



And so you asked...

Wheels members ratify two year pact



After a threat of Wheels losing Cher-Ariot's paratransit contract, a one-day strike and a public campaign, the Union ratified a two-year agreement that runs retroactively from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

The most significant contract improvements involve wages. All bargaining unit members will receive a 3 percent wage increase retroactive to July 1, 2006, a 3 percent wage increase retroactive to Jan. 1, 2007, a 3 percent increase on Jan. 1, 2008. In the last six months of the agreement, top operator wages after five years employment will increase to \$17.00. Dispatchers will receive 5 percent above the top operator rate, topping out at \$17.85 an hour, and maintenance mechanics will receive incremental increases up to 7 percent above the top operator rate, to \$18.19 an hour. All employees with six or more years of service will continue to receive an additional \$0.40 an hour, and employees who work after 7 p.m. will receive a \$0.25 shift differential premium.

Also important was maintenance of insurance benefits. The employer will continue to pay 100 percent of the "employee only" premium. For employees who waive the employer's insurance coverage because of spouse coverage under another plan, the employer will continue to pay the monthly equivalent to the employees, based on the 2007 rates, for the duration of the agreement.

Under the new agreement, for the first time, Wheels employees will be able to bid vacation every six months, and other vacation on a first-come, first-serve basis. Once bid, vacation leave cannot be cancelled by the employer. Full-time employees receive eight hours per month of sick leave, and under the new contract, employees who don't use sick leave in a 12-month period will earn an additional eight hours. Sick leave maximum accrual increased from 320 to 480 hours.

A new position of Lot Attendant was also created, at a beginning rate of \$8.50 an hour.

I want to thank Wheels Liaison officer John Harvey and ATU International Vice President Ron Heintzman for their assistance in negotiating the new agreement.

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Portland Public Schools

As reported by
RANDY SHAW



Well, I hope everyone enjoyed their New Year's Eve, because it looks like 2007 isn't starting off well. We were under the impression from everything we've read and been told, that we were still operating under our old contract while in negotiations. This held true for everything but medical. Because we agreed to the medical cap through the DCU in our last contract with the District, they have the right to raise rates, and that is just what they've done. With the medical costs going up, members plus one will be taking at least a \$2.00 an hour cut in pay, while a member with a family will see a \$3.00 an hour or more cut depending on how many hours you work.

The Trust had a \$2 million surplus last year. Half went back to the District and the other half went back to the Trust in order to lower costs. Lower costs on what, we ask ourselves. It wasn't to lower the cost of medical insurance.

If you ask me, we're being taken advantage of, and I am tired of it. I think it is time to get out of the DCU and get our own bids on affordable medical insurance, with as little out-of-pocket expense as possible. We can't do anything different along the lines of medical insurance by staying in. I know I was the one pushing to get the DCU moving in the right direction, and we got off to a great start. But I

have to think of our drivers and our future, and let someone else worry about what the DCU does. You elected me to serve you, not them.

We go back to the table Feb. 7, and we're working to get you every benefit and raise that all of you deserve, from our newest hire to our most senior drivers.

TriMet Salaried Employees

As reported by
JIM FOWLER



The new year has begun a little slow but I'm sure things are about to heat up. As I'm writing this, we had only two stays from the Bus

Mall changeover, so I know road supervisors, dispatchers, trainers, customer service reps, station agents, and others will be quite busy during this time. Due to the mall changeover, the customer service folks had a holiday sign-up for Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. I believe this was their first holiday sign-up and due to the various job classifications within their department, it took about four weeks to iron out a plan that was acceptable to as many people as possible. Many thanks to Mary Longoria and Sam Schwarz for their efforts in working out the details.

The fare inspectors recently completed a series of surveys to try to get an estimate of actual fare evasion on buses and trains. They boarded buses and trains at various locations just outside of Fareless Square and

asked as many riders as they could for their fare. They gave no citations during this time but just reminded the evaders to be sure to pay next time. (I'm sure they will.) I don't know what the final numbers turned out to be, but most of the inspectors I spoke with felt fare evasion was at least 50 percent.

We are in the process of trying to clear up a grievance in Finance by clarifying some contract language and creating a new position. I'm also working on a grievance regarding the filling of the money room supervisor shift when he is off. Two grievances are pending on this issue.

