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LANDING THE 7E7



Innovative Proposal Highlights Advantages

Governor Gary Locke and his Action Washington team demonstrated "We Can Do It" as they presented Boeing with a



751 President Mark Blondin speaks at the Action Washington kickoff.

top-notch proposal on June 20 to build the 7E7 in Washington State. It was only fitting that the Governor's press conference be held on Boeing Field surrounded by nearly a hundred Machinists Union members, as this state put its best foot forward to secure the new airplane.

The Union was an integral part of the Action Washington team - working closely with state legislators in Olympia, coordinating efforts with Governor Locke, offering innovative ideas and concepts, and launching a public relations campaign to educate the surrounding community. The 20+ other states submitting bids for the plane understand the value of these jobs and crafted proposals of their own designed to lure the aerospace giant to their region.



751's Ron McGaha, flanked by nearly a hundred members, applaud the proposal Governor Gary Locke submitted to land the 7E7 in this state.

Governor Locke noted, "We put together a very strong and compelling pack-

age and believe we have the winning proposal. A competitive proposal that clearly will demonstrate the best place to

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Hammering Home Our Message

Machinists Union members stepped forward and demonstrated "We Can Do It" as they took our message to the streets. One item on Boeing's criteria list for the 7E7 is public support, and the Union campaign is designed to show just that. Every day our logo to land the 7E7 is prominently seen throughout the region. The

Steward Joe Smith and his son Cole place a 7E7 poster in an area grocery store. Stewards have approached businesses to support our effort.



response has been overwhelming as individuals do their part to retain the state's largest private employer.

Stewards have canvassed area businesses and asked them to display "We Can Do It" posters. Several area businesses heard about the effort through the local media and called the Union hall or visited our website to request a poster.

One business did more than just put up a poster - the owner of cheerstix.com learned of the campaign while



Steward Todd Small hammers in a yard sign on the 7E7. Nearly 10,000 signs were posted.

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Unemployment Reform Protects Benefits

Thanks to a tremendous effort by our members, we succeeded in passing unemployment insurance (UI) reform in the final hours of the second special session of the legislature. From the initial session in January, our goal remained to protect unemployment benefits for our laid-off members.

Nearly 100 members traveled to Olympia to attend a hearing on June 4 to demonstrate their concern over any proposal that would slash benefits for our members. 751-member Rick McKinney testified alongside 751 Political Director Linda Lanham. Other members packed the hearing room holding signs declaring "We Can Do It" and "Jobs Worth Fighting For."

The support helped ensure unemployment reform passed the Senate with a 33-12 vote and was approved in the House by a 57-33 vote.

The reform that passed protects the maximum weekly benefit amount (\$496) for our laid-off members and pushes

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751-member Rick McKinney (l) and 751 Political Director Linda Lanham testify at an unemployment reform hearing, which helped ensure the weekly maximum benefit our laid-off members receive remains at \$496.

Tax Incentive Package Enhances State's Chances

TAX INCENTIVE DETAILS*

- ✓ B&O rate reduction for aerospace industry
- ✓ B&O tax credit for research & development
- ✓ Sales tax exemption for computer hardware and software used in design and engineering of planes and components
- ✓ Sales tax exemption on any new construction or improvement either in Everett or Moses Lake
- ✓ Property tax relief on new facilities and equipment for Everett or Moses Lake

* Incentives would apply to all existing Boeing employees and facilities, if 7E7 is built in Washington. No incentives if another state is chosen.

District 751 was proud to be on hand as Governor Gary Locke signed the "Aerospace Tax Incentive Package" into law on June 18 (see box right for details). This innovative package offers an estimated \$3 billion in tax incentives to the aerospace industry over the next 20 years, if Boeing builds the 7E7 here in Washington. The incentives are part of the state's "Action Washington" bid to build the new plane. 751 has been an active

member of the Action Washington team.

With the future of Washington state's largest private employer and the future of tens of thousands of working families on the line, Governor Locke displayed incredible insight and creativity, as he crafted a very targeted tax incentive, that coupled with the many other advantages this region has to offer, should ensure Washington

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REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

Coalitions Should Promote Job Growth for Region

by **Mark Blondin**,
District President



In a little over one month since Boeing unveiled its criteria for the 7E7, this state has stepped up and shown incredible leadership. Elected officials, community leaders, and union leaders came together with a "We Can Do It" attitude to perform a tremendous amount of work and put together a top-notch proposal that should ensure the new airplane is built here by the members who have built every Boeing commercial plane since the 707.

Teamwork was key to getting things accomplished in this short period of time. I am proud our Union was an integral part of both the legislative action and crafting the proposal.

Some members have asked why the Union has taken the lead on this. Others questioned why we even have to bid for the work.

Boeing no longer commands 70 percent of the world airplane market. Airbus is a serious threat, which demands that we do things differently. By getting involved and having our Union assume a leadership role, only then can we help shape the direction of our future. Rather than sitting back and reacting to things, let's offer solutions to beat Airbus and enhance job stability.

This Union, our members, has always been on the cutting edge - whether it is building new airplanes, mastering new skills and technology, lobbying the legislature or organizing community service programs that improve life for others. Our "We Can Do It" campaign is just another example and proof of how involvement can make a difference. When we talk about landing the 7E7 here, we

are not just talking final assembly jobs, but manufacturing, inspection, and other support jobs, as well.

This Union's top priority remains jobs for our members; however, to obtain this we must ensure that Boeing has a viable future in commercial airplanes. Yes, if we

get the 7E7 built here it will not mean as many jobs as other airplane lines because Boeing plans to use larger integrated parts. That is true whether or not the plane is built here or somewhere else. That is the future Boeing envisions. To preserve our role in building the planes calls for innovative thinking, and that is just what our Union delivered.

Projects such as the new Mukilteo pier can be viewed as either a threat or an advantage. Our challenge is to make sure it is an advantage and one that will translate into jobs for our members. These are

born out of the coalitions and partnerships forged to develop the 7E7 proposal for Washington State. The proposal that the Action Washington team, led by Governor Gary Locke, put together is proof of the innovation that can be our future. The Union is proud to play a role in that and hopes to continue to foster many of the relationships we have built during this process.

Many other creative ideas were also

born out of the coalitions and partnerships forged to develop the 7E7 proposal for Washington State. The proposal that the Action Washington team, led by Governor Gary Locke, put together is proof of the innovation that can be

our future. The Union is proud to play a role in that and hopes to continue to foster many of the relationships we have built during this process.

I have witnessed an amazing transformation as this state put together the 7E7 proposal. Legislation that had been stalled for years was passed. Coalitions were built among groups that were traditional adversaries. Creative thinking spawned many new ideas. Working closely with the various elected officials, chambers of commerce and eco-

nomics development councils, we can help bring more jobs to this region and provide direction for what type of jobs come to this state.

Imagine what we can accomplish if we channel the same energy, creativity and teamwork into attracting other industries to this state that we put into drafting the 7E7 proposal. Let's use these coalitions to be the start of something and build on the enthusiasm. We know Washington is a great place to live and work so let's go out and tell the world - much the same way the other states are trying to get the 7E7. This active pursuit of jobs is needed to revive the Northwest economy. Rather than having the 7E7 proposal be the end of this creative energy, why not use it as the beginning. We know "We Can Do It" - it's time other industries learned it, too.



Coalitions between business, labor, and local economic development councils formed while putting together the 7E7 proposal should continue with the focus shifting to how this state can aggressively work to attract other industries. This is basically the same strategy other states have taken in trying to get the 7E7.

tough times that present us with new challenges. But together, "We Can Do It" and offer new ways to preserve and create jobs and keep Boeing competitive.

If the 7E7 is the future of Boeing, then this Union definitely wants to be a part of it. Beyond the legislative changes that have been reported, there are other ideas that will help Boeing compete and preserve our jobs. Senator Maria Cantwell continues to work on establishing an FAA Center of Excellence at the Univer-

Local 751-C Election Results

Below are results of the Local C Officer election from June 12th.



- President - Mark Johnson 284
- Tom Finnegan 120
- Vice President Jimmy Darrah 373
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- Sec-Treasurer - Curt Thorfinson 367
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- Tony R. Johnson 347
- Bob Stonecipher 347
- Auditor - 3 elected
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- Rod Sigvartson 351
- James R. Rice Jr 351

Donors Needed for All Blood Types!

Cascade Regional Blood Services (your community blood bank servicing Tacoma, Puyallup, Federal Way, Lakewood and Gig Harbor) is experiencing a critical need for all blood types. In fact, the blood bank has less than a one-day blood supply of all blood types.

Critical need means that while our local area hospitals have an adequate supply of blood on their shelves for patients, the blood banks are unable to replenish a normal inventory at this time. Because the blood supply is so low, hospitals may have to look at postponing surgeries.

Every extra person will make a difference. We are asking that all blood donors that have not donated in the past 56 days please call 1-877-24BLOOD and make an appointment or walk-in to one of the following locations:

- Tacoma Location 220 South I Street (across from Wright Park)
- Federal Way Location 33505 13th Pl. South (near the Health Department)
- Puyallup Location 205 15th Ave., SE (Behind Jason's Restaurant on Meridian).



