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UNION UPDATE

LOCAL 1000

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Proposition 32:

Newspapers statewide call it 'a fraud ... deceptive ... a sham'

Editors from all over California are agreeing with the League of Women Voters and other good government groups as well as teachers, firefighters and nurses that Proposition 32 is a misleading measure that will make campaign spending worse.

Proposition 32 is cleverly designed to give voters the false impression its authors actually want to restrict money in politics, but the measure has loopholes that allow most businesses, trade groups, insurance trusts, hedge funds and limited liability corporations to continue pouring money into political campaigns. Proposition 32's main financial supporters are multi-millionaires who have previously fought political spending limits, including a shadowy out-of-state group that contributed \$4 million.

Proposition 32 would cripple the ability of Local 1000 and other labor unions from raising money from members to support issues important to state workers, including outsourcing, workplace safety and defending our pensions from future political attacks.

Across the state, more and more newspaper editors and columnists are seeing through the falsehoods of Proposition 32.

Check out what these publications are saying:

San Jose Mercury News

Deceptive Prop. 32 would worsen campaign finance mess

"It is a deceptive sham that would magnify the influence of wealthy interests while shutting out many middle-class voters. Vote no on Proposition 32."

San Jose Mercury News, 8-31-12, Editorial

THE SACRAMENTO BEE

'Reform' initiative wears a soiled white hat

"This may come as a shock, but the 'Stop Special Interest Money Now Act' won't do anything of the kind."

Sacramento Bee, 12-22-11, Columnist Dan Morain

Los Angeles Times

Proposition 32- A Fraud to End All Frauds

"We've come to expect ballot initiatives sponsored by business interests to be, essentially, frauds. But it's hard to conceive how one could be more fraudulent than Proposition 32."

Los Angeles Times, 8-19-12, Columnist Michael Hiltzik

San Francisco Chronicle

Prop. 32 an unbalanced 'reform' plan

"The most telling way to assess the motive and the effect of this initiative is to follow the money. The bulk of the financial backing for Prop. 32 has come from conservative ideologues who have made no secret of their desire to tamp down the clout of labor unions."

San Francisco Chronicle, 9-16-12, Editorial

VENTURA COUNTY STAR

Prop. 32 a sham, deserves to lose in Nov. 6 election

"'Fraud' and 'sham' are strong words, but they come to mind when talking about this initiative. For that reason, The Star recommends a 'no' vote on Proposition 32."

Ventura County Star, 8-30-12, Editorial

Read more at seiu1000.org

FRESNO COMMUNITY FAIR & FUN DRAISER

Strengthening our ties to the community

Members, families & friends celebrate on a hot September Saturday

More than 400 Local 1000 members and staff came together for fun, food and good information Sept. 15 at the Local 1000 field office in Fresno.

Attendees took advantage of health screenings and seminars, spoke with benefits representatives and heard from local political candidates who value state services. Local 1000 hosted a canned food drive and fundraiser for the Fresno Community Food Bank, which yielded six large barrels of food donations and a \$750 check.

Local 1000's Fresno office serves more than 8,000 members, covering nearly 50 different worksites.

"Being part of the community is an important part of the Local 1000 purpose," said Margarita Maldonado, Local 1000 vice president for bargaining. "Representing members includes building vital and sustainable communities."

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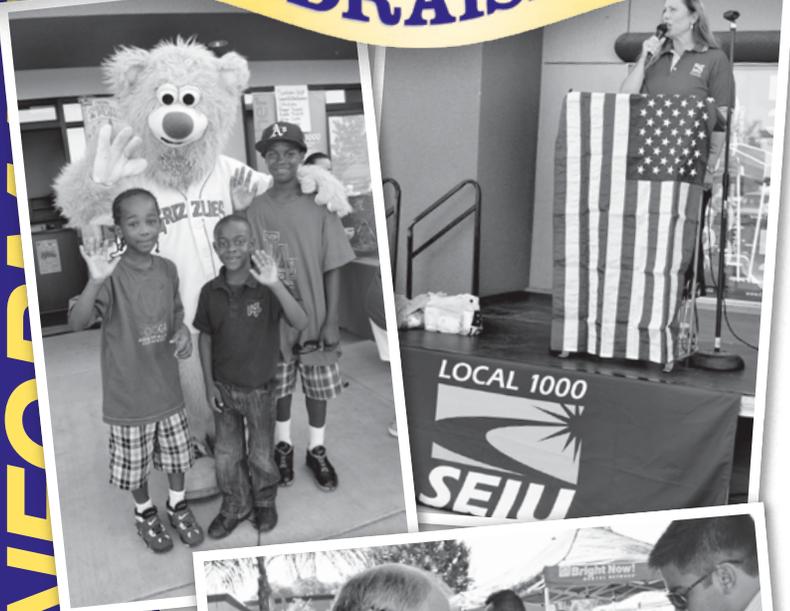
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