I want to remind everyone that if you're having any problem on the job and you think the Union can help, please give me a call. Don't go at it with your manager or supervisor alone. I certainly don't have all the answers, but I have several resources to turn to for help. So please call me at 503-349-9222.

TriMet Lift

As reported by
LES GREEN



By now we should be getting in to the groove with our new routes, so things are back to normal, or as close to normal as they get with paratransit. As usual, manifests plus scheduling plus dispatch equals off time performance.

Now to the main topic of this article, which is a change (improvement) in seniority. After a long discussion with Jon Hunt and Sam

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Schwarz, some things came up that I had not considered, so the consensus is that more research must be done. But yes, a vote will be taken before any action will be taken, and it will be held by the Union. So as of now this is where the issue of seniority stands.

Also remember our contract is up in November 2007, so be thinking of changes we should go for in building a new and improved contract with Laidlaw.

Sorry for the rambling, but as of now, much of what is proposed is only in the idea stage and needs to be explored some more. So I am asking all of you at Laidlaw Lift to give Ken or me any ideas you have on these topics.

Well, enough confusion for now and I will write more next month.

TriMet Merlo Transportation

As reported by
BRUCE HANSEN

Welcome to a new year. Things are changing here at Tri-Met. We have two new assistant station managers, Denise Shook and Lyle Pereira. Richard Alsos will also be joining us here at Merlo from Center Street Garage. Debra Goodling will be going to Center Street Garage as acting station manager, and Dick Garvin will be joining Debra at Center as assistant station manager. Gene Cook will also be assigned to Center along with Ruth Tilson and Micky Young. Shelly Lomax will be acting safety and security director. Tim Garling will be acting executive director of operations. Hayden Talbot is playing an oversight role in station operation and continues to be a Powell station manager. Welcome to all and good luck.

Some more changes that are taking place with the routes are as follows: Line 51 will have more spread time and dwell time; Line 57 will have increased running time; Line 52 is targeted for total revamp in June, and we have asked scheduling to not only look at BDS information but to talk to the drivers for their input.

March sign-up will have eight more weekday runs, four more Saturday runs and four more Sunday runs here at Merlo. It appears someone is finally waking up at Tri-Met and listening to our concerns.

Regarding Accident Reviews and Appeals and our quest to revamp

the process, we would like to make it fairer for operators. I have added another tool to help the operators. It is in the form of a letter that states: "Although I don't have a vote on the determination of the accident, I believe based on my experience and the information presented that it may be to your advantage to request an appeal with the appeals board." The letter also contains my contact information including cell number and e-mail address.

So please continue to fill out yellow cards, contact your union rep or an assistant station manager or station manager with your concerns. We have no new grievances filed this month. Remember, health and safety first. Take your breaks.

C-TRAN/C-VAN

As reported by
ROY JENNINGS



I would like to thank our President Jon Hunt for getting C-TRAN to agree to meet with the Union over the parking fiasco here at

C-TRAN. Hopefully you will have seen the outcome of that meeting before you read this article.

After nine meetings with C-TRAN, your Union moved the Fixed Route and Paratransit Operators Contract to mediation. Here shortly you will need to show C-TRAN how you really feel, because the next step in the process will be arbitration. I promise you that once we are out of mediation, your negotiating committee will be able to tell all, and that's when the fun really starts! So stay tuned!

In the next few months, we will be opening negotiations with C-TRAN on the Administrative Assistants and Passenger Service Representative Contract, as well as the Paratransit Dispatchers Contract. I would hope that these contracts go better.

Your ATU Medical Retirement Trustees are meeting this month. Due to the continued loss of capital, I'm hopeful that the trustees will be able to come to an agreement that can then be brought before the membership for a vote. Since this is of importance to all members, if or when it happens, I will post notice of it on the bulletin boards. Only *united* will we be *successful*!

TriMet Light Rail Maintenance

As reported by
MICHAEL CONNER



Welcome to the new year at Rail Maintenance and TriMet's "do more with less" approach. The less is of course bargaining unit help — that

means the current employees will be told to do more. More also means more supervisors, and more attempts to contract out your job! I fear we will also see more deferred maintenance and more just plain neglect of the TriMet assets!

