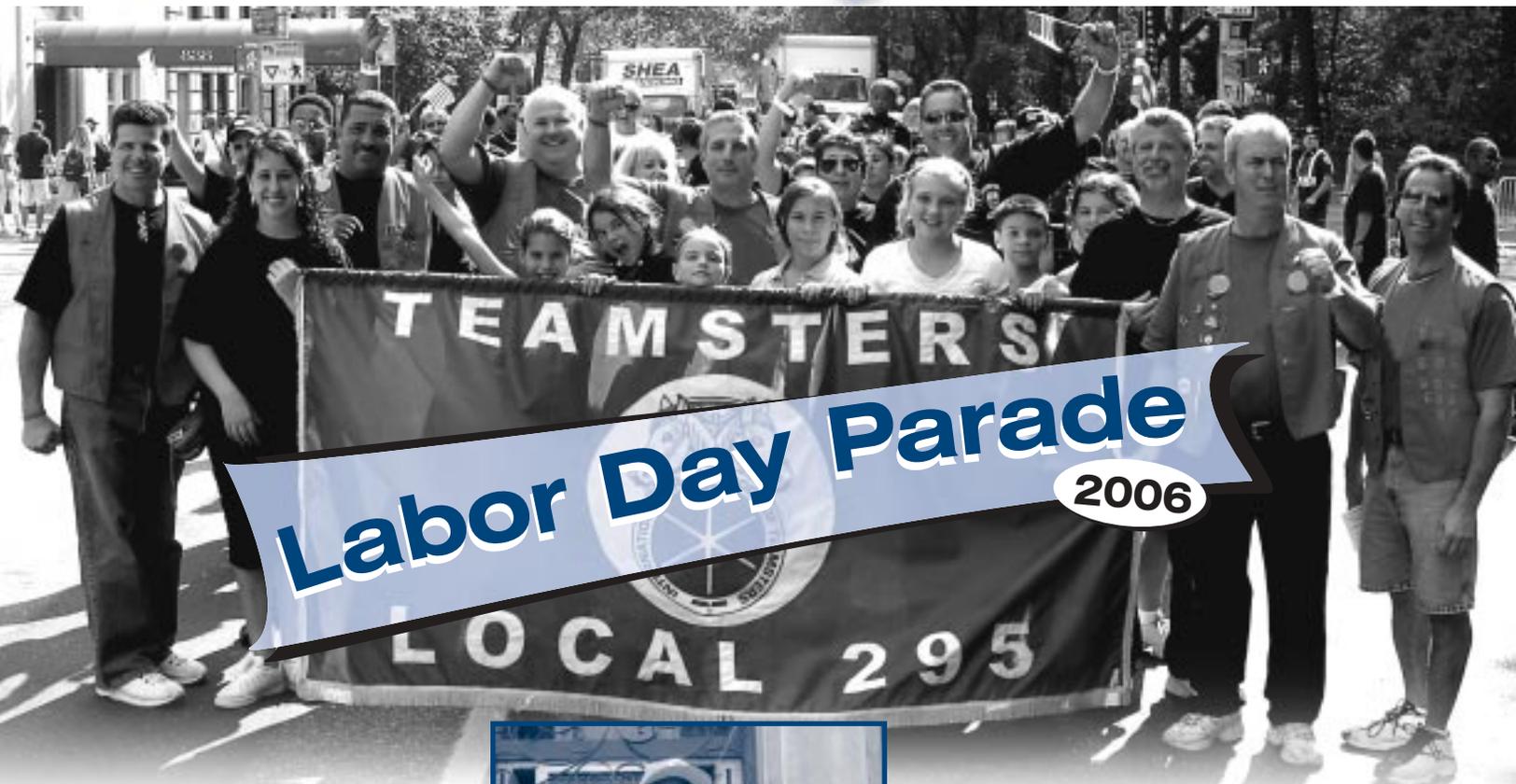




# 295 News

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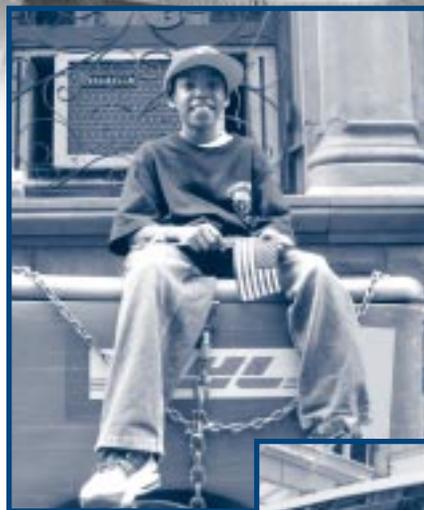
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On Saturday, September 9, thousands of working men and women marched in solidarity up Fifth Avenue in New York City to celebrate Labor Day. Members of Local 295 and their families turned out to show their union pride. The Teamsters Joint Council 16 contingent marched with Teamsters General President Jim Hoffa. The group included thousands of members from Locals throughout the area.

