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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: LEVI ANTHONY

I welcome you to the Winter 2006-2007 Edition of the The Association of Teachers of Social Studies/United Federation of Teachers newsletter, *The Sage*. ATSS/UFT is the professional association representing the more than 3800 Social Studies professionals in New York City. In it you will find information about our past and future programs.

Our most important program of the year is coming up shortly, **The Greater Metropolitan New York Social Studies Conference (GMNY), Saturday, February 10, 2007. Our Hubert H. Humprey Award winner is Juan Gonzalez, a columnist for the N.Y. Daily News. He will speak at the luncheon. Our Rosa Parks Award will be presented to the Tuskegee Airmen. If you have not registered for the conference you are welcome to register now, or pay at the door. SEE THE REGISTRATION FORM AND INFORMATION ON PAGES 2 AND 3.** We have had an annual conference for about 50 years. For the 2nd time we are holding the GMNY Conference at UFT Headquarters, 52 Broadway, Manhattan, instead of at a hotel. We know it will again be a great success.

ATSS/UFT was founded in 1937 as The Association of Teachers of Social Studies. In 1978, the organization merged with the United Federation of Teachers. Today it is one of the UFT's most active professional Committees. From the time ATSS/UFT merged with the UFT, there have been no membership dues. If you work in New York City as a Social Studies professional and if you are a UFT member and / or participate in our programs you are a member of ATSS/UFT. Members receive information through UFT *New York Teacher*, our web page at [www.uft.org](http://www.uft.org), and my web site [www.edusolution.com](http://www.edusolution.com)

ATSS/UFT is the largest local Social Studies professional council in the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS). Our representatives sit in the House of Delegates and serve on committees. Other area councils affiliated with ATSS/UFT and NCSS are the New York State Council for the Social Studies (NYSCSS) and the Middle States Council for the Social Studies (MSCSS). Besides running excellent conferences they also provide members with very worthwhile professional publications on social studies content, lesson planning and educational research.

Even though you are automatically a member of ATSS/UFT, we highly recommend you pay the fees to join these other social studies councils too. (see forms on page 6).

Several members of the ATSS/ UFT Executive Board also serve, or have served, on the Executive Boards and committees and have presented workshops at NCSS, MSCSS and NYSCSS conferences. As a member of any and all of these councils, you may also want to more actively participate in them above and beyond taking advantage of the publications and conferences they offer.

For our report on ATSS/UFT programs in the Fall of 2006 see page 4.

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NYSCSS

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THE 46TH GREATER METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SOCIAL STUDIES  
CONFERENCE ATSS/UFT SSSA  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2007 7:30 AM- 4:30 PM  
United Federation of Teachers Headquarters, 52 Broadway,  
New York, NY, 10004

THEME: "THE TRIUMPH AND TRAGEDY OF ERAS"  
WORKSHOPS, VENDOR EXHIBITS, KEYNOTE SPEAKER, AWARDS,  
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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ DIST/REG \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL PHONE # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL STUDIES COUNCIL AFFILIATIONS:**

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE CONFERENCE-CHECK ONE:  CHAPTER CHAIR  
 DEPARTMENT CHAIR/AP/PRINCIPAL  UFT PAPER  E MAIL   
 GMNY MAILER  OTHER-PLEASE SPECIFY \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Conference registration only.....\$30.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Conference registration with Reception and Luncheon..... \$45.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time student (with I.D.) registration ..... \$15.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time student (with I.D.) with Reception and Luncheon . \$30.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Presenters (Reception and Luncheon).....,,\$25.00

**On-site registration fee on day of conference:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Conference registration only.....\$40.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Conference registration with Reception and Luncheon .....\$55.00

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ATSS/UFT TO-**  
**GEORGE ALTOMARE**  
**C/O ATSS/UFT**  
**52 BROADWAY – 12<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**  
**NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10004**