Donors can also locate the center nearest you by visiting the website at www.cascadebloodcenters.org to find a blood drive near you.

Currently, the Cascade Blood Service has zero units of B negative, AB negative, and AB positive. They have only one unit of B Positive, and the remaining blood types are all 75% below the minimum level.

Thanks to all who have donated in the past or are willing to donate at this time. Your donation can save up to three lives.

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POLITICAL ACTION

Everett Panel Approves Pier

751 members again demonstrated the "We Can Do It" attitude as they turned out to testify at a recent Everett Planning Commission meeting to ensure the Mukilteo pier project is approved. Members emphasized the importance of preserving these jobs for future generations and stressed that the pier would help ensure a strong future in aerospace.



Rod Sigvartson was one of many 751 members to testify in support of the new Mukilteo pier.

Their testimony echoed sentiments of other area residents, as the commission voted unanimously to support the pier project. The vote allows the Port of Everett to bypass zoning changes that might be needed to build a pier. It also approved rezoning areas adjoining the proposed pier to allow stores and offices.

The State Legislature had already approved spending \$15.5 million for the pier and revised the Shoreline Growth Act to accommodate such a plan. The proposals now move to the Everett City Council and then several city, state and federal agencies must give their approval to the pier.

Special thanks to the following who attended the hearing: Jerry Barchenger, Jackie Boschok, David Bowling, Greg Campos, Bud Fink, Charlie Grieser, Lois Holton, Brad Johnson, Stan Johnson, James Mack, Richard Mast, Dave Muellenbach, Ted Ogston, Sue Palmer, Rod Sigvartson, Kenny Smith, and Ken White.

Bill Provides \$3 Billion Incentives

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State is chosen from among the many other states competing to get Boeing's next aircraft. Credit also should be given to the state legislature, which passed the tax incentives in record time, to ensure the package would be part of the proposal submitted to Boeing on June 20.

The package also protects taxpayers' interests by making the tax breaks contingent on Boeing giving something to this state in return - jobs for our citizens in the form of the 7E7 airplane. Should Boeing decide to build the plane elsewhere, the tax incentive package is null and void.

While Washington State could not provide direct subsidies or money to Boeing like many of the other competing states have done, the incentive package offered what other states couldn't - tax breaks on their existing airplane lines and existing employees. With currently 68,000 employees in this state, the tax breaks on those employees and current production lines are a huge incentive to build the 7E7 in this state.

Locke emphasized, "We know what's at stake in the long run is not only the 7E7 final assembly, but other Boeing product



751 Political Director Linda Lanham and other Union officials were on hand to see Governor Locke sign the bill into law that would provide Boeing \$3 billion in tax incentives over 20 years if the 7E7 is built here.

lines as well. We will not stand by and watch our state start to lose this industry and these jobs."

The package is truly an investment in

the future that will make the state more competitive and hopefully attract more companies to our state, which in turn will create additional jobs.

Reform Targeted to Maintain Weekly Benefits

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the reduction in duration of benefits until 2005 when it will go from 30 weeks to 26 weeks. However, if any members are still drawing benefits in 2005, the federal extensions that we have been successful in securing would still kick in so they would not lose any weeks of benefits. The money would simply come out of the federal pool instead of the state pool.

The reform also includes the Boeing tax model so Boeing is only paying their fair share rather than subsidizing other industries. Keep in mind Boeing has paid over \$286 million more into the system than

their employees have drawn out in the last nine years. The new bill also features a four-quarter averaging, which ensures seasonal and part-time workers are still eligible for benefits (no one will have their benefits cutoff).

Again, benefits for our laid-off members will remain at \$496 a week with no reduction.

Why did the Union push so hard to get this legislation? Because **WITHOUT THIS REFORM BOEING WOULD NOT EVEN CONSIDER BUILDING THE 7E7 IN THIS STATE.** This Union refused to consider any proposal that re-

duced the weekly maximum benefit for our laid-off workers. We have lost far too many members and did not feel our members should take a benefit cut to subsidize lower-paid workers. This Union worked very hard to get the maximum benefit to its current level and fought hard to avoid a reduction.

Keep in mind Unemployment Insurance (UI) is a "safety net" program that provides partial wages on a temporary basis for workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own. It is not a yearly entitlement that people use each and every year. Unfortunately, after a month and a half of negotiations, the labor community (led by the Washington State Labor Council) and the business community couldn't come to agreement or decide on a compromise. Both sides waited until the last day. Therefore, we did what was necessary to pass a bill that ensured our members' benefits would not be reduced.

While others in the labor community continue to complain about the reform, the fact is they offered no alternative other than to cut benefits for our laid-off members. That was an option this Union could never support - especially with 13,000 members on layoff.

751 members packed the House hearing in Olympia to show they were serious about getting a fair rate for Boeing and insisting on no reduction in weekly benefits for our laid-off members.



Congressional Delegation Assists on 7E7 Efforts

Efforts to land the 7E7 in Washington State extend beyond state boundaries to the nation's capital, where the entire Washington Congressional delegation is also



751 President Mark Blondin and Senator Maria Cantwell discuss how creating a research center on advanced composites at the UW can help in efforts to land the 7E7 and preserve jobs.

hard at work.

U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell is pushing for an FAA Center of Excellence at the University of Washington that will specialize in advanced composites, which will make up as much as 60 percent of the 7E7. By locating the center here, the Northwest would be the leader in working with these new materials and could help with research on the new plane. In addition, Cantwell is exploring the possibility of having the center partner with Boeing on an autoclave that could be used in manufacturing the wings and fuselage. If successful, this would ensure that employees at Auburn and Frederickson would have major work on the 7E7.

Others in the delegation are doing their part as well by looking for ways to level the playing field with Airbus and make Boeing more competitive, such as working with regional power companies to offer the low power prices that originally attracted commercial-aircraft manufacturing to this region.

State Legislature Passes Prescription Drug Bill

Another success in the state capital during the special session was the passage of a prescription drug bill. SB 6088 will provide some relief to many Washington residents suffering from the high cost of prescription drugs.

While the bill was not everything we had hoped for, it is a good start and certainly something we can build on in the future. The legislation that was approved represented a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the bill. Lawmakers realized voters are anxious to have a prescription plan and that skyrocketing costs make it even more important.

"This plan ensures that no elderly or disabled Washington resident will have to choose between buying food and purchasing the prescription drugs they need to keep them healthy," declared State Senator Alex Deccio (R-Yakima).

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Flight for Sight Raises Over \$9,000

On May 31st, individuals took to the streets to raise money for Guide Dogs of America in the second annual "Flight for Sight" Fun Run, Walk and Jog. The event, organized by the 751 Women's Committee, raised over \$9,000 for Guide Dogs of America. The race offered something for everyone, including a 1-mile walk, 5-K walk, 5-K run, 10-K jog and 10-K run.

While there were many runners that took home a trophy (see winners box below), a special category for fundraisers was just as important. Lois Holton was top fundraiser bringing in an amazing \$2,210 in contributions. Linda Lanham raised \$630, while Dan Meddaugh collected \$270. Special recognition also goes to Women's Committee member Pam Black who not only helped prepare for the event, assisted with race day registration, but collected \$339 in pledges and completed the 5K walk.

The following members should be commended for raising over \$100 in contributions: Kim McNallie \$255; Louis Satterlee \$210; John Ellis \$200; Jerry Allen \$172; Paul Veltkamp \$170; Ellen Davis \$142; Tina Cronin \$132; Tracy Schuster \$125; Heather Barstow \$125; Victor Hébert \$125; Becky Beasley \$120; Art Duffy \$108; Irene Ellis \$105.

Women's Committee members (Co-Chairs Gloria Millsaps and Susan Palmer. Committee members: Helen Lowe, Sally Cunningham, Pam Black, Jackie Boschok, Aletha Johnson, Rebecca Pohl, Linda Sperry) spent months organizing and advertising the



The course was crowded as District President Mark Blondin signaled the start of the race.

event to ensure its success. Along with the Women's Committee Paul Foster, Craig Stahlke, Jon Holden and Jason Redrup were also instrumental in organizing the run. 751 member Dianne Buchanan sewed the Guide Dog logo on towels that were given to each participant.

Special thanks to all the volunteers who helped with set up, registration, and running the checkpoints (see box lower right of page).

Thanks to the following sponsors who contributed to the event:

Photo right: Pam Black completes the 5K walk and turned in \$339 in pledges.



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Above: Runners begin the 10K at a fast pace.



Photo left: Mary Jane Vanderpool and Becky Beasley cross the finish line after completing the 5K course.

Winners at the Event



Above: Trophies were awarded to top runners by age. 5K male: under 29 - 1st Tom Pohl, 2nd Matt Macoleni. Age 29-39: 1st Andrew Macoleni, 2nd Doug Dallman. Over 40 - 1st Jim Clay, 2nd David Kelliher. Female 5K: Under 29 - 1st Pepper Severson, 2nd Heather Wagner. 29-39 - 1st Paula Porter, 2nd Pam Fitzpatrick. Over 40 - 1st Sue Grigsby, 2nd Linda Watson. 10K Male: Under 29 - 1st Matt Hale. 29-39 - 1st Craig Vanderoef, 2nd Dave Smythe. Over 40 - 1st Doug MacLean, 2nd John Rowley. Female 10K: Under 29 - 1st Sarah Forrey, 2nd Amy Forrey. Over 40 - 1st Trish Hruby, 2nd Patricia Rowley.



