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Newsletter April 2023 Edited by William Delanal Recording Secretary

From the desk of the President/Business Agent John Hoheusle:

It is April and another month has passed in 2023. It is going to be a long and very important year for 3 of the 4 properties that we represent. This is a contract year for Sound Transit, Pierce Transit, and RiverCities Lift. In order to ensure that we are using all the tools available in the interests of our members I have asked for assistance from the International. They are providing tools and training to assist us. We will be sending out surveys to our Lift members soon.

I wanted to thank All who attended the general members meeting. We have had a good turnout at both locations. I am hoping that the trend continues, and I will get to see more of you in person. We have had a lot of interest in Shop Steward training. Stewards perform a valuable and important function in a Union. It takes a very special person to be willing to accept the responsibility and sacrifice their free time to act in what is often a thankless role. We are working on getting new Stewards trained and available to the members.

Rumors: the Officers of this local would be more than happy if you reach out to us regarding things you might have heard. My phone is always on. I am more then willing to answer questions regarding things I may have said or done. The amount of untrue rumors around is both taxing and unproductive. We all need to stop wasting time and energy getting upset about things that have no truth behind them.

Safety: I am going to remind everyone to be careful while out working with the public. Do not put yourselves in a position where you may be injured or killed. I know working with the public can very challenging and stressful. It is not worth your health or career to engage in a Dispute. If passenger lacks Fare, it is nothing personal to you. The paperwork alone is not worth the hassle over two dollars.

Make sure you are doing our walkthroughs at the end of the line. It is for your safety. You do not want to bring something or someone back to base with you. If you see something, say something.

Cell Phones: Stay off of them. Even in your personal vehicle. It takes a split second of distraction for things to go horribly wrong. You could cost someone their life. Nothing is that important that you cannot wait until you are out of the seat. If you allow distracted driving to cause an accident you could lose your life, your job and/or your freedom.

Running Late: You will never be in trouble if you run late! If you are behind schedule and need a comfort break, take it! You should always take care of yourself and not worry about the schedule. The safety of yourself and your passengers comes first. Make sure that both arrive at the destination safely.

Obey all traffic rules and stay safe!

WE ARE THE ATU!

ATU LOCAL 758

Annual Picnic

Saturday, July 8, 2023

12:00pm - 5:00pm

At the Tacoma Sportsman Club

16409 Canyon Rd E, Puyallup, WA

Contact the Union Office ~ 253-474-3123

Camp-out July 7 & 8, 2023
Bring your folding chairs and come
ready to relax and enjoy good
company, good food
& good fun!! (BYOB)

Start getting your teams together!



ATU Local 758
Ronald Thornton
Memorial Golf
Tournament
2023

All are invited to play!

For Information contact: Gerald Hardeman 253-405-7086 Location:

Eagle's Pride Golf Course
1529 Mounts Rd SW, DuPont, WA

Date:

August 5, 2023

Time:

9:00am-Shotgun Start

Teams of 4 – \$100.00 per person

Includes:

Green Fees, Cart, Practice Balls, Tournament Banquet, And lots of prizes!!







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This statement could save your job!

"If this discussion could in any way lead to my being disciplined or terminated I respectfully request that my shop steward be present at the meeting. Without Union representation present, I choose not to respond to any questions or statements."

UNION MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE

Executive Board meeting -Thursday, May 4th at 3:30pm (EB only)
(ATU Local 758: 6923 Lakewood Dr. B-1, Lakewood, WA)

Charter meetings

Thursday, May 11th at 6:30 PM & Friday, May 12th at 10:00 AM both at (ATU Local 758: 6923 Lakewood Dr. B-1, Lakewood, WA)

Wednesday, May 17th at 7:15 PM in Longview,

(upstairs lunchroom: 254 Oregon Way, Longview WA)

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