*Purchase orders can be accepted only for 10 or more registrants*

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT ROBERT DYTELL, GMNY CONFERENCE  
CHAIRPERSON; LEVI ANTHONY, ATSS/UFT PRESIDENT/CHAIRPERSON; CAROLYN HERBST, ATSS/UFT  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AT 212 510 6389. YOU MAY ALSO EMAIL ROBERT DYTELL AT  
[RDYTELL@YAHOO.COM](mailto:RDYTELL@YAHOO.COM) OR LEVI ANTHONY AT [LEVIANTHONY@WWW.EDUSOLUTION.COM](mailto:LEVIANTHONY@WWW.EDUSOLUTION.COM)

LUNCHEON SEATING. List the individuals with whom you wish to be seated-up to a maximum of ten persons. If you do not  
select luncheon partners, the GMNY Luncheon Seating Committee will place you at an appropriate table at their discretion  
Every effort is made to honor seating requests. Please note that the persons with whom you requested to be seated must  
register and pay for the luncheon using GMNY Conference Registration form. (Duplicate form if necessary)

**ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SOCIAL STUDIES/UNITED/FEDERATION OF TEACHERS  
SOCIAL STUDIES SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION**

**THE JOHN BUNZEL AWARD FOR SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION PRESENTED AT GMNY**

*John Bunzel was one of the best social studies educators. His scholarship, competence, and his dedication and contributions to social studies will long be remembered. In an effort to encourage the development of qualities that we admired in John and to publicly recognize the achievements of outstanding social studies teachers and supervisors in New York City, we have instituted annual awards for social studies teaching in John's name. Please fill in the information requested below, and include this page as page 1 of the application. Add the other information requested and send all pages together as the application.*

**AWARD APPLICATION**

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

School & School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_ N.Y.C. License \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Full-Time Employment Emphasizing Social Studies. Give Title/Position, Place And Number of Years, Starting With The Most Recent Position.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(The sponsor may be a colleague, or supervisor, or Principal, or oneself.)

Sponsor's Title & School \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Send completed applications to Ms. Levi Anthony, President of ATSS/UFT, 52 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10004, The Deadline for applications is January 6, 2007. For further information, call ATSS/UFT at 212-510-6389.*

*Selections will be made by a joint committee of classroom teachers and supervisors. Judgments will be made on the basis of qualities and achievements outlined below, with special emphasis on classroom endeavors. **FOUR AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN: ONE TO A TEACHER ON EACH LEVEL (ELEMENTARY, INTERMEDIATE/JR. HIGH SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL) AND ONE TO A SUPERVISOR.***

*After filling in the information on Page 1, please list and/or describe the achievements of the nominee on separate sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" paper. Your list must be legible and must conform to the outline below, and must be labeled by category. The application is to be no more than five pages, including the Page 1 previously described. It is suggested that the nominee retain a copy of the application for his/her files.*

**AWARD CRITERIA**

**Professional Performance in School:** Scope of course(s) grade (s) taught, department and school responsibilities relating to social studies ( either assigned or sharing with colleagues), team planning or other team activities, development of classroom materials, heading of programs, utilization of outside resources, revision of curriculum, development of programs, innovative methodology, clubs or extra-curricular activities involving students, related compensatory time positions, administrative or coordinating activities related to social studies, assembly programs and performances relating to social studies, other, etc.

**Professional Performance Out of School:** Curriculum development, in-service training given, holding office or committee membership related to social studies, attendance at conferences, advisory committee work, standardized test preparation, coordination of special programs, other, etc.

**Awards:** Related to social studies.

**Grants:** Written or received and/or coordinated.

**Scholarship:** Degrees, graduate programs, summer institutes, fellowships. Scholarships, exchange programs, other, etc.