As we look around, we see MOW understaffing that is crippling and we see MOW work that could be done by bargaining unit folks, but is instead contracted out. Light Rail vehicle body work from collisions is being deferred in lieu of the Type One repaints. Facilities maintenance work has an unbelievable deferred maintenance list, with shoddy work being done by contractors instead of our in-house staff. Garbage is still piling up on the platforms. And most importantly, your safety, in light of this, is at risk. Through the vigilance of the employees, the Union can work on these problems, but we need your help by keeping us informed, letting us know of past practice changes, safety issues, and other adverse changes in your work group. Be sure to take the time to work safely and take your proper breaks regardless of how much pressure you receive to do more with less and more!

Timekeepers and clerks are being asked to use a new computer program to do their jobs, with insufficient training. The new program appears to have only been half-built and is not user-friendly. Have patience if you have an issue, as these folks are going beyond the call of duty to figure out how to make another great idea from management work. I'm sure they will be rewarded in the end with attempts by the District to cut some of their jobs.

We continue to fight with the District about snow and ice issues. The District would love to have you never get to go home when it snows. We continue to fight that. If management shifts result in attempts to take away past rights for

overtime in a work group, let me know as soon as it happens. It needs to be grieved. Call me if you have a question on this. OSHA has initiated an investigation into the overhead wire warming experiment.

The Elmonica shop and cleaners have a new manager; we will be meeting to discuss issues old and new.

A person can only speculate as to why Bruce Miller has returned to his old job of rail maintenance director. Maybe it is to solve some managerial problems, like facilities managers and bus maintenance directors who don't know where the light rail tracks and facilities are, or rail supervisors working with no supervision. Hopefully the higher-ups are starting to see the problems at rail and the way things are getting screwed up. Regardless, I'm sure Bruce and I will be getting together soon!

It was a busy month last month, as I had a number of grievance hearings and in the near future we will be attending some union steward training.

WHEELS

As reported by
JOHN HARVEY



No report given.

Laidlaw Portland Public Schools

As reported by
KENDALL GREENAWALT JR

No report given.

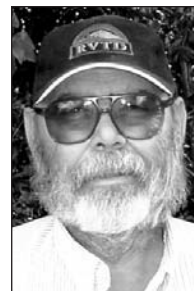
Laidlaw Corvallis

As reported by
CHRIS GROOMS/BOB McGUIRE

No report given.

Rogue Valley Transportation District

As reported by
TOM HENNEY



No report given.

TriMet Center Maintenance

As reported by



C H A D MATHER

No report given.

TriMet Center Transportation

As reported by
ALAN EISENBERG



First, I would like to thank all those folks at TriMet that came to sign up to explain the new procedures for the mall

move. I was also glad that the schedulers were there and took input from our operators. And now, "On with the show!"

Did anyone notice that the TriMet Grinch stole X-mas? Huh? Did anyone see the candy canes that we have given out for years? I guess the Grinch is just cheap. The new seats have been installed in the 1700s and are already causing pain and injury. Great floogin' idea! Although I do tip my hat with great respect to our maintenance members for keeping our beat fleet runnin' and on our streets.

I know that management reads our paper, so here goes: Morale is so low it's subterranean. Although I've heard a lot about mentoring and helping drivers, I haven't seen the proof in the pudding yet. Schedules are rotten, our fleet is shoddy and all management can think of is double stopping on the mall, calling out external stops (with buses that have no external speaker) and writing up drivers of said coach. When are you gonna learn to use honey and not vinegar?

Come speak to us, listen to what we have to say, learn from the troops that are out there every day. Speak to our riding public and then run with the ball instead of dropping it. This was a great company and can be so again, but only if we listen to each other and learn and grow.

That's it from the home office.

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Until next time, stay sharp, get sleep, eat healthy, and stay alive. Bless all of you!

TriMet Merlo Maintenance

As reported by
JEFF HUNT



First off, I want to thank everyone who went above and beyond the call of duty during the recent snow storm. The extra work inherent

in a snowstorm is something it's easy to underestimate, but we know what goes into it. Remember, there is no mandatory overtime. Only work it if you want to. If you don't, and you're out at the end of your shift, come back to the shop.

Some service workers have been told that they don't have the same rights as helpers. This is incorrect. Service workers have all the same rights as helpers, including bidding on signups. The only difference is the rate of pay.

