

## CALENDAR

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### Upcoming Chapter Meetings

#### Pasco

- **Saturday, April 17**  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Pasco Library  
1320 W Hopkins St.

#### Vancouver

- **Wednesday, April 28**  
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
Center for Educational Leadership  
2921 Falk Rd.

#### Seattle

- **Wednesday, May 19**  
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
Hall 6, Seattle Labor Temple  
2800 1st Avenue

### Upcoming Member Education:

#### Aberdeen

- **Saturday, May 15**  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm  
Check website for location.

### Next Membership Assembly:

#### Ellensburg

- **Saturday, September 25**  
10:00 am – 4:00 pm

# Membership Meetings Closer to Home

Local 8's first ever Chapter Meetings got off to a great start in March with small but lively attendance. As you remember, at the January 23 Assembly members voted for a new model of governance that brings membership meetings closer to home to maximize member participation. Meetings were held in Bellingham, Redmond and Ellensburg. Several members attending said they had never been to a Membership Meeting before and welcomed the chance to participate more fully in their Union.



**First North Region Chapter met in Bellingham**

The following members were elected Chapter Chairs: Bellingham Chapter Chair: **Dalene Robinson**; Eastside Seattle Chapter Chair: **Terry Hall**; Ellensburg Chapter Chair: **Linda Powers**.

At the Bellingham Chapter meeting member Lori Province brought up a local Transit Levy that she felt would benefit the working people in the Bellingham area. Chapter members agreed to refer the issue to the Executive Board. The issue came before the Executive Board at its March meeting and the Board voted to support the Transit Levy. This is an example of how members can impact changes in their local communities.



**First Central Region Chapter met in Redmond**

*Remember: New Members get 50% off of initiation fee for attending a Chapter Meeting!*



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## Local 8 Union Representative Job Opening



Local 8 supports Ruby Ridge dairy workers who were fired for getting help from the United Farm Workers Union. UFW has been on the line helping La Clinica workers too.

### Local 8 has a full-time salaried Union Representative position open based in the Seattle area.

Duties for the position include but are not limited to:

- Serve as chief spokesperson in labor negotiations.
- Prepare contract proposals, formulate bargaining strategies.
- Administer contracts, resolve grievances, counsel and advise members and Shop Stewards.
- Prepare and present educational or informational programs.
- Participate in legislative, political, labor and community affairs.

This position requires long hours with frequent evening and weekend work. Some travel is required within Washington State. Fluency in Spanish is highly desired. Salary depends on experience. A comprehensive package of benefits is provided. For the full job description, please call the Local 8 office at 206-441-8880 or 1-800-600-2433. Submit your resume and letter of application by Friday, April 23 to OPEIU Local 8, 2800 First Ave. #304, Seattle, WA 98121-1114 or email [libby@opeiu8.org](mailto:libby@opeiu8.org). Fax: 206-441-0207.

### La Clínica Management Violates Workers' Rights...Again

For the third time in five years, workers at La Clinica have had to seek justice through the National Labor Relations Board to stop their Employer's anti union actions. Management has hired an attorney from an expensive law firm to try to gut their union standard contract. Once again workers are united in standing up to this bullying with 90% committing to back their co-workers on the Bargaining Team.