

August 2016



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NEW! OUR TEXT GROUP HAS CHANGED! Text L443 to 237263 to stay in the Local 443 Text Group for important calls to action and updates.

Contact 443 at:
360-236-0443
www.wfselocal443.org

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 6 pm.

443 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, August 2, 2016, 6 p.m.

- **Special Notice!** We will be electing a new 443 President at the September 2, 2016 E-Board meeting.

42nd AFSCME INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS:

So many exciting events took place at the 42nd AFSCME International Convention July 18-22, 2016 in Las Vegas. Several 443 members spoke on or stood in support of important resolutions presented at the convention, including Imelda Ang, (L&I), who spoke on a resolution regarding prevention of workplace violence while many Local 443 members stood to support her. Ken Grubb, (L&I), spoke on a resolution to remove the excise tax on high cost (Cadillac) ACA health plans. Sarah C. Wilson, (ESD), spoke on a resolution concerning diversity. John Moelhman, (L&I), spoke on a resolution which addressed the crisis in higher education. Many members of Council 28 stood in support of a resolution regarding the AFSCME endorsement process, which failed. Also, the Democrat Nominee for President, Hilary Clinton, was a guest speaker at the convention as well as the inspirational Reverend Doctor William Barber II. Visit our Facebook page <https://m.facebook.com/WFSE-Local-443-223515157806576/> for pictures from the convention.

FREE COLLEGE FOR AFSCME MEMBERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS Did you know that AFSCME members and their family members can obtain two year associate degrees via three online course programs offered through Eastern Gateway Community College? Yes they can! Visit www.freecollege.afscme.org for more information.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE? According to the Secretary of State's Office you have until October 10, 2016 to register to vote online or mail to participate in the upcoming November elections. If you wish to register in person you have until October 31, 2016. Go to www.sos.wa.gov for more information or to register.

THURSTON-MASON-LEWIS CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL LABOR DAY PICNIC! Bring the family and come CELEBRATE workers at Tumwater Historical Park, 777 Simmons Lane WE, Tumwater 97501, from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm on September 5, 2016. There will be free food and entertainment for the kids.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HARBOR DAYS – LABOR DAY WEEKEND: Local 443 needs volunteers to help at the WFSE booth during Harbor Days. Please contact Megan Bjornberg at organizing.chair@wfselocal443.org if interested in helping.

STAY INFORMED OF UPDATES AND THE LATEST ALERTS: Text the message L443 to 237263 so you can receive important updates, alerts and calls for action.

MEETINGS

AUGUST 2016

- 8/2 E-Board
- 8/4 Grievance
- 8/10 Political Action @ Casa Mia
- 8/11 Organizing
- 8/16 General Membership
- 8/17 ESD Shop Steward
- 8/18 Grievance @ 6:15 pm
- 8/23 Scholarship, Finance, and Trustee
- 8/31 Communications

SEPTEMBER 2016

- 9/1 Grievance
- 9/2 E-Board
- 9/13 Steward
- 9/14 Political Action @ Casa Mia
- 9/20 General Membership

All meetings are held at 6 pm at the Local Office unless otherwise posted.



General Membership Meeting - Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 6 p.m.
General Membership Meeting - Tuesday September 20, 2016, 6 p.m.

Light refreshments and child care are provided at General Membership Meetings
Sign language interpreter available upon request

Actions you should take:

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