Photo left: Run organizer Paul Foster (r) congratulates top fundraiser Lois Holton (l) who collected \$2,210 in pledges and Dan Meddaugh for his \$270



Steward Paul Veltkamp raised \$170 and walked with his family.



Victor Hébert and Tommy Wilson finish jogging the 5K course.

Thanks to the following volunteers that helped with the event:

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteers Ensure Playground Is Covered

Once again, 751 volunteers fulfilled a need in the community by constructing a cover for an area playground. Members put in two weekends of hard work to complete the project and ensure that low-income children at Housing Hope in Everett now have access to a safe playground year round.

Bill Borders, Labor Liaison for United Way of Snohomish County, praised the work of 751 stating, "Housing Hope had a great playground, but it lacked a cover.

They received a very discounted price on a heavy duty permanent roof structure to cover the playground, but they did not have funds to pay several thousands of dollars for the installation. Thankfully, IAM 751 volunteers came to the rescue! The project required expertise and knowledge in concrete work, use of a transom to get four concrete pads exactly level and square, back breaking work to break out concrete and asphalt using pneumatic equipment and coordinating with a crane to lift the structure onto the bolts embedded in the concrete pads. Despite the complexity, 751 volunteers managed to get the job done!"

Deborah Bolton, Developmental Director of Housing Hope, was elated at the help and declared, "We just simply couldn't have done the project without the volunteers from the Machinists Union. They are awesome!"

Special thanks to the following volunteers who helped out on the enormous project: Justin Bailes, Heather Barstow, Robert 'Gus' Gustaveson, Phil Hicks, Jon Holden, Garth Luark, Ed Lutgen, Nick Lutgen, Rick McKinney, Kerry Millick, Jason Redrup and Duane Roope.



Rick McKinney and Jon Holden were two of the volunteers pouring concrete and preparing the playground for its new, durable cover so kids can utilize the facility year round.



Photo Above: After pouring concrete and assembling the framework, the structure to hold the cover is installed.

Photo left: Jon Holden, Phil Hicks, Justin Bailes, and Duane Roope put the cover in place.

Help Children Succeed in School!

While out shopping to get ready for summer, pick up a new book or a backpack and school supplies to donate during the annual Books & Backpacks drive. Through July, Boeing employees can bring in new books and backpacks filled with school



supplies. New books go to Page Ahead, a local nonprofit agency that distributes books to help children improve reading skills and build a life-long

habit of reading for youngsters who need extra help in that area. Backpacks filled with school supplies go to children who might not otherwise receive these important tools for learning.

New books rather than used books are important because they are given to children involved in reading programs as incentives to read more. School supplies are important because some children's families cannot afford even the basic items needed in school. By receiving backpacks and supplies, children begin the school year with the right tools needed for learning. Look for collection boxes throughout Boeing buildings to make your donations.

Boeing employees also help school children by volunteering to read to students in area schools as part of the book distribution effort.

For more information or donation ideas, please call Northwest Community and Education Relations at 1-888-412-CARE or visit the web site at <http://community.web.boeing.com/nwregion> and click on the Books & Backpacks icon. This is your chance to help the less fortunate start the school year prepared and enhance their chances for learning.

Boeing employee Cynthia Noble reads to kids at Bow Lake Elementary School during a book distribution by Page Ahead where the local nonprofit distributed its millionth book.



Boeing employees hold up cards that show the total that is expected to be raised by the end of the year through the Employees Community Fund, thanks to employee and retiree gifts. All donations go to local community nonprofits to help people in need.

Employees Generosity Shows In ECF Drive

Boeing employees nearly achieved their goal for the annual Employees Community Fund campaign that ran May 5-16. Organizers in the Puget Sound region set a goal this year to raise about \$19.8 million. It is estimated that \$19.5 million will be donated by the end of the year by Puget Sound area employees and retirees. This amount is only 2.5 percent less than the \$20 million donated through the Employees Community Fund of Boeing Puget Sound in 2002 despite an approximate 12 percent reduction in Puget Sound area employment since June of 2002.

"Boeing employees are some of the most generous and caring people in the world," said Bob Watt, Vice President, Government and Community Relations, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "Their concern for their neighbors in need during these continued difficult economic times is truly commendable."

Delivering Food for the Needy

Thanks to all the members who brought in donations of non-perishable food during the recent drive. Because of the generosity of our members, Northwest Harvest received over a truckload of food. The Volunteer Recognition Program (VRP) organized the food drive because often times food bank supplies are depleted in the summer. Most organizations plan events around the holidays at obvious times of need, but food is still needed year round.

A special thank you to Renton Secretary Stephanie Wilson for her extra efforts in the drive.



751's Ron McGaha (l) loads food donations into a truck for Northwest Harvest.

Swalwell Earns IAM Scholarship

751 - Member Deborah Swalwell beamed with pride as her son, Paul, graduated from Monroe High School. Yet she had more than just graduation to celebrate. Paul was one of just 15 people across the U.S. and Canada to win the IAM Scholarship Program.

Thanks to his efforts and hard work, Paul will receive \$4,000 from the IAM to help pay for his two-year machine technology program at Renton Technical College. The program could enable him to become a third generation Machinists Union member.

His mother, Deborah, has worked at Boeing for 25 years as a Material Processor and always provided support and encouragement for her son to pursue his dreams. Paul's grandfather, Harold Tanner, who spent 32 years at Boeing, served as an inspiration to spark his interest in machine work. Paul spent many weekends and evenings with his grandfather learning to use various tools and mastering the skills of the trade.

Beyond what he has learned from his grandfather, Paul will have a jump on some other students entering the program at Renton Technical College. Paul already has working knowledge of many of the machines he will train on at Renton Technical College. During his senior year in high school, Paul split his day between Monroe High School and Sno Isle Vocational Skills Center. At the Skills Center, he learned to use a manual bridgeport mill, manual lathes, tool grinders, and blade welding. Paul's focus on machine work earned him membership in the National Technical Vocational Honor Society. In addition, he operates CNC lathes and mills at his current job at Wynakos Machine Inc. Always planning ahead, his mother



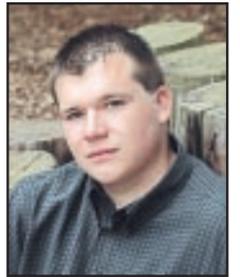
District 751 President Mark Blondin (r) presents Paul Swalwell with the IAM Scholarship, which will provide \$4,000 for a Machine Technology Program at Renton Technical College. Looking on with pride were his grandparents, Harold and Elaine Tanner, and his mother, 751-member Deborah Swalwell.

brought the IAM scholarship information to Paul's attention last summer. As he began his senior year, he had already completed the necessary application, gathered the required school records and

obtained letters of recommendation. He nearly forgot he had entered the competition as his senior year progressed until the overnight mail packet announcing the scholarship arrived at his home. He

immediately called his grandfather to share the good news.

When he is not working or in the classroom, Paul is an avid outdoorsman, who enjoys camping, hunting, fishing, riding a quad and snowboarding. As he moves to the next phase of his education, Paul is proud of his family's Union history and eager to put the scholarship to work in building his future.



Paul Swalwell

District 751 President Mark Blondin presented Paul with the scholarship at the June Local F meeting, as his mother and grandparents looked on at the standing ovation he received from members in attendance. For information on the 2004 IAM Scholarship, please see the box below.

IAM Scholarship Competition for 2004

The IAM Scholarship Competition is open to members of the IAM and their children throughout the United States and Canada.



Awards to members are \$2,000 per academic year, from one to four years, leading to a Bachelor's degree or a two-year vocational/technical certification.

Awards to Children of Members are: \$1,000 per academic year for college, for a maximum of four years until a Bachelor's degree is obtained. Vocational/technical School - \$2,000 per year until certification is reached for a maximum of two years.

For rules of eligibility or to obtain an application, complete and return the form at right. No application forms postmarked later than February 25, 2004, will be considered.

REQUEST FOR IAM 2004 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

Please send me an Application Packet for the 2004 IAM Scholarship Competition. If the proper packet is not received within 30 days, advise the Scholarship Department immediately. I understand that this request is not an application, and that the Application Packet must be completed and postmarked no later than February 25, 2004.

REMINDER: Please check the appropriate box listed below and the requested application will be mailed to you. As an IAM member who will have 2 years' continuous membership in the IAM as of February 25, 2004, I am requesting an Application Form for:

- IAM Member requesting a College or Vocational/Technical Scholarship
- Child of a Member requesting a Vocational/Technical Scholarship
- Child of a Member requesting a College Scholarship

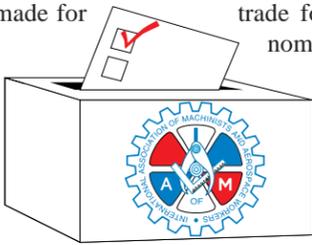
Print your name and address clearly:

IMPORTANT: Complete this coupon and attach a SELF-ADDRESSED LABEL for reply.

