



Union Member - here is your August, 2020 e-newsletter (with updates since early July):

[Resisting a Scheme to Take Away State Workers' Gains](#) *

In our latest podcast episode, state Representative Mike D'Agostino addressed politicians' recent attempts to break union contracts under cover of the COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) pandemic. [Click here for AFT Connecticut President Jan Hochadel and University Health Professionals Vice President Ivonne Hamm's full interview.](#)

[Driving the Message that Student and Staff Safety Takes Resources](#)

Thousands of union members in late July gathered in over two dozen communities demanding elected officials "fund our future" to assure safe school buildings. [Click here for our joint public release on the coordinated car caravan rallies with the Connecticut Education Association \(CEA\).](#)

[Honoring a Local "Hero" at Our AFT National Convention](#)

An affiliated healthcare union member who was himself infected with COVID-19 was in late July recognized for courage and advocacy throughout the pandemic. [Click here to share a brief video featuring registered nurse Trung Le shown to AFT national convention delegates.](#)

[Finalizing Contractual Gains After the Pandemic's Peak](#)

Our latest collective bargaining report featured victories initially hampered by the COVID-19 outbreak but which eventually provided "some good news" during the crisis. [Click here to learn about contract wins secured by PreK-12 educators and healthcare professionals after brief delays.](#)

Upcoming Activities & Events

- August 9: [Informational Picket for Fair Contract at Backus Hospital](#)
- August 11: [Presidential, Congressional & Legislative Primary Election - RESCHEDULED](#)
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- August 11: [PreK-12 & PSRP "Legal Issues" Training Workshop](#)

Featured Benefit

- AFT +: [DinnerTime Meal Service](#)

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