

A Year in Review

2009 was a successful year for the Member Lobbying Program. The program has come a long way since its inception in 2007.

2009 Highlights

- Theo Jackson spoke at an Employee Free Choice rally on Capitol Hill.
- Rebia Mixon Clay testified before the House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Workforce Protections about the need for Congress to enact family friendly policies that make sound economic sense not only in good times, but during recessionary times as well.
- Pat DeJong discussed healthcare with President Obama on ABC's "Prescription for America."
- Loretta Johnson was the only speaker at Sen. Harry Reid's press conference introducing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act who was not a member of the U.S. Senate.
- Athena Jones spoke at a press conference to discuss the importance of including long term care provisions in healthcare reform. Her arguments of why we must increase Americans' ability to receive in-home care were so convincing that Sen. Chris Dodd commented afterward that he wanted her on the Senate floor and that if he could have a "designated hitter," Athena would be it.



Athena Jones spoke at a press conference to discuss the importance of including long term care in health-care reform.

2009 Member Lobbyists

Heather McNally (*Workers United*); Niya Reed (*SEIU Local 1*); Cheryl Moon (*SEANC-SEIU Local 2008*); Theo Jackson (*SEIU Local 521*); Loretta Johnson (*SEIU Local 5*); Athena Jones (*SEIU Local 5*); Flint Benson (*SEANC-SEIU Local 2008*); Brandi Segers (*SEIU Local 32BJ*); Dana Graham (*MSEA-SEIU*); Maxine Shields (*SEIU Local 1*); Toni Piechowski (*SEIU Local 1877*); Mike Kingsbury (*Nurse Alliance of Colorado*); Janelle Manigault (*SEIU Healthcare Florida*); Thurman Johnson (*SEIU Local 73*); Rebia Mixon Clay (*SEIU Local HCII*); Sandy DeLeon (*SEIU Local 32BJ*); Brunette Victor (*SEIU Healthcare Florida*); Joan Nemeth (*SEIU Local Healthcare 775NW*); Amy Swanson (*SEIU Local Healthcare 775NW*); Nate Harper (*SEIU Local 131FO*); Susie Young (*SEIU Local 775*); Ivy Whipple (*SEIU Healthcare Florida*); Eula Williams (*SEIU Local 21LA*); Pat DeJong (*SEIU Local Healthcare 775NW*);



Loretta Johnson was the only non-Senator to speak at the press conference held by Majority Leader Reid to introduce the Senate's Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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