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## Members Rally to Land 7E7 in Washington

"Check It Off" was the cry from the over 1,000 people attending the Union Rally to land the 7E7 on October 17. The chant referred to a task list showing accomplishments made to ensure Washington State is a front runner to land the new plane.

District President Mark Blondin went over the check list line by line - explaining how elected officials, the Union and the community stepped up to get it done.

Blondin declared, "We said we can do it, we did it so..." as the check mark was revealed the crowd would finish the sentence shouting "Check It Off."

The final item which read "Build the 7E7 in Washington" was the only one on the list without a check mark and still on the "to do" list. He ended by inviting Boeing to come "check it off" and announce they intend to build the 7E7 in Washington.

With a decision slated to be made by the end of the year, the Union continues to do everything to ensure Washington State will be chosen. The large turnout and enthusiastic crowd demonstrated public support for the new airplane, which was one of things on Boeing's site selection criteria list.

With the announcement to end production of the 757 just one day before the



Left: Over a thousand rallied at the Auburn hall to support efforts to land not only final assembly of the 7E7, but fabrication work, as well.

Below: District President Mark Blondin reports the list of accomplishments we've completed to land the 7E7 as the audience shouts "Check It Off" the list.

rally, workers felt it was even more important to secure the 7E7 and future generations of airplanes in the region.

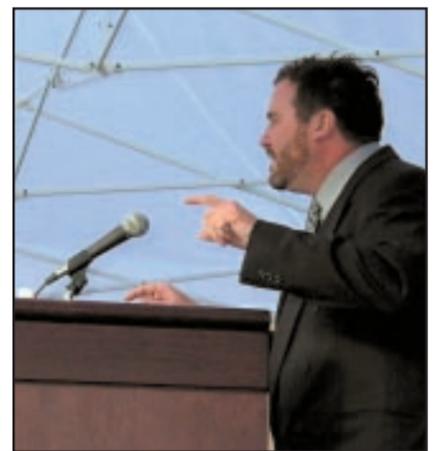
Yet the rally wasn't just about getting final assembly of the 7E7, but also securing fabrication of major sections of the plane. The rally was held in Auburn to show support to keep the manufacturing jobs in this region, as well.

Active, laid-off and retired members

attended, bringing family and friends in a show of support. Local and state politicians joined the rally, as well as a contingent of SPEEA members and concerned citizens from the surrounding area. All realize the important role Boeing jobs play in the regional economy

Speakers also touched on the importance of securing the 767 tanker deal

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## Triumph Members 'Game' for New Pickle Ball Work

Members at the Triumph plant in Spokane have proven they are 'game' to take on new and unique work packages to diversify their work statement and maintain jobs. Known as leaders in aerospace composites, these members are now producing pickle ball paddles for Pickle Ball Inc (PBI). Even more im-

pressive is the fact that the paddles are made out of excess material from the airplane floor panel fabrication process.

When Triumph bought the Spokane Boeing plant earlier this year, a top priority was to find additional work that could be done at the facility. With the aerospace industry so cyclical and currently in the worst downturn in history, it only made sense to look at other potential products. No one could have imagined less than a year later they would be producing 450 pickle ball paddles per month.

While the paddle work does not require any additional employees, it does help make the most of the resources available at the plant and generate addi-



A finished pickle ball paddle.



Toanh To shows how Triumph workers are using remnant floor panel material to produce 450 pickle ball paddles a month.

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## QTTP: Unlimited Opportunities

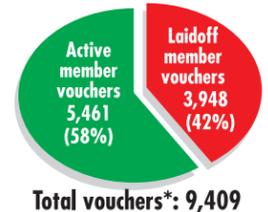
The Education Assistance (EA) Program continues to be one of the most recognized and successful services offered by the IAM/Boeing Quality Through Training Program (QTTP). The EA Program is designed to provide IAM-represented active and laid-off employees with training and educational opportunities. It is flexible enough to meet the needs of employees whether they plan to continue in their present work, want to learn additional skills, have an interest they want to explore, or are making a career change.

Since the massive layoffs began in December 2001, over 9,000 tuition vouchers have been paid out by QTTP to 572 schools totaling \$6,539,356!

Members are encouraged to take advantage of QTTP's career advising services to help plan their education and employment goals and optimize their time and effort. Career Advisors can refer employees to schools and programs funded under the Education Assistance Program, and help them choose schools and programs that meet their needs and

### HEADING BACK TO SCHOOL

- ▶ Total program participants: **5,280**
- ▶ Number of different schools attended: **572**
- ▶ Dollars spent on tuition, books and supplies: **\$6,539,356**



#### Top 10 Areas of Study:

- 1) **General Studies** (History, English, Writing)
- 2) **Computer Office Applications** (Excel, Word, etc.)
- 3) **Math**
- 4) **Business/Office**
- 5) **Construction/Building Trades** (Plumbing, HVAC, welding)
- 6) **Information Technology Cert. Training** (A+, ACSE, Cisco)
- 7) **Health Care**
- 8) **Communications Skills** (Speech, public speaking)
- 9) **Electronics/Fiber Optics**
- 10) **Real Estate**

\*A voucher is a QTTP payment for tuition, books and supplies

aspirations. Assessment, referral and advising services are offered to meet the needs of employees with different interests, goals and skill levels.

As a result of Union efforts, over \$13 million has been made available to laid-off Boeing workers through Trade Adjust Assistance (TAA) and the National

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QTTP training helps member master the art of glass blowing



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Murray continues efforts to secure 767 tanker deal

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### VOTE

in the General Election  
**TUESDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 4th**

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## REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

# Members Rally to Say: "Boeing Check It Off"

by Mark Blondin,  
District President



First, I want to thank every member that took the time to attend the rally to secure the 7E7 and 767 tanker deal on Friday, October 17. I saw active, laid-off and retired members - many of whom brought friends and family. The crowd was animated and demonstrated the spirit that has made this Union great and built every Boeing airplane since the 707.

At the rally, a list of accomplishments to obtain the 7E7 showed the tremendous amount of work this State and our Union have done to ensure we remain a finalist for the new airplane. These actions have kept us a front runner in getting the new plane. Without them, we would not even be considered.

This innovative thinking, along with

the partnerships we have built, are the way of the future. As we move closer to the decision, we will continue to look for creative alternatives and other options that keep Washington in the forefront. By electing me, you trusted in my judgment, and I am doing everything in

my power to keep our jobs in Washington State because that is my number one priority.

The rally was held in Auburn to reiterate that the Union's efforts are about more than just getting final assembly of the 7E7. It is also critical that we secure much of the fabrication work.

Boeing's announcement to end production of the 757 makes it even more crucial that the 7E7 is built here in Washington State and that Congress approves the 767 tanker deal. Both will mean jobs for the future.

Members in Spokane continue to do a great job, although it hasn't been easy for them. They are holding together well. The fact that there have been no layoffs since Triumph purchased the plant is good news. Triumph is aggressively seeking additional work to sustain jobs. Members there reported some promising news that they are producing 450 pickle ball paddles for a local Seattle company. The paddles are made from remnants of floor panel material and are shipped in scrapped barrels from powder delivered for the rotomold process. I hope they will be able to market their services to other companies and get some of our Spokane members back to work.

Finally, I am proud to have worked with Craig McClure for a number of years. He is retiring from the Union effective November 1 after over two decades of service to this Union. Craig has done an outstanding job representing the members in Eastern Washington. He

has kept that membership together since before the merger with 751 in the mid 1980's.

His leadership has inspired many members to get involved and become active in the Union and has truly made a difference. Over the years, he has negotiated over 70 different contracts covering virtually every part of Eastern Washington.

His dedication will be missed, but I am confident his replacement will continue in his footsteps.

I am appointing Paul Milliken to serve as Business Rep for Eastern Washington effective upon Craig's retirement. Paul is a very capable individual, who has worked closely with Craig and is committed to the membership.

## Boeing Announces End of 757 Airplane Production

After nearly a quarter of a century of production, Boeing announced it will halt production of the single-aisle 757 jet built in Renton in late 2004.

The news was disappointing for workers that have proudly built over 1,000 of

the 757 airplanes. Most had watched backlogs dwindle and realized without additional sales an end to production was in sight.

District President Mark Blondin noted, "The announcement to end 757 production makes it even more critical that we land the 7E7 here. As one plane goes out of service, we want to be there to build the next - just like when the 707 and 727 were taken out of production."

Blondin added, "This also steps up pressure to finalize the 767 tanker deal so production can begin on that model. We would hope all 757 employees can be absorbed into other production lines."



At the Auburn rally, Business Rep Zack Zaratkiewicz (l) talks with 757 Stewards Eudacio Munoz, Lester Smith and Dave Thompson about the announcement to end production of the 757 late in 2004.

## McClure Retires as Eastern Washington Rep

Members in Eastern Washington will miss the dedication and hard work of Craig McClure, who retired from the Union effective November 1. This remarkable individual spent a lifetime working to improve the quality of life for others.

