

## UUP Chapter Notes Newsletter

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# CHAPTER NOTES NEWSLETTER

10.23.2023

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Our next General Meeting is on Wednesday,  
November 8th, from Noon to 1:00 pm in UU 324.

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[Binghamton Chapter Website](#) [Statewide Website](#)

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## Central Labor Council forms at Binghamton University

The three largest bargaining units at Binghamton University, United University Professions (UUP), Graduate Student Employees Union (GSEU) and The Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA), have joined together to form the 'Campus Labor Council' (CLC). The Campus Labor Council is an umbrella organization made up of different unions with the mission of fostering a strong community that comes together to fight for bettering the lives of all campus workers and their families.

The inaugural event of the Campus Labor Council is a discussion about labor with Senator Lea Webb on October 27, 2023 from Noon – 1:00 pm in UU 324. You must be a union member to attend.



BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY  
**CAMPUS LABOR COUNCIL**  
 PRESENTS  
**LABOR POWER  
 AND STRATEGY**



A DISCUSSION WITH:

**SENATOR  
LEA WEBB**

DATE:  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
 TIME:  
**NOON - 1 PM**  
 ROOM:  
**UU 324**

**UNION MEMBERS ONLY**  
 STICK AROUND FOR A GROUP  
 PHOTO IN SUPPORT OF SUNY  
 POTSDAM ON THE UNIVERSITY  
 UNION STEPS AT 1:15 PM



Subscribe to the UUP Calendar to keep track of our events.

To subscribe:  
 Open Google Calendars.  
 Click on My Calendars.

Then next to "Other calendars," click + to Add other calendars.  
 Then select "Subscribe to calendar".  
 In the "Add calendar" box, enter [uupevents@binghamton.edu](mailto:uupevents@binghamton.edu)  
 The calendar will be added to your Google Calendar under "Other calendars."

## PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS AND EVALUATIONS FOR UUP PROFESSIONALS WORKSHOP

CO-PRESENTERS: CHRIS SIELAFF, LABOR RELATIONS SPECIALIST FOR UUP,  
 BRENDAN MCGOVERN, UUP BINGHAMTON CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Join us for this important workshop designed specifically for UUP professionals and supervisors. The workshop will cover the requirements for Performance Programs & Evaluations for UUP professionals. Attendees will also be advised of the best approach to handling temporary and permanent increases in duties and responsibilities.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023**  
**NOON - 1PM**  
**U U W - 3 2 4**

### ALL ATTENDEES SHOULD BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- A copy of their appointment letter
- Their most recent performance program
- A copy of their most recent evaluation

This is a workshop for UUP members only. The link to join UUP is [www.uupinfo.org/join](http://www.uupinfo.org/join). There will also be membership cards available at the door. We look forward to seeing you there.



REGISTER HERE

**Binghamton Chapter Presents Resolution in Memory of Benita  
Roth at UUP Delegate Assembly, UUP Pledges to Fund  
Scholarship in Benita's Name**



The Binghamton delegation presented a resolution in memory of Benita Roth, long-time, very active UUP Binghamton Chapter member, who died last Spring. [Full text of the resolution](#) is included in this hyperlink.

