



General Teamster Retirees Club
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November 2011 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

Where:

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

When

Wednesday, November 9th 2011
11:30 AM – Lunch
12:00-ish – Business Meeting

Special Guest: **Mark Coles...and his Teamster Benefits Rock Band, featuring solos by Mr. Pension, and Msrs Retiree, Health & Welfare**

Lunch Menu: *Turkey dinner, with all the trimmings*.

Reservations: Call (206) 441-0504 by **November 7th** 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.

DON'T START GROANING

This Newsletter could brighten what otherwise might be a dull, and tedious day.

I personally tried out the new temporary southbound portion of the slowly disintegrating viaduct October 29th. It is a little narrower, more serpentine, and the speed limit has been reduced, but it is very “doable.” Any of you retirees who have used this route to come to the luncheons, will still be able to do so.

You will not want to miss this luncheon because not only will we be treated to a traditional Thanksgiving meal, **Mark Coles** from **Northwest Administrators** will be here to bring us up to date on our benefits, answer questions regarding same, and may even tell a joke!

Our E-board has directed trustee **Michael Schooley**, to administer our annual November and December gift card programs. We get lists from the local Teamster locals of members and their families who might be hurting during this holiday season, and as our budget allows, send them \$50 gift certificates, redeemable at local (union) supermarkets. Through the years, we have been able to do this because of donations from many of you.

You might want to check your records and see if your dues are current, and note that there will be **No** Labor Agency pick-up this month.

At last month's luncheon, I was presented with a present from **Joe and Maureen Carter** and they asked me that I open it up so that I could share it with our 70 guests. After all, they had brought it all the way back from **Branson, Missouri** after their trip there. It was the topless torso of **Dolly Parton** in the form of a sucker! And they expected me to share it?!? I don't think so.

We also had to use round tables at our last luncheon, and to our surprise, they were very well received. Many of you said how it was nice to face each other, and the set up made it easier to get around. We are checking with the maintenance folks to see if it will be possible to permanently change to this seating configuration.

BRAS; THE HIDDEN DANGERS

This bit is reprinted from “The little Red Book”. The purpose of doing so is to enrich, and enhance your understanding of the world you live in.

”Undressing a woman is risky business.

Men have such a poor understanding of the mechanics of feminine undergarments that many risk injuring themselves while trying to remove a brassiere, says a new study.

The **British Journal of Plastic Surgery** cites the case of a 27 year-old man who, at the culmination of a convivial and alcoholic evening with an attractive companion, twisted his left middle finger in a bra strap. So severe was the injury that the man went to the emergency room, where it was discovered he had sustained a fractured finger and ligament damage.

“This is the type of thing that is more commonly associated with sport, particularly rock climbing,” plastic surgeon **Andrew Fleming** of London’s **St. George’s Hospital** reports.

Surveys show that 40% of men in their 30’s and 40”s are equally uncoordinated when grappling with clasps and hooks, and risk similar injury. Researchers recommend that men take lingerie-removing lessons to prevent accidents”.

You’d have to be a boob not to find this interesting!

THE END IS NEAR

I TRUST EVERYONE VOTED

Our JOINT COUNCIL 28 and local unions put considerable time and effort into researching the candidates and the initiatives. One thing you can depend on is that their research and recommendations are made with *union people’s* needs in the forefront of their decisions. I hope everyone considers their findings before voting.

How about a few quickies?

- Going to church doesn’t make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
- We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.

- I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.
- Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- Why is it called “after dark” when it really is “after light”?
- Who do you save when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?*
- Shhh...listen to this...

”She was standing in the kitchen, preparing our usual soft-boiled eggs and toast for breakfast, wearing only the Tee- shirt that she normally slept in. As I walked in, almost awake, she turned to me and said softly, “You’ve got to make love to me this very moment!”

My eyes lit up and I thought, “I am either still dreaming or this is going to be my lucky day!” Not wanting to lose the moment, I embraced her and then...this is kind of heating up eh?...Gave it my all; right there on the kitchen table!

Afterwards she said, “Thanks,” and returned to the stove, her Tee-shirt still around her neck. Happy, but a little puzzled, I asked, “What was that all about?”

She explained, “The egg timer’s broken.”

Now mark your calendars, and come on down...Turkey and tempting, tasteless talk...See ya on the 9th.