Mail to: IAM Scholarship Program
 9000 Machinists Place
 Upper Marlboro, MD 20772-2687

Nominations / Elections for Local Lodge Officers

Nominations shall be made for the following Local Lodge officers for a three-year term as described in the table below, in each first Local Lodge meeting in September with elections held in October.



NOMINATION QUALIFICATIONS:

Candidates must be a member of the respective Local at the time of nomination, in good standing, and free from delinquencies of any nature to the Local Lodge, District Lodge or Grand Lodge. Candidates must have been a member of the Local or of a Local affiliated with District 751 for one year at the time of nomination; and shall be working at the

trade for six months prior to the nomination. Candidates in Local 751-F are also encouraged to have attended at least 50% of the meetings of his/her Local Lodge during the 12-month period ending the day of nominations. Candidates in Locals 751-E, 1123, and 86 shall have attended at least 50% of the meetings of his/her Local Lodge during the 12-month period ending the day of nominations.

NOMINEES ACCEPTANCE: All nominees must sign an acceptance card for the position nominated and return it to the Recording Secretary of the Local before the close of that

meeting. Members not present at the nomination meeting may have their name placed in nomination only if the member nominating them submits to the Recording Secretary, at the nomination meeting, a letter from the candidate signifying their acceptance of the nomination to the office to which they have been nominated. The letter must set forth the candidate's name, properly spelled, and their card number, with their own handwritten signature and the office for which they will accept the nomination.

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE:

All Local 751-E, 751-F, 86 and 1123 members in good standing, members whose dues are paid through the month of August 2003, and retired Union members, are eligible to vote in their respec-

tive Local Lodge election.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS:

Absentee ballots shall be issued in accordance with the IAM Constitution. To qualify for an absentee ballot, one of the following conditions must be met. A member must:

- 1) Reside more than 25 miles from the designated balloting place.
- 2) Be confined with a verified illness.
- 3) Be on vacation.
- 4) Be on IAM business approved by the Local, District or Grand Lodge.
- 5) Be on approved employer travel assignment outside the area.
- 6) Be on Reserve Military Leave or qualifying U.S. Family Leave Laws.

Any member entitled to receive an

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LOCAL	NOM DATE	LOCATION	POSITIONS TO BE NOMINATED	ELECTION DATE/TIME	ELECTION LOCATION
751-E	Sept. 3 5:30 p.m.	Stewards Meeting Hall 9135 15th Pl S, Seattle	3-year term: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Secretary-Treasurer, Conductor-Sentinel, 3 Trustees, 3 Local Audit Committee.	October 1 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Seattle: 9135 15th Pl. S.
751-F	Sept. 10 6 p.m.	Stewards Meeting Hall 9135 15th Pl S, Seattle	3-year term: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Secretary-Treasurer, Conductor-Sentinel, 3 Trustees, 3 Local Audit Committee.	October 8 5 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Auburn: 201 A St. SW Everett: 8729 Airport Road Renton: 233 Burnett N. Seattle: 9135 15th Pl. S.
86	Sept. 11 7 p.m.	4226 E. Mission Spokane, WA	3-year term: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Secretary-Treasurer, Conductor-Sentinel, 3 Trustees,	October 9 Noon to 7 p.m.	4226 E. Mission Spokane, WA
1123	Sept. 4 8 p.m.	Aluminum Trades Coun. 180 Rock Island Rd. E. Wenatchee, WA	3-year term: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Secretary-Treasurer, Conductor-Sentinel, 3 Trustees, Wenatchee Aluminum Trades Council Representative	October 2 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.	Aluminum Trades Council 180 Rock Island Rd. E. Wenatchee, WA

IAM/BOEING JOINT PROGRAMS

Member's Documentary Celebrates Diversity

Making films has always intrigued 751-member Todd Coughlin, who has worked as a parts inspector at Boeing for the past 18 years. When he mentioned this interest to a co-worker, they suggested he pursue formal film training through the IAM/Boeing Quality Through Training Program (QTTP).

The advice changed not only his life, but his entire family's. The one-year training program he completed at Seattle Film Institute (compliments of QTTP) did more than just introduce him to the art of film making. It helped him see the community he grew up in (White Center) through different eyes. In fact, he has seen it through the eyes of several hundred children from a variety of countries.

After completing training and purchasing equipment, Todd and his wife Diane set out to make a film. Diane was quick to understand lighting concepts and framing and possessed a natural talent behind the camera. They decided to film a documentary on White Center and how it has evolved from a predominantly white, working class community to an area filled with refugee immigrants. However, once they began filming and exploring the topic, they stumbled upon White Center Heights Elementary - an incredibly diverse school that is a microcosm of White Center citizens.

Their focus immediately shifted to this amazing school that brings together 400 students from 34 nations, who speak 27 different languages. Together, they produced a 50-minute documentary entitled "A Family of Many Nations" that captured the energy, compassion, success and diversity of this unique school. Despite the fact that 80 percent of the students speak no English at home and 90 percent qualify for free or reduced lunches, the school is succeeding academically. As they proceeded with the film project, Todd decided to let the school tell its own story and opted for no narration - instead using only interviews with students and teachers.

The formula was obviously a hit judging from the attention the film has received. Todd initially sent four tapes to area schools and education associations. From there, it has been widely circulated and highly regarded.

Todd noted, "I have been blown away by the reaction and attention our film has generated. This started as a family project, but became much more. We felt it was an exciting story that others should experience. We have



751-member Todd Coughlin (standing) and his wife Diane (filming) have stirred up lots of attention with their first documentary on the diversity at White Center Heights Elementary School. Above: Todd and Diane film their son Connor telling the school's librarian why he chose to transfer to the school. Todd used QTTP Education Assistance to receive training at the Seattle Film Institute.

been invited to attend the New York Film Festival, have shown it in local theaters, have been interviewed by local newspapers and television stations, and have even been approached to air the film on public television."

Todd was so impressed with the school, his youngest son Connor transferred from Midway Elementary to White Center Heights. There, Connor has thrived in his new school and marveled at what he has learned about others.

"White Center Heights has found a way to celebrate the diversity of its students, turn it into a strength and use it to learn about other cultures. The school is like a mini United Nations. What has happened there is where the world is going," stated Todd. "We all need to figure

out how to get along despite diversity. There is a level of trust, friendliness and respect at White Center Heights that is missing in other schools. These children have seen firsthand war, death, and starvation. Many lived in refugee camps in their native countries, but they all find a way to communicate and learn in this unique school."

Todd and Diane are excited to embark on other documentaries and are considering the "No Child Left Behind Act" for their next project. Todd noted, "Future topics are limitless. The only thing possibly preventing us from additional films is funding."

However, judging from the success of their first film, they have landed the connections to fund future projects.

Training Improves Mazak Productivity

With all the surplussing activity that has occurred recently, there is often an increased need for training. Dan Klovdahl, manager of the Everett machine shop, found such a need in his area as he watched many machinists knowledgeable in Mazak programming transfer out of his shop - with no formal training in place for the new employees in the area.

John Cain, QTTP Program Manager in Everett and former machinist, heard of the need for training in his old shop

and set out to have QTTP deliver a course to fill the void.

John had completed Mazak training in 1991 and still had his old textbooks. He contacted Mazak to find out if they still offered training for the machines. Training was available; however, the textbooks were out of print, and they would be unable to instruct the 40-hour class until seven weeks later when they could get new textbooks. Rather than waiting, John made copies of his old textbooks and convinced Mark Gordon

from Mazak to teach the course in the shop on the machines our members use every day.

Mitch McFarlane is one of four members that completed the training. He noted, "The class showed me step-by-step the process of setting up, programming and trouble shooting. I now fully understand the machine and can work safely and with confidence. I have been programming and making quality parts since the day after graduating from the class - improving efficiency and productivity."

Before the class, Mitch had transferred to the shop and tried to learn how to program the Mazak by watching the operator that was being transferred out. The problem was, that when he had an opportunity to observe between jobs, the operator would already have a program in the works. Once, when he worked with the operator, the machinist made it look easy and went too fast to really retain any knowledge. Suddenly, the operator was transferred out before Mitch really got a chance to learn the machine - yet he was expected to run it daily. The QTTP class was exactly what was needed.

A second Mazak class was offered late June to other interested employees. QTTP continues to work to fulfill any training needs that are identified by hourly employees or their management.



Machinists completing a 40-hour Mazak training in Everett compliments of QTTP are: Stephen Olson, Mitch McFarlane, K.C. White, and Don Nicholson.

Safety & Health Fairs Planned

The Site Safety Committees are co-sponsoring Safety and Health Fairs at the Auburn, Frederickson, Plant II, Renton, Everett and Eastgate plants.

The fairs will include information on wellness, tools and equipment, office safety, personal protective equipment, home and family safety, the environment and information and training. Everyone is invited to experience some of the latest technology and information that can affect safety and health -- both on and off the job.



Auburn Plant

North end of 17-64 Bldg.
Friday, August 1
4 a.m. to 5 a.m. & 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Frederickson Plant -

South end of 24-40 Bldg.
Friday, August 8
4 a.m. to 5 a.m. & 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Plant 2 - 2-22 Bldg.