There has been a change in the vacation sign-up procedure. There will be a posting telling you when you will be meeting with your supervisor to go over your vacation, so make sure you have your requests ready. If you sign a week and decide not to take it, let your supervisor know as soon as possible so others can sign it if they wish.

Finally, congratulations go out to Charlie Pickard, who is retiring after 24 years, and also to Don Klippstein, who is retiring as well. Be sure to give them your best wishes.

TriMet Powell

As reported by
ROSE JORDAN-FAIRLEY



To my brothers and sisters, I hope that you all had a safe and happy holiday. Signup is starting, and my, what a change! Were you able to

sign a good week or two, for summer vacation? We are making our sign-

ups. More weeks of vacation were added.

I'm continuing to meet the needs of the Powell operators with grievances. Hats off to Hardie, who retired Jan. 12, 2007 after 40 great years of service. Way to go, Hardie. Let's continue to work together, to strive for perfection.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support.

TriMet Powell Maintenance

As reported by
KEVIN KINOSHITA



I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

We haven't stopped since the ULPs in December. A lot of issues have arisen since then. A

hot topic was the installation of the new Oracle system that was installed for the maintenance department. This new system has a lot of problems. The MMIS system that was replaced was used for many, many years. As most of you know, when a new computer system is installed there are a lot of "bugs." Remember the "new" payroll system that was installed. Double-check your pay stubs to make sure all of your earnings — including longevity, tool allowance, shift differential, vacation, floating holidays, and sick time — are correct.

One issue that was addressed right away was the confidentiality agreement that the assistant supervisors, time-keepers and MMIS clerks "had to sign." In some departments they were forced to sign this agreement. This is ridiculous. If this ever happens to you, meet with your union officer right away or call the union office. We filed a pre-filing grievance on this confidentiality agreement and sent a demand to bargain letter to Fred Hansen. We got a modified agreement from the District that will resolve this issue. This modified agreement will be in effect when signed. Those who signed the prior agreement will be asked to sign the new one, which will replace the old one.

Everyone should have received their new medical cards from Blue Cross Blue Shield. If you have not received your cards, call Cynthia Kodachi at TriMet benefits depart-

ment. Also let your union officer know. We have had FMLA paperwork get lost in the TriMet system; so always make copies of your paperwork. If your doctor is charging you for filling out FMLA paperwork, pay the bill, get a receipt, make a copy and give it to your garage manager so you can get reimbursed. If for any reason you are having problems, call me at 503 522-4009, Dave Kay on swing shift or Martina Hartley on graveyard, or call the Union office

We finally had a J.A.T.C. meeting on Jan. 11. This meeting is for the diesel and facilities maintenance apprenticeship program. This state requires having this committee because we have an approved apprenticeship program. The facilities maintenance program is almost finalized for future apprentices; Portland Community College classes, tutoring, and other in-house modules have been approved. There are a lot of programs opening up. If interested, you must first pass the Bennett test to be considered for any apprenticeship program, and then it goes according to seniority on being chosen.

Lastly, we have a bunch of retirements going on, and it won't stop any time soon. It's not just in maintenance; it's in all departments. I would like to say congratulations and happy retirement to Clyde Hoof from Powell, Don Klippstein from Merlo and Frank Anthony from Center Street. You Lucky Dogs!

Salem Area Transit

As reported by
KEN RICHINS

Negotiations are still in progress. As of the time I'm writing this our last formal meeting had been Dec. 15. Ten joint proposals were tentatively agreed to and initialed. These subjects include revised language on union/district meetings (reflects current practice); titles of district personnel; an increase in the number of hours that may be cashed out for those who have already taken over 120 hours of vacation leave within the year; accrued sick leave roll over into VEBA (reflects current practice); authorization of unpaid leave; call in time (4:30 a.m.) for unbid vacation (reflects current practice); and what happens when one leaves work early by mistake and wants to return to work, and what happens when one reports to work late. At the table, we also agreed to modify our grievance procedure.

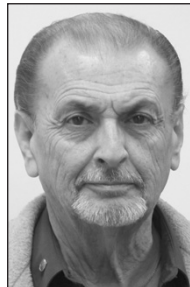
At this time there are about 25 unresolved issues that include the union's economic proposals, various language proposals as well as a few district proposals.