Craig has been active in the Machinists Union since he became a union member in 1973 as an apprentice heavy duty mechanic. After helping organize the first shop he worked in, Cummings Oregon Diesel, he went on to become the Union Steward. He worked his way up through the ranks - becoming a Business Representative in 1978.

In the 25 years he has served as Business Rep, Craig has negotiated over 70 different labor agreements, processed hundreds of grievances and arbitrations, and answered questions for countless members. Because of the vast geographical space of his territory, which covers the whole eastern side of the state, Craig

represented members from Alcoa in Wenatchee, to Hanford in the Tri-Cities, Rabanco in Goldendale, and Edwards Equipment in Yakima.

Craig recognized the advantages of having the east side (then District 130) affiliate with the much larger 751 and sold members in Eastern Washington on the idea of merging with 751.

In addition to working as Business Rep, Craig served as both President and Secretary-Treasurer of the Columbia Basin Irrigation Council, and has been a delegate to the Spokane County and Benton-Franklin County Labor Councils.

Jack Bean, an active member and officer for 35 years, had the pleasure of working with Craig through five different employers. Jack noted, "Craig

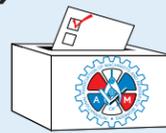


Craig McClure, who served as business rep for over 25 years, retired November 1.

has always worked way too hard for the Union and the membership. He continually put the members first. I can remember a day when he traveled from a meeting in the Tri-Cities to Walla Walla and back to Spokane to ensure members had adequate representation. That is just one example of his dedication."

Jack added, "I have watched Craig agonize over issues and decisions he had to make for the Union. His leadership has influenced many members to become involved and ensured their interests were protected. He is a good friend, a devoted Union leader, and a great human being that will be sorely missed."

### October 9 - Local 86 Election Results



- President:**  
✓ Steve Warren ..... 68
- Vice President:**  
✓ Doug Way ..... 67
- Recording Secretary:**  
✓ Andy Cashion ..... 68
- Secretary-Treasurer:**  
✓ Mike Blashill ..... 52  
Marv Kelly ..... 17
- Conductor/Sentinel:**  
✓ Paul Wonch ..... 50  
Jeff Jones ..... 19
- Trustees (top 3 elected):**  
✓ John Kofol ..... 44  
✓ Roy Hays ..... 38  
✓ Bill Nikkola ..... 37  
Kelly Latham ..... 34

Note: Winners designated by ✓

### District Lodge 751, International Assn. of Machinists and Aerospace Workers

**Mark Blondin**  
President, Directing Business Representative  
**Gloria Millsaps**  
Vice President

**Bruce Spalding**  
Secretary-Treasurer

**Kim Leufroy**  
Sergeant-at-Arms

**Craig McClure**  
**Larry Brown**  
**Paul Knebel**

**Tommy Wilson**  
**Ray Baumgardner**  
**Tom Wroblewski**  
**Ernest McCarthy**  
**Jackie Boschok**  
**Emerson Hamilton**

**Stan Johnson**  
**Jerry Shreve**  
**Larry Monger**  
**Susan Palmer**  
**Zack Zaratkiewicz**  
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# POLITICAL ACTION

## Cantwell Pushing to Land FAA Center

U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell's efforts continue to secure a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) research center at the University of Washington (UW) that will focus on advanced materials in airplanes. Again, it is part of the effort to ensure the 7E7 is built in Washington State. While the FAA Center location has not been decided, Cantwell proposed the funding with the UW in mind.

"This is more than an investment in research, it is an investment in jobs," Cantwell stated. "Creating jobs in the future, means looking ahead at what is going to drive business and industries. Composites are the new material for airplanes and will be at the center of new

aerospace jobs."

On October 8, Senator Cantwell met with UW officials and Boeing on the issue. The new FAA Center of Excellence would focus on research to encourage the broader use of advanced structural materials, including composites and new aluminum alloys, in future aircraft with three primary goals. First, it would research the long-term durability and maintainability of aircraft manufacturing structures. Second, it would train new composites engineers and technicians and offer them continuing education. Third, the center would bring companies, researchers and government together to share ideas about new applications of the research.

District 751 President Mark Blondin applauded the efforts and stated, "Senator Cantwell's leadership in proposing this center at the UW will strengthen Washington State's coordinated efforts to land the 7E7. She continues to look for additional ways to keep Boeing jobs in this state."

Boeing officials confirmed the Center's importance: "The continuing effort to establish the advanced materials center is a great example of our elected officials working together with industry to keep U.S. leadership in creating a safe and efficient global air transport system. These technologies will be essential to going forward as we look towards designing and building the commercial airplanes of the 21st century," said Alan Mulally, President and CEO of Boeing Commercial Airplanes.



District 751 President Mark Blondin gets an update on the 767 Tanker deal from Senator Patty Murray, who has been tenacious in efforts to convince her colleagues to approve the deal.

## Battle for 767 Air Force Tankers Continues

Senator Patty Murray and Congressman Norm Dicks remain relentless in their efforts to gain Congressional approval for the 100-plane 767 tanker order for the Air Force. The deal has been in the works for nearly two years, but has met strong resistance from Senator John McCain.

Murray has aggressively pushed for the deal - understanding the urgency to gain Congressional approval since production is scheduled to begin on the first tanker in December of this year.

Opposition has focused on the plan to lease rather than buy the airplanes. However, the current budget does not have the money to outright purchase the planes. Therefore, much like buying a car, if you don't have the cash at the time of purchase, you either lease or finance the purchase.

Dicks emphasized the point saying, "The bottom line is, if we had the money we'd buy them."

The latest proposal in the Senate Armed Services Committee (which is the only committee that has not endorsed the original 100 tanker lease) would have the Air Force lease 25 planes and buy 26 outright - with the other 49 planes to be leased or purchased later.

Murray noted, "I continue to be a proud advocate of the 100-plane 767 tanker lease. We need tankers now. The only way to speed tankers to our military and homeland security efforts is through the lease now before Congress. Any other course of action will likely risk our efforts to project force and protect the homeland."

## 751-Retiree Jerry Seidl on Ballot

Voters in south King County have a chance to elect one of our own - retired member Jerry Seidl, who is running for Commissioner of Water District 20, Position 3.

His bid to become Commissioner is more than just a passing interest in the Water District. He has been an active member of the American Water Works Association, which provides valuable information about water resources management and recently attended their annual convention in Anaheim. For the past four years, he has attended water and sewer meetings to become more involved in the Water District.

Jerry noted, "Being retired, I can put in unlimited time with the Water District and allow citizens easy access to our Commissioners."



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L to R: 751 President Mark Blondin, Senator Maria Cantwell, and Sec-Treasurer Bruce Spalding met to discuss the potential FAA Center on advanced composites proposed for the UW.

### 751 RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES

#### STATE LEGISLATURE

State Representative, District 19, Pos 2

Brian Blake

State Senator, District 19

Mark Doumit

#### KING COUNTY

King County Council, Dist. 2

Bob Ferguson

King County Council, Dist. 8

Dow Constantine

King County Council, Dist. 9

Barbara Heavey

King County Council, Dist. 10

Larry Gossett

King Co. Fire District 40 Commissioner, Position 5

Ronnie Behnke

King Co. Water Commissioner District 20, Position 3

Jerry Seidl

Highline School Board, Pos. 5

Cass Prindle

#### CITY OF AUBURN

Auburn City Council, Pos. 4

Nancy Backus

Auburn City Council, Pos. 5

William Pelozza

#### SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Snohomish County Executive

Aaron Reardon

Snohomish County Assessor

Cindy Portmann

Snohomish County Council, Pos. 3

Donald J. Wilson

#### CITY OF EVERETT

Mayor

Frank Anderson

Everett City Council, Pos. 5

David Simpson

#### CITY OF RENTON

Mayor

Kathy Keolker-Wheeler

#### CITY OF SEATTLE

Seattle City Council, Pos. 1

Jean Godden

Seattle City Council, Pos. 5

Tom Rasmussen

Seattle City Council, Pos. 7

Heidi Wills

Seattle Monorail Board, Pos. 8

Cindi Laws

Seattle Monorail Board, Pos. 9

Cleve Stockmeyer

Seattle Port Commissioner, Pos 5

Alec Fiskien

#### CITY OF SPOKANE

Mayor

Jim West

**VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4!**

# COMMUNITY SERVICE

## 751 Members 'Walk the Talk' in Breast Cancer Fundraiser

Since October was officially Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the 751 Women's Committee actively promoted a fundraiser for the issue. The 751 Women's Committee along with nearly 60 members and their families, turned out for a five-mile walk on October 5 and raised \$3,000. Participants had high spirits as they walked through downtown Bellevue – celebrating survivorship and sending messages of hope.

While the reasons for walking varied, everyone had the same goal - finding a cure for breast cancer. Some had a spouse that had been affected, others had parents, friends or children that had battled breast cancer.

The 747 Stewards and Business Rep Ray Baumgardner took the task of fundraising very personal. When they learned 747 Steward Debbie Donnell was currently fighting the disease, they immediately pledged to raise money in her name. Members responded generously as 747 employees donated over \$1,500. Debbie, along with her husband and small daughter, proudly made the walk.