September 8 - 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Eastgate

July 23 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Everett

August 15 - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Renton

August 22 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

HUMAN RIGHTS ARTICLE

A Home of My Own

by Lem Charleston,
Human Rights Committee

In the past for too many Americans, homelessness meant you were a deadbeat, a loser, an alcoholic, a drug addict, or some other less than honorable person. Today, there is a shocking reality in the face of the homeless that we are hard pressed to look at. Even a face-to-face encounter with a homeless individual gives many of us an ominous and eerie feeling. Maybe because we know, save for the grace of God, that this person could be us, or one of our loved ones.

The face of the homeless look so familiar, like your next-door neighbor, your grocer, or local gas station attendant. Maybe even like your second shift counterpart, who was laid off 18 months ago. Homelessness is not always the result of one who lacks any work ethic, but rather one that lacks work.

Due to the economic crisis, which has engulfed the nation, there are now numerous factors contributing to the homeless burden in America. Everything from September 11th to "SARS" to the evil of corporate America's lust for money and "power". All of the above has crippled the country. The greed of corporate CEO's and their supporters is the cancer that is killing America's middle class. This is why the folks in your local and (now empty) food

banks look so familiar.

The pursuit of the control of everyday folk by the so-called powers that be, seems to be the mission of corporate leadership of this imperialistic empire we still call "the home of the free and the land of the brave". Now we are able to understand what is going on when we see that undernourished father and his skinny five-year-old daughter headed toward that old oxidized station wagon, which used to be transportation, and is now called home.

Since the current Bush Administration has been in place, over 60,000 jobs are being lost every month! Herbert Hoover still created jobs in his term as President of the United States. It is a real shame that so many of us do not want to understand homelessness. We shy away from it with that sub-conscience feeling that this could be us some day.

Rarely is it one contributing factor

that leads to one becoming homeless, sometimes these situations cannot be predicted or controlled. The action of becoming a homeless person is almost one of victimization. Today's social economic environment can inadvertently promote homelessness. This problem is inherent in a capitalistic society. One that allows the rich to get richer, even if it causes the poor to get poorer. There is a heavy trauma of becoming homeless if one cannot come to

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The face of the homeless can be anyone - as depicted in this Depression-era photo.

1st Annual "Puppy Putt"

Motorcycle run to benefit
Guide Dogs of America

Saturday, September 13



EVENT TIMES:

8:30 a.m. - Check-in 3 p.m. - Last bike in
10:30 a.m. Last bike out 5 p.m. Awards ceremony

Participants will meet and start from two locations:

- North End: Indian Motorcycle Burlington, 1851 Bouslog Rd, Burlington, Across from I-5 Auto World
- South End: Hinshaw Honda, 1602 W. Valley Hwy S.

Ride will conclude at IAM 751 Seattle Hall, 9125 15th Pl. S.

Pre-registration: \$20 donation for rider/driver, \$10 per passenger
Day of Ride: \$25 donation for rider/driver, \$10 for passenger.

For more information or to be mailed a brochure, please call 206-764-0335 or www.iam751.org/puppyputt

First Annual Local Lodge 751-A CAR AND MOTORCYCLE

RAFFLES
GIVEAWAYS
MUSIC
FOOD

SHOW & SHINE

Where:

Machinists District
Lodge 751
Parking Lot

9125 15th Place S.
Seattle, WA 98108



When:
Saturday,
July 26, 2003
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Featuring
TNT Dyno
and free test
via raffle
drawings.

Entry fee \$15.00 per vehicle

Please mail entries to: Local A Show & Shine, 9125 15th Place S., Seattle, WA 98108 Make checks payable to Guide Dogs of America

Entry Form

Name _____
Address _____

Car club _____
Class (listed to right) _____

- Classifications
- Best General Motors
 - Best Ford
 - Best Mopar
 - Best Orphan
 - Women's Pick
 - Men's Pick
 - Best Vintage Cycle
 - Best Cruiser Cycle
 - People's Choice

Fundraiser for Guide Dogs of America

Vendor booths are available for \$100 to any member business/vendor that would like to advertise their products at the event.

For Questions and Registration Information
Contact Stephanie Wilson at 425-235-3777

RETIREMENT NEWS

June 751 Retired Club Meeting Minutes

by Mary Wood,
Retired Club Secretary

At the June 9th business meeting, Al Wydick called the meeting to order at 11 a.m. The Lord's Prayer was said followed by the flag salute and the singing of "God Bless America."

Roll Call of Officers: All officers were present except Bill Baker, who was excused. Minutes were accepted as printed.

Communications: Thank you letter was read.

Financial Report: The Financial Report was accepted as read.

New Members: The Club welcomed Benjamin Curtis and George McIntyre.

Business Reps Report: Business Rep Paul Knebel reported on activities at Boeing.

Health & Welfare: Helen Pompeo (206-244-5669) and Toni Morzenti (206-242-8365). If you know of someone who is ill or in the hospital, please let Helen or Toni know. Ill brothers and sisters this past month included: Marie Andersen,



The Retired Club meets at the Seattle Union Hall every Monday. Different activities are planned or some just get together with friends for cards or visiting. A free lunch is served to those attending every Monday at noon.

Beverly Dillon, Julian Hendricks, Willard Johnson, Edwin Jones, Wanda Larson, Dale Morast, Ruben Walker, Carl Weiss, Kenneth Brown, Joanne Gourley, Grace Jorgenson. Get well cards were sent to all.

A moment of silence was held for the following members who have passed away: Robert Atchinson, William Carter, Robert Cole, Dixie Eaton, James Fleming, Juanita Fouke, Robert Fridell, Gertrude Funseth, John Gray, Evelyn King, Arthur Lee, Glenn Marchant, George Marshall, William McGraw, Verne Morrell, Albert Nelson, Charles Perkins, Azaria Scharbon, Ralph Seeger, Kenneth Skaalrud, Anna Soule, Charles Spah, George Storgion, John Strentz, Edward Toles, Douglas Woodward, Warren Wright. Sympathy cards were sent to the families.

Travel: Mary King gave a short report on travel and upcoming trips.

Calendar of Events:
July 7 Bingo

RETIRED CLUB OFFICERS		
President	Al Wydick	253-815-9601
Vice President	Bill Baker	253-845-6366
Secretary	Mary Wood	206-243-7428
Treasurer	Betty Ness	206-762-0725
Srgnt-at-Arms	Alvin Menke	206-772-1482
	Merle Bogstie	206-725-3831
	Louise Burns	206-242-5878
	Cherie Menke	206-772-1482
Union Office: (1-800-763-1301) or 206-763-1300		

July 14 Retired Club Picnic
July 21 Old Time Fiddlers
July 28 Bingo

Good and Welfare: John Guevarra requested that the Alliance for Retired Americans (ARA) give a monthly report to the Club.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: The Club celebrated the following June birthdays: Donald Eschbach, Dennis Smith. June anniversaries included: Ginny & Eddie Edwards, Merle & Bonnie Bogstie, Adel & Bob Sheets, Fred & Eunice Kawalski.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 11:55 a.m.



Toni Morzenti watches her bingo cards at a recent meeting.

Senior Politics

by Cy Noble,
Retirees Legislative Chair

A few weeks ago, I bought some tomato plants for my pea patch. I saw some ever-bearing strawberries and decided to try those out. The odds seemed to be in my favor.

Boeing is making a decision on the 7E7 in various locations. There has been much speculation as to what the "E" stands for in 7E7. I thought to myself the "E" could stand for "ever bearing."

The Puget Sound area climate is good for strawberries, as well as Boeing to build the 7E7 right here! There are plenty of skilled workers, the factories are set up and especially 751 laid-off members are ready to take on the assembly jobs. Everything is ready for a great harvest.

A Budget agreement has been reached in Olympia. House Majority Leader Lynn Kessler (D-Hoquiam) called it "a budget everyone can hate." It has been very difficult to write any kind of budget that would be progressive. We're doing the best with a compromise between two houses controlled by different parties.

Seniors Must Act to Save Medicare!

George Kourpias, President of the Alliance for Retired Americans, issued an urgent appeal to senior



citizens and their families to "act immediately to save Medicare from virtual destruction."

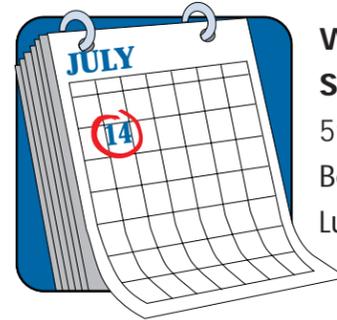
Kourpias said the Senate Finance Committee's bipartisan Medicare plan – proposed by Sen. Charles Grassley (R-IA) and Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) represents a "shameful betrayal of older Americans." The Grassley-Baucus plan allows private insurers and HMO's to set up premiums and determine who is covered and where that coverage is available. It

doesn't help all seniors, does nothing to reduce the skyrocketing costs of prescription drugs and does not guarantee seniors that private insurers won't drop their coverage when they need it most. Senators should not settle for a quick fix and a bad bill for personal political gain at the expense of America's seniors," says Kourpias.

The Alliance calls on Congress to take the time to get a good bill that enables seniors to produce an affordable, universal, comprehensive and voluntary prescription drug benefit under Medicare. Older Americans deserve nothing less.

