

Personal Awards

Presented to Local 1103 President Robert McCracken for his service to those organizations and the people who depend on them.

Anthony J. Tocci Scholarship Foundation Civic Achievement Award 1990

CWA Local 1109 Joseph A. Beirne Scholarship Humanitarian Award 1990

Westchester County Distinguished Leadership Award 1990

American Red Cross Labor Leadership Award 1993 & 1994

National Business & Disability Council Labor Representative of the Year 1998

Westchester County Democrats Labor Award 1998

American Red Cross Samuel Gompers National Labor Award 1999

United Way Spirit of Caring Labor Award 2000

American Red Cross in the Golden Apple Humanitarian Award 2000

American Red Cross Good Neighbor Award 2001

American Red Cross Samuel J. Friedman Humanitarian Award - 2004

The End of an Era.. Mac Retires

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His Union background is a lot more interesting. He was a member of the UTO, the Union before CWA, and became a Charter Member of CWA in 1961 when CWA first won bargaining representative rights. He had 15 years of service in our Sister Local in NYC, Local 1101, where he was elected a Steward, Chief Steward and then Business Agent where served on the Local 1101 Executive Board for three terms before becoming the Assistant to the President. While there, he established the Local scholarship program and was loaned to the National Union as an Organizer and served as an elected negotiator for the 1971 telephone plant contract.



(pictured right)
Always thoughtful of others, Mac dedicates a memorial plaque to honor Local 1103's Veterans.



Mac addresses a CWA District 1 rally at Verizon HQ in NYC

When he transferred "up" to 1103 in Westchester, he immediately became active in our Local and became a Steward and then a Chief Steward until 1974 when he ran for and won the position of Business Agent, a position he held until 1989. During that time he helped organize over 20,000 workers within New York State into the CWA family. In 1989



Mac introduces CWA to Garden Parties. Remember our first Garden Party? We're sure Ivan still does!



Addressing the CWA convention

he was elected as Local 1103's President and immediately was thrown into the fire, because that was the year we went through a very bitter but successful 17-week strike against NYNEX to retain our medical benefits. Bob was elected again in 1990 and has been re-elected the next five succeeding terms, only once with opposition.

During this time he has served on the CWA New York State Plant Coordinating Council, has been appointed to a Congressional Labor Advisory Panel, has served as the Treasurer of the Connecticut State CWA



Leading the Local 1103 contingent at Solidarity Day in Washington, DC

Awards

From organizations presented to CWA Local 1103 during President McCracken's tenure.

The American Red Cross

Bell Atlantic

Blythedale Children's Hosp.

CWA National Union

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

Hudson Valley Blood Services

Maria Fareri Children's Hosp.

Metro Labor Press Council

NYCOSH

Marine Corps Toys for Tots

United Way of Westchester

Westchester Burn Center