



Trail Blazers donate eyewear to Portland's needy

A poor, desperate man tries on his first pair of "three goggles", courtesy of the Portland Trail Blazers "Make it Better" Foundation. The foundation is donating 10,000 pairs of three goggles to several area high schools, and local nonprofits who work with youths and elders with vision problems. After developing a new technique (and fashion) in eyewear for athletes — the Trail Blazers say it's their duty to pass on the new goggles to individuals and families around the region who don't have access to proper eyewear.

Energy and spark

by Hot Child in the City

Got up this morning, looked in the mirror, what did I see
My hair had streaks of grey, how could this be
I plan my day now as the mind of the young
But my body won't keep up, and the song is unsung

I read the paper and say things are a mess
Drink my coffee, and then get dressed
I meet a friend and we talk of old times
When we could buy things for nickels and dimes

The world is changing, that is for sure
Technology arrived with the greatest of lure
The Information Revolution has taken its place
In history, and now it's a race

This generation faces decisions not known to the past
It is hard to relate, when the dye has been cast
What has meaning to the young, has meaning to the old
For in the past, the future is told

I hear the laughter as we walk through the park
The children are running with joy, energy and spark
Parents are taking time to watch what they say
After all, it is April Fool's Day!

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and benefits, *not cuts!*

SATURDAY, APRIL 16th at NOON
Pioneer Courthouse Square

EIGHT MILLION JOBS were lost in the 2008 meltdown. Today there are more than five job seekers for every job. Congress should focus on creating jobs, not cutting the safety net!

Let's stand up for community values!

- Create good jobs now—stop job-killing trade agreements.
- Protect and strengthen the safety net.
- Support collective bargaining as 15,000 workers launch campaign for fairness at work in Portland.
- Wall Street should pay for the economic crisis, not working people!

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