



General Teamster Retirees Club
Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters
Teamster Locals #38, #117, #174, #763
14675 Interurban Ave S • Tukwila, WA 98168
Suite 301
Phone 206 441-0504



December 2010 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

Where:

Teamster Building (main floor)
14675 Interurban Avenue South, Tukwila
(on METRO bus Line #150)

When

Wednesday, December 8th
11:30 AM – Lunch
12:00-ish – Business Meeting

Special Guest: John Giuliani (master of the accordion) + a surprise or two

Lunch Menu: Ham, scallop potatoes, veggies, salads, rolls, dessert and coffee

Reservations: Call (206) 441-0504 by **Monday, December 6th** to reserve your place for lunch. The cost of lunch is only \$12.00. ***Be sure to call as soon as possible, because spaces are limited!***

Directions:

From Southbound I-5 take exit #156-Tukwila Interurban Avenue. Turn LEFT on Interurban Avenue South. Proceed south approximately 1 and ¼ miles. The Teamster Building will be on your right.

From Northbound I-5 take exit #156-Tukwila, Interurban Avenue. Take the Tukwila exit, turn right onto Interurban Avenue South and proceed south. Move into the right lane. The Teamster Building will be located approximately a mile and 1/2, on your right.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We are just about ready to put 2010 in the crawl space with the rest of those years... that have gone by much too fast. However it is not here yet and we still have some business to attend to. This luncheon will be the last of the year for our quarterly **PSLA** pickup. Food, clothing, cosmetics and other household items are welcome...as long as they can be transported in a pick-up or a SUV. This year, they are also having a toy drive, so any unwrapped gift that you think an ungrateful child or grandchild will turn their little nose up at, bring it on down.

Local 117 is also having a toy drive to support the kids of laid off members, so you may donate toys to them or the PSLA. Thanks to all our members who donated to our holiday gift card program.

Two of our long time members left these earthly environs in November. **Duane (Archie) Archibald** age 82 on November 3rd, and **Alice Crawley** age 94 on November 23rd.

We also will conduct a brief election for new officers. With **Don Smith** retiring, and trustee **Clint Copeland** serving on a part time basis, we could use two new trustees. Now I ask you, what could be more satisfying than volunteering to help a bunch of old people run a retirees club??!? Huh? So step right on up to the plate (the one without the food on it!) and join us.

The end of the year has us making resolutions, and checking our environment. Let's see...Have I checked the batteries in the smoke detector? Are my outside faucets sufficiently covered? Have I paid my \$10 dues to the GTRC?? As far as resolutions are concerned, I am looking at my #1 right now, and it is preventing me from seeing my shoes!

BOY AM I GLAD

I'm glad the President I voted for, who had promised to get out of Iraq and Afghanistan, is going to do neither...along with getting rid of the silly "Don't ask, Don't tell." What terrific job security that means for our beleaguered troops and no jobs for openly gay service people.

I'm glad the snow and ice are gone, so we do not have to listen to the whining and finger pointing.

As in every election, we individually have winners and losers, but this cycle was absolutely the worst ever for the relentless ads on television, phone solicitations, and mailers. **Really** glad that's over! We will both be happy when I stop whining about whining. I think it is time to smell a nice rose, and count my blessings.

NOBODY BELIEVES SENIORS, THEY'RE SENILE, RIGHT?

An elderly couple was celebrating their 60th anniversary. They had married as childhood sweethearts and had moved back to their neighborhood after they retired. Holding hands, they walked back to their old school. It was not locked, so they entered, and found the old desk they'd shared where Andy had carved "I love you Sally".

On their way back home, a bag of money fell out of an armored car, landing close by. Sally picked it up and not sure what to do with it took it home. There, she counted it...\$50 thousand!

Andy said "We've got to give it back."

Sally replied "Finders keepers". She repacked the loot and hid it in the attic. The next day, two police officers were canvassing the neighborhood looking for the money, and knocked on their door.

"Pardon me, did either of you find a bag that fell out of an armored car yesterday"?

Sally said, "No".

Andy said, "She's lying, she hid it in the attic".

Sally said, "Don't believe him, he's getting senile".

The cops turned to Andy and began to question him. One said: "Tell us the story from the beginning."

Andy said "Well, when Sally and I were walking home from school yesterday...."

The first officer turned to the second and said, "we're outta here!"

Mark your calendar (Dec 8th) FOOD, MUSIC, PRIZES, MIRTH, And lots of good will among aging Teamsters and their guests.