

ALACHUA COUNTY LABOR PARTY

AUGUST 2013 BULLETIN

LOCAL

RESTAURANT WORKERS UNITE

From bounced paychecks to a staff meeting demanding sanitary conditions and no discrimination workplace, lead employees to a week strike.

The activists held a panel discussion featuring the bargaining process. The main ideas they insisted for organizing were to **build trust and communication** between employees, to **be persistent** in requesting the owner meet their demands, and to

outreach to fellow labor activists and media outlets.

Their message was clear: Build a restaurant workers alliance in Gainesville to unite workers in the restaurant industry and help them bargain for better conditions in the workplace.

The Labor Party recognizes this movement as an opportunity to stand in solidarity and help in any effort needed. **ACLP**



Tasty Buddha workers speak at the "Anatomy of a Restaurant Strike" discussion forum on Aug 8

Healthcare-NOW Strategy Conference 2013 - Nashville, TN

The 2013 Healthcare-NOW Strategy Conference will feature a special workshop on organizing health care for all in the southern states. As part of the southern contingent, it's recognized that the organizing style and logistics are different from the northern state counterparts. Labor Party members are encouraged to attend the conference to raise the consciousness and learn organizing tactics.

Also, southern state health care organizers will attend "The Politics of Health Conference" at Vanderbilt University on Oct. 3 & 4 to promote the single-payer plan. The conference focuses on four themes of the political problem of health: inequality, activism, policy, and aesthetics.

Healthcare-NOW Strategy Conference: Oct 5 - 6
Scarritt-Bennett Center, 1008 19th Ave. South, Nashville, TN 37212

Politics of Health Conference: Oct 3 - 4
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Interested in attending all dates or partial dates?

*Contact us by email or phone as soon as you can, Labor Party can accomodate for costs.

Want to be involved in strategic planning?

Just Health Care meetings are held on the **second Tuesday** of every month at **5:45 pm**. The next meeting is **9/10**

Labor Party general meetings are held on the **fourth Tuesday** of every month at **6:30 pm**. The next meeting is **8/27**

Good Luck Chelsea!

BY MARIE DINO
ACLP Coordinator

We would like to thank Chelsea Hetelson for all her hardwork to improve the Labor Party and Just Health Care websites, newsletters, and literature. I have learned many tips and tricks to make our organization's virtual presence more appealing. Thank you Chelsea, and good luck on your endeavors in Portland, Oregon, where support for Single-payer is strong and very possible in a in the next years.

A note from Marie:

I'd like to thank all the members and committee of 100 for their continuous support and donations that allow our group to run efficiently.

I have found a collective who finds unity behind the struggles of the working people and organizes to win justice for all. I call this collective my family.

With that, my path for activism stays with the Labor Party, as a coordinator. Although this upcoming year holds heavy weight with graduation in May, I plan to stay focused and organize with the people who have shared their experiences to help me grow as an activist.

labor daze fest

- Celebrate the people who make this city run!
- Free admission to the Labor Daze Fest on Sunday, Sept 1st, anytime from 4 - 10 pm at the Bo Diddley Plaza. Volunteer and table with Labor Party too!
- **what to do:** Start a conversation with people, spark interest and concern about health care, and the rest is history!

Labor Party Membership Form

You can also join online:
www.floridalaborparty.org/alachua/join

I want to join the Labor Party

Membership includes a one-year subscription to the ACLP news-letter. I'd like to be a:

- Friend of the Labor Party - \$25/year
- Monthly Sustainer - \$5/month
- Yearly Sustainer - \$60/year

I want to join the Committee of 100

(\$20/month) The Committee of 100 is a higher level of membership that serves as a core support system for the Labor Party. It includes membership, a subscription to the ACLP newsletter as well as monthly recognition in the newsletter. I'd like to pay my dues:

- Monthly - \$20/month
- Quarterly - \$60/quarter
- Annually - \$240/year

Please make out checks to "Labor Party." Send order form to:
Alachua County Labor Party, PO Box 12051, Gainesville, FL 32604

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Union (optional): _____

Joining the Labor Party DOES NOT affect your voter registration.

Gainesville, FL 32604
Post Office Box 12051
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Alachua County

Next General Meeting

Tuesday, August 27,
6:30pm
Labor Party Office

www.floridalaborparty.org



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Stay updated with the Labor Party via our website, Facebook group or Twitter for related news, upcoming Labor Party events and meetings.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2013 , 6:30 PM

ACLP General August meeting at the Labor Party Office, 14 E. University Avenue, #204

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2013 AT 7:00 PM

The Health Care Movie screening at the Gainesville Mennonite Church, 1236 NW 18th Avenue

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2013 AT 8:30 - 10:30 AM

North Florida Central Labor Council Breakfast at the CWA 3105 Hall, 1949 NE 27th Avenue

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 AT 4:00 - 10:00 PM

ACLP tables at 2013 Labor Daze Festival at the Bo Diddley Plaza

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 AT 5:45 PM

Just Health Care September meeting at the Labor Party Office, 14 E. University Avenue, #204

Thank You Committee of 100 Members for Your Ongoing Support

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