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Monday, Sept. 5 Labor Day Picnic

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. 2800 1st Ave, Seattle check www.thestand.org for Labor Day events around the state

Saturday, Sept. 24 Membership Assembly

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Yakima, WA (See details to the right.)

Chapter Meetings

Kent/Auburn

Sat., Sept. 10, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. IBEW Local 46, Classroom 4 19802 62nd Ave S, Kent, WA

Yakima

Sat., Oct. 8, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. YMCA

5 N Naches Ave., Yakima, WA

Shoreline

Wed., Nov. 16, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Shoreline Conf. Ctr., Arden Rm. 18560 1st Ave. NE, Shoreline, WA



www.Facebook.com/OPEIULocal8

Notice of 2016 OPEIU Local 8 Nominations and Elections

In accordance with Article 14 of Local 8's Bylaws, this is notification that nominations and elections will take place at the September 24, 2016 Membership Assembly (see below for details). The Local 8 Constitution and Bylaws, which describe the duties and responsibilities for each position, can be found on the Local 8 website at www.opeiu8.org under "About Us". You can also call the Local 8 office at 1-800-600-2433 or email opeiu8@opeiu8.org to request a copy. The Bylaws also explain the election process and this information can also be found on the website under "Membership Assembly". Here are the open positions:

Nominations of one Central Region Executive Board position to fill out a three-year term
(until January 2019). This position was not filled at the January 2016 General Election. Members
shall be nominated and elected only by those members who reside in the same region as the Central
Region Executive Board position which is Martin Luther King Jr. County.

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Raise Your Union Voice! Membership Assembly

Saturday, September 24, 2016

10:00 am to 4:00 pm Assembly (coffee/sign-in at 9:30 am) 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Social Hour/Auction 7:00 pm Hardship Fund Fundraiser Event (bowling!)

Red Lion Hotel, 607 E. Yakima Ave., Yakima, WA 98901 *Lunch Provided*

Highlights of the Next Assembly

- Nominations and Election for any Open Central Labor Council Delegate Positions
- Nominations and Election for 1 Trustee Position to Serve a 3 Year Term
- Nominations for 1 Central Regional Executive Board Position
- Nominations for Open Alternate Executive Board Positions: North Region 3; East Region 3; Central Region 6; South/West Region 4
- Committee Meetings for Shop Steward/Education; Political Action; Hardship Fundraising;
 Diversity and Assembly/Chapter Meeting
- Review and Approval of any New Union Business
- Review and Approval of the Election Policy
- Review and Approval of the Year to Date August Financial Report

Register with Corinne at corinne@opeiu8.org or 1-800-600-2433 (ext. 113)



Executive Board

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President

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Central

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Central

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Central

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North

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North

Tara McIntosh,

North

John O'Keefe,

North

John L. Adams,

South/West

Crystal Helsel,

South/West

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South/West

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South/West

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South/West

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East

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East

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GHC Leaders Plan Kaiser Transition



Local 8 Leaders at Group Health Cooperative (GHC) gathered this spring to plan the transition to Kaiser Permanente. Kaiser is in the process of acquiring Group Health and it is expected that Local 8 will join with the 12,000 OPEIU members who are currently part of the unique Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions. Member Meetings will be held later this year to plan next steps. The 900 Local 8 members at GHC were recently awarded the Tommy McLean Activist Award to honor standing together during a 10-month contract campaign. In unity with our fellow GHC union members at UFCW 21 and SEIU 1199NW, Local 8 members took bold actions to protect their pensions, provide successor language, gain wage increases and to win on other core issues.



Be sure to check www.thestand.org for info about Labor Day events around the state.

OPEIU Convention 2016

Local 8 Recognized with Organizing Award Suzanne Mode, Business Manager, Re-elected International Vice President Region VI



Pictured L-R, OPEIU International Secretary-Treasurer Mary Mahoney; Local 8 Business Manager and International Vice President Suzanne Mode; OPEIU President Richard Lanigan; Local 8 Recording Secretary Rosalinda Aguirre; President Kellie McGuire; Executive Board Member Audrey Gunderson with Organizer Corinne Cosentino.

Notice of 2016 OPEIU Local 8 Nominations and Elections (continued from page 1)

- Nominations for open Alternate Executive Board positions as follows: Central Region (6 Alternate positions open); North Region (3 Alternate positions open); South/West Region (4 Alternate positions open); and East Region (3 Alternate positions open). Members shall be nominated and elected only by those members who reside in the same region.
- Nominations and election of Delegates to open positions on the Central Labor Councils to serve out a term until January 2017. The open positions are posted on the website under Membership Assemblies.
- Nominations and election of one Trustee position to serve a three-year term. Trustees meet quarterly in Seattle to review and audit Local 8's financial records.
- **Eligibility:** Members must be in continuous good standing for at least twelve (12) months prior to an election for any officer position. Members must be in continuous good standing for at least six (6) months prior to an election for delegate positions.
- Nomination Process: Nominees must be in attendance at the meeting where they are nominated or declare in writing their willingness to accept the nomination. Written declaration must be presented before the close of nominations and must be in the form of a hard copy email or other written material that clearly identifies the nominee and includes a date. Text messages and emails from electronic devices without the written hard copy provided will not be accepted. Self-nominations will be allowed. Nominations will not need a second.
- Election: Election process, if necessary, for Executive Board positions and Alternates will be by mail ballot in accordance with the OPEIU Local 8 Election Policies and Procedures and with the Local 8 Constitution and Bylaws.

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Election Info: Where to Turn?

The stakes this election year are higher than ever. We must ensure our economy provides a chance for working people to thrive and eliminates the burgeoning income gap that favors the wealthy. We can take an active role to elect politicians who advocate for issues that are important to working families.

Click **Election 2016** on Local 8's website www.opeiu8.org to find labor-endorsed candidates; events you can participate in that help candidates such as Labor to Neighbor walks, register to vote and how to join Local 8's Political Action Committee.

You can help elect local, state and federal candidates who will fight for us and the issues we care about most by staying informed and becoming a member of OPEIU's Political Action Committee, called OPAL (Office Professionals Acting Legislatively). All donations to the PAC are voluntary; dues are not used. For just \$5.00 a month or \$60 a year you can join as a voting member of OPAL with a voice and vote in deciding candidate contributions. When we all chip in, together we can make a big difference.

Another good way to stay informed is to subscribe to *The Stand*, Washington State Labor Council's award-winning online newspaper. *The Stand* features news for working people. Just go to www.thestand.org and subscribe today. We're proud to say *The Stand* staff are members of Local 8!



Hardship Fundraiser

(after the Assembly)

Sat., Sept. 24 7 pm - 10 pm

Eagle Lanes

Yakima, WA

Pledge forms and more information at:

www.opeiu8.org



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