

May 2016



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 6 pm.
AGENDA:
The 443 membership will vote on the following:

- The nomination/election of Delegates and Alternates for the Washington State Labor Council Convention in Wenatchee Washington from July 19-21, 2016
- The motion to donate \$10,000.00 to KPLU FM Radio
- Nomination/election of Delegates/Alternates for Council 28 Policy Committees (Oct 2015- Sept 2017 Term)

Members interested in alternative ways to attend or participate in the General Membership meetings should contact Linda Erickson at communication.chair@wfselocal443.org

443 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 6 p.m.
AGENDA:

- Nomination and election of Trustee Position #1

Any eligible member who is interested in representing their agency on E-Board should contact Jeff Paulsen at: general@wfselocal443.org

REMEMBERING SISTER CHARYN NIEMEYER: Local 443 member activist Charyn Niemeyer passed away on April 13, 2016. Charyn was a medical assistant specialist 3 with the Health Care Authority, Local 443 Trustee and Shop Steward and the secretary for WFSE Council 28 Miscellaneous Policy Committee from 2011-2015. Charyn could always be counted on for a friendly word and smile. She will be missed. Funeral arrangements are through Funeral Alternatives of Washington in Lacey, (360) 491-2222.

A THANK YOU FROM OUTGOING SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for the honor they have given me by allowing me to serve as the Scholarship Committee Chair for the past several years. As a member of Local 443 I have had the opportunity to support my Brothers and Sisters in many volunteer opportunities within my agency at South Puget Sound Community College as well as in Local 443. I have been a Union Steward at my agency, the Local 443 Chief Steward, a member of the Bargaining Team for my agency, the Local 443 Newsletter Editor, the Local 443 Office Manager and now I will end my term as the Scholarship Chair this June.

I would like to say that being the Chair of the Scholarship committee has been a pleasure and I think my most favorite role within our Union yet. I have enjoyed seeing our members and their families benefit through the opportunities given to them by the Local Scholarships. Knowing that our dues are being used directly to support our Brothers and Sisters here in our own Local is so rewarding. I would like to encourage any member to contact the Local, including myself, if you think you would be interested in volunteering with the Scholarship Committee or any other aspect of Local 443. As my service in this role comes to an end it will give another member the opportunity to enjoy the same rewards that I have over the past several years.

So, thank you again for your trust in me and giving me the opportunity to give back to what I believe is an important organization not only in my work place but in my community here in Thurston County. In Solidarity, Alanna Gehr, Local 443 Scholarship Chair".

SHOP STEWARD MEETING: Attention all Local 443 Shop Stewards! There will be two Shop Steward meetings held in May, the regular evening Steward Committee meeting on May 10, 2016 at 6:00 pm and a special brunch Steward Committee meeting on May 14, 2016 at 9:30 am. Both meetings will be at the Local 443 office and the topics are Article 5 – Performance Evaluations and Article 31 – Personnel Files.

FACEBOOK UPDATE: We are consolidating our two Local 443 Facebook pages. Please like our New and Improved Facebook page at: <https://m.facebook.com/WFSE-Local-443-223515157806576/>

- MEETINGS**
- MAY 2016**
- 5/5 Grievance Committee
 - 5/10 Steward Committee
 - 5/11 Political Action @ Casa Mia
 - 5/12 Organizing and Next Wave
 - 5/14 Steward Brunch & Training
 - 5/17 General Membership
 - 5/18 ESD Shop Stewards
 - 5/19 Grievance @6:15
 - 5/21 WSLC COPE Convention
 - 5/22 Political Action Candidate Interviews
 - 5/24 Scholarship, Finance, and Trustee
 - 5/25 Communications
- JUNE 2016**
- 6/2 Grievance Committee
 - 6/7 E-Board
- All meetings are held at 6 pm at the Local Office unless otherwise posted.*



General Membership Meeting - Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 6 p.m.

General Membership Meeting - Tuesday, June 21, 2016, 6 p.m.

Light refreshments and child care are provided at General Membership Meetings

Sign language interpreter available upon request

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