

NEWS & VIEWS

OPEIU Local 30

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA/
ARIZONA/COLORADO



LOCAL 30 MEMBER SAVES A LIFE

Local 30 member Luis A. Mejia, Sr. Medical Record Clerk III in the Medical Records - Radiology/Xray Department at Kaiser Permanente, was presented with an award from the Save a Life Program and the KP Recognition Committee for his actions at work. Mr. Mejia was surprised to learn of the award and even more surprised to see the patient he saved at the ceremony.

In November of 2016, the patient arrived for her routine check-up and Mr. Mejia noted that she was overdue for her Mammogram. He suggested the patient go to Radiology right then to set up the appointment and possibly get the test that day. The patient was hesitant because there was no history of breast cancer in her family but at the insistence of Mr. Mejia she relented and went to Radiology.

She received the test that day, was subsequently diagnosed with advanced breast cancer and had surgery and began treatment right away. Now, 6 years later the patient is cancer free and very grateful to Mr. Mejia for being so insistent.

At the ceremony held this year for Mr. Mejia the patient told him that she was grateful every day for the help she received that day and was now able to enjoy her grandchildren. Congratulations to Luis Mejia for truly saving a life. ★



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Marianne Giordano

It may be summertime, but the work continues. We have contract negotiations going on in several of our units in Colorado, Arizona, and Los Angeles all while bargaining our next Kaiser National Agreement and the local Kaiser/San Diego and California Service Center (CSC) contracts as well. Our staff continues to lead our bargaining committees to good contracts

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Michael Ramey

I am always proud of my Union, proud of what we do and who we are. And, once again there we were at our International Union's Convention showing all the other local unions there our Local 30 pride. The Convention accomplished a lot and set a course for the coming years including organizing the unorganized and bargaining great contracts for all our members across the US and Canada. And of course, electing

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING JULY 27TH
AT 5:30PM PT**

LABOR PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

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that our members will support. Make sure you support your committee as they fight for you.

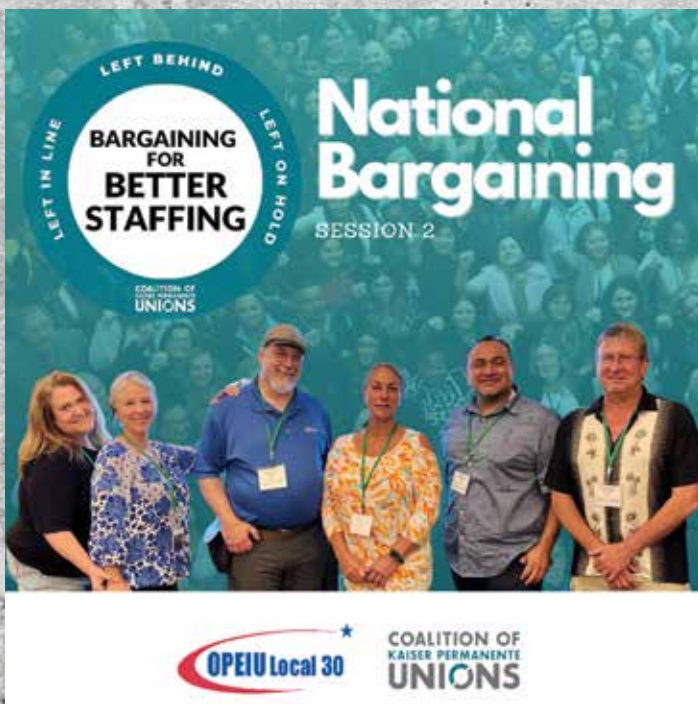
Our organizing continues as we work with various groups to help them join the Union and get a good contract to provide them better wages and working conditions. The work is often difficult and time consuming, but the end result is worth the effort. We believe every worker deserves a good contract and the protections of a strong union. If someone you know is in a workplace that could use representation, please let us know.

Please remember to watch for our fun events in your area and join in on the excitement. We have to make time to stop and enjoy some fun along the way. Watch the newsletter and website for details.

All other aspects of Local 30 are running well. Our finances are strong, our expenses are well managed, and our assets are performing well, especially given the current state of things in this economy. With a very conservative investment strategy that has served us well over the years, we continue to grow our assets and manage effectively.

Lastly, I would like to call out our great Local 30 stewards. These unsung heroes are our frontline eyes and ears always keeping watch to ensure our members are protected, well represented, and well informed. We all need to be grateful for their efforts everyday. So, thank a steward today.

Enjoy your summer, Marianne



KP NATIONAL BARGAINING IS UNDERWAY

The Unions of the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions (CKPU) are once again at the bargaining table to negotiate a new National Agreement and Local 30 leaders are working together with the leaders of the other unions on the Coalition.

"Here we go again," remarked Local 30 Executive Director Marianne Giordano who leads the Local 30 delegation. "As usual, we are finding a lot of resistance to many of our demands. As we work through the many issues raised there is however a broad agreement between the Unions of the Coalition to stand together and provide a fair and equally beneficial contract for all."

"We've been here before and know how this goes," declared Local 30 President Michael Ramey. "By sticking together and standing our ground we will bring back an agreement that our members can support."

Among the issues being discussed are certainly wages and benefits but also full staffing, pay for performance, no contracting out, and many other issues. The current four-year Agreement is set to expire on September 30, 2023. Bargaining will continue until an agreement is reached. ★



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our officers to lead the Union forward. Obviously for us, the most important officer re-elected was our own Executive Director, Marianne as International Vice President from Region 5.