Drug companies have been lobbying the Canadian government to make American citizens pay more than the Canadians for prescription drugs. Just another reason why prescription drug reform is needed.

Retired Club Picnic Monday, July 14



Woodland Park,
Stove 6, Seattle
59th & Aurora Ave N.
Begins at 11 a.m.
Lunch at noon

The event is potluck so bring a side dish or dessert to share. Union officers and staff will provide chicken and soda pop. Please RSVP to Alison at 1-800-763-1301 so we know how much chicken to purchase.

Rx-Canada Offers Lower Cost Prescription Drugs

As seniors continue to search for lower cost options for prescription drugs, one retired member offered a more convenient choice over driving to Canada – shopping via the internet by visiting www.Rx-Canada.com.

According to the member, individuals simply visit the web site and follow the directions on How to Order Meds. Costs are dramatically lower than what U.S. pharmacies charge and you don't have to leave your home to get Canadian prices.

Retirees

Congratulations to the following members, who have retired from Boeing:

Ronald Adair	Robert Burns	Louis Horton	Phil McDade	Lyle Rames
Claudia Arnhold	Ronald Chaput	James Hutchins	Michael Moore	Irene Sanford
Lawrence Babcock	Maria Eidson	Trent Jackson	Andrea Perkins	Nina Segger
Silvio Barisic	Georgann Fisher	Honesto Lopez	Ariana Platt	Richard Spilman
Michael Blodgett	Linda Fletcher	Betty Markholt	Rena Potts	Nolan Storm
Michael Boushey	Wesley Gott	Kenneth Mccammon	Ronald Presnell	William Walimaki
				Irene Waters

FREE WANT ADS

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

ANIMALS

SHIH TZU PUPPIES - 2 females. \$350. Available for new home. 253-927-8043

COCKATIELS - hand-fed and tame, orange-faced \$45; white-faced \$50; albino \$60; peach-faced lovebirds \$45. 253-839-2159

AMERICAN PONIES, QUARTER HORSES - CHEAPER IN YAKIMA. Owner/trainer Kim 509-248-9279

PERSIANS - CFA registered chinchilla and shaded silvers (Fancy Feast Kitties). Pet, breeder, and show-quality. Starting at \$400. 360-691-7364

AUTO PARTS & ACCESSORIES

1965 CHEVROLET PU, 6 CYL, HI-TORK ENGINE 235 & 3-speed transmission. 1962 FORD FALCOLN, 6 Cyl engine & 3-speed transmission. Best offer. 206-937-9697

STEERING COLUMNS REPAIRED, fix that unsafe, loose, tilt or telescopic column today! Columns repaired or modified. Columns and parts for sale. 425-228-3326

CAR STEREO EQUIPMENT - below retail! CD players and changers, cassette decks, amps, speakers, subwoofers & more. Accessories, too! Pioneer, Sony, JVC, Jensen, MTX & more. Installation also available. 253-826-4378

4 JAGUAR TIRES- mounted on Mag wheels. 50% wear left \$200; 1 rear slider window Ford Pickup 68"-74" \$10. 253-941-4663

4 TRUCK WHEELS with Yokohama tires, progressive aluminum wheels 32x11.50R15 6-lug type for Toyota, Chevy & more \$175. 425-227-4320; 425-294-6764

1981 302 Engine & Tranny (Ford). Out of vehicle, very reasonable. Approx 120K miles or trade for cement mixer. 253-939-0601

BOATS

21' BAYLINER MOTOR BOAT, w/depth finder, perfect cond with exc motor and trailer \$7500. Call for more details. 206-772-1752

1997 22.5' BAYLINER CIERRA with all of the accessories, in perfect condition with low hours. Includes trailer- call for picture via email \$16K. 425-238-9370

17' BAYLINER MUTINY, I/O Volvo 130 HP. Easyloader trailer. Well-kept and in good condition \$1330 OBO. 360-829-0719

35 HP JOHNSON boat motor, long shaft- older model \$150. 206-232-2669

COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

FRESH BROWN EGGS for sale on the East Hill of Kent. These eggs are laid by free-range chickens and are absolutely yummy! Only \$1.75 per dozen! Give us a call on 253-630-8520. We're easy to find.

SNACK WIZARD VENDING SERVICES- have various type candy/soda machines available for placement in your business. I service and fill machines weekly. No cost to you! Sheila 253-670-3188

ATTENTION HOME OWNERS - Mortgage rates are the lowest in 40 years, low closing costs, bad credit OK, better rates than any Credit Union. Rick and Jerome 206-369-5196

NEED YOUR CARPET OR VINYL INSTALLED? 21 years experience, dependable, with quality work. Licensed and bonded. Call Gregg 425-343-6013

I MAKE BAR SOAP from all natural ingredients, coconut oil, olive oil, palm oil to name a few- great for sensitive skin \$4 per bar. 253-631-4125

HERBALIFE Independent Distributor- call for products or opportunity. New 100% natural incredible products. Business opportunity that is exploding! Call 1-888-231-9665 or 253-709-0602 or visit www.healthmotivation.com.

RX DRUGS from Canada- 50% less than U.S. prices! 425-251-8168

AD RULES

Each single ad must be 25 words or less. Use a separate piece of paper or ad blank for each ad, as they are pre-classified physically. Ads are free only to members - active, laid-off, or retired. For best response, include phone number instead of addresses in ad copy. Members' "cottage industries" will be OK in ads, but no commercial ads.

Deadline For Next Issue July 16th

WELDING DONE AT REASONABLE PRICES. Small jobs welcome. 206-242-2232

UNSECURE FUTURE? Need a Plan B? 80-year old billion dollar company has solution to the health care crisis. To find out more, visit www.ushealthadvisors.com/usaplus1. 253-435-4543

ELECTRONICS & ENTERTAINMENT

NEW & USED POOL TABLES for home. Pool balls, sticks, lights, cover for tables. Will recover pool tables, set-up & level. 253-638-0008

MAGINNOVISION computer (bought at Best Buy- 2 years old), 19" monitor, PC 901 MHZ, 128 MB, speakers, mouse, keyboard included. Loaded with Windows XP 2002. \$400 OBO. 425-432-2528 or 206-427-6742

FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES

NEW FRIG. DRYER \$150, child's bed and mattress for 3-7 years \$55. 206-772-1752

FUTON- thick, full-size futon with frame and custom cover. Sit, relax or sleep. \$600 value for \$300. Nearly new. 425-488-3458

KITCHEN WOODSTOVE with white enamel. 26"L x 22"W x 30"H, needs repair \$50. 206-232-2669

KIRBY VACUUM, many attachments- never used, very good cond. Classic ICB Omega-cost over \$800, asking \$150. Frigidaire 4-burner, natural gas cooktop, very clean. New white porcelain cast-iron bath sink. Big band records 45's & 78's. 425-255-1804

BARBER CHAIR- older Belmont Salon, excellent condition. Must sell \$50. You haul. Summer 253-863-8277

ALL-GLASS COFFEE TABLE \$45, dresser \$50, exercise equipment \$75 each, hanging light for entry \$40. 206-772-1752

DUNCAN PHYFE (LYRE) dining room set- good condition, 6 chairs (1 captain), 4 extension leaves. Table is 32" x 38" x 29". Leaves are 13" wide. \$2400 OBO. 360-825-7345

HOUSING

FOR SALE- 3 bdrm, 5 minutes from Renton Boeing plant in excellent neighborhood \$175K. 206-772-1752

KONA, HAWAII beachfront condo, large 2 BDRM/2 bath, spectacular view. Sleeps 6. \$700-\$750 a week + tax, 10% discount to Boeing employees, pays taxes. 206-938-9214 or www.bayantreecondo.com.

CABIN FOR RENT. Copalis Beach, WA. Sleeps 5. Fireplace. 5 miles north of Ocean Shores - 2 blocks from ocean. For reservations or information, call 253-529-5444. \$75/night.

