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National Election Results

National President

John Gage won on the second ballot.

The vote on the second ballot was:

John Gage	84,248
Bobby L. Harnage, Sr.	73,710

The vote on the first ballot was:

Bobby L. Harnage, Sr.	71,950
John Gage:	67,184
T.J. Bonner	14,899
Mary Love	11,064

National Secretary-Treasurer

Jim Davis won on the first ballot. The vote on the first ballot was:

Jim Davis	99,046
Eugene O. Martin	65,080

Women's Director

Andrea E. Brooks won by acclamation



Luncheon Speaker: The keynote speaker at today's luncheon will be



Linda Chavez-Thompson, AFL-CIO Executive Vice President. Linda Chavez-Thompson became the highest-ranking woman in the labor movement when she was first elected to the new position of AFL-CIO executive vice president at

the federation's 1995 convention. Born in Lubbock, Texas, on Aug. 3, 1944, Chavez-Thompson was elected to the AFL-CIO Executive Council in 1993.

At the time of her election, she was vice president of AFSCME and executive director of AFSCME Council 42. In a seven-state district traditionally not friendly to labor—Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah—she steered the union's efforts to a number of successes. Among them: an organizing drive in Texas that brought in 5,000 new members and the passage of a collective bargaining law for public employees in New Mexico.

Council Elections: Council 109 did not need to hold an election as all of its officers were elected by acclamation. Here's the list of officers: **Agatha Joseph**, President; **Jim Armet**, Executive Vice President; **Celestine Hood**, First Vice President; **Beverly Wilmer**, Second Vice President; **Bennie Bridges**, Treasurer; **Beverly Garrett**, Secretary.

M&O Table: The Membership & Organization Department (M&O) table is now closed as well as entries for the

drawings to win a Dell desktop computer, a digital camera, a hand-held computer, an AFGE wool/leather jacket, \$300 in cash and a \$300 gift certificate for groceries from a Union store. The drawings for the above prizes will be held Friday and the winners will be announced during the day.

Media Coverage: AFGE's rally with Local 226 of the Culinary Workers Union was a big success with over 1,000 participants. Media coverage included the *Las Vegas Sun*, the *City Life*, *Casino City Times*, local NBC, CBS and ABC television stations and CNN. Additional coverage of AFGE's Convention included the Associated Press, ABC Radio Networks, Radio One, American Urban Radio Networks, and local Las Vegas radio stations KXNT and KRLV.

AFGE-PAC Table: The winner of Wednesday's 50/50 raffle drawing was Ken Wright of Local 3615 (14th District). Because he was a PAC contributor, Ken pulled in a cool \$200—70% of the pot. Today's drawing will be held at the close of the day's convention session. Raffle tickets are \$2 for one ticket and \$3 for five. Make sure you're a PAC contributor before the drawing is held—it can mean a substantial difference in the pay off!



As of Wednesday, 194 delegates have become new PAC contributors and 26 delegates have increased their PAC contribution. That means there are still over 200 delegates who aren't PAC contributors. If you aren't signed up yet for AFGE-PAC, there's still time. The PAC table will be open until 5 p.m. today. Don't delay; sign up today!