751 Women's Committee Co-Chair Susan Palmer was pleased with the efforts. She noted, "The Women's Committee decided to take part, spread the word, and had over 50 individuals join the 751 team. We initially set a goal of

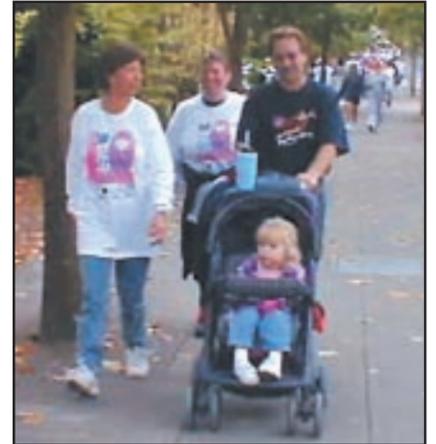


The first Team 751 walkers proudly cross the finish line after raising over \$3,000 to fight breast cancer.

\$1,000 and were thrilled to exceed it. Literally everyone knows someone who has been affected by breast cancer. This was a great way to raise awareness and help a worthwhile cause."

Nearly 6500 walkers from Puget Sound gathered at Bellevue Downtown Park to take part in the second annual American Cancer Society

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. The 5-mile, non-competitive walk raised over \$400,000 toward local breast cancer research, advocacy, education and



Because she is currently battling breast cancer, the walk had special meaning for Steward Debbie Donnell (l), as she walked with her family.

patient services, such as the American Cancer Society Reach to Recovery program - where breast cancer survivors volunteer to serve as mentors to newly-diagnosed patients.

Special thanks to Brian Stillings and Ray Baumgardner for taking photographs of the event.

## Members Who Went the Extra Mile

|                      |                  |                         |                |                   |                 |               |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Jerry Allen          | Pamela Black     | Clark Fromong           | Don Ingerslev  | Judy Neumann      | Liz Rodger      | Curt Umbaugh  |
| John Barna           | Jackie Boschok   | Robert Giannetti        | Aletha Johnson | Susan Palmer      | Scott Schafer   | Clifton Wyatt |
| Anne Baumgardner     | Tom Buchanan     | Vern Guenther           | John Johnson   | Andy Pantoja      | Jim Schwalm     |               |
| Ray Baumgardner      | Paul Bucklen     | Robert "Gus" Gustaveson | John Jorgensen | Hainz Perry       | Kenny Smith     |               |
| Becky Beasley        | Michael Byrne    | Joe Ha                  | Pat Jorgensen  | Rebecca Pohl      | Tracy Smith     |               |
| Terry Becker         | Sally Cunningham | Dale Ann Ha             | Deborah Karnes | Jonathan Pohl     | Linda Sperry    |               |
| Robert "Butch" Beyke | Michael Dingus   | Paula Herschlip         | Troy Labrum    | Randy Reed        | Brian Stillings |               |
| Wendy Beyke          | Debbie Donnell   | Lois Holton             | Helen Lowe     | James Rodger      | Danny Tepley    |               |
| Gary Bjarnason       | John Dupea       |                         | John Megowan   | Eduardo Rodriguez | Hans Ulstein    |               |



751 members were greeted with cheers as they finished the five-mile walk to fight breast cancer.



751 Stewards, members, family and friends turned out in force to take part in the Breast Cancer Walk. The 751 team raised over \$3,000 for the American Cancer Society.

## Union Rolls Out the Barrels for Salvation Army

When the Salvation Army mentioned they needed help to prepare their toy collection barrels, the Machinists Union stepped forward. Volunteers spent one Saturday cleaning, fabricating and preparing the barrels for the holiday toy drive.



Ed Lutgen (l) and Ron McGaha (center) demonstrate the method to prepare barrels for the Salvation Army toy drive.

Ron McGaha examined the project and designed a tool to expedite the process so the lids would be cut the same, holes drilled precise and the posts fastened in the appropriate place. These barrels will be located at QFC and Bartell Drug Stores throughout Puget Sound. Each barrel will not only carry the Salvation Army shield, but the Machinists Union gear for our help with the project.

Thanks to the following who helped with the project: Mary Cadwell, Ron Coen, Ernest Fortson, Jim Gleb, John Isaacks, Pat Kinsella, Errol Lays, Billy Lorig, Ed Lutgen, Nick Lutgen, Sharon McCann, Ron McGaha, Fred McKenzie, Rick McKinney, Gloria Millsaps, Matt Moeller, Brian Ohman, Patrick Rickard, Stephanie Schuman, Joseph J. Smith, Patricia Sullivan-Barfield, Gary Wagner and Lee Weil.

## Hitting the Road for Hunger



751 members Kent Sprague (l) and Jimmy Pippin (r) hit the streets of Tacoma to raise money in the annual Pierce County Hunger Walk. These members, along with Jimmy's wife Angie and Steward Larry Reinhardt collected \$1540 in contributions. The 751 team poses with "Bag Dude" (the walking grocery bag), who serves as mascot for the walk.



## Toy Drive to Benefit 751 Laid-off Members



The 751 Women's Committee is again organizing a toy drive to help children of laid-off members. Donations of toys or money can be made at any of the Union offices or at the November Union meetings. Toys will be distributed on Saturday, December 13. If you know of any laid-off families you would like included, please contact Jane on 425-355-8821 or 1-800-763-1301, ext. 3202 please include age and sex of children so appropriate gifts will be selected.



Rob Curran hits a nice drive off the first tee.

# HITTING THE GREEN FOR MNPL



Dave Henry attempts what should be a sure putt.

Over 40 members 'chipped' in their money for the Machinists Non-Partisan Political League (MNPL) by taking part in the second annual Local C M N P L Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 4. While the weather was gray with low fog most of the day, the event generated lots of green - raising nearly \$10,000 for the political arm of the



Gary Richey sends one sailing.

Union. With a best ball format, the teams were pretty evenly matched - see winners below. The first place team had definite talent, as Scott Chord also won the closest to the pin competition, and team mate Tim Johnson captured longest drive. Tournament coordinators Mark Johnson and Jim Darrah should be commended for the hours they spent arranging the event. Special thanks to the following who volunteered to assist and ensure the tournament went off without a hitch: Jim Rice, Pat Kinsella, Joe Smith, Curt Thorfinson, Clark Fromong, Rebecca Pohl, John Pohl and Cindy Johnson. They registered participants, helped set up the lunch, sold raffle tickets and brought around refreshments to the golfers. Thanks also to Bob Betsworth who donated his cooking skills and spent the day brewing his special brats and hotdogs to feed the hungry golfers.



Photo left: Tom Randle watches as Jeff Bissell lines up a putt.

Below: Bob Betsworth volunteered to prepare food at the club house for the golfers when they finished the round.



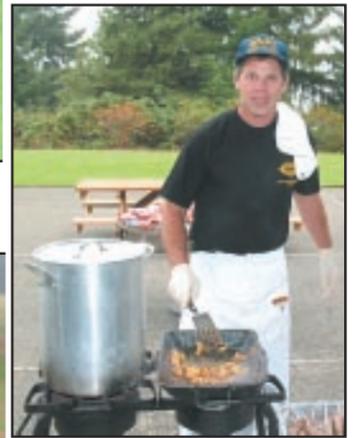
Larry Funk (r) makes a chip shot as Mark Warrender (l) and Tony Curran look on.



John Carter tees off on the seventh hole



Photo left: Randy Swanson attempts a birdie with a well positioned chip shot.



## Tournament Winners



Above: The third place team finished with 5 under par. L to R: Mark Blondin, Mark Johnson, Bruce Spalding and Dan Curtis.



MNPL Director Rich Michalski (center) presents Tim Johnson (l) with longest drive trophy while Scott Chord won closest to pin trophy.



Photo right: The second place team consisted of L to R: Ron McGaha, Jim Bearden, Vennie Murphy and Dick Watanabe (not pictured). They turned in a score of minus 7.



Even though Ernie McCarthy missed a close putt, his team still captured first place with 8 under par. Photo left (L to R): Scott Chord, Tim Johnson, Mark Clark and Ernie McCarthy.

## Education Assistance Available

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Emergency Grant. Laid-off IAM-represented employees, who are TAA eligible, must apply for/use Trade Act before accessing Education Assistance.

EA provides \$2,500 per calendar year for active employees and \$2,500 per fund year for laid-off employees. Prepaid tuition ensures employees suffer no out-of-pocket expenses for tuition.

While EA has been available since 1990, QTTP continues to make improvements to the program to better serve the needs of the members. IAM employees have used the

program to study everything from pursuing a law degree, to interior design, to obtaining plumbing certification, to enhancing their current job skills.

For more information call 1-800-235-3453 or visit QTTP on the web at [www.iam-boeing.com](http://www.iam-boeing.com).

### Recent Changes to Education Assistance

- ◆ Addition of program definitions and reference to the IAM contract regarding government funding.
- ◆ All dollar limits increased to a maximum of \$2500 per year for both laid-off and active employees (active employees taking classes that offer college credits or CEU's at an accredited school still have unlimited tuition amount per the Learning Together guidelines).
- ◆ Educational LOA is now limited to a maximum of \$2500 per calendar year if attending a non-accredited school, or unlimited but reimbursed per Learning Together Program guidelines if attending an accredited school.
- ◆ Military LOA now has a maximum of \$2500 per calendar year while on approved military LOA.



