

GUILD LEADER

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Providence Newspaper Guild TNG-CWA Local 31041- June 8, 2011

Can You Help?

We are trying to figure out things we can do to help the 11 of our friends who were laid off last week.

The first thing to remember is that we still have the workers fund to help laid-off Guild members meet unexpected expenses. You have always been generous in the past and we encourage you to continue that tradition now. For more information about donating to the fund, contact Bob Kerr in the newsroom at 277-7252

Some members have offered to volunteer particular skills they have, helping with resumes and the like, and if you'd think you might be able to help out that way, please contact the Guild office.

Besides leaving holes in a lot of departments, the layoffs also cost our local some of its leaders on both the Executive Board and the Providence Unit Council. We will be looking for members interested in serving in these posts in the upcoming weeks.

Membership meeting June 15; Scholarship deadline Friday

Guild members are reminded that there is a general membership meeting at the Guild offices at 270 Westminster St., Wednesday June 15th. Besides lunch and the swearing in of new officers, we will be drawing names for the

winners of the annual scholarships. The deadline for entering for the drawing is Friday, June 10.

You don't have to be there to win.

Any questions on eligibility or how to get a name in the drawing can call the Guild office at 421-9466 or go to the guild website, www.riguild.org for rules and a printable entry form.

Hill Wins Regional VP

Providence Guild President John Hill was elected Region One vice president for the international Newspaper Guild.

Hill defeated Carl Younger of the Boston (Globe) Newspaper Guild, 299-234. Balloting took by mail or in plant in 13 locals from Maine to eastern Pennsylvania over a period of several weeks. They were counted at the international union's headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Hill will assume office in July at the Communication Workers of America's national convention.

As the Providence Newspaper Guild is part of the larger Newspaper Guild the Newspaper Guild is part of the CWA.

Besides working with locals in the region, Hill will serve on the Newspaper Guild's international executive board. The term will be three years.