Marianne has done a great job since taking over following Walter Allen's retirement. She has certainly proved herself in the various roles that come along with her full-time job running Local 30. From OPEIU International Vice President to Vice President of the San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council she does it all. I congratulate Marianne on her re-election to the International Union Executive Board and look forward to continuing to work with her right here at home at Local 30. We have a lot to do.

Speaking of the work ahead, I urge all of our Kaiser and CSC members to pay close attention to our

ongoing National Bargaining as that heats up in the months ahead. Given the issues we will be discussing and the seriousness of our demands, there will likely be numerous opportunities for member involvement. You will remember last time around with the help and support of our members when called upon we ended up with a solid contract that included better wages and a number of other improvements. These things don't happen by accident and cannot be accomplished by talented leaders alone. It takes an engaged membership. It takes us all working together. Be ready.

Have a safe and fun summer! In unity, Mike

save the date **AUG 26**



family fun day at the



San Diego Zoo
Wildlife Alliance

MORE DETAILS
TO COME



MEMBER ONLY BENEFITS CHECKLIST

As a member of Local 30 I am entitled to (and have signed up for): **FREE** ID Theft Protection; **FREE** Towing and Lockout Service; **FREE** College Scholarships and College Debt Reduction Awards; plus much more! Check out Local 30 website at www.opeiulocal30.org. More value for my membership. Thank you Local 30! ★



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS for 2023

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**Upcoming Meetings for Local 30
Held at 5:30pm PT**

General Membership
meetings will be held on:

Thursday, July 27, 2023
Thursday, October, 26, 2023

ARIZONA MEMBERS GO OUT TO THE BALL GAME



Local 30 members attended the **Arizona Diamondbacks** game against the **San Diego Padres** and while the outcome was not what Diamondbacks fans hoped for, the Union members present had a great time.

"It was a great day!" exclaimed Executive Board Member Linda Winters. "It's fun to get to see other Local 30 members in Arizona and get to know them better. The seats were great, the food was great. Everyone had a good time."

"It was a terrific event," reported Local 30 Executive Director Marianne Giordano. "The event was well attended, and everyone seemed to enjoy the day."

Every year Local 30 hosts a family event in the regions of the Union to get members and their families together outside of work to enjoy time together. From days at the zoo, an amusement park, or a ball game, the events are always well attended and fun for all. ★

Padres fan in the house!



Summer days and double plays.



Meet me at Chase Field!



Hey batter batter, hey batter batter swing!



Take me out to the ball game.



Let's go Diamondbacks!



Let's play ball!



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- ✓ 8 Awards \$2,000 each
- ✓ Scholarship Fund
- ✓ Student Debt Relief
- ✓ Deadline: September 30



APPLY NOW

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THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN – APPLY TODAY!

On the following pages 6 and 7 are the scholarship application forms. Simply cut the form out from the newsletter, complete it, attach the required documents such as acceptance letter or school registration information, or documentation that student loan payments are up to date and send to the Local 30 office by September 30, 2023.



2023 Student Debt Relief

Deadline: September 30, 2023

Name of Local 30 Member

Last

First

Middle

Home Address

City & State

Zip

Home Phone ()

Work Phone ()

Personal E-mail address

Employed by

Work Location

Name of Applicant

Last

First

Middle

Home Address

City & State

Zip

*THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED:

Name of Financial Institution:

Account #:

Address of Financial Institution:

Balance of Loan as of the date of this application:

Loan Statement Enclosed ☐

Associate Degree ☐ (Year)

Undergraduate Degree ☐ (Year)

Technical or Trade School ☐ (Year)

Advance Degree ☐ (Year)

Relation to Member

Signature of Applicant

Date

***Documentation that student loan payments are up to date must be attached to this application and submitted to the Local 30 office by September 30, 2023, to be eligible for the Student Debt Relief drawing. *Application may be excluded if incomplete.**

Send application to:

O.P.E.I.U. Local 30 Scholarship Fund

6136 Mission Gorge Rd., 214

San Diego, CA 92120

Phone: (619) 640-4840 Fax: (619) 640-4830

Email: info@opeiulocal30.org

For Local 30 Use Only:

Date Received:

Eligibility: Yes ☐ No ☐

If No, give reason:



2023 Scholarship Fund Application

Deadline: September 30, 2023

Name of Local 30 Member

Last

First

Middle

Home Address

City & State

Zip

Home Phone ()

Work Phone ()

Personal E-mail address

Employed by

Work Location

Name of Student/Applicant

Last

First

Middle

Home Address

City & State

Zip

College/University

Anticipated Graduation Date

Relation to Member

Signature of Applicant

Date

***Acceptance letter or school registration information must be attached to this application and submitted to the Local 30 office by September 30, 2023, to be eligible for the Scholarship drawing. *Application may be excluded if incomplete.**

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If No, give reason: _____

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... LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD ...

Keep us updated on any events or news from your workplace which you want included in this newsletter to share with the whole OPEIU Local 30 community.

Send pictures and details to: info@opeiulocal30.org

MEET LOCAL 30's OFFICERS

MARIANNE GIORDANO



Executive Director/ CFO

Marianne has been a Local 30 member since 1989. She worked at Kaiser Permanente as a Cardiac Sonographer since then, and in 1998 was elected President of the Union. Since then, she has chaired numerous Labor

Management Partnership committees including Workplace Safety and served on the bargaining committees for each round of bargaining at the National and local levels. Marianne also serves her Union as an International Vice President and Vice President of the San Diego & Imperial Counties Labor Council AFL-CIO.

MICHAEL RAMEY



President

Mike has been a Local 30 member employed at Kaiser Permanente as a Sonographer since 1997. He has served on various LMP committees

and on the National and local bargaining committees for the past three rounds of bargaining. Mike was first elected to the Local 30 Executive Board in 2010 and became President in 2020.

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