



## General Teamster Retirees Club

*Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters*

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

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## September 2017 Newsletter

**And before we begin: "Don't let any man into your cab, your home, or your heart, unless he's a friend of labor."**

**Jimmy Hoffa**

### Next meeting

When/Where: Wednesday, September 13, 2017

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

**Guest:** George Frasier, Executive Director of the Green River Foundation

**Lunch Menu:** Chicken Cordon Bleu, rice pilaf, steamed vegetables, tossed green salad, fruit bowl, rolls and dessert

**Reservations:** Call 206-441-0504 by Monday, September 11th. 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.**

**Golf Tournament update:** The GTRC annual Scholarship Fundraiser was held on Saturday August 12th at Foster Golf Course in Tukwila (a golf course maintained by Teamster represented employees). It was a resounding success due to the participation and support of our members, Teamster locals, Joint Council 28, sponsors and the volunteers. The event raised over \$10,000.00 for the Scholarship Fund. We had 52 golfers and the winner of the Teamster Retirees trophy was Bob Lathrop with Jim Jackson winning first place overall. Thanks again for all those who participated and supported this worthy event and a special thanks to **Ed Merritt**, Golf Tournament Director for all his efforts in making this event a success. See you again in 2018!

**Scholarship applications:** The GTRC Executive Board is pleased to announce that we have received 11 scholarship applications. The Board will review the applications at our September board meeting and the results will be announced in our October newsletter. Thank you for all that submitted applications.

**This month's speaker:** George Frasier represents the Green River Foundation whose mission is to provide recourses to assist Green River College students achieve education excellence.

**Scholarship fundraiser:** As mentioned in our GTRC June newsletter, Teamsters Local 38 will be having its annual Monte Ingram/Continued Education Scholarship fundraiser on Saturday October 14th at Evergreen Lanes in Everett. Space is limited so call Local 38 at 425-252-3800 Ext. "0" for more information.

**Teamster local update:** This month I visited with Teamster Local No. 763 Secretary/Treasurer, Scott Sullivan. Since my last visit Local 763 has been successful in organizing efforts. This included organizing and negotiating a new contract for the 28 nurses within the Falck Ambulance Company's local operations. Falck is a worldwide company providing emergency services in many countries. In addition, Local 763 recently organized the Supervisors in the Land Slide Division of the Port of Seattle, and the Public Works Department of the City of Burien.

Contract bargaining is consuming a significant part of Local 763's efforts. Contract bargaining continues for various bargaining units within the City of Edmonds, Medina, Marysville, North Bend, Snohomish County and the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. Upcoming contract negotiations include sending members the survey for the ABF contract and preparing for bargaining the contract for the 435 EMT's at American Medical Response, both contracts expiring at the end of the year. On the political front Local 763 is supporting rank and file members running for public office. This includes **Michelle Rylands** running in the 31st Legislative District and **Teresa Mosqueda** for the Seattle City Council. If these members are in your district please support them! Of special note is Local 763's presentation to the AFL-CIO Leadership Institute on the construction of "tiny houses for the homeless" that were constructed by union volunteers; good work 763. Well, there's so much more that Local 763 is doing, but I'm out of space.

**AND AS WE END:** It's easier to fool people than to convince them that they have been fooled.

**Mark Twain**

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