



General Teamster Retirees Club
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July 2011 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

Where:

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

When

Wednesday, July 13th
11:30 AM – Lunch
12:00-ish – Business Meeting

Special Guest: BIG JIM'S BINGO + THE COATES REPORT + \$ + PRIZES!!

Lunch Menu: WE GOT US SOME: RIBS CHICKEN BEANS SALADS DESSERT, ETC

Reservations: Call (206) 441-0504 by **Monday, July 11th** 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 exist #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.

Please Turn Off Your Electrical Devices and Listen Up!

Numero uno: There will be no **Labor Agency** pick up this month.

Numero dos: There will also be **no August newsletter or LUNCHEON.**

August 4th we will hold our annual Retirees golf tourney at **The Foster Golf Links**, the proceeds of which go to fund as many college scholarships as possible. Please tell everyone you know so that we get as many players as possible, and encourage others who can afford it to sponsor a hole. If you would like to know more, or get an entry form, either call the number above, or your local union. We can mail you a form if you wish.

Remember that our July meeting also features a drawing for the” **I’M HERE” CHECK**, worth **\$125 smackeros!**

Rumor also has it that the club’s intrepid President journeyed south to **Las Vegas**, to attend the **IBT’S 28th national convention and, accompanied by his faithful wife and companion**, came home loaded down with many objects de Teamster for give-aways! You will hate yourself if you miss this. Now I will admit that all that Nevada blue sky is nice, but it was over 100 degrees every day, and I saw people frying their breakfast on the hood of their cars! Once a mossback, always a mossback, because it was very nice returning to our beautiful, cool, northwest.

As many of you know who attended the June luncheon, the guest speaker was my son. Both he and I want to thank all of you for your very kind remarks, and both he and his mate **Rhonda** enjoyed the great reception you gave them.

Back to Vegas—The convention was a success, and the entire city seemed to be alive with Teamsters, their friends and families. The event wound down with an inspiring speech by **Vice President, Joe Biden.**

He lauded the Teamster union’s efforts to keep family wage jobs alive and organize new workers. It was noted that since the last convention, this union has organized over 300,000 new workers. Biden pointed out that the Republicans seem hell bent on attacking unions and the middle class, while protecting the welfare of the wealthiest Americans.

The beat goes on. There is much to be done. It seems that the current administration wants to upgrade our infra-structure, emphasizing bringing our rail system into the new age. At this juncture it looks like the Chinese will furnish the technology and the financing...and the Americans will provide...you guessed it...the labor!

Now if that doesn’t define irony, nothing does.

Proof That Women Think of Everything

An old man and woman were married for many years, even though they hated each other. Whenever there was a confrontation, yelling could be heard deep into the night. The old man would shout, "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of the grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life!"

Neighbors feared him. They believed he practiced magic, because of the many strange occurrences that took place in their neighborhood. The old man liked the fact that he was feared.

To everyone's relief, he died of a heart attack when he was 98. His wife had a closed casket at the wake. After the burial, she went straight to the local bar and began to party, as if there was no tomorrow.

Her neighbors, concerned for her safety, asked, "Aren't you afraid that he may indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?"

The wife put down her drink and said, "Let him dig. I had him buried upside down."...and you know, men won't ask for directions! ☺

Remember These Nursery Rhymes?

****Mary had a little pig, She kept it fat and plastered;
And when the price of pork went up, She shot the little bastard.

****Jack and Jill went up the hill, to have a little fun.
Stupid Jill forgot the pill, and now they have a son.

****Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty has a great fall.
All the king's horses, and all the king's men, had scrambled eggs, for breakfast again.

*** and finally, this just in...

A single glass at night could mean a peaceful, uninterrupted night's sleep. A new wine for seniors. California vintners in the Napa Valley area, which primarily produces Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir, and Pinot Grigio wines, have developed a new hybrid grape that acts as an **anti-diuretic**. It is expected to reduce the number of trips older people have to make to the bathroom during the night. The new wine will be marketed as Pinot More.

I heard this through the grapevine.

This is our last luncheon until September 14th so pack up all your cares and woes and come on down to where anything goes...A great feed, valuable information, humor, prizes, free books and **BINGO!**

See you all (feel free to bring your grandkids) on the 13th.