"It was terrific to see everyone showing their union pride," said Local 295 President Lou Calemine. "We had a great turnout of members and trucks."

Over 100 members of Local 295 marched, many bringing their families. Members also drove trucks in the parade from DHL, Shea Trucking and UPS/CSI.





# Time To Be Counted

**B**eing in a union is about power in numbers. We're stronger together than we are alone. When everyone gets involved and we stand together, we can take on multi-national corporations, greedy CEO's and politicians who don't care about working people.

As Teamsters, this is especially true. We have over a century of Teamster pride and power behind us. When people think about unions, they think about Teamsters. And when they think about Teamsters, they think about strength, action and success.

You could see it at the Labor Day Parade. Block after block after block were filled by Teamster members and their trucks. Marching up Fifth Avenue, through the heart of New York City, you could feel the union pride – and power – in the air. When we're all standing together like that, it makes me feel like we can accomplish anything we want.

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Unions get their strength from their members. When members participate, unions are strong. And when members take a free ride, their unions get weak. It's the same way with our democracy. When members vote, it shows our strength.

In the coming weeks, we will all have an opportunity to make our voices heard. In October, we will each receive a ballot in the mail for the International Union Executive Board

elections. Every five years, Teamster members decide who sits on the board, which charts the direction of the union.

The right to vote is an important one, and we urge all 295 members to take the opportunity to vote. Inside this newsletter is information regarding the election that we hope will be helpful in the election process.

Take part in this election and make your voice heard. Vote.

## Moving?

If you change your address, it is very important to let the union and funds' offices know. Please call the office as soon as possible to make sure we have the correct contact information for you, so benefit and other important information can reach you.

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Ignacio Garcia *Trustee*



## Labor Day Parade 2006

## Teamsters Election

# Make Your Voice Heard!

Once again, our membership has an opportunity to make our voices heard in our union. The Teamsters Union is holding elections for the International Executive Board.

The Executive Board will chart the direction of the Teamsters Union for the next five years. During the Teamsters Convention, delegates nominated candidates for General President, General Secretary-Treasurer, 22 regional and at-large vice-presidents, as well as three International Trustees. Now, it is time for you to vote for the candidates of your choice.

In October, you will receive a ballot in the mail. All you have to do is mark the ballot for the slate or candidate of your choice and mail the ballot back. It does not cost any money. All 295 members are urged to vote.

Our union's strength comes from membership participation, and the International election is vital to our continued growth. The Teamsters Union is the most democratic union in America, with every member getting an equal vote. The right to vote is an important one, and we urge all 295 members to take the opportunity to vote.

### Important Things To Remember

- Ballots will be mailed on October 6.
- When you receive your ballot, please mark the ballot and mail it back immediately.
- If you do not receive your ballot by October 20, call (888) IBT-2006 (888-428-2006) to request a duplicate ballot.
- Ballots will be counted on November 14. Your ballot must be returned by then.

### October 2006

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October 6: Ballots Mailed

### November 2006

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November 14: Ballots Counted



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*“All that serves labor serves the nation. All that harms is treason. If a man tells you he loves America, yet hates labor, he is a liar. If a man tells you he trusts America, yet fears labor, he is a fool. There is no America without labor, and to fleece one is to rob the other.”* — Abraham Lincoln

## Get A Withdrawal Card When You Leave Your Job

Be sure to request a withdrawal card within 90 days from when you are laid off, called to active duty, terminated, retire, go on disability or leave the craft. The charge for the withdrawal card is \$0.50. All initiation fees and back dues must be up to date before the withdrawal card is issued. Mail or bring in the form below to the Local 295 office along with your check or money order for \$0.50. It is your responsibility to obtain a withdrawal card. Failure to obtain a withdrawal card might obligate you to pay extra dues and re-initiation fees.



### Withdrawal Card Request Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Last Day of Work \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Leaving (Quit, Laid Off, Terminated, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Upcoming Meetings

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

take place on the last Tuesday of the month at the Local 295 Union Hall at 6:00 PM.

- **October 31**
- **November 28**

### REGIONAL MEETINGS

take place on Sundays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

- **October 1** at The Inn at Ethan Allen (21 Lake Ave., Danbury, CT 06810; For directions call 800-742-1176)
- **October 8** at the American Legion Hall (51 Roosevelt Ave., Valley Stream, NY 11580; For directions call 516-791-9719)

### Reporting Allegations of Corruption

*Donald F. Schwally, Corruption Officer*

The job of the Corruption Officer is to continue the efforts to keep organized crime and corruption out of Local 295. If you have any information concerning allegations of wrongdoing or corruption, contact the officer at: 1-800-613-4295 or by mail at P.O. Box 512, Valley Stream, NY 11582. All correspondence will be kept strictly confidential.