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#### **Thinking of Retiring?**

Please contact Local 514's Retirement Counselor Mark Loeber for details. Contact details are listed below:

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#### Bankruptcy Information

Information about the bankruptcy comes almost everyday for hearings etc. The informer only goes out weekly. The Informer is not the best way to keep up with daily information for the membership. We highly recommend that you go to the computer at home or at work and go to www.twu514.org and see daily up to the minute updates. This is the fastest and most reliable way to be informed. You can also sign up for updates at www.twu.org (the international website).

### **Oklahoma AFL-CIO Legislative Update**

House Bill 2155 by Steele creates the "Oklahoma Employee Injury Benefit Act." This bill allows corporations with excessive claims to opt-out of workers' compensation, which would drive up costs for corporations that do not have that option. We oppose this bill. It was voted from committee on 4- 3-12. This Bill passed the senate 28-17 on April 18, 2012. It is going back to the House to accept amendments that were added. Please call your OK State Representatives and as them to vote against HB2155.

### **Tulsa Area Higher Education Consortium**

Local 514, American Airlines and the Tulsa Area Higher Education Consortium presents: Educational Showcase and Return on Investment Sessions .

The Value of Education will be held May 2, 2012 11:45am & 3:45pm Location : TWU Local 514 Union Hall. Value of Education includes the general benefits of education, socially, financially, and physically. There will be discussions on essential elements of education including: Understanding Accreditation, Local Colleges and University to evaluate, and Financial Aid and Scholarships.

### **TWU Blood Drive**



Have you given blood lately? If you have, you probably have seen Carol Bean volunteering here for the Red Cross for last 26 years; twenty of those years, along side her husband Paul. She has been a teacher of music therapy most of her life, but recently she tutors to children in music. She started volunteering for the Red Cross in the Disaster area and decided that was not for her.

Carol just celebrated her birthday recently and is 89 years young. She said the one memory she remembers the most was" When my husband died, I was worried that I would not be able to come back to volunteer at American Airlines anymore with the Red Cross. The Union guys told me that you just get to the gate and we will get you here. I was so happy that those union guys made it happen every time I come out here". Bill Bell, Dale Cotton, Billy Cuenco, Gene Chapin, and Chris Gibson pitched in and gave Carol Bean a black TWU jacket at the Blood Drive to celebrate her birthday . Thank You, Carol Bean, for all that you do.

## Foot Care Clinic

The Visiting Nurses Association of Tulsa will be here April 25, 2012 from 9AM to 4PM. The clinic will be held at the Transport Workers Union, Local 514, 11945 E. Pine St. Please call (918) 695-5165 for an appointment at. The cost for this treatment \$30.00, for which you will receive the following: Warm Water Soak, Nail trim, File, Callus Care, and Message. Just a reminder this is a clinic geared for Diabetics and their feet. It is recommended by the American Diabetes Association that Diabetics should not clip their own toenails because if not trimmed correctly a diabetic could get foot sores or ulcers. This is not the time for the nurses to treat or diagnosis foot problems that you may have right now.



Do I have it? Do I need it? What should I do if I need it? We have two Short Term Disability insurances at American Airlines.

The first Short Term Disability is the Union Short Term Disability Plan named "The Standard": This insurance pays you while you are out of work for an illness or accident and unable to work. It pays you fifty percent of your income less your taxes. Also, "The Standard" pays an average of your overtime for the past year of work. Local 514's Insurance Committee completes the employer portion of the application for the benefit, not the company, so it would be necessary for you to contact D'Ann Johnson or Malinda Hamm to get it completed. The Second Short Term Disability insurance is called Metlife. This is the Company Short Term Disability. This insurance also pays fifty percent of your income less your taxes. This form is filled out by you, your doctor, and your employer. The Local 514 Insurance Committee is always willing to help you in anyway to assure that all of the forms are complete and ready to be submitted. You can only make a claim on one Short Term Disability plan. So if you have both, please contact your Insurance Committee to have this corrected. As always, please keep a copy of all forms for your records in a safe place.



### **TWU Local 514 Jackets**

Black TWU, Local 514 jackets are on sale at the Union Hall Office for \$35 each, cash or check. Sizes available are S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL and 5XL.

Brown TWU, Local 514 jackets are also on sale for \$45 each, cash or check. Sizes available are M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL and 5XL.



Blue denim TWU, Local 514 jackets are on sale for \$25 each, cash or check. Sizes available: M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL and 5XL

*Please bring the correct change or a check*