# Passaic County Community College Adjunct Faculty Federation

# a Chapter of United Adjunct Faculty of N.J.-Local 2222

# Fall 2009 Newsletter

#### Chair's Message

The Adjunct Faculty Federation of the PCCC's decision to join the United Adjunct Faculty of NJ brings new strength, new opportunities, and a new local number -2222. We are now an autonomous chapter of a Local 2200 strong. The UAFNJ is committed to making us even stronger by unionizing unorganized community colleges and increasing membership at already unionized schools. These acts will enhance our ability to get pay raises as well as other benefits. Our success depends on our willingness to get involved. Even small acts such as joining the union if you are not a member, volunteering a few hours a semester, or filling out surveys when they are sent would be very helpful and greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in joining or becoming more involved in our Chapter or the Local should contact Cindy Simon, Chapter Chair, at n2slf@aol.com.

#### Look Out For

- Union recruiters
- > A survey for members on negotiation priorities for our next contract
- > Fall meeting notice
- > New membership cards

# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Communication

Thank you to all adjunct faculty who submitted e-mail addresses at the end of spring semester. For those who did not, please e-mail them to Cindy Simon at N2slf@aol.com. Home addresses are preferred to school addresses since the administration has the capability of monitoring our school e-mail accounts. We are collected addresses to better communicate, save members' money, and be environmentally conscious. This semester we will also be debuting our website

#### Election 2009

Jon Corzine has had to make tough decisions in a tough economy. While not all of these decisions have been to our liking, they are far better than those that would be made by Chris Christie. For example, Christie wants to eliminate pensions for part time employees – that would be us. Corzine heard us when we fought to protect our pensions.

# AFT New Jersey 2009 Conference

This event will take place Sept. 11 -12. For further information, go to http://.nj.aft.org.