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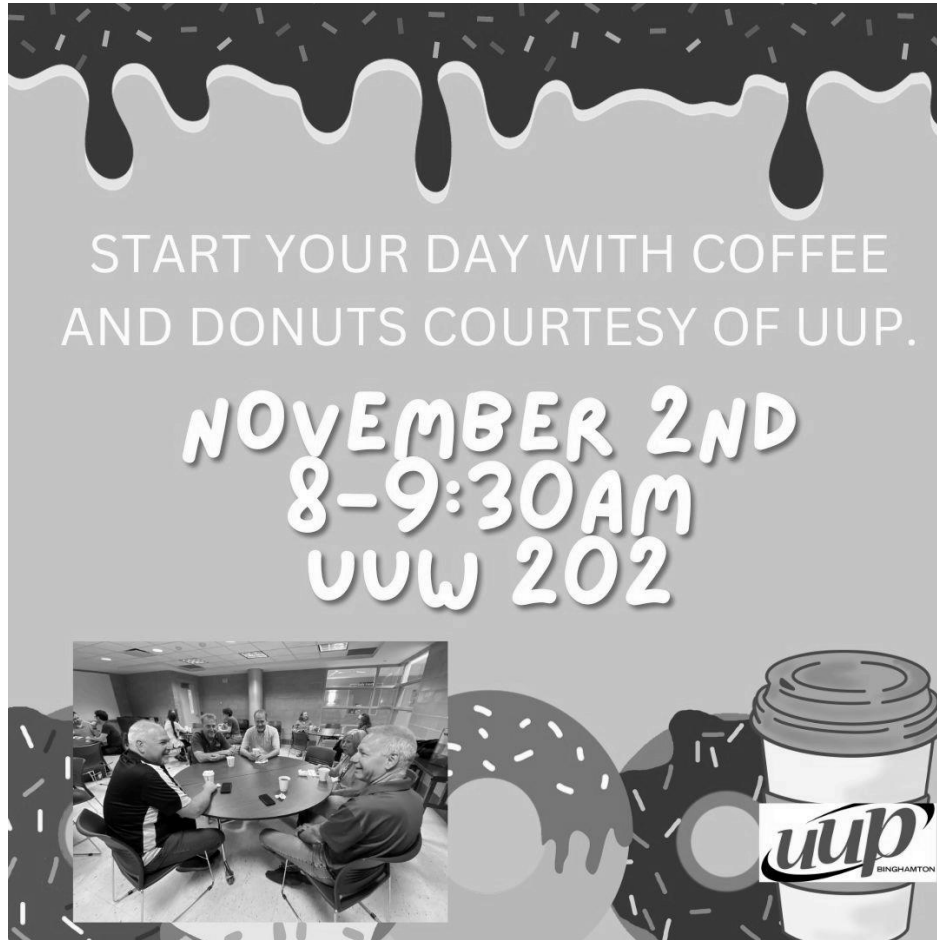


A reminder for all who are on 12-month appointments to check your vacation accruals. Unlike in recent years, vacation accruals over 40 days will not roll over this year.

If you have more than 40 days as of 12/31/23, the extra days will be lost back to the State's coffers, and we want to make sure that our members either have the ability to use their earned vacation time or donate towards leave donation requests.


Leave donations can be made for our members in need and members in other unions on campus or even across chapters. A maximum of 10 days per pay period can be donated (but can donate over multiple pay periods) in 1-day increments. You must donate early enough that you could still utilize the days. Members wanting to donate to leave requests should contact Claire Kovacs ([ckovacs@binghamton.edu](mailto:ckovacs@binghamton.edu)) for more details.

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START YOUR DAY WITH COFFEE  
AND DONUTS COURTESY OF UUP.

**NOVEMBER 2ND**  
**8-9:30AM**  
**UUW 202**



Interested in Being More involved in UUP? Become a Union Representative for your area.

[Click here for more information](#)

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## Fall 2023 UUP Delegate Assembly



The Fall 2023 UUP Delegate Assembly doubled as a policy-making assembly and a joyous commemoration of UUP's 1973 founding. The celebration also marked recent back-to-back victories for UUP: One of the best budgets for SUNY in more than a decade—thanks in large part to UUP's advocacy—and one of the strongest contracts ever, which members resoundingly ratified in August.

And a call to action as UUP emphasized our goal to stop planned program cuts at SUNY Potsdam and prevent the administrative fiasco at Potsdam from replicating throughout the SUNY system.

Delegates approved a constitutional amendment that will guarantee one place each for academic and professional contingents on the statewide Executive Board. Also passed: resolutions supporting the newly organized Starbucks Workers United and calling for solidarity with UUP's colleagues at West Virginia University, where programs have been significantly cut; and a resolution supporting legislation in favor of reducing the U.S. Defense budget without compromising the pay or benefits of active service members.

