



## ATU women 'Sail for the Cure'

A group of women school bus drivers and their friends — including several cancer survivors — took part in Sail for the Cure Sept. 23. The event raises money for Susan G. Komen for the Cure, which funds breast cancer education and research. The drivers work for Portland Public Schools and are members of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 757; the union's Executive Board agreed to sponsor the boat with a \$500 contribution. Sail for the Cure, in its eighth year, is organized by the Oregon Women's Sailing Association and takes place on the same day as the better-known Komen Race for the Cure. This year, Sail for the Cure drew 61 boats and 362 participants, raising about \$35,000. An estimated 40,110 women and 470 men die of breast cancer every year in United States. Participating in this year's event were ATU members Nicky Barron (breast cancer survivor), Earlene Jansen (skipper and boat owner), Helen Goché, Julie Higgins, Sharon Pierce, Pat Belz and Carolyn Carson (breast cancer survivor); Sandy Van Baggen (PPS safety/training) and friends Lenore Cloney and Stephanie Fuller (lung cancer survivor).

# United Way kicks off 2007 fundraising campaign

United Way of the Columbia-Willamette has kicked off its annual fundraising campaign for 2007.

Union members and labor organizations have always played an instrumental role in the campaign's success, which helps fund organizations and, in turn, individuals in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County, Wash.

"Labor's annual support has made it possible to reduce hunger, support children's health care, counsel teenagers in need, help people with disabilities live their lives to the fullest and make the lives of seniors healthier and more fulfilling," said Glenn Shuck, executive director of Labor's Community Service Agency Inc., AFL-CIO. Shuck sits on the board of directors of United Way.

As in the past, union members and labor organizations can direct their donations to the agency of their choice. Because Labor's Community Service Agency is a contract agency of United Way, donations can be earmarked specifically to that agency.

"No contribution is too small. Every dollar makes a difference," Shuck said.

To assure contributors that 100 percent of their donations are going to

help those in need, United Way of the Columbia-Willamette this year launched Cornerstone Partners. The program is a way for companies and institutions to designate cash gifts to underwrite the fundraising and operating portions of United Way of the Columbia-Willamette. Last year the organization spent 6.1 percent of its contributions on administrative costs and 10.1 percent on fundraising costs.

Last year's campaign raised \$17.1 million.

According to Brent Stewart, president of United Way of the Columbia-Willamette, a goal has been set to get administrative costs down to 15 percent.

Columbia-Willamette is the first United Way agency in the Northwest to employ the Cornerstone Program. Fifteen other chapters (out of 1,300) use the program.

"The end result is more dollars are invested in the real long-term change to improve people's lives," Shuck said. "All union members who contribute to United Way should know that every penny they contribute will go to strengthening their communities."

Shuck is available to speak at union meetings. He can be reached at 503-231-4962.

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