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### **4C's UPDATE: MARCH 2009**

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#### **Candidates Nominated for Union Office**

In April, 4C's members will choose the union leadership team for the next two years. Eight statewide officers will be elected. Nominations were held at the March 6th meeting of the Delegate Assembly. The following members were nominated:

**President:**

Steven E. Cohen

**VP From Part-timers:**

Martin Piccirillo, Cynthia Walker-Babatunji

**Secretary:**

Marianne Generali

**Professional Affairs:**

Cynthia Meo

**VP from Faculty:**

Tom Jackson

**Organizational Affairs:**

Bryan Bonina

**VP from ACLs:**

Maureen Chalmers, James Zagroba, Rhonda Spaziani

**Diversity:**

Jesse Davis

#### **Legislative Action:**

Later this week, 4C's President Steve Cohen will be sending

#### **Calendar**

##### **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

**Manchester**

March 19, 3:30 PM

**Housatonic**

March 19, 3:00 PM

**Norwalk**

March 23, 2:30 PM

**Capital**

March 25, 12:30 PM

##### **LOBBY DAYS**

**Capital**

Legislative Bkfst

April 1, 8:30 AM

**Housatonic**

April 3, 10 AM

**Norwalk**

April 17, 10 AM

**Quinebaug Valley**

April 29, 10 AM

##### **LEGISLATIVE FORUMS**

**New London**

March 12, 5:45 PM, New

London Library

**Danbury**

March 16, 5:45 PM,

Danbury Library

**Enfield**

March 23, 5:45 PM,

Enfield Library

##### **RALLY**

State Capitol

March 25, 4:30 PM

out his Financial Crisis Update with the latest news on discussions with the Rell administration and legislative news. In the meantime, the 4C's has launched a campaign to protect the Community College budget:

- **Postcards** to legislators are being distributed on campus. Every member should sign one. Beyond this, if you can help with getting the postcards signed, contact your Chapter Chair.
- **March 25 Rally:** Join with state employees from across the state for a rally at the State Capitol, beginning at 4:30 PM. Let your Chapter Chair know if you can attend and we can coordinate transportation.
- **Lobby Days:** Several Chapters have already set a date for coming to the Capitol to speak directly with legislators. Check with your Chapter Chair for your chapter's day.

#### **Changes to 4C's Constitution Approved**

More than 600 members voted on amendments to the 4C's Constitution. Changes were approved by a vote of 543 to 69. Changes take effect immediately.

#### **Member2Member**

Remember to occasionally check the [Member2Member](#) section of the 4C's website. Currently there are some nice vacation rentals offered. If you have an item you'd like to sell or a service to offer, you can submit your own posting.

#### **Symposium for Community College Professors: "Contemporary Threats to Free Expression", May 1-2, Capital Community College**

This is a unique opportunity for faculty to hear top experts in the field of free speech and discuss the latest First Amendment debates. It is open to any CT community college faculty member and should be especially valuable to liberal arts and media/communications faculty. [Click for more information.](#)

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