The longest debate came over a resolution authorizing UUP to contribute \$6,000 to two reproductive rights organizations. Delegates voted to refer the proposed expenditure to a subcommittee of the statewide Executive Board for review.

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***Discussion with labor activists Jaz Brisack (Workers United Starbucks campaign) and Scott Houldieson (striking member of UAW Local 551 & Chairperson of the UAWD Steering Committee).***

UUP is cosponsor of MSHR's Lecture Series discussion with labor activists Jaz Brisack (Workers United Starbucks campaign) and Scott Houldieson (UAW Local 551, UAWD Steering Committee), NOVEMBER 9th @ 6:30PM /UDC 120

Join us for a panel discussion on "Revitalizing Labor Struggles and the Fight for Human Rights and Social Justice in the U.S." featuring **Jaz Brisack** (lead organizer of the Workers United Starbucks campaign) and **Scott Houldieson** (striking member of UAW Local 551 & Chairperson of the UAWD Steering Committee).

DATE: November 9, 2023 @ 6:30PM

LOCATION: UDC 120

For more information contact René Rojas, [rojas@binghamton.edu](mailto:rojas@binghamton.edu)



## University Wide Benefits Fair

Thursday, November 16

Mandela Room, University Union

10:00am - 2:00pm

Showcasing health insurance, retirement, financial planner, campus departments and retailers.





## **NEW Benefit for UUP Members- Free Calm Premium Subscription!**

NYSUT, an affiliate of UUP, is offering a Premium Calm subscription as a free benefit [Learn more about this benefit here.](#)

To set up your free premium subscription, you will need to have your NYSUT ID handy. It can be found on your [NYSUT Membership card](#), or you can call 1-800-342-9810 or email [memberec@nysut.org](mailto:memberec@nysut.org).

Already have Calm Premium? All you need to do is cancel your current subscription, then use [this NYSUT link](#) to re-sign up. The email affiliated with your NYSUT ID must be the same as the one you use for your Calm subscription.

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## **Important Wellness Benefits**

### **UUP:**

Psych Hub: [https://app.psychhub.com/signup/uup\\_mhp](https://app.psychhub.com/signup/uup_mhp)

