser. Place it out of sight in a very high or very low place, outside of the bedroom. Just don't make your hiding place so good that you can't find it later or you forget where it is.

Install an Alarm

They're a great deterrent. Plus, they can also help you save money on your insurance. Be sure to ask your insurance agent about Liberty Mutual's Protective Device Discount.

Don't Let a Burst Pipe Burst Your Bubble on Vacation

If you live in a cold climate, be sure to keep your heat at a temperature warm enough to ensure that your pipes don't freeze. That will also ensure a warmer welcome when you return from your trip.



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Past President Rambling

Mike Lyon, UUP Member, UUP Chapter Past President



Michael Lyon, Ph.D.,

I am not sure where this rambling will end up. But I warned everyone that this would occur if there wasn't enough content for the newsletter.

I am reflecting back on my life long experiences that involved, in some aspects, unions. I am a product of the 60's, if that means anything to you. I was an anti-union person during those days and I think I know why. Some

of these memories may be worse than they really were at the time. My Dad was not a union member at any time during his working career and I can remember him being out of work for long periods of time and us struggling. But it's how I remember them. The UAW was on strike and they wanted more for their lowest paid workers, many times more, than my Dad made. I should add that my mother also worked. When he finally got a job, unfortunately, it meant many long hours and frequently he wasn't home when my brothers and I had to go to bed. I vividly remember lying awake, in our trundle bunk bed, crying because I was scared and he wasn't there. We had just gone to the movies and I believe the feature was the "Attack of the Giant Women" or "Attack of the Crab Monsters" or something like that. Of course, these monsters were due to radiation as was every monster during those days. My Dad wasn't home because he was working while those burns that had been earning vastly more were on strike for even more. That was my narrow vision at that time, which carried over into my adult life.

While pay is certainly an important aspect to what a union fights for, I have learned that it is much, much, much, did I say much, more. Our day-to-day fights are for every one of you to have a safe place to work; to be able to come to work and not have to deal with a bullying supervisor; to get the respect you deserve for what you do. I have frequently said and still believe, "there would be no unions if employers treated their employees right".

To management (I know you are reading this): Have the people who do the work be involved in how the work is done. Too many times things become so top down that nothing works. So I urge you if you are going to change how things are done, involve those who do it, from those at the lowest level to those at the highest level; keep all feeling as their opinion matters. One last thing, to those at the highest level: there is nothing, nothing below your paygrade and you cannot be more insulting to all at a meeting than to hear this said out loud. Ok, Ok, Ok: a couple of more last things, these are not my quotes:

If you have health care, thank a union If you have vacation time, thank a union If you have a safe place to work, thank a union If you have a pension, thank a union

Oh yeah, you need to know that along the way, people DIED! That's right, died, to get these benefits and we fight to keep them during every contract negotiation. Don't think for a minute that these are guaranteed, or some kind of entitlement. Please, those of you out there who are fee payers, just sign the membership card (included in this newsletter). There is power in our numbers. The other side watches and sees how much our members care. If you give the impression that you don't care, we lose. Your involvement, or lack thereof, speaks **VOLUMES**.

P.S. Just played a board game with my 8 year old nephew. Halfway through the game suddenly the rules changed??? If you don't know the rules, contact the union. You may not get the answer you want but at least you will know the rules.

The End??

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