

THE ANTI-HUNGER

October 2003

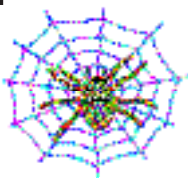
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Brought to you by the Anti-Hunger Action Committee of Crossroads Urban Center
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The Anti-Hunger Action Committee (AHAC) organizes low-income individuals and their allies to take action on their own behalf to improve the social safety net and promote better jobs.

Come To The AHAC

**Halloween
Party
Tuesday**



October 21

6:00

At The Jubilee Center
300 E. 100 S.

Free refreshments
& dancing lessons
Costume Optional!



AHAC Craft Night: We worked on building a Paper Mache tooth costume . We hope to wear it when we ask Olene Walker to restore vision and dental services to Medicaid!

Medicaid Petition Rolls On

AHAC members have been busy collecting signatures on our petition asking Olene Walker to restore dental and vision services to Medicaid when she replaces Mike Leavitt as Utah's Governor. So far we have collected over 1200 signatures. To get these signatures we have had to get out of the office and go talk to people. Members have collected signatures in their apartment buildings, at a conference for single mothers, at a music festival at the University of Utah, and at the bus stops on State Street. We even went to the State Capitol one day and got 6 legislators and two members of the Salt Lake County Council to sign the petition. Special credit is due to AHAC members Darla Ball, Leon Johnson, Dorothy Lane, and Beth Vincent who have all collected at least 100 signatures



Darla Ball and Dorothy Lane ask for your signature for Medicaid.

When the city does business with employers who pay their workers low wages and refuse to give them benefits such as health insurance...

Your Tax Dollars are creating poverty in Salt Lake City!

Help Utah Jobs With Justice tell the City Council, "No more!"

Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 6 PM

City County Building
451 S. 200 E. East doors

Let your voice be heard!

Speak Up! For a Living Wage

If you read the notice above, You will know that Jobs With Justice is asking the City Council to give incentives to employers who pay their employees a living wage and provide benefits such as health insurance. Why, you may ask, is a living wage so important? One reason, according to AHAC member James Phillips, is that people trapped in working poverty "can never go anywhere not matter how hard they work. They are always in debt." The city already considers almost 20 factors when deciding which company to do business with. They could easily consider whether or not the company pays employees a living wage! We need to be there on Oct 14 to tell the City Council that it is time to make a change. So get out and get your voice heard on the 14th!

AHAC Sticker Contest !!
Can you think of a good AHAC slogan or logo for our sticker?
If so, please sketch it out and contact Lisa or Bill at 364-7765

More Immigrant Children Eligible for Food Stamps!

As of October 1st, all qualified legal immigrant children are eligible for foodstamps regardless of when they entered the country. For a food stamp office near you call:

1-866-526-3663



David Hughes showed us his artwork inspired by remote vision during the AHAC Craft Night.



Dancing Lessons at Our October Event!

Rudy Roca will be giving dancing instruction to those who want to learn at the AHAC Halloween Party. Rudy taught himself how to dance and has been learning new moves since his teenage years in the 40's. He is going to be teaching us some of the basics: The Waltz, the Cha Cha, and maybe even the Tango. So come to The Halloween party and learn a new dance!

ASK LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OLENE WALKER TO RESTORE VISION AND DENTAL TO MEDICAID!

Sign the petition in the lobby of the Crossroads Urban Center Food Pantry!

Take Copies home and get your friends to sign!

For more information call Bill or Lisa at the office of the Anti-Hunger Action Committee at 364-7765.