

THE JUDICIAL NEWS

The Newsletter of the Judicial Professional Employees Union
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FREE NEW BRITAIN ROCK CATS **TICKETS**



In cooperation with our brother and sister professional employees within AFT, JPE is offering 100 free tickets to the **SATURDAY JUNE 29th** game between the New Britain Rock Cats and the Reading Fighting Phils. Game time is **6:35 p.m.** and tickets are free to all JPE members both active and retired. There are no limits on the amount of tickets a member or retiree can request, but please be responsible with your requests. Tickets will be distributed on a first come first served basis. **REQUESTS FOR TICKETS MUST BE EMAILED TO info@marshallawusa.com** and then the tickets will be mailed to you. Late requests (those made prior to the game date but not soon enough to allow for the mailing of the tickets) can pick up their tickets the day of the game from a JPE representative at the stadium. We hope to see you at the ballpark!

COURT RULES THAT 2003 LAY-OFFS VIOLATED WORKERS' RIGHTS

In a uplifting decision from the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals, the 2003 lay-offs of state employees was deemed improper as it unfairly targeted unionized employees. The appeals court has sent the case back to the district court for a determination of equitable relief. What type of relief is equitable will be determined by the district court. When that will be determined is unknown. Months? Years? Go to jpeunion.net for more details and stay tuned for updates.



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A Message from THE ACTING PRESIDENT

APO II, James Romano (New London)



JPE Members,

The JPE Executive Board has been working hard and more work needs to be done. Electronic voting will be rolled out this fall, just in time for the September elections. A settlement on ballistic vests for Adult and Juvenile Probation Officers is near completion. Our contact with members in their work location continues to be a priority and we are spending the entire day on June 19 in the 20 Franklin Sq. (New Britain) area as this is one of our highest concentration of members from a wide variety of job classes.

On another note, JPE has hired Attorney Andrew Morrissey of Morrissey, Morrissey and Mooney of Naugatuck, CT to research the availability of Heart and Hypertension benefits for judicial hazardous duty personnel under C.G.S. 5-145a. Attorney Morrissey is an expert in this field and will be rendering a decision soon and will be advising JPE on how to assist members in making claims if eligible. Keep up the good work and please have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Thanks,

Jimmy (jamesromano@sbcglobal.net)

Upcoming Events

JPE Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 10th
50 Columbus Blvd. Hartford
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

JPE Scholarship Award Reception

Wednesday, July 10th
50 Columbus Blvd. Hartford
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

20 Franklin Sq. (New Britain) Members Meet & Greet

Wednesday, June 19th
Breakfast 7 – 9 a.m.
Lunch 12 – 2 p.m.
Barbacoa Restaurant
2 Main Street New Britain

After Work Reception 4:30 – 6:30p.m.

Eastside Restaurant
131 Dwight St. New Britain

**JULY 21-27 is PROBATION &
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