



2018 Business Convention Expands Officers' Terms to 3 Years

We celebrated our 40th anniversary at the 2018 UHP Business Convention, April 13 at the Aqua Turf, by presenting scholarships and awards and amending our constitution. Starting with those elected in 2019, officers' terms will be three years instead of two. Read the amendment at bit.ly/18UHPamend. And **congratulations to this year's honorees:**



Jean Castagno
2018 UHP Rep of the Year



Victoria Scranton
2018 Steward of the Year



VP Comms Chris DeFrancesco
2018 President's Award

Latest on SAG Award



Some more information from SEBAC is now available, by way of an FAQ sheet, available through our website: bit.ly/saguhp. Additional updates will go on that page when they become available.

The calculator to determine the employee's expense to buy into the SERS to was not immediately available.

The window to make this one-time, irrevocable decision does not open until Sept. 14, 2018.

(See 'SAG Award Update,' P. 2)

VP's CORNER: 40 Years of UHP

The 40th anniversary has kicked off with a great start. We just held our 40th Annual Business Convention this past April at the Aqua Turf with a very positive reception. The Scholarship Committee awarded 11 scholarships to some of our very deserving members and their dependents. The Social Committee's 40th Anniversary subcommittee is working on organizing the remainder of the 40th anniversary-themed events for the year. One of the events will be a fun-filled summer outing at High Meadow on Saturday, **Aug. 18**, where you can kick back with your friends, family and union brothers and sisters for the day. Tickets are available for purchase by contacting sbrown@uhp3837.com. Keep your eyes and ears open for some of the other special events due to be announced.



**—In Solidarity,
Shawn Brown, VP Membership Activities**

Congratulations to Hector Marrero

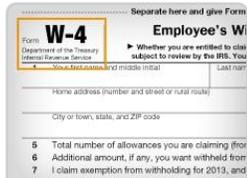


Veteran autopsy-pathology technologist Hector Marrero is retiring next month, after 35 years of dedicated service in the lab. Over that time, Hector has earned the respect and friendship of coworkers at all levels. His record of service earned him several institutional honors over the years, including the Minority Achievement Award (1998) and UConn Health's first PAWS award (2002; read about it at bit.ly/0204Hector).

"I will miss the connection with an institution that provided me with education and knowledge," Hector says. "This has allowed me to be a dedicated contributor to the care of our patients and education of our students. I feel I have made a difference and leave UConn Health proud of what was given to me and how I paid it forward."

We're proud of you too, Hector, and wish you the best in retirement!

Heads up on July 20 Paycheck



The paycheck dated July 20 (issued July 19) will include both the prorated \$2,000 lump sum and the longevity payment that was deferred

from April. These payments result from the 2017 SEBAC agreement. Those who are eligible for one or both of them and are interested in adjusting their withholdings should get in touch with payroll for the necessary paperwork and deadlines. More information about this is available at bit.ly/1805Jul20check.

Furlough Deadline June 30

As reported previously, the deadline to use the furlough time that was part of the 2017 SEBAC agreement is June 30, and now we can also report that payroll is in agreement. Remember, you must arrange your furlough time with your supervisor, similar to vacation time. We've been paying for it for most of the last year, so be sure to use it... or lose it!



SAG Award Update *(Continued from Front Page)*

Eligible employees—those who were on active payroll on Sept. 22, 2010, were in ARP then and are still in ARP today—then will have 90 days (until Dec. 14, 2018) to exercise their option to transfer from ARP into SERS.

This is an individual choice, and members should seek advice from a certified financial professional. Neither the union nor the state can or will provide individual financial advice.

The Retirement Services Division of the Office of the State Comptroller is offering a series of SAG Award information sessions throughout the state, including June 5 at UConn Health. Eligible employees should have received a notification from HR about this, as well as instructions on how to reserve a seat.

HR has told us that we do need to arrange with our supervisors to attend, but we would not have to use accrued time.

Upcoming Schedule

May 12, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., AquaTurf

AFT CT Annual Business Convention

May 14, 5 p.m., UHP Office

Executive Committee

May 16, 5 p.m., UHP Office

Community Outreach Committee

May 22, 5 p.m., UHP Office

Steward Committee

June 3-5, Washington, D.C.

AFT Professional Issues Conference

June 11, 5 p.m., UHP Office

Executive Committee

June 14, noon, Onyiuke Dining Room

Union Rep Assembly

July 13-16, Pittsburgh

AFT National Convention

Aug. 18, High Meadow, North Granby

UHP Summer Outing

UHP online calendar: bit.ly/uhpca1