QTTP Advisor Gina Fountain (l) helps Curt Fink register for classes in refrigeration and air conditioning, now that he works maintenance at the Space Needle. He already completed a one-year program to land the new job.

## QTTP Helps Member Maintain a Landmark

Next time you visit the Space Needle, you can thank laid-off 751 member Curt Fink for the fine operations of the famous landmark.

Since June, Curt is one of nine facilities employees (including supervisors), who maintain the Space Needle. Every night on the graveyard shift, Curt dutifully works every aspect of maintenance on the Needle from electrical, plumbing, heating, air conditioning and operation of the elevator.

Curt noted, "This job is really a lot of fun. I enjoy the work, which varies each night. You stay busy and help ensure a Seattle icon is safe for the public to visit. At Boeing, I worked in assembly on airplanes and had no experience in facilities or building maintenance."

Curt credits his new job with the training he received since his layoff from Boeing in January 2002. With only a 1997 seniority date as an assembler, he knew his days with the aerospace giant were numbered so he began investigating retraining programs prior to his actual layoff.

He learned of the Industrial Plant Maintenance Program at Lake Washington Technical College from several friends and determined it was the direction of his future. After layoff, Trade Adjustment Assistance funded the program at Lake Washington, which he completed in March, 2003. With the certification in hand, he entered the field

of facilities maintenance as a technician capable of working in a wide variety of industrial plants and commercial buildings. The Space Needle was hiring and the rest is history.

While he has secured another job, he continues to pursue additional education. Curt appreciates the value of the Union-negotiated QTTP education benefits and has been using QTTP to master computer programs such as Excel, Word and Office. In addition to the computer classes he takes at the QTTP office, Curt is also using QTTP to pay for additional classes in refrigeration and heating systems. Because QTTP offers Education Assistance for up to three years following layoff, any additional classes continue to be paid for even though he has already completed a training program under TAA and landed a new job.

Many of our laid-off members have used this training benefit to convince potential employers to hire them - with the stipulation that they would get any required classes or certifications courtesy of QTTP.

Curt added, "I can't say enough about the advisors at QTTP - specifically Siri Cummins and Gina Fountain. Whenever I needed help finding a program, working with computers, putting together a resume, they were there and willing to help. It is a great service to the members that more should use."

## Building a Future Out of

In her 16+ years at Boeing, Cheryl Matson has worked in a number of different job titles and has always tried to plan for her future. For years, she has made and sold mink teddy bears in her spare time. She planned to retire at 55 and use her hobby to supplement her income.

However, when the massive layoffs hit, she found herself rethinking her philosophy and working toward a new career rather than just a supplemental income for retirement. She turned to IAM Boeing Quality Through Training Program (QTTP). Initially, she planned to take marketing and small business classes to expand her teddy bear income. While looking through the

course schedule for Renton Technical College, she noticed a class in lamp working. She signed up and discovered a new passion - glass blowing and jewelry making. Since then she has actively pursued her talent in this arena - taking literally every class she can find on the subject.

With the skills she has acquired through the training, she now has a supplemental income in this unique field. Yet she is also sharing her talents with others and is teaching courses at Pratt Fine Arts Center.

If she winds up getting laid-off, she plans to pursue teaching and glass blowing full time. Train the trainer courses she had taken at Boeing helped her understand the various teaching methods and different ways people learn and retain information.

Yet she might never have explored this field, if QTTP Education Assistance benefits had not been available. Cheryl noted, "Because EA places very few restrictions on the type of classes, I could explore different things a traditional education program would not cover. By having that



Some of Cheryl's Halloween glass have sold on e-bay. See her work at [www.cherylmatson.addr.com](http://www.cherylmatson.addr.com)

freedom as a new field."

Her career and employee provides services outside see [www.c...](http://www.c...) regular

## EA Helps Davis Explore His Options

Jim Davis is yet another member who recognizes the value of QTTP's Education Assistance and encourages others members to take advantage of the services available.

Jim is constantly searching for ways to improve himself and understands how QTTP benefits can help him reach his personal and professional goals. Originally, he visited QTTP when he was applying to the University of Washington certificate program in Project Management. With help from QTTP Career Advisor Lindsay Ruf, he crafted a letter that got him accepted and went on to complete the Project Management program. He was so impressed with the advisor and services, he has used them ever since.

After getting the Project Management certification, he used QTTP EA to obtain an A+ certification so he could build and repair his home computer. Since then he

has utilized QTTP Advisor services to help resumes and cover letters, as he pursued various options within Boeing.

Jim noted, "Lindsay is great and offers great guidance to help determine the best course of action. Beyond just helping you discover your options, she and the other advisors are a great resource for assistance with resumes, letters and interviews."

Jim is currently considering enrolling in a computer animation program at Seattle Art Institute back career in the event he is laid-off. If he leaves Boeing, he could still utilize the new skills in various positions within the Company. Either way, with Project Management, A+ Certification and the compliments of QTTP, he is well on his way to enjoying both his personal and professional goals.

## On-Site Information Technology Classes Covered

Some of the most popular on-site classes QTTP offers are in the field of Information Technology. The courses



751 member Jim Schwalm (l), who teaches PC Maintenance and Repair, helps Wilfredo Pablo.

are offered on an on-going basis at Renton, Everett, Tukwila and Auburn.

Several 751 members, who took training at QTTP, were so intrigued with the subject matter that they have become instructors in the various classes.

### PC Maintenance and Repair

Learn to upgrade and perform maintenance on IBM compatible computers. Subject areas covered include power supplies, motherboards, I/O controllers and devices, hard and floppy disk drives, CD-ROMs, communication ports, multimedia, resource allocation and troubleshooting. The course evenly divides class time between hands-on experience and discussion, which has made it one of the most popular courses. All books and course materials are provided.

751-member Jim Schwalm, who teaches through Renton Technical College, enjoys sharing his knowledge. He

noted, "I found it helpful to give back and help other members. The training helps me in class so if I have a problem with their computer, I have the confidence to repair it."

### Introduction to Networking

This class covers how to create a network, how to create a collection of files, how to manage, transport and share files, enabling the collection of multiple computers to share the knowledge developed. A monitor and mouse are provided. Communication is key to the home network. Entertainment devices are also covered. 751-member

# TRAINING PROGRAM

## Glass



Above: Some of the glass fish Cheryl has made.

Left: Cheryl Matson has taken every class available at Pratt Fine Arts Center on glass blowing. She hopes to use the glass work to supplement her income after retirement or, if she gets laid-off, have it become a full-time career. The jewelry she is wearing is also a sample of her work.

m, I was able to pursue glass blowing as a new career, as well as teaching in the

enthusiasm for Pratt Fine Arts Center. QTTP attracted other Boeing employees to this specialized center that provides students time with the equipment of class to pursue their projects. To samples of Cheryl's work visit [cherylmatson.addr.com](http://www.cherylmatson.addr.com). She also has items for sale on e-bay.

She added, "There is a lot more pressure to succeed if it becomes a full-time source of income rather than just a supplement to my retirement. But there is potential to go a long way with sculptures, jewelry and beads. Basically, while working with glass you are only limited by what you can think of to make."

The same is true for utilizing QTTP EA - members are only limited by their interests and imagination.

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Jim Davis (l), who has used QTTP Education Assistance since 1999, discusses the available services with Erlinda Entila. She has used QTTP for computer classes and her husband used QTTP to obtain a degree after getting laid-off.

## Computer Repair, Networking, Operating Systems

and teaching is a great way to share what I have learned. The hands-on training where something goes wrong with a computer, they will have the confidence to fix it."

### Introduction to Computer

This course allows students to learn about home networks using the elements that process, manage and store information, encryption and integration of computers. Students will gain insight of how systems are being deployed to manage, control data and voice communications, internal and external, as well as electronic enterprises.

Member Paul Ellis teaches the

course at the Tukwila site.

Note: Prerequisites for networking are: Fundamentals of upgrading and maintenance of IBM style personal computers and the use of the PC operating system as a client to a network. Also must be familiar with PC OS Windows 2000.



751 member Paul Ellis teaches the computer networking class at the Tukwila site.

with PC OS Windows 2000.

### PC Operating Systems and Troubleshooting

This course covers the fundamentals of a network and the use of the PC operating system as a client to a network. Method of instruction is lecture, demonstration and hands-on practice.

Students learn about OS, decisions made concerning the adoption of an OS (transferable skills as 'new and improved' OS appear), and the basics of networking focusing on the PC OS (Windows 98, Windows 2000) and Windows XP).

Call the QTTP site nearest you to learn class schedules and get registered:

- Auburn: 253-931-3577
- Everett: 425-342-9973
- Tukwila: 425-477-0001
- Toll Free: 800-235-3453

For more information on QTTP, visit [www.iam-boeing.com](http://www.iam-boeing.com).