**Publications:** Books, articles, reviews, columns, editorial work related to social studies.

**Any other activities or achievements relating to social studies education.**

**Please complete as many criteria categories as apply to you.**

**REPORT ON ATSS/UFT PROGRAMS****ATSS/UFT FALL TOUR**

On Saturday, October 28, 2006, 7:00 AM to 9:30 PM, Carolyn Herbst conducted a bus tour, "Connecticut Harmony: Exploring Old Lyme and Essex." In Old Lyme, participants toured the Florence Griswold House and Museum including a special African-American exhibit and had lunch at the historic Bea and Thistle Inn. In the afternoon in Essex, they visited The Connecticut River Museum, explored antique shops and old houses, and had dinner at the historic Griswold Inn. Despite the heavy rain and wind participants kept to schedule and had a wonderful experience. Learning about history works in all kinds of weather! joining professional associations. The program was free. ATSS/UFT Executive Board Member Michael Collazo also attended. The at-cost fee was \$127.

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONFERENCE (NCSS)**

In December 2006, ATSS/UFT was represented at the NCSS annual conference by Levi Anthony, Dr. Brenda Parnes, Robert Dytell, and Carolyn Herbst in the House of Delegates. Arthur Brown and Mark Willner also attended. Dr. Parnes presented a workshop on Archives. All also took part in important NCSS committee meetings. ATSS/UFT received in Silver Star Council Award.

**LABOR HISTORY**

Several members of the ATSS/UFT Executive Board attended a meeting of the New York City Labor History Council at the Workman's Circle in November 2006. George Altomare is an Officer.

**UPCOMING CONFERENCES**

**GREATER METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SOCIAL STUDIES CONFERENCE,  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2007, UFT HEADQUARTER, 52 BROADWAY,  
MANHATTAN**

**MIDDLE STATES COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES (MSCSS), MARCH 15-16,  
2007, KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY, KUTZTOWN, PA [www.mscss.org](http://www.mscss.org)**

**NEW YORK STATE COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES (NYSCSS), MARCH 21-  
24, 2007, HYATT HOTEL, ROCHESTER, NY, [www.nyscss.org](http://www.nyscss.org).**

**BUNZEL AWARDS TO BE RE-NAMED  
THE BERNARD A. COHEN AWARDS**

The ATSS/UFT Executive Board voted in November 2007 to re-name the John Bunzel Awards for excellence in Social Studies Education The Bernard A. Cohen Awards in honor of the person who had been Chair of the Greater Metropolitan New York Social Studies Conference for over 40 Years.

The name change will take place for the GMNY 2008 Conference. This year the 2007 awards will still be called the John Bunzel Awards. They will be presented on February 10 Greater Metropolitan New York Social Studies Conference at UFT Headquarters on February 10, 2007 at the Bernard Cohen Memorial Breakfast sponsored by Prentice Hall.

Bernard Cohen gave 48 years of service as a Social Studies Teacher and a Guidance Counselor/College Advisor and social studies teacher, principally at Benjamin Cardozo High School in Bayside, Queens, NY. He was Vice-President of the Guidance Chapter of the UFT. and on the SUNY/CUNY Advisory Boards. He was President/Chairperson of ATSS/UFT 1983-85, Vice-President/ Vice-Chairperson of ATSS/UFT, 1981-83, and Chairperson of the ATSS/UFT Greater Metropolitan New York Social Studies Conference (GMNY) for over 40 years. He was active in other social studies councils: Past President and conference chair of MSCSS, House of Delegates member and member of various committees of NCSS, local arrangements chair of the NCSS annual conference in New York City in 1986, member of the Board of Directors and conference planning, budget and finance, and resolutions committee of NYSCSS, and led the NYSCSS delegation at NCSS. He was a delegate at the UFT Delegates Assembly, the NYSUT Representative Assembly and the AFT Delegates Assembly.

At conferences Bernie did 3 things better than anyone else: he would galvanize a group of people to work consistently and harmoniously with each other, he would ask guest speakers scintillating and detailed questions that would awe both speakers and audience, and as Master of Ceremonies he would run the show with great enthusiasm.

Bernie was a brave fighter against cancer and refused to stop working. He worked at Cardozo until Sept.. 2003 and continued to attend UFT meetings until Feb. 28, 2004 when he received, in person, an award from ATSS/UFT for chairing the GMNY Conference for over 40 years.

