



## General Teamster Retirees Club

*Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters*

*Teamster Locals #38, #117, #174, #763*

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## May 2017 Newsletter

**And before we begin:** "Should any political party attempt to abolish Social Security, unemployment insurance, and eliminate labor laws and farm programs, you would not hear of that party again in our political history. There is a tiny splinter group, of course, that believes you can do these things. Among them are a few Texas oil millionaires, and an occasional politician or businessman and they are stupid".

**President Dwight Eisenhower, Nov. 8, 1954**

### Next meeting

When/Where: Wednesday, May 10, 2017

Teamster Building (main floor) 14675 Interurban Ave. So. Tukwila  
(on Metro #150 bus line)

**Guest:** Stephanie Celt, Washington State Political Coordinator for the Blue/Green Alliance

**Lunch Menu:** Beef Stroganoff with Fettuccine, steamed vegetables, tossed green salad, fruit bowl, rolls and dessert

**Reservations:** Call 206-441-0504 by Monday, May 8th. to reserve your place for lunch. The cost of lunch is only \$15.00 and any leftovers are up for grabs to be taken home. **Be sure to call as soon as possible as spaces are limited.**

**HELP US HELP TEAMSTER BROTHERS AND SISTERS:** Enclosed with this newsletter is our annual appeal for donations from our members to the GTRC Scholarship Fund. Please review the information and help if you can.

**THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER:** And what is the Blue/Green Alliance? Organized labor has long recognized that we often have common goals with the environmental community. Over many years both groups have worked collaboratively on issues that can benefit both agendas. We'll hear how this has worked in the past and continues to work today.

**ALSO, AT OUR LAST MEETING:** The "Be there" drawing was held and Local 174 retiree Patrick Wallace's name was called. He wasn't with us. Next month's drawing will be worth \$90.00. "Be there!"

**TEAMSTER LOCAL UPDATES:** This month we visited with Collective Bargaining/Organizing Director, Patty Warren. She is dividing her time between Local 174 & the Joint Council and provided an update on Local 174's activities. Local 174 is comprised of approximately 7,200 members with approximately 2,400 being UPS members. In addition, there are approximately 400 members employed by First Student Transportation Services. The remaining 4,400 work for approximately 160 different employers.

These members are represented by the local's 14 business agents, along with a full-time organizer and full-time staffer in charge of member communications. Check out the local's web page and become a Facebook friend! Recently, longtime business agent Larry Boyd retired and the local has hired new agents Nate Madoulet, Mike Walker and Pete Lamb.

On the local's news front, the UPS and UPS Freight master agreements expire in 2018 and the Teamsters are planning for the bargaining, both on the local and national front. A number of contracts are up for renegotiation this year including the Sand & Gravel industry, the First Student opener for health & welfare issues and Safeway. Also open is the DHL master agreement. There is good news for the Boeing members as a contract extension was negotiated, securing Teamster pension and health & welfare through 2021.

On a special note, last month the Joint Council and locals 174, 763 and 117 donated \$4,800.00 toward the construction of "tiny houses" for the homeless. The houses were transported by donated trucks from the Boeing Company and the Teamster locals provided the drivers. **Good work brothers and sisters!**

**AND AS WE END:** "Politicians should wear sponsor jackets like Nascar drivers, then we know who owns them". **Comedian, Robin Williams**

**SEE YOU AT THIS MONTH'S MEETING AND BRING A FRIEND!**



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Dear Retiree Club Member,

Our Retiree Club has provided college scholarships to Teamster children and grandchildren for more than 20 years. We are proud of our record of assisting these young people, from Union backgrounds, to reach their education goals.

These scholarships are awarded to six or more scholars each year. Last year it was six scholarships, with awards of \$1,500.00 to each applicant.

The club has funded these scholarships, until recent years, through our annual Golf Tournament. We are appealing to you to help meet this budget need. Your donation will help a Teamster son or daughter reach their goal of a college degree. Please check your pockets to see if you can help.

Thank you for your consideration,

The Retiree Club Executive Board

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

I WISH TO MAKE A GIFT OF \$1,000 \_\_\_ \$500 \_\_\_ \$ 100 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS TO: GTRC                      MEMO:      SCHOLARSHIP FUND

MAIL IN OR BRING TO A MEETING

THANK YOU!!!