Laid-off member Cole Wern is taking advantage of QTTP's new home-based computer classes. He no longer has to find daycare for son, Sharn, but can learn at home when he has the time.

## Learn Computers From the Comfort of Your Own Home

QTTP has taken a good thing and made it better. While computer-based classes have always been very popular at the QTTP computer labs, members now have the option to learn the material from the comfort of their own home.

The option of home-based learning allows more freedom in choosing when to take the course. Members can log on 24 hours a day to access the material. Day care conflicts, scheduling problems, and commuting time are all eliminated. The only thing you need is a computer (with a modem) and a phone line.

Classes are available in:

- Computer Basics
- Access 2000 or 2002
- Windows 2000 or XP
- Excel 2000 or 2002
- PowerPoint 2000 or 2002
- Outlook 2000 or 2002
- Word 2000 or 2002
- A+ Certification 2001
- Network+ Certification 2002

To get started call 1-800-235-3453 and ask about home-based computer classes.

### Online Career Resources Offered

In addition to our one-on-one advising services, QTTP also offers online career resources. You now have the option to work on your career development from the comfort of your own home or in one of our QTTP computer labs!

The Career Edge Planner (CEP)<sup>TM</sup> is a state-of-the-art, online career assessment, exploration and planning tool.

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First, you are assessed regarding your career interests and given matches to jobs within the U.S. Department of Labor system. You will get information on the education, skills, tasks and work environment for jobs that interest you.

Second, you have an interactive CEP Career Workbook<sup>TM</sup>, in which you evaluate your basic skills, learn to be successful in interviews, write a resume, and set goals and strategies. You have a full year to work through this vast and useful tool via your private password. You can preview the program 'Walk Thru' at [www.unionedge.com](http://www.unionedge.com)

The Build Your Own Business Program (BOB)<sup>TM</sup> is a comprehensive self-employment assessment to help you decide which area of self-employment might be most well suited to your personality by categorizing potential areas such as small business ownership, entrepreneurship, sales or consulting. It will also tell you if you are not suited for self-employment. The program gives links and advice about the challenges of starting a business.

To get started, complete an EA application for one or both programs. School name is "Union Edge" and the cost is \$36 for Career Edge Planner and \$29 for Build Your Own Business, covered by your QTTP Education Assistance (EA) funds. Apply online at [www.iam-boeing.com](http://www.iam-boeing.com).



Kelly Stanley (l) and Robert Widener (r) dive into the inner workings of a computer at QTTP's PC Maintenance and Repair Class. The course evenly combines hands-on experience with lecture and book discussions.

## GUIDE DOGS OF AMERICA FUNDRAISERS

# Silent Auction Raises Funds for Guide Dogs

Workers in the sheltered workshop, as it is known in the 17-05 building in Auburn, were loud and clear in their message of support for Guide Dogs of America. Union Steward Lori Olsen, along with co-workers Susie Miller and Robin Miller organized a silent auction, which raised \$550 for this charity.

All of the items for the auction came from donations of the workers themselves and ranged from home-baked goods, gently used items, holiday baskets, and even the kitchen sink. All items were displayed for nearly two work days so people could bid on them during their lunch and breaks. The bidding closed at last break on the second day with the highest bidder getting the item.

Workers also held a lunch-time soup/bake sale where they asked for a donation for your favorite soup or treat.

Generosity and compassion are suitable adjectives to describe this shop made up of 45 hourly and 48 salaried workers, who always seem ready to help those in need. Several times a year, or as the need arises, a silent auction is put together.

The causes vary: helping one of their co-workers on an extended medical leave of absence; setting up a trust fund for dependents of a co-worker that passed away; raising money to buy Christmas gifts for



Steward Lori Olsen (center) checks the bidding while others name their price for items.

the stocking drive or raising money to support the Battered Women's shelter.

Union Representative Tom Wroblewski noted, "I'm impressed with this very caring group of people. I want to thank Lori and others who helped organize the event and made it into a fun activity for the shop. Everyone laughed at an auction that includes everything including the kitchen sink."



Employees in the sheltered workshop of the 17-05 building held a silent auction and raised \$550 for Guide Dogs of America. Special thanks to Union Steward Lori Olsen, along with Susie Miller and Robin Miller for organizing the event.



L to R: Sue Palmer and Shawnee Leenders check out Wood Art made by Stewards Scott and Lynn Dolan. They were just one of the many vendors participating in the event for Guide Dogs.

## Dog Gone Good Shopping

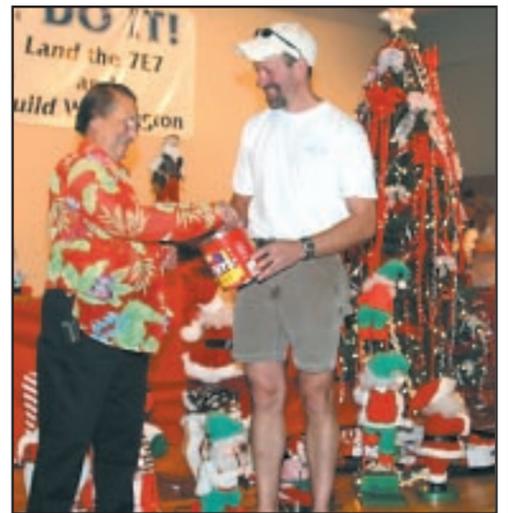
Members took advantage of a chance to do some early Christmas shopping and benefit the Guide Dogs of America on Saturday, September 27. This unique Local A event raised over \$3,500 for this worthwhile charity.

Shoppers could browse such vendors as Princess House, Pampered Chef, Partylite Candles, Stampin-Up, Homemade Gourmet, Wreaths Etc by Eileen, Bodyworks, Discovery Toys, Jewelry by Deborah Chittenden, Wonderous Woods, Mary Kay, Dannie Inc and the Car Wash. Several members also participated by sharing their cottage businesses - Pam and Larry Black displayed Quillos & Mirrors, while Scott and Lynn Dolan offered Wood Art by Scrollin Dolan,

Special thanks to Lois Holton, who



Pam and Larry Black display their unique mirrors, which were sold at the event.



Shoppers were also eligible for the raffle prize drawings throughout the day. Above: Lois Holton and Jason Redrup draw a winner.

recruited vendors and created a festive holiday theme in the Union hall. Volunteers who helped coordinate the event, decorate the hall, worked the car wash, assisted in the kitchen and with clean up included: Lois' family Ricky, Ryan and Shawnee Leenders, Kristy Devera, Pam and Larry Black, Jonney Miller, Sue Palmer, Cam Christensen, Jason Redrup, Jim and Betty Hutchins, Larry and Jeanne Monger.

Lois Holton was thrilled at the turnout and noted, "I extend my deep appreciation to all those who helped to make this a fun time, and so successful! The proceeds go to such a great cause and another sightless person will benefit from this event. The help was wonderful! Thanks to all the vendors, shoppers, and volunteers! See you next year!"

# First Annual Puppy Putt Puts Thousands in Guide Dog Dish

The first annual 751 Puppy Putt Motorcycle Ride to benefit Guide Dogs of America was a huge success. The ride raised over \$9,600 for this worthwhile charity. Members of the organizing committee: Jim Bearden, Kevin Mims, Dave Brueher, Hans Ulstein, Terri Myette, Ron McGaha and Jim Kakuschke presented the proceeds at the October 14 District Council meeting.

In addition, the Union recognized four individuals who did a phenomenal job collecting donations for the ride. Dave Brueher turned in \$615; Dan Olson, a retired Union Steward, brought in \$600; Mark Johnson collected \$530 and Jim Franson, with support from his entire shop, gave an impressive \$474.



Above: L to R: honored for top donations Dave Brueher, Dan Olson, Mark Johnson and Jim Franson.

Left: Organizers of the Puppy Putt present District President Mark Blondin with a check for \$9,600.

# RETIREMENT NEWS

## October Retired Club Minutes

by **Mary Wood,**  
Retired Club Secretary

Al Wydick called the October 13 meeting to order at 11 a.m.

**Roll Call of Officers:** All officers were present. Minutes were accepted as printed.

**Communications:** A letter from Ron and Charlotte Roller was read.

**Financial Report:** The Financial Report was accepted as read.

**Business Reps Report:** Business Rep Zack Zaratkiewicz reported Bill Baker, who was serving as Vice President of the retired club and retired as a Business Rep, will be truly missed. Zack added that Bill was one of the great people in District 751, who helped so many members in his years of service. Zack administered the oath of office for Retired Club Vice President Cy Noble to fill the position vacated by Bill's passing.

Zack reported on the upcoming rally to land the 7E7. He invited all retirees to attend the 7E7 rally on October 17. He gave an update on the 767 tanker deal with the U.S. Air Force and noted we are still fighting to secure the deal.

Grievance Coordinator Larry Monger reported for Mark Blondin. Larry also stressed the importance of attending the 7E7 rally and Union efforts to build the plane in Washington.

Larry noted members at the Spokane Triumph plant are now producing pickle ball paddles out of the scrap material from the floor panels. It is an innovative way to generate an additional revenue stream.

