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## APWU ELECTION 2022 - - BALLOTS TO BE MAILED @ 9/10/22

The APWU Election Of Officers that has been ongoing from @ Mid-June, is reaching the climax. At this writing all that remains is mailing and receiving the ballots, voting, final tabulating, and announcing the outcome. It is a dragged out exercise that involves in part the rather restrictive access to records that are necessary to keep our Chapter mailing lists current. But we digress! While there is a seemingly endless number of offices and candidates in the election, a limited number of candidates are available to retirees for our votes. What follows is a listing of contested offices that we retirees can vote for. There are uncontested offices that are automatically elected. They are not included in this listing:

### PRESIDENT

**Mark Diamondstein (I)**

**John L Marcotte**

### LEGISLATIVE/POLITICAL DIRECTOR

**Judy Beard (I)**

**Thomas Benson**

### HUMAN RELATIONS DIRECTOR

**Daleo Freeman (I)**

**Doris Simmons**

### RETIREE DIRECTOR

**Nancy E Olumekor (I)**

**Robert L Jeffrey**

[(I) Indicates incumbent] The right of members to vote for leadership does not exist throughout the APWU. We urge in the strongest terms that you use it wisely. When your ballot arrives, please vote following all the procedures included with the ballot, and get it in the mail ASAP.

**VOTE VOTE VOTE**

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## LABOR DAY 2022 - SEPTEMBER 5

After a hiatus caused by the COVID Pandemic, the Allegheny County Labor Council has announced that the traditional LABOR DAY PARADE will be held this year. While we have reached out to several sources for the logistics of the Parade, what follows is the information that is known as this report is prepared:

The traditional Labor Day Mass will be celebrated at Saint Benedict The Moor at 8:00 AM. The Parade will step off promptly at 10:00 AM from the old Mellon Arena. Those are all the details that have been reported to the Chapter by the Labor Council.

While there has not been any communication to the Chapter from the Local, they usually assemble at the upper parking lot under a line of trees in close proximity to the church. The Local usually sets up as early as 8:00 AM or there about. They have always set up tables with a 'spread' of pastries and beverages, including water bottles. They have also always provided t-shirts and hats and goody bags for the children who go along with the marchers. Despite not having a formal invitation from the Local to join in, we fully expect that our members will be welcome just as they have been in the past.

It is likely that the logistic issues will tighten up. The Chapter believes that the gap in scheduling the parade due to the pandemic is responsible to the scarcity of information at this late date,

Before the parade was shut down due to the pandemic, information flowed freely and timely to better inform our members of the details. As time goes on and the parade continues to be held, we anticipate that planning will improve.

### AFTER PARADE ACTIVITIES

Over the years the Local has sponsored various after parade activities. This has ranged from a cook-out at the Local headquarters to moving the cook-out near the Pirates ball field with tickets to the game, and more recently, to holding the cook-out at a picnic grove in the Emsworth area. If you do march, and we urge that you do so if able, be prepared for the after parade festivities, whatever that may be.

Past Vice President/Treasurer and long time activist Joe Anthony has indicated that he will be at the parade. Every one knows Joe. He has been a solid rock of dependability for many years.

Unfortunately I will not be able to join the parade due to medical issues. In the past my wife Charlotte and I have driven our car at the parade picking up stragglers who have dropped out along the way. Depending on weather conditions at parade time, please be prepared to deal with it. We will miss the camaraderie at the parade and the after parade activities. So it goes! But we are thanking our members who are able and willing to join the line of march. It is member participation that has made the parade a success over these many years.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO VOTE IN THE APWU ELECTION. VOTE, VOTE, VOTE.

SHUT-IN LIST ~ Robert Gesk and Veronica Bujdos are on the shut-in list. Please keep a good thought for our shut-ins. There but for the grace of God..... (To be included on the shut-in list, call the Chapter at 724 947 9374.)

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