EDGEWOOD AREA, 3 bdrm/2 bath house, 1820 sq ft. \$195,950. Fully furnished, everything stays. 2 car garage that fits up to 4 cars. Thermal windows, free standing wood stove. 253-927-1098

LAKEFOREST CONDO FOR SALE, 2 bdrm/2 bath, 2 storage area, close by shopping, bus route, freeway. W/D, microwave, fireplace, garden window. 206-910-6739

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1 BDRM, BACHELOR APT for rent. Enjoy quiet neighborhood, Olympic Mountains, Whidbey Island views, stairway to endless beach, in quiet, friendly 9-unit apartment building at 17140 Talbot Rd (3 miles north of Edmonds). NS, NP. \$725 month/\$500 damage deposit. 425-776-6948

3 BDRM/2 BATH on 13+ acres In Ephrata, Sun Basin. 5 acre apricot orchard with apples, cherries, etc. Large kitchen with dining room, living room, family room w/woodstove \$192K. 509-787-1305 or aewydler@bossig.com

HOUSE FOR SALE- good location. Couple moving to retirement housing. Surrounding fence, built-in spa & deck, playhouse in back and 2 dog houses. 1309 Scarlet Oak Dr SE-Olympia. We are getting old and cannot care for yard and gardening. Has 3 apple trees that heave sweet Delicious apple, 1 Golden apple, and a little bit of flowers \$189K. Call for an appointment at 360-412-6079

DOUBLE-WIDE mobile home- 4 bdrm, hot tub and certified woodstove in family park in Kent. 253-850-1494

DISNEYLAND VACATION RENTAL, 2 bdrm condo- walking distance to Disneyland. August 9-16. Sleeps 6 \$700. 360-659-8843 maria.stallcup@verizon.net

FOR RENT: 55+ ADULT PARK in Apache Junction, Arizona. Per week, per month. Available September 1 through May 31. Fully furnished. Washer, dryer, freezer and more. 425-228-3138 or 206-898-0813

PARK MODEL FOR RENT: May 1 through October 31 at Palm Creek Golf & RV Resort, Casa Grande, Arizona. For more info, call 520-876-7065 or rbdurham@cgmailbox.com

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MISCELLANEOUS

SNACK WIZARD VENDING SERVICES- have various type candy/soda machines available for placement in your business. I service and fill machines weekly. No cost to you! Sheila 253-670-3188

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WHEELED YARD VACUUM, 5 hp engine. Sears rear-bagger mower, free LWB canopy 63-66 Chevy pickup, lumber \$25. Garden hose reel, wheeled push cultivator, small bike w/ new tires & tubes, wood fruit boxes, 5th wheel lock, 2 wood swing seats. 425-255-1804

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RX DRUGS from Canada- 50% less than U.S. prices! 425-251-8168

LARGE THERMOPANE window, 56" x 92" in plastic frame, in good condition \$90 OBO. Also, 5 Snack-Master vending machines. Make offer. 360-657-5342

33 PAVING STONES, 11.5" x 15.5" \$35 OBO. 5' ladder, excellent condition \$15. Merry Tiller \$75. Wallensar reel-to-reel recorder and player with tapes \$75. 206-935-6535.

1914 AMERICAN MACHINISTS handbook \$50, 1920 Starrett data book for machinists \$20, 1926 Starrett book for motor machinists and auto repairmen \$20. 208-818-0155

PANASONIC BREAD MACHINE- works great \$25. 425-255-7963

WOMEN'S PANTS- (no jeans) size 44-46 waist. Mostly new. Several colors. 10 for \$15. A great buy. Bell-Renton area. 425-255-7963

OLYMPIC PAINT- taupe, new. \$2 gallon. 425-255-7963

ROTOTILLER- Craftsman 5-speed including reverse. 5 HP. Good cond \$125. 425-255-7963

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KAUAI, Hawaii beachfront. Perfect ocean view for wedding, graduation, birthday, anniversary, Christmas, gift. Full kitchen, pool, lanai, 2 bdrms. 14 days 2004 @75/night. 360-297-8468

WANTED: 4 FACTORY WHEELS for 2002 Camry. Prefer alloy. Reasonably priced. 360-568-8818

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Mail Coupon to AERO MECHANIC NEWSPAPER, 9125 15th Pl. S., Seattle, 98108 Deadline is July 16th!

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NEW 1950's reproduction Schwinn girl's bike. Ridden only 4 times. Paid \$550. Will sell for \$300. 425-353-0564

EXERCISE EQUIPMENT-leg & arm \$75, dresser \$50, computer 186 \$225. 206-772-1752

PROPERTY

CEMETERY LOTS - 2 in azalea garden in Greenwood Cemetery in Renton. \$2700 each or both \$5K OBO. 425-255-7109

TWO (2) ACRES on Whidbey Island at Lagoona Point Road. No water view. Asking \$29,900. 253-564-9045

VERY NICE BURIAL LOT at Riverton Crest. Valued at \$2200, asking \$1000. Two places to bury ashes in Everett valued at \$2500. Asking \$1000. 253-850-6885 or 253-520-4031

27 SPACE RV park - city utilities, near Grand Coulee Dam- 5.5 acres, manufactured home included. Call Charlie 425-775-0601

REC MEMBERSHIP

NACO/THOUSAND TRAILS charter membership for sale. Access to ALL Thousand Trails preserves nationwide. 2003 dues already paid. \$3500 firm. Leave message 206-824-6357 or 425-342-1047

SUNRISE RESORTS- over 12 West coast resorts w/Coast-to-Coast affiliation resorts, also. Lake Sawyer, Copalis Beach, Moses Lake, Deception Pass, etc. \$2000 obo. 253-826-8503

REC VEHICLES

'91 AIRSTREAM CLASS A motor home- 48K miles. Generator, TVs & VCR, microwave + oven, A/C, lots of extras. \$35K. 360-802-9915

1992 17' PROWLER 5th wheel trailer, heat, air, shower, hot water, toilet, sleeps 4. All working plus hitch. Pull with a 6-cylinder truck. \$5000 OBO. Nice. Take a look. 253-839-7933

1984 23' COACHMEN TRAILER, bunkhouse, sleeps 6. Fridge not working. Needs to be replaced. Good shape, has awning. \$1650 OBO. 425-742-0509

2002 COLEMAN WESTLAKE pop-up trailer. Completely self-contained, electric brakes, AC, awning enclosure. Like new. Paid \$11,900. Sell for \$9000. 306-653-7196

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ATWOOD 5th wheel trailer hitch. Used once. Use with S.A.E. 2" King pin. 12,500 lb GVW or 3,100 trailer hitch load. \$250. 425-483-8455

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1963 SWB CHEVY PICKUP, 8K miles on rebuilt engine, fair body, canopy, shop manual & repair records \$995 OBO. 425-255-1804

1980 DATSUN 510, 4-door hatchback, light green. Good mechanical condition 28 MPG. 140K low original miles \$800. Call Lou between 4-8 PM. 253-922-5675

1982 GOLDWING MOTORCYCLE with matching trailer in excellent shape. Many extras, riding suits, maintenance manuals, helmets \$3500. 206-878-1695

1985 300ZX Nissan- all new (brakes front & rear), new paint. 253-941-3517

1985 FORD F150 4X4 short bed HT PS V-8, good rubber, straight body \$2195 OBO. Parting 85 T-Bird V-6- hear it run. 253-843-1977

1986 HONDA CIVIC, 4 cylinder, 5-speed, AC, rear defrost, wiper delay, newer motor, clutch, battery & windshield \$1000 OBO. 253-988-3371

1987 FORD RANGER, X-Cab, V6, 5-speed, cloth, slider, liner, clean, good tires, \$1800 OBO. 253-988-3371

'89 JEEP CHEROKEE- new engine with warranty, new radiator, battery, seals, oversized tires, 2-door Laredo w/AC, CD player, tow package. Overall exc cond \$3000 OBO. 425-271-4847

'89 DODGE CARAVAN- new engine \$2500; 21' BAYLINER with down rigger & trailer- great boat. 206-772-1752

2000 YAMAHA motorcycle- 1100 V-Star \$6000. 253-850-1494

1990 FORD TAURUS GL- new front struts, new power steering, rack, runs great. 4-door. 116K miles \$1500 OBO or trade for work truck. 360-568-0122

1990 OLDS QUARD 4, 4-door, no dents, 33,637 miles, top condition, warranty on muffler \$5500. 206-323-6829

1992 DODGE STEALTH, V-6, DOHV, AT, OD, AC, CC, CD, PWR, DR, LOC, WIN, MIR, rear defrost, cloth interior, good tires, runs nice, spoiler. \$5400 OBO. 253-988-3371

1995 NISSAN 200SX. Teal, 2-door. 16 valve, 1.8L, one owner, very, very clean. Well-maintained, good running, new battery, plugs. Bellevue \$2495. 425-266-1760

1998 CHEVY SUBURBAN LT 2500 4x4, 454 Big Block, black, loaded, leather, 64K miles \$16,999. Call Rick 206-369-5196

2000 LEXUS GS400- fully loaded, e-shift, 1 owner, white, good condition. \$26,995 OBO. 425-422-8393 or 425-338-0689

2000 LINCOLN, deluxe sports model with built-in phone, all leather, silver. Paid \$45K, will sell for \$30K. 206-772-1752

LINCOLN Continental, leather, exc cond, 40K miles, barely broke-in \$9000. MAZDA TRUCK \$4000. 206-772-1752

2002 BUICK CENTURY- under 1000, 4-door, all power, cruise control, V-6, AC, On/Star \$17,500 OBO. 425-747-2275

2003 TACOMA TOYOTA TRUCK, only 3000 miles, has custom cover, running boards. 253-941-3517

Homelessness - It Can Happen to Anyone

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grips with homelessness. It devastates families, friends and enemies alike. Homelessness is like a very sneaky dark and murky experience, one that none of us ever wants to come to grips with. It can begin in many ways. For example, we know that the average American worker has already accumulated double-digit debt on their credit cards, double-digit debt on their vehicle, triple-digit debt on their home. Any departure from a steady income - temporary or permanent does have serious repercussions. An interruption in pay can, and often does, have a tremendous negative impact on lifestyle, and one's economic social status - also diminishing the ability to pay off bills, and settle numerous types of debts. As the ability to maintain income diminishes, so too does the ability to retain the property and items acquired during times of prosperity. What I would like to call "economic normalcy".