Cambridge Credit Counseling: <https://www.cambridge-credit.org/uup/>

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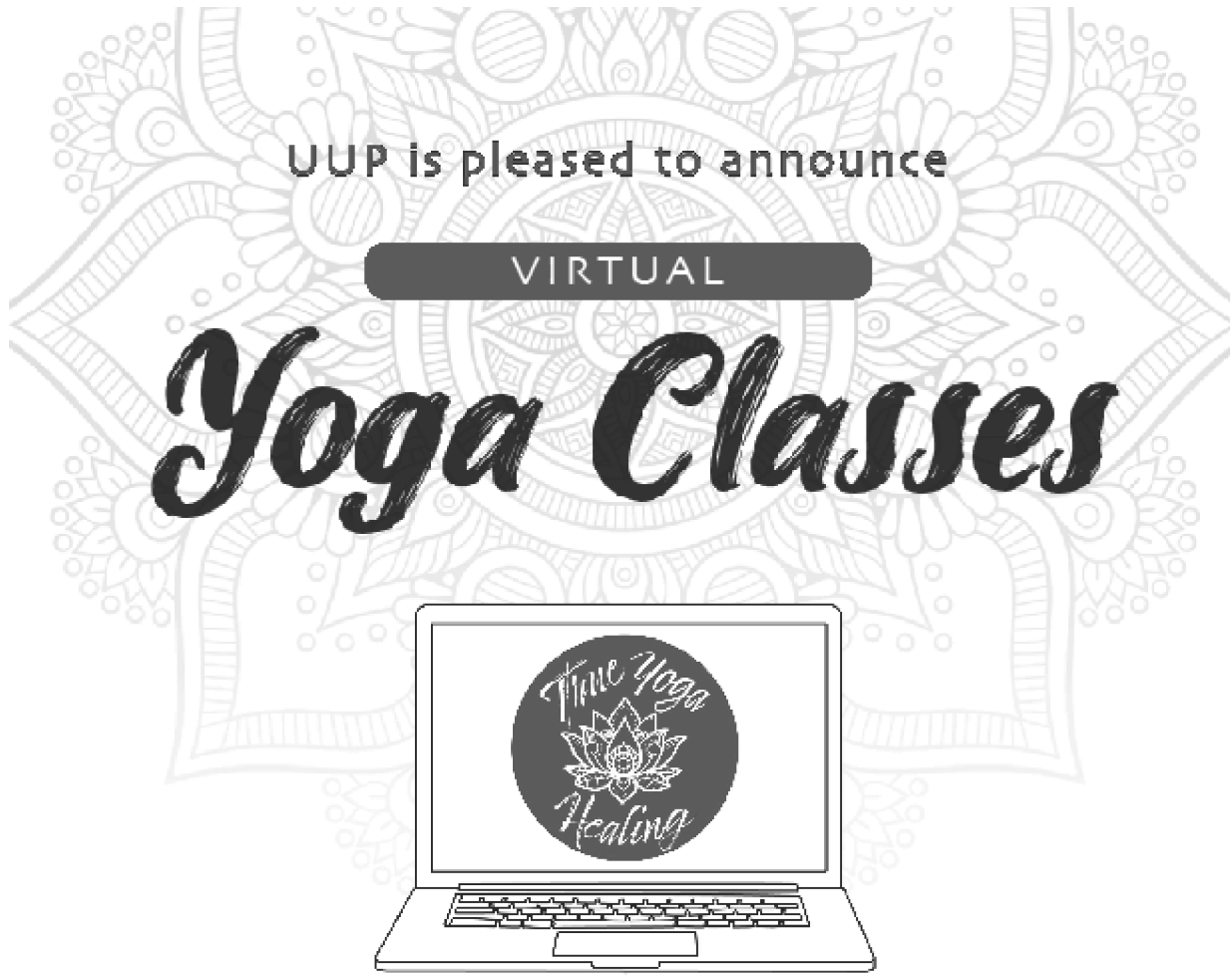
Solutions <https://www.achievesolutions.net/achievesolutions/en/empireplan/Home.do>

### **NYSUT:**

**Peer Support Line**, call toll-free 844-444-0152

**Calm App**: <https://memberbenefits.nysut.org/free-member-benefits/calm-app>

**Your360care**: <https://memberbenefits.nysut.org/free-member-benefits/yourcare360>



**Classes are offered to UUP Members Only**

**Tuesdays at 6:00am · Thursdays at 6:30pm**

\$12.00 per class

Questions? Email: [truthyoga@icloud.com](mailto:truthyoga@icloud.com)

Click here to register: <https://bit.ly/UUPyoga>



John Tenofsky, our TIAA dedicated Financial Consultant filling in for Mario Gonzalez, will be onsite next week in University Union Room 123 and has some appointments still available on a first-come, first-serve basis:

Wednesday, October 25th  
Between 11 am - 5 pm

Thursday, October 26th  
Between 9 am - 3 pm

If you are interested in reviewing your retirement plan or just getting more information about retirement investing and TIAA, you can schedule time at [www.tiaa.org/schedulenow](http://www.tiaa.org/schedulenow) or at John's direct link here: [Click to login and schedule a meeting with me.](#)

You can also email John at [john.tenofsky@tiaa.org](mailto:john.tenofsky@tiaa.org) for any follow up, to schedule time in-person, (or to schedule a virtual session via zoom at your convenience, as well).

Best, John

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If you have an issue or concern please reach out to me at [bmcgovernuup@gmail.com](mailto:bmcgovernuup@gmail.com). If you have a faculty-specific issue or concern contact Carl Gelderloos, Acting Vice President for Academics, at [carl.gelderloos@binghamton.edu](mailto:carl.gelderloos@binghamton.edu) and if you have a professional-specific issue or concern contact Claire Kovacs, Vice President for Professionals, at [ckovacs@binghamton.edu](mailto:ckovacs@binghamton.edu). All [Executive Board members 2023-2025](#).

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