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UNION UPDATE



Kevin Healy: member, activist, leader For his job, his union and his community

VETERAN NAVAL AVIATOR THRIVING IN HIS SECOND CAREER: STATE SERVICE

Kevin Healy is a man who closely follows the advice we all hear and often ignore. “You get one shot in life,” he says, “so do your best.” And so he does, for his job, for his union and for his community.

He’s in his second career as a state worker after his distinguished service in naval aviation and in military law. He’s the third generation of his family to serve his country, and notably, survived the “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” era as a closeted gay officer.

Healy was drawn to state service—he works as an office technician in the Bay Area—because of “our hard-fought benefits and solid union retirement.”

After joining the state in 2013, he quickly became an activist, using the power of our contract to win several of his own grievances and a year’s back pay after he was found to be working out of his classification.

Those successes inspired him. Kevin was one of the early graduates of our Leadership Apprenticeship Program for Stewards (LAPS) and was elected as a Unit 4 District Bargaining Unit Representative (DBUR).

Today, he’s the president of a Bay Area DLC, serves as a Local 1000 Hearing Officer and is on union leave assisting our Union Resource Center with member representation issues, often presenting at the Public Employees Relations Board, the State Personnel Board and CalHR.

He’s a community activist and making a difference in a number of ways. On the union front, he serves as a Delegate for the North Bay Labor Council. He applied his flying background as a volunteer search and rescue pilot for the Civil Air Patrol and is active in Local 1000’s Lavender Committee in its fight for equality and social justice for all.



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cork adrift
or a speedboat.
It’s your life, and
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- Kevin Healy

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Celebrating Fresno Pride



June is Pride month, and across the state members are taking part in Gay Pride events. On June 1, led by our Lavender Committee member Elisabeth Holcomb, Fresno-area members represented Local 1000 in its fight for social justice and equality for all.



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