**Health & Welfare:** Ill brothers and sisters this past month included: Marie Andersen, Fred Anderson, Gene Gregory, Dean Krueger, Richard Zinsli, Lloyd Bradford, Philip Hill, Emma Richter, Max



Those attending the Retired Club meeting every Monday are treated to a free lunch at the Seattle Union hall at noon following the planned activities.

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A moment of silence for the following members who have passed away: Bill Baker, Richard Bartelson, Jack Biebe, Walter Enyeart, Clarence Hill, Harold Hunstad, Mattie Mirasol, Maxine Schey, Ray Thein, Marcella Welsh, and Herman Werner. Sympathy cards were sent to the families.

**Calendar of Events:**

- Nov. 3 Bingo
- Nov. 10 Business Meeting
- Nov. 17 Paul and Party Makers
- Nov. 24 Bingo

**Good and Welfare:** John Guevarra encouraged people to vote NO on Initiative 841, which would repeal workplace safety laws. The change would target potentially hazardous working conditions. We need support affecting "working families for safer jobs." Say NO to Initiative 841.

John Guevarra also spoke on the South King County Chapter of the Alliance for Retired Americans. He noted a resolution passed on September 11 calling for a NO vote on S1 and HR1 on Medicare reform because it:

- Does not provide benefits under Medicare
- Subsidizes private health insurance industry
- Does not follow Veterans

Administration authority to negotiate lower prices on drugs

• Does not go into effect until 2006, as well as other major problems for seniors. ARA is calling upon Congress to filibuster to defeat this legislation. The resolution was sent to Congress by the South King County Chapter.

John also noted that State Representative Eileen Cody (34th District) said Governor Locke signed into law on 6-26-03 a law that makes prescription drugs more affordable to seniors and provides a discount for people over 50 years old with income below 300% of poverty. Please check with your providers to find out if you qualify.

Finally, John stressed the club needs to give ARA reports at every business meeting. He suggested writing a letter to ARA to get monthly reports for 751 retirees.

Tom O'Brien spoke on the importance of getting retirees rights at the bargaining table. He also encouraged retirees to be vocal on issues and hold their elected officials accountable.

**Unfinished & New Business:** None.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:** The Club celebrated the following October birthdays: Hank Hendrickson, Betty Ness, Lucille Olson, Herb Graham, and Irene Tilford. October anniversaries included: Dan and Ardie Stachlowski (47 years).

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

### Retirees

Congratulations to the following members who retired from Boeing:

- Mei Chen
- Jerry Chilson
- Richard Connelly
- Michael Cunningham
- Elena Curry
- Ruth Donovan
- Johnny Evans
- Robert Fish
- David Gourley
- Vicki Hesselbach
- Marilyne Hoff
- David Hoogen
- James King
- Robert Knight
- Helen LaMarche
- Kevin Magee
- Daniel Magnussen
- Walter McAlpin
- Wilfred Messer
- Thomas Phipps
- Garland Rupert
- Doris Sieler
- Doris Slaymaker
- Carol Stedman
- James Taylor
- Edward Udd
- Louis Veregge
- Richard Waskiewicz
- Edward Watson

### Travel Report

Mary King (206-363-5915) gave a short report on upcoming trips including the following:

**Dec 1 - Reno/Lake Tahoe, El Dorado Hotel, 6 days, includes 1 show, casino hops, meals and more, bus trip ..... \$239**

**Feb 8 - Harness Races in Surrey British Columbia and Skagit Valley Casino, 2 days, everything included ..... \$89**

**Feb 27 - New Orleans & Cruise Mexican Caribbean, 9 days, \$1,399**

### RETIRED CLUB OFFICERS

|  |               |              |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| President                                      | Al Wydick     | 253-815-9601 |
| Vice President                                 | Cy Noble      | 425-392-1345 |
| 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 |               |              |

### Senior Politics

by **Cy Noble,**  
Retired Club  
Legislative Chair

Cy reported results of the straw poll of U.S. Presidential candidates taken at the last meeting. Since then, Bob Graham has dropped out and Wesley Clark has joined the race, obviously things are changing daily and the answer would be different today.

The 2004 election is the most important of our lives. We must elect a candidate who will protect and restore Social



Security and provide prescription drug coverage at reasonable cost for seniors.

We have become a pre-emptive military power under the Bush Administration and they have managed to divert media attention away from senior issues, as well as the national economy. We must get citizens registered to vote and encourage them to study the issues.

We have a little over a year to do this. Start reading political articles in the paper and letters to the editor to get the pulse of the nation.

### Accepting the Oath



Business Rep Zack Zaratkiewicz (l) administers the oath of office to Cy Noble, as he accepts the position of Retired Club Vice President.

## Retired Club Christmas Party Monday, December 8th

10 a.m. doors open - Lunch served at Noon - \$8 for members & associate members - \$12 for guests

Purchase tickets at Retired Club Meetings or contact Suzan (206) 764-0319 or Mary Wood (206) 243-7428



# FREE WANT ADS FOR MEMBERS ONLY

## ANIMALS

COCKATIELS - hand-fed and tame, orange-faced \$45; white-faced \$50; albino \$60; peach-faced lovebirds \$45; baby chinchillas \$75; button quail \$10 each. 253-839-2159

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

## AUTO PARTS & ACCESSORIES

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

NEW ONE-HALF TON TRUCK CRANE \$60. 425-255-7109

SUNBEAM PARTS MISC - bumpers, top including rear glass. Call for more info! 206-271-5944

DELTA STEEL TRUCK BOX - double lids for small pick-up \$40. 425-255-7109

1984 S/8 BLAZER 4X4 - 2.8 V6 engine (no good). Good body. 4 good tires. \$1000. 509-943-5251

CANOPY 99+ CHEV/GMCS/B Glastite, Cab hi fiberglass, lined, front slider, dark blue \$700 OBO. 253-922-6291

DEE ZEE platinum truck bed toolbox. Fits 99-2004 Ford Super Duty \$350. 253-335-6286

CAR ALARM W/KEYLESS ENTRY. New in box. 2 remotes, siren, impact sensor, etc. Can flash park lights, disable starter, more. All manuals included. Lifetime warranty \$60. Installation available. 253-826-4378 or 206-755-7782

(4) STUDDER SNOW TIRES - 185/70R14, (2) like new \$80 OBO. (4) Factory aluminum rims and tires from 1989 RX7, 205/60R15 \$100 OBO. 206-244-5148

TRUCKBOX - 33" wide, 20" deep, 62" long. Fits full-size pickup bed. Used with 5<sup>th</sup> wheel. \$400 new- will sacrifice for \$150. 253-839-3539

## BOATS

WANTED: NEWER 18' to 22' inboard/outboard boat. 206-248-0396

WANTED: OUTBOARD MOTOR in good running condition - 3 to 5 HP short shaft. Will pay up to \$250. 360-387-5572

16' BELLBOY - 70 HP engine with trailer. Clean with canvas top \$1995 OBO. 206-244-7948

## COTTAGE IND.

DO YOU LOVE CANDLES? Weekly profit checks, monthly bonuses, flexible schedules, advancement opportunities, awards and recognition, free training and professional development. No experience necessary! Call Diana 360-491-4675

ARE YOU IN NEED OF ENERGY? Now there's a new liquid nutritional supplement called SeaSilver. For more info log on to [www.myseahhealth.com/fredvittetoe/retail.html](http://www.myseahhealth.com/fredvittetoe/retail.html) or call 1-877-903-3663

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

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

HEART ASSOCIATION and Cancer Society recommend 5-9 daily servings of fruit and vegetables. Juice Plus+ is the essence of 17! In capsule form. 253-922-0649

HOUSECLEANING or painting - one time or weekly. Greater Marysville and Tulalip areas. Sherrie 360-929-6790

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

## AD RULES

*Each single ad must be 25 words or less. Ads are free only to members - active, laid-off, or retired. For best response, include phone number Members' "cottage industries" will be OK in ads, but no commercial ads. When using own paper for ads, include information required on regular ad blank.*

**Deadline For Next Issue December 1st**

## ELECTRONICS & ENTERTAINMENT

WANTED: MS-DOS (Microsoft Disk Operating System). There are 3 floppy disks. Will buy. 253-874-8072 or 253-927-5188

STEREO W/CABINET includes Kenwood Dual Cassette deck, Kenwood turntable with automatic return for 45's and 33's, Yamaha CD player, Onkyo tuner/amplifier with AM/FM. Excellent condition \$95. 425-255-1184

CANON T-70 CAMERA - 105mm lens, 3 close-up lens, Vivitar autoflash, 3 coated filters and doubler \$250. 253-874-8072 or 253-927-5188

## FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES

WANTED: Retired Machinist wants and needs chests of drawers (2) 4 or 5 drawer, in good condition. On fixed income- cannot spend much. 253-804-5434

VERY OLD LARGE WOOD STOVE, porcelain with oven and temperature indicator in door. Warming tray overhead \$800. Old dresser and matching one with mirror- Best offer. 206-878-2771

BRAND NEW GAS KITCHEN PLATE and hood \$300 for both. Child's bed and mattress with matching toy box for ages up to 8 \$65. 206-772-1752