An extra board subcommittee, consisting of Keith, Harry and myself, met prior to formal negotiations and formulated a proposal that amalgamates a number of extra board rules that have been listed on four different documents into contract language (Article 22). The new language that will be inserted into Article 22 from these various memos reflects current practice.

Our next formal negotiation meetings were scheduled on Jan. 15 and 19 (after this article was written). After the Union and the District negotiate a tentative agreement, a ratification date will be scheduled and posted. There will be at least two meetings scheduled on that date. We will present a full explanation of each tentative agreement and answer any questions that may be raised at those meetings.

Lane Transit District

As reported by
WALT BOYNTON



Driver Terry Jennings passed away just before Christmas, after an extended illness. Our condolences go out to his

family on their loss. As you know, his brother Ricky works with us. Sorry Ricky, Terry will be missed by many as a good friend.

On Jan. 3, we had six more drivers complete one year of service and end that nasty old probation period. You know what I think of one-year probation! Cruel and unusual punishment! Jeremy Card, Andrew Chandler, Marcus Hecker, Amanda Kearney, Greg Pedersen and Debra Pittman are no longer on probation! Congratulate them, job well done!

Also in mid-January, we bid a fond farewell to Dorothy Libbey and Will Harlan. Good luck and enjoy your retirement, you two!

The first part of February, the district plans on hiring six more drivers. Welcome them aboard.

Your local officers attended training in Portland on Saturday, Jan. 20. This is training by the Union for all officers and stewards to help us better serve you, the

members. And it is done on their own time. Thank you to all that attended, most on their RDO.

Contract negotiation time will be upon us soon. Contract suggestion forms will be mailed out to you. Please fill them out and either hand them to a local union officer or better yet, put them in the Union box located on the counter across from the OPS window.

Remember to check out the Union bulletin boards for late and breaking news. Tom Shackelford does a great job of keeping everything current. Union meeting times and locations are posted for each month's meetings so you can plan on the one you want to attend. Remember, if we stick together we will get what we deserve. If we don't, we will surely get what we deserve! Thanks Sam, *in solidarity!*

MV Transportation

As reported by
DENNIS TONG

No report given.

TriMet Light Rail Transportation

As reported by
MICHAEL T. OLIVER



It's the new year and change is in the air. TriMet management is playing musical chairs, 220 new bus operators are on the horizon and Light

Rail is dying for LROs. With the new class entering their third week of seven we get closer to having new LROs, but graduation is a long way away (study harder).

Meanwhile, Mike Polk has left TriMet for greener pastures. He will be misse. His quiet demeanor and excellence at operating the monsters was way above normal, and so it goes. Al Szejter (yes, that is the correct spelling) retires in March. Al is building a house in Panama, and everyone is welcome to visit, though not all at once. Al, who has won every award possible in his TriMet career, leaves at the top of his game. With a new positive attitude and a titanium hip, he will live forever and enjoy it. Last but certainly not least in this parade is Judy Moore, who retired on Jan. 26. Judy has been at PSC since its inception and will go down the

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February Meetings

Charter

Charter members meet 7:30 p.m. Monday, February 19, in the Machinists Building, 3645 SE 32nd Ave., Portland. Charter day members meet 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 20, at Schoppert Hall, 1801 NE Couch, Portland.

Salem Transit/WHEELS

Salem members meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 20, at the Comfort Inn and Suites (formerly Salem Inn) 1775 Freeway Court NE, Salem.

Lane Transit

Eugene members meet 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 21, and Eugene day members meet 10 a.m. Thursday, February 22, at the Woodworkers Local Lodge, 1124 South A St., Springfield.

Corvallis Laidlaw

City Transit/Schools

Corvallis members meet 7:45 p.m. Thursday, February 22, at Woodstock Pizza, 1045 NW Kings Blvd., Corvallis.

Rogue Valley Transportation

Medford members meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 22, at the Hampton Inn, 1124 Morrow Rd., Medford.

Portland and Laidlaw School Bus Drivers

Portland school bus members meet 6 p.m. Thursday, February 22, at Rigler School, 5401 NE Prescott, Portland.