One would tend to believe that if your average 35 year old can balance their check book, then it would stand to reason that dozens of 55-65 year olds who are ivy league graduates, educated politicians with the benefit of expert economists at their beck and call, would easily be able to do the same with our government budget. Such is not the case in our current economic environment. The deficit is fast approaching \$400,000,000,000!

Look at this scenario. It starts simply. You cannot meet the minimum payments on your credit cards. Then, one by one, you turn them in or destroy them because they have been maximized to cover your other debts. You are now being taken to collection agencies. They are calling seven days a week, including Sunday mornings! Lawsuits are filed against you to collect those debts. You now see that you have *no* income level, because you have *no* job!

Your economic platform has flat-lined. You now start to experience that thing you have dreaded all of your working life - economic suffering. No new clothes for the children, none for you or the wife either. Popular superstar sneakers are no longer a priority for the teenager. Designer clothes? No longer possible. Now the kids



Many people are just a paycheck away from being homeless.

do not understand and are struggling to figure out what has just happened to their "normal" life. Gone are brand name food items and Saturday night dinners at the local exclusive restaurant. Garage sale items replace trips to the mall. Discount grocery stores and second hand stores are the only place you can afford to shop.

About this time your severance package is exhausted and unemployment has run out. You cannot get any relief from friends or relatives because they too are in the same boat. Now what? You can not hold on to everything making minimum wage, even while working three jobs, *at* minimum wage. Yikes! This cannot be happening to me! You now have a reality moment! You remember the stories your father told you about the "Great Depression" and the loss and suffering that came from it. You now can actually look a *few weeks* down the road and see the loss of all your credit cards, your cars and, finally, your home! You are now jarred into reality. You have worked your whole life to avoid something like this. You know somewhere along the way, as you have been saving up for a rainy day, you realize it's been drizzling for a long time, the clouds appeared even longer ago. Now is when this nightmare gets even worse. You are in shock, embarrassment, anger, disarray and disbelief! What happens next is usually the most devastating and renders the final blow sending you into the ranks of the homeless.

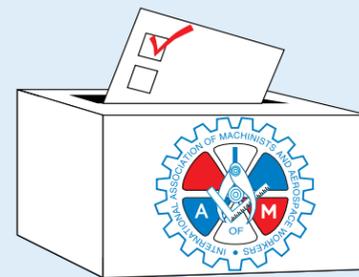
You do nothing. That's right nothing. You engage in the behavior known as "avoidance." Where you are so stunned by the sheer speed of these events, that you are too busy looking at them, to attempt to remedy them. It is in this period of denial that most folks lose everything, the cars disappear in the night. The bankcard is sucked into the local ATM. You cannot write checks because your account is now closed due to NSF's. Everything is so far past due that it's only a matter of days before you and your family are out on the streets! You don't even have enough money to drown your sorrows in a bottle of alcohol. Besides, you need every neuron firing on all synapses to figure out what to do next. As painful as this is to read it is infinitely more so to experience. For the record, it's not too easy to write either. Now here comes the most infuriating and humiliating event of all. You have been foreclosed on, and of course there is no way to keep your house. Bankruptcy is not even going to help because you have already exhausted that option long ago. The Sheriff's Department shows up with folks who now enter your "Home" and remove what you have left from things already sold in yard sales to buy food for you and your family. They understand what you are going through because they are now moving out more families than ever before. They have a job to do, and now as the neighbors watch and peer from behind curtains and drawn shades, you are now evicted...HOMELESS...with out shelter.

Before you turn away read on THERE IS HOPE! AND A WAY OUT! Remember this is not like a terminal illness. This whole sequence of events can be, and is, avoided by people everyday. You have to get help now while things are okay. Even if things are bad, get help now. There are agencies out there that specialize in these situations. (King County Community Information Line 1-800-621-4636; United Way of Pierce County & SHIBA Help Line 1-800-572-4357; or Snohomish & Skagit County Community Information Line 1-800-223-8145). They can find experts that can rescue you from this disaster. The faster we act the more likely we can keep A HOME OF OUR OWN.

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absentee ballot (per one of the above reasons) shall make a written request, stating the reason. Such request must be mailed singly or personally delivered by the member requesting the **absentee ballot not later than 30 days** before the election.



For Locals 751-E and F, direct absentee ballot requests to: District Secretary-Treasurer, 9125 15th Pl. S., Seattle, WA 98108 or personally deliver to one of the following offices:

- Auburn - 201 A Street SW;
- Everett - 8729 Airport Road;
- Renton - 233 Burnett N; or
- Seattle - 9125 15th Pl. S.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. NOTE: Auburn, Everett & Renton halls are closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

For Local 86 and 1123: Mail or personally deliver absentee ballot requests to: IAM & AW Ballot Request, 4226 E. Mission, Spokane, WA 99202. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and closed for lunch from 1 to 2 p.m.

If you have questions regarding absentee ballots, nominations or the election, please call Secretary-Treasurer Bruce Spalding on 1-800-763-1301, ext. 3310.

“We Can Do It” Effort Gains Public Support

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watching the evening news. The next day he called the Union Hall and offered to give us 1,000 of his cheer stix with our “We Can Do It” logo.

He had grown up in Seattle and believes keeping Boeing is important to everyone in the state. Donating the cheer stix for our next rally was his way to support the effort.

Yard signs were yet another avenue to increase public awareness. Members stopped by the Auburn, Everett, Renton and Seattle halls before and after work to build nearly 10,000 yard signs donning the “We Can Do It” logo. Then, the Saturday before the 7E7 proposal was submitted, members took to the streets and plastered the main intersections and streets of King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties with thousands

of yard signs. Local media noticed the effort and did various stories promoting the campaign.

Again, all of this is to raise public awareness and demonstrate community support to keep Boeing and the family-wage jobs here in Washington State.

Stewards have delivered stickers and window clings to members in the shop to help spread the word as they travel throughout the region. T-shirts with the “We Can Do It” logo are available at all Union offices for just \$7. The shirts come in ash grey, with the blue and green logo.

While the proposal to build the 7E7 has been submitted, the campaign is far from over. The Union will continue efforts to promote this state and preserve and create jobs.



Dave Swan posts a “We Can Do It” poster in an area restaurant as part of the effort to show Boeing that other businesses are behind the effort to keep Boeing in Washington State.



At the Seattle hall volunteers filled the room and quickly assembled hundreds of yard signs for distribution.



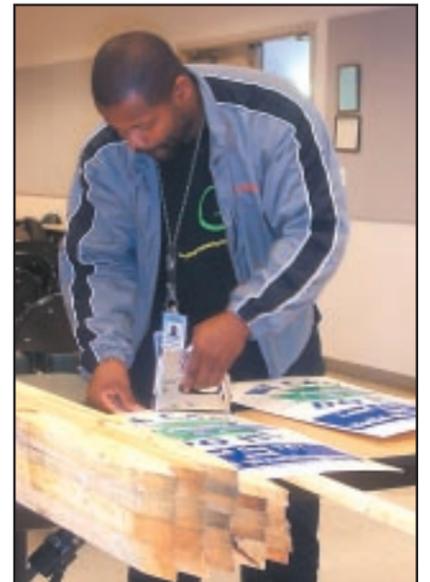
At the Everett Hall (L to R): Brian Pelland, Lonnie Gane and Dennis Stelter take time to build yard signs before the Saturday distribution.



Scot McKenzie pounds in a “We Can Do It” sign in Auburn.



At the Auburn hall, members lined up to build yard signs before taking them to the streets on Saturday, June 14.



Sam Hargrove staples signs together at the Everett Hall.

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build the 7E7 is here in Washington State.”

Keep in mind the Union’s efforts on the 7E7 are not simply to land final assembly in this state, but to also secure manufacturing, inspection and support jobs on the new airplane, as well.

751 Administrative Assistant Ron McGaha fired up the crowd at Boeing Field when he asked ‘Who can do it?’ and was met with a resounding “We can do it!” McGaha applauded the teamwork shown in putting together the proposal and noted, “Machinists have been saying we can do it and have successfully met every challenge we have faced. In World War II, the challenge was to increase production of the B-17’s for the war in Europe....It is ironic that we are again faced with what amounts to a world

war – a war to save the very industry that saved the world. We are dedicated to win that war and save these living-wage jobs that are so important to this state.”

One thing is sure, when the announce-

ment of where the 7E7 will be built is made later this year, we will know we did everything possible to ensure Washington State is the home of the new airplane.



751 President Mark Blondin (l) tapes his portion of the videotape that was included in Action Washington’s bid to land the 7E7 in this state.

State Passes Prescription Drug Plan

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The intent of the bill is to make prescription drugs more affordable by helping seniors and people with disabilities buy prescription drugs at cheaper prices. The legislation also takes steps to reduce the overall cost of state-purchased drugs.

In negotiating prescription drug price discounts for state agencies, the Health Care Authority (HCA) now must also negotiate such discounts for any Washington resident who is at least 50 years old, or disabled between the ages of 19-49, whose family income does not exceed 300 percent of the federal poverty level and whose existing prescription drug need is not covered by insurance.

The State is also directed to design a Medicaid prescription drug assistance program.