FRIGIDAIRE 4-BURNER natural gas cooktop- very clean \$50 OBO. New white porcelain, cast-iron bath sink \$25 OBO. 425-255-1804

METAL TABLE - light yellow with tempered glass top with 4 chairs. Removable cushions. Use in or outdoors \$125. 253-852-4476

DINING ROOM TABLE - 6 chairs, buffet, inlaid Duncan Fife. Original leather seat cover. 509-264-0607 or 509-662-8349 Wenatchee

PEDESTAL TABLE 53" x 42" with 18" leaf. 6 chairs in fabric seats and backs with casters. In light oak \$550. 425-255-7109

HAWAIIAN COFFEE TABLE - Koa wood, shaped like Nuhau Island. Must see to appreciate. 1.5" thick x 58" long x 22" wide. 509-662-8349 or 509-264-0607 Wenatchee

GLIDEAWAY deluxe BED FRAME - new \$20. 253-941-5987

PIANO UPRIGHT - antique around 1900 with bench and stool included \$750. 253-841-4257

18' cu ft REFRIG/FREEZER IN TOP - Magic Chef \$100. Kenmore portable dishwasher - cost \$500, selling for \$150. Two apartment tables - apt size \$20 each. 206-772-1752

TWIN/FULL BED FRAMES - like new condition- only used a couple of months. Brown metal with wheels. I have two frames for sale \$15 each. 425-387-0521

## HOUSING

FOR SALE - 2 bdrm basement house. Great starter home with new paint and new carpets. Great location for Renton or Plant II Boeing plants. 206-772-1752

ATTENTION RETIREES - ideal location, 45 min to Myrtle Beach, SC. My dream Southern plantation home. Age and health force sale. 9 large rooms on 2 acres. (Opt income prop). 910-654-3210

3 BDRM/2.5 BATH, one-half basement living room, kitchen, den, 5x5 walk in cooler, 2-car garage, 40x60 pole building. 20x20x20 atrium, bananas in fruit now. 2.5 acres of fruit. 509-662-8349 or 509-264-0607

OCEAN SHORES BEACH HOUSE - must sell for health reasons. 2+ bdrm, walk to beach, greenhouses, fruit trees, plus more! 3000 sq ft. Reduced for quick sale. \$105K. 360-709-0200

KONA, HAWAII beachfront condo, large 2 BDRM/2 bath, spectacular view. Sleeps 4. \$700-\$750 a week + tax, 10% discount to Boeing employees, pays taxes. 206-938-9214 or [www.banyantreecondo.com](http://www.banyantreecondo.com)

NEED TWO ROOMMATES for townhouse in Des Moines by Highline Community College. Shared bathroom. Prefer exchange student or professional. References/lease. 206-212-6337

FOR RENT - Everett 1 bdrm apartment. W/D in unit. D.W. Off-street parking. 2210 Colby. \$535 + deposit. 360-658-1417

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FOR RENT - 2 bdrm rental house convenient to Plant II. \$625. First and last with \$300 damage deposit. References. 206-242-1697

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.

FOR SALE - Tukwila. House and large lot or lease option. Major appliances, water, sewer included. For information, call 360-657-5342

## MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED: Experienced concrete finisher - reasonable rates. Cash. 425-226-1405

BICYCLE WIND TRAINER - Cycle-Ops brand. Variable resistance. Like new. New \$152, sell for \$100. See at [www.cycle-ops.com](http://www.cycle-ops.com). 253-839-3539

WANTED STORAGE: I am restoring the Seattle Fire Department's first Medic One van (1969). I need a garage or warehouse space to work on this project. I have formed a Non Profit Corporation "Medic One Van Preservation Fund." We need volunteer help from aircraft mechanics since this Medic One van is built of aluminum and needs body work. 206-954-6498

HISTORY COLLECTOR'S rare NEWSPAPERS - Oregon Journal (Nov 11, 1918) "Armistice War Ends!", New York Herald (Apr 15, 1865) "Assassination - Lincoln - President Shot at Theatre - Wilkes Booth Alleged Assassin". Open for offers. I don't know, but these are very rare, if available at all other than museums. 206-824-0557 between 9 AM and 7 PM.

HIGHLINE Snow Sports offering bus ride, ski/snowboard lessons for 6 weeks for 11 to 18-year olds. Starting Sunday, January 4. Call 206-433-8563 or 206-878-2771 for information. (\*Note- a non-profit organization of Highline School District)

LANE COFFEE TABLE - matching step-end tables \$50 OBO. Escape ladder \$25, recliner for RV stainless-steel frame \$40, stainless-steel 5-gallon step garbage can \$10. 253-631-2682

NEED A COMPACT TRACTOR? We specialize in used Gray-market tractors. Yanmar, all 4-WD, new loaders, 18 to 28 HP, low hours. Implements new and used. Terry 206-261-8347

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VINTAGE SEWING MACHINE - New Home \$225. YASHICA 35MM SLR camera \$135. Embossed Coke bottle collection (66) 10-oz bottles \$65. Antique golf clubs and bag \$63. Adler all-electric typewriter, like new \$56. 206-937-0666

VOIT GRAVITY RIDER exerciser \$35, Abdoer \$35, back massage \$25, Smith-Corona \$25. 425-255-1184

AVALON FIREPLACE (wood). Excellent condition \$600 OBO. Evenings- 253-922-2013

ATTENTION FLOWER GARDENERS: I have a unique iris that has a pronounced sweet scented fragrance. 253-864-4832. Check my website [www.geocities.com/hollandgardens](http://www.geocities.com/hollandgardens).

ATTENTION ULTRA-LITE ENTHUSIASTS - 4-cylinder McCulloch Motors Company engine model 4318A (2 cyl) 25 HP as is \$800. 360-657-5342

POSTCARD PICTURES of Alaska-Yukon Exposition of 1909. Collector's item. Best offer. 425-255-1184

TENOR SAXOPHONE - Selmer USA. Excellent condition \$2000. 425-255-1184

LOPI WOODSTOVE cooktop. Takes 18" log. Used 3 years with glass door, brass trim on door and legs \$700. You haul. 360-825-0763

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| <b>Circle One:</b> | <b>ANIMALS</b>                      | <b>ELECTRONICS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT</b> | <b>PROPERTY</b>                |
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TRUCKBOX - 33" w, 20" deep, 62" long. Fits full-size pickup bed. Used with 5<sup>th</sup> wheel. \$400 new, will sacrifice for \$150. 253-839-3539

ARE YOU IN NEED OF ENERGY? Now there's a new liquid nutritional supplement called SeaSilver. For more info log on to [www.myseahhealth.com/fredvittetoe/retail.html](http://www.myseahhealth.com/fredvittetoe/retail.html) or call 1-877-903-3663

WANTED: Retired Machinist wants and needs chests of drawers (2) 4 or 5 drawer, in good condition. On fixed income- cannot spend much. 253-804-5434

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## PROPERTY

2 LOTS on Hoods Canal. Light and water connected. Boat ramp. Good fishing. 206-772-1752

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CEMETERY LOTS - at Greenwood in Renton. 2 in Azalea section. \$3000 for both. 425-255-7109

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ATTENTION RETIREES - ideal location, 45 min to Myrtle Beach, SC. My dream Southern plantation home. Age and health force sale. 9 large rooms on 2 acres. (Opt income prop). 910-654-3210

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CEMETERY LOT at Greenwood Memorial in Renton. Azalea garden \$1500. 253-631-5657

CEMETERY LOTS - 4 side-by-side in Azalea garden in Greenwood Cemetery in Renton. \$2200 each or all for \$8500. 425-255-1184

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## REC MEMBERSHIP

TREND WEST RCI - 12K credits, \$500 down to take over payments. Balance \$6K. Worth \$8K to \$9K. 253-924-1550

LAKE EASTON Resort - \$175 a year membership. Will sell for \$800 or make offer. 509-662-8349 or 509-264-0607

MEMBERSHIP - Coast-to-Coast RPI. Home Resort Cascade Meadows, Lapine, OR. Must sell due to health reasons. \$800 plus transfer fee. 425-255-2999

ADVANCE RESORTS of America, Inc. Dues paid \$3000. 253-941-5987

## REC VEHICLES

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FOR SALE OR TRADE a 1995 34' Swinger mobile home (too big) for a later model, under 30' mobile home. 206-243-0207

MOTORCYCLE, 550 Nite Hawk, 21K miles, green metallic - runs good \$995. 206-244-7948

HUNTER'S SPECIAL 1969 Aloha 15' recently renovated \$1100. 253-841-4257

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INTERARMS - 25-06, 2-7 power scope, "Leupold". New Syn-Teck stock, adj trigger. Ready to hunt \$550. 360-893-1028

POWERMATE - 1600 watt generator; low hours \$250 OBO. Large toolbox - fits inside truckbox. Full-size \$50 OBO. 206-767-3228

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## TOOLS

JOINTER 6" cast iron, infeed/outfeed, 42" long table, 3 @ cutterhead knives. Good condition \$100. 253-839-3539

