



Self Advocates in Leadership

SAIL UPDATE

April 2011



Session is Winding Down. . . When Will Legislators be Heading Home?

UPDATE ON BUDGETS

At the meeting the details of the House Biennial Budget were not quite understood. Last Friday the Senate Biennial Budget was passed. The details are still unclear. In order to get the most up to date information, please access the budget side by side document on the Arc of Washington website, www.arcwa.org under the Advocacy Tab.

Thanks Jim for a Great Speech at the Independent Living Day Rally!



Thanks to everyone for making the Independent Living Day Rally a real success! Thanks Jim for speaking on behalf of SAIL, you did a great job! Even with the rain there were 385 people, well done!! Legislators needed to hear how important Independent Living is to you! So glad to hear everyone had a great day speaking your minds! Keep it up!

Writing Thank You Notes & Delivering Messages



Everyone at the meeting wrote Thank You notes to go to Representatives about the good things included in the House budget. For most people this included the closure of Francis Haddon Morgan and Yakima Valley RHC's. These notes were delivered the following day, on our last Advocacy Day. Because it was too difficult to attend the budget hearings, SAIL's document with personal quotes and hand written messages was also delivered on that day. Thanks to everyone who worked hard each week to make sure that each legislator received our information. Each one of you was a big part of our success this year! **THANK YOU!**

Listen up!



Recently a SAIL member commented that it is very hard to hear when others are having side conversations and using cell phones. Please listen when others are talking and take other conversations outside of the meeting room. Thank you!



Food for the Meeting



Since we have moved to our new location, there is only one cookie per person. Also there is diabetic choice being offered. Thanks for your cooperation!



A Note from the Chair



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Hi Everyone!

Thank you for coming to the April meeting. We went over the budget and wrote Thank You cards to the legislators. Please come to the May and June meeting for information on the new meeting place which is the Harley Davison in Renton. We are moving to the Harley Davison in July.

Sincerely, Heather Harper, Chair

What Should I Do Now that Session is Over?



During the summer and fall is an excellent time to connect with your legislators! They have a lot more time to get to know you and the issues that are important to you! Why not make it a goal to meet with your legislators in the interim, or time before next session gets started? That way, next session they will already have a relationship with you. You can do it! If you need help with this, please call Emily.

SAIL is Moving!



Attention!!! Attention!!!

The SAIL meeting is moving!!!!

Beginning On July 12, 2011

The NEW LOCATION Is:

Downtown Harley-Davidson

3715 East Valley Rd. Renton, Wa. 98057

Meeting Space Upstairs

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Questions? Call Emily

(888) 754-8798 before the meeting or

(206) 618-3818 on the day of the meeting



Once I Get to the Airport, Where Do I Go?



Summit Room

Ticketing Level Between American and Delta Airlines,

Behind The Ticket Counter on the Back Wall

between Currency Exchange and Seattle's Best Coffee

Need additional information? Please call (206) 618-3818 on the day of the meeting