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SILC LOGO Contest Extended

By Rob Honan

Executive Director

The SILC is pleased to announce that it has extended the deadline for the Logo Contest to June 12, 2009.

The contest is now open to all individuals with a disability in the state, Previously, it was only open to youth ages 13-21

We are looking for a design that incorporates some image that Washington state is well known for AND the words "State Independent Living Council" or "SILC."

A \$500 Visa Card will be awarded to the winner. For more information, please go [here](#).

Trains, Planes, Buses, and Autos- IL Rally Day 2009

By Barbara Hathaway, Exec. Assist.

On March 11th, over 500 people with disabilities made their voices heard at the state capitol on a beautiful sunny day. Approximately 150 of these participants were from the six Centers for Independent, arriving in diverse modes of transportation!

Along with the PAS-PORT for Change Developmental Disabilities Council, the ARC of Washington, Disability Rights Washington (DRW), the SILC sponsored the event. The purpose of IL Day was to educate legislators about the issues people with disabilities face, including health care, transportation, housing, and accessible communities.

In anticipation of the rally, Rob Honan provided legislative training to CIL personnel, board members and consumers. While munching on pizza, a great deal of information was shared by Honan --as well as the participants.

Preparation for the event was a hectic, to say the least. I had to deal with the morass of hotels, relay operators, food service providers, interpreting assignments, but it was all well worth it!

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Say Hey Washington!

Some of you may be familiar with “Say Hey”, for others it may be an unknown. Say Hey is an informal networking event. It’s an opportunity to draw professionally accomplished leaders with disabilities together with jobseekers with disabilities, recruiters and employers.

The purpose of the gathering is to have fun and make connections while discussing employment opportunities and economic development. The event which was originally spearheaded by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in Olympia, has been successfully replicated in Seattle, Tacoma, and Spokane with leadership coming from local communities.

[SILC MEMBERS](#)

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Say Hey Calendar.

- **Say Hey Tacoma** - March 25
(sponsored by City of Tacoma)
- **Say Hey Seattle** – March 26
(sponsored by Starbucks);
- **Say Hey Olympia** - April 14
(sponsored by Thurston Co. Chamber of Commerce’s Work For All initiative)
- **Say Hey Kitsap** - April 16
(in conjunction with the WSRC and co-sponsored with Kitsap Business Leadership Network)
- **Say Hey Spokane** – May 5
- **Say Hey Seattle** – May 7

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