ATLAS 24" scroll saw with stand \$195. 425-255-7109

CRAFTSMAN 3.8 HP 9" edger/trimmer \$75. GAS BRUSHWACKER 28.0CC \$50. 253-941-5987

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ALUMINUM RIM off '94 OLD 16" \$25. 253-941-5987

1963 SWB CHEV PU - 8K miles on overhaul, fair body, shop manual, canopy, repair records \$995 OBO. 425-255-1804

1963 CORVETTE - split window, Sebring silver, red interior, 340 auto, frame up restoration all original, 40K original miles. Beautiful \$40K. Serious buyers. 253-288-2153 or 253-261-0592

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MAZDA TRUCK in excellent condition \$4K. 206-772-1752

1978 LINCOLN TOWN CAR - excellent condition, clean, every option you can imagine. Everything works. V-8 460, 75K original miles, new tires, new carburetor \$3500. 253-891-2744

1982 CHEVY CAMARO RACE CAR. 350 cu in, 400<sup>th</sup>, 4.56 9" Ford. Full cage, new ET Streeter tires \$7000 or make offer. 253-537-2803 leave message

1990 CHEVY 3-QTR TON TRUCK - 4 WD, automatic, AC, 86K miles. Runs great. Very clean- one owner \$7995. 253-839-2159

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1991 HONDA CRX - good commute car, good gas mileage, runs well, needs brake job \$172K. \$2500 OBO. Ask for Justin 253-383-7291

1994 MAZDA PROTÉGÉ - red, clean, 114K miles, 5-speed, \$2K OBO. 206-723-9676 or 206-349-7186

1996 MAZDA LX 626 4-door, 2.5 L, 24V V-6, full power auto, OD, cruise, AC, 4-wheel disc brakes, front end wheel alignment, license, emission and 30K miles. Insp all paid. \$7K firm. 206-722-8095

2000 LINCOLN sports car LS model with the Jaguar engine. Silver with 12K miles, built-in phone. All leather. Paid \$45K, will sell for \$30K. It has everything you could want in a car. A real beauty. 206-772-1752

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2001 CORVETTE COUPE - both tops, heads up, loaded, red/black, 16K miles, beautiful car- MUST SEE! Call Rick 253-261-0592

2001 KIA SPECTRA - 4-doors, seats 5, automatic, AC, CD with detachable face, alarm and tinted windows. 15K miles. Excellent condition \$10K. 425-353-9143

LINCOLN CONTINENTAL - all leather interior, hardly broken in, excellent condition, new air conditioning, all new tires, everything is automatic, 43K miles, green, selling for \$9K, paid \$30K. Drive and see the comfort. 206-772-1752

2002 DAEWOOLANOS, 20K miles, 33 mpg, AC, radio, 5-speed hatchback, seats fold down rear, cassette player, 4-mounted studded snow tires \$4499. 253-804-0424

## Go to Sonics Game - Help Raise Funds

At least \$10 from every ticket sold generates money for the Local F Fundraiser. Proceeds to benefit Machinists Non-Partisan Political League (MNPL - the Union's political arm). Simply return the order form and payment for a fun night at the Sonics.



Seattle Sonics vs.  
Memphis Grizzlies  
Friday, January 9, 2004  
Key Arena - 7:30 p.m.



Questions or need more info??? Please call Kay at 206-764-0340 or 1-800-763-1301, ext. 3340

To order tickets, please fax (206-764-0303) or mail order form to: Local F Sonics Fundraiser, Attn: Ronnie Behnke, 9125 15th Pl. S., Seattle, WA 98108. Make checks payable to: Seattle Sonics. Orders must be received by Dec. 15. Questions??? Please call Kay at 206-764-0340 or 1-800-763-1301

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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January 9, 2004 game - Sonics vs Memphis  
# \_\_\_\_\_ of tickets at \$46 (lower level seats along the baselines/corners) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
# \_\_\_\_\_ of tickets at \$46 (upper level seats 1st 8-10 rows along sidelines) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
# \_\_\_\_\_ of tickets at \$24 (upper level seats along the sidelines/corners) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Seattle Sonics

Credit Card:  VISA  MC  AMEX  DISC  
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Specially reduced tickets. Pay No Service Charge. Orders must be received by December 15. Orders received by December 15 will be mailed to the above address. Orders after December 15 will be left at Will Call. Orders are filled on a first-come, first serve basis. No exchanges or refund. Subject to availability. If there are no tickets remaining, the Sonics reserve the right to refund payment in full.

## IAM Scholarship Competition

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. They are granted for a specific period 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. All awards are renewed each year for a maxi-

mum of four years until a Bachelor's degree is obtained. Vocational/technical School awards offer \$2,000 per year until certification is reached for a maximum of

two years, whichever occurs first.

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

be considered. No exceptions will be permitted even if a third party is responsible for the delay.



### 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:

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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

# Rally Urges Boeing to 'Check It Off' on 7E7

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with the Air Force. With production scheduled to begin in December of this year, it is imperative to get Congressional approval in the near future. Blondin thanked Senator Patty Murray, Senator Maria Cantwell and Congressman Norm Dicks, who have been instrumental in the tanker battle. All had planned to attend the rally and speak about their efforts. Unfortunately, they had to stay in the nation's capital to vote on the \$87 billion request to fund military operations and reconstruction in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Other speakers included Attorney General Christine Gregoire, State Speaker of the House Frank Chopp, State Representative Steve Conway,

State Senator Aaron Reardon, who is running for Snohomish County Executive, and SPEEA Executive Director Charles Bofferding.

One thing is clear: the large crowd sent a strong message to Boeing that: "We can do it. We did it. So check it off and build the plane here."



Above: Members cheer efforts to land the 7E7 here.



Jobs for the future was the reason Dino Papini brought his entire family to the rally. Joining him were: his wife Kym, daughters Giulia (in her arms), and (L to R standing): Sofia, Liana, & Iva.



Above: The animated crowd sent a loud message they want to build the 7E7 here.



The checklist on stage reminded everyone of the work we have done.



State Senator Aaron Reardon, candidate for Snohomish County Executive, told the crowd in Auburn this is a regional issue and it's all about JOBS!



Leroy and Helen Miller (front) were just two of the retirees who turned out for the Auburn rally.



Speaker of the House Frank Chopp reported on legislative activities to keep Boeing in Washington.

## Health Care Open Enrollment October 27-December 5

Eligible hourly employees will be asked to select their medical coverage between October 27 and December 5. Those eligible will receive mailings to their home address with information on the open enrollment.

This special open enrollment was prompted because additional employee co-pays will go into effect January 1, 2004. Therefore, those impacted will have an opportunity to switch to the low-cost provider. If you are currently on the low-cost plan (Selections), you are not eligible to change plans until the regular open enrollment in May.

Eligible employees can choose from the following three medical plans:

- Boeing Traditional Medical Plan (Regence BlueShield);
- Group Health Cooperative HMO;
- Selections (Regence BlueShield).

Coverage selected will go into effect on January 1, 2004.

Monthly contributions for Traditional will be as follows:

- Employee only: \$36
  - Employee +1: \$72
  - Family: \$108
- Group Health monthly contributions will be:
- Employee only: \$10
  - Employee + 1: \$20
  - Family: \$30



Study the plans carefully before selecting coverage. Be sure to review how different plans affect your out-of-pocket costs. Check personalized lists of network providers to see which networks your doctor is in – many are in more than one. **The Union is not recommending a specific plan; the decision is up to the individual.**

For more information on the various plans or to select coverage, visit: <http://resources.hewitt.com/boeing> or call 1-888-747-2016. Access specific information on the Traditional Plan or Selections at [www.wa.regence.com/boeing](http://www.wa.regence.com/boeing).

## Innovation Brings Pickle Ball Paddles to Triumph

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tional income that will help provide job security to the existing employees. Since Triumph began issuing the paychecks, not a single employee has been laid-off.

But how did this aerospace manufacturing facility become a producer of pickle ball paddles? Initially, PBI contacted Triumph to purchase their scrap or left over remnants so their current contractor could cut the paddles. Triumph offered PBI a better "customer solution" – rather than simply buying scrap raw material from Triumph why not have the paddles cut at the Triumph plant by our members. The precision machines at Triumph were easily programmed to automatically cut the paddles from the remnant panel material.

PBI accepted and was immediately impressed with the quality of the paddles and attention to detail. Our members delivered paddles with such precision, PBI had to revise the configuration of the patterns to be smaller since they no longer need to sand the paddles after they are delivered.

The creativity and resourcefulness didn't end with the production process. Rather than shipping the paddles in a purchased



Steve Mayer shows District President Mark Blondin one of the pickle ball paddles now produced at Triumph.

container, members discovered the paddles fit into scrapped barrels from powder delivered for the rotomold process. These rotomold barrels are being used as 'pickle barrels' to ship the paddles - thereby eliminating any costly shipping boxes or packing materials. Again, it demonstrated making the best use of available resources.

Union Steward Steve Warren noted, "While the paddles are not labor intensive, they took waste material and turned it into a small revenue stream, which helps sustain jobs."