For an application for this year's awards please see page 3.

**THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR YAD VASHEM  
&  
THE ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SOCIAL STUDIES  
OF THE UNITED FEDERATION OF TEACHERS (ATSS/UFT)**

**Invite all Superintendents, Principals and Educators of History, Judaic Studies, English,  
Humanities and Global Studies (history, social studies) to the**

**9th Annual Professional Development Conference  
*ECHOES AND REFLECTIONS:***

***A Multi-media Curriculum on the Holocaust***

This curriculum was created by the Anti-Defamation League, USC Shoah Foundation  
Institute for Visual History and Education, and Yad Vashem,  
The Holocaust Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority

**DATE:** Sunday, March 11th, 2007

**TIME:** **8:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

8:30 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Program Commences

**PLACE:** Marymount School/Pratt Mansion

1027 Fifth Avenue

(Between 83<sup>rd</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup> Streets)

New York, NY 10028

Featuring the Most Recent Educational Units on  
 \_\_\_ Perpetrators Collaborators and Bystanders during the Holocaust \_\_\_ Ghettos \_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Survivors and Liberators \_\_\_ Jewish Resistance Rescuers and Non-Jewish Resistance \_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ The Children \_\_\_

All registered participants will receive a FREE copy of this newly developed curriculum upon completion of the program. Additional copies available at \$100 each. Curriculum includes lesson plans and multi-media resources for implementing educational materials. **Free Kosher breakfast and lunch**

To register for this conference, please contact:

Education Department  
American Society for Yad Vashem  
500 Fifth Avenue, 42nd Floor, New York, NY 10110-4299  
RSVP Tel: 212.220.4304 / Fax: 212.220.4308  
[info@yadvashemusa.org](mailto:info@yadvashemusa.org)

**SOCIAL STUDIES PROFESSIONAL  
ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIP FORM**

**ATSS/UFT has created this form to help you join the various professional associations. If you have any questions, or want additional information, feel free to call ATSS/UFT at (212) 510-6389. Weekdays, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.**

**Send this form and a separate check for each council you wish to join payable to the organization as stated.**

**Remember, you are a member of ATSS/UFT without paying a membership fee if you are a New York City Social Studies profession and/or participate in our programs.**

**Send to: Treasurer, ATSS/UFT, 52 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York NY 10004**

**ENCLOSED IS/ARE CHECK(S) FOR JOINING:**

**/ / NCSS / / NYSCSS / / MSCSS**

**MY LEVEL OF INTEREST IS:**

**/ / PRE-K / / ELEMENTARY / / MIDDLE/ INTERMEDIATE/ / HIGH SCHOOL  
/ / COLLEGE / / OTHER \_\_\_\_\_**

**NAME \_\_\_\_\_**

**HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_**

**ZIP \_\_\_\_\_**

**SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_**

**SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_**

**ZIP \_\_\_\_\_**

**E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_**

**I WISH TO JOIN THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES (NCSS)**

**/ / FIRST YEAR MEMBERSHIP, SPECIAL PRICE, REGULAR CATEGORY (JOURNAL AND NEWSLETTER).**

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO NCSS. \$32.50**

**/ / RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP, REGULAR CATEGORY (JOURNAL AND NEWSLETTER).MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO NCSS. \$60.00**

**/ / FIRST YEAR MEMBERSHIP, SPECIAL PRICE, COMPREHENSIVE CATEGORY (ALL PUBLICATIONS). MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NCSS. \$38.00**

**/ / RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP, COMPREHENSIVE CATEGORY. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NCSS. \$70.00**

**I WISH TO JOIN THE NEW YORK STATE COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES (NYSCSS)**

**/ / FIRST YEAR MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NYSCSS. \$50.00**

**I WISH TO JOIN THE MIDDLE STATES COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES (MSCSS)**

**/ / FIRST YEAR OR RENEWAL. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO MSCSS. \$25.00**