C-TRAN/C-VAN

Vancouver members meet 7 p.m. Sunday, February 25, at the Laborers Hall, 2232 NE Andresen, Vancouver, Washington.

Tillamook County Transportation District

Tillamook members meet 1:00 p.m. Sunday, February 25, at the Odd Fellows Hall, next door to the Bay City Fire Hall in Bay City.

AMR Northwest Josephine County, LAMAR Advertising and Valley Transit

See your liaison officers.

PLEASE NOTE: ATU members are invited to attend any of the above-listed meetings.

VP's Report

By Sam Schwarz
Vice President



sign-up is complete and the operators were very happy with the outcome. Hundreds of operators were able to choose weeks that they could only dream about in past years.

We settled several outstanding grievances in the grievant's favor and are moving forward. At Portland Public Schools we are still in negoti-

ations and have nothing to report at this time. We are taking a ratification vote at Wheels in Salem and have several open contracts that are presently in negotiations. We are finishing up two arbitrations and beginning a new one at the end of this month.

The month of December the members voted to take two more terminations to arbitration and both came from TriMet. At TriMet there has been an awful lot of musical chairs being played by the management. Right now you can't tell the players without a program.

I would like to congratulate Hardie Schoebel on his retirement. Hardie was the number one driver in seniority at Tri Met.

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road singing a magic tune and headed for any beach that presents itself. Much love, and may the road rise to meet you and the wind be at your back.

The Cascade Station is open for business, and expect a lot of it once the furniture shop opens up. This time, you can open the doors without fear of being written up. If you mistakenly open your doors, call it in immediately. That mistake is a re-instruction. If some one else calls it in, it could be a letter.

On Jan. 2, 2004, a fire-truck collision happened at Fifth & Washington in Hillsboro. We have had three days of intense arbitration and are scheduled for two more Feb. 11 and 12. So far things are going well, and we need good wishes for the 11th and 12th. Call Bill Wagoner and wish him the best. Giles Gibson, a Portland attorney, is handling the case and handling it very well. Hope for the best. Looking forward to more sign-ups, mail to mtgbo2002@msn.com

Treasurer's Report

Tom Wallace
Financial Secretary-Treasurer



The actions of the members for January 2007 will be reported in February due to the change in meeting dates to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The actions that were taken by the members in December 2006 were to move three grievances to arbitration, made charitable contributions to Labor's Community Service Agency and Jobs for Justice and heard the first reading of a pro-

posed bylaws change that would require non-represented employees to pay all back dues and assessments before being allowed back into the Union. The second reading and vote of this proposed bylaws change will be held during the January 2007 meeting cycle.

I have continued to work with Maintenance Director Tony Bryant and Mediator Paul Stuckenschneider to resolve the upgrading of assistant supervisors and senior mechanics at TriMet. I am hopeful there will be a resolution by next month's article.

We have continued to work with our auditor to get the audit done for the members' review. This should be ready for the Feb. 19 meeting dates. If you have questions about the union financials, please contact me at the Union office or e-mail at fstreasurer@atu757.org.

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Retirees' Corner

The following retirees will celebrate birthdays in February: William M. Albrecht, Suzann I. Barnes, Brian V. Bilyeu, Clyde E. Brittle, Gary E. Bundy, Edward E. Crumble, David O. Davis, Arnold Denton, Kenneth E. Dukes, Ted O. Fischer, Melvyn D. Goon, Billy A. Grover, Clifford R. Hall, Arden D. Hatfield, Raymond Hondl, Jerry O. Houser, Marilyn L. Jackson, Walter M. Jespersen, Richard L. Johnson, Richard E. Kell, David L. King, Lynn A. Lundstrom, Raymond A. Mayfield, Booker T. Moreland Jr., Henry L. Perryman, **Everett L. Phipps**, Richard C. Prather, Gary R. Reagan, Donald G. Rowley, Fred J. Schultz, William E. Smith, William A. Taylor, Terry D. Thaden, Jack V. Townsend, Tommy J. Vick, William A. Wardy Jr., **Evvard West**, **Harold M. Wymore**, Rodger C. Zwetzig.

The names of the 50-year members are shown in bold type. Next month's regularly scheduled ATU 757 Retired Member Chapter meeting is Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. at Westmoreland's Union Manor, 6404 SE 23rd Ave. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 9 a.m.

