

O'Connor, Petroff re-elected

Judy O'Connor was re-elected Nov. 26 to a new four-year term as executive secretary-treasurer of the Northwest Oregon Labor Council. A long-time member of Office and Professional Employees Local 11, she ran unopposed.

Also re-elected by acclamation to new terms were President Bob Petroff, 1st Vice President Barbara Hougen and 2nd Vice President Lynn Lehrbach. Petroff is directing business representative of Machinists District Lodge 24 and a delegate from Lodge 63; Hougen is a delegate from Electrical Workers Local 89 and Lehrbach is a delegate from Teamsters Joint Council No. 37.

Elected by acclamation to NOLC's Executive Board were Glenn Shuck, Position 1; Terry Lansing, Position 2; Janet Irwin, Position 3; Roberta Cunningham, Position 4; John Mohlis, Position 5; Dan Sass, Position 6, and Ed Barnes, Position 7. Shuck is a delegate from Steelworkers Local 330; Lansing is secretary-treasurer of Bakers Local 114; Irwin is a delegate from AFSCME Local 88; Cunningham is executive vice president of United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555; Mohlis is executive secretary-treasurer of the Columbia-Pacific Building Trades Council; Sass is secretary-treasurer of Machinists District Lodge 24 and a delegate from Lodge 1432; and Barnes is a delegate from IBEW Local 48.

Sam Gillispie, a delegate from UFCW Local 555, and Scott Lucy, a delegate from Machinists Lodge 63, were re-elected reading clerks, and John Hall, a delegate from Machinists Lodge 63, and John Vandermosten, a delegate from IBEW Local 48, were re-elected sergeants-at-arms.

Elected trustees were incumbents Shannon Walker of OPEIU Local 277, and Lee Duncan of IBEW Local 48. Newcomer Steve Konopa of UFCW Local 555 will join them.

All officers and board members will be installed at the delegates' meeting in January 2008.



JUDY O'CONNOR



BOB PETROFF

Oregon AFL-CIO's Byrd to attend climate change conference in Bali

Oregon AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Barbara Byrd will be part of a national delegation of 25 union leaders attending a conference on climate change Dec. 3-14 in Bali, Indonesia.

The 13th Conference of the Parties (COP13) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will draw close to 100 unionists from around the world. Leading the union delegation from the United States will be Bob Baugh, executive director of the Industrial Union Council, AFL-CIO. Baugh is a former secretary-treasurer of the Oregon AFL-CIO.

The COP13 delegation will be coordinated by the International Trade Union Confederation and the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), with other trade union bodies through a trade union Working Group on Climate Change.

"Climate change presents massive challenges for trade unions globally, in developed and developing nations," said Philip Pearson, chair of the Trade Union Working Group on climate change. "We intend to mount a strong lobby in Bali for targets in the post-Kyoto period that will substantially increase cuts to greenhouse gas emissions, as well as to work for the adoption of a Green Jobs

strategy to deal with employment impacts of change."

Pearson is senior policy officer at the UK Trades Union Congress, with responsibility for climate change and energy policy. He recently became the first chair of the Global Union's Climate Working Group, after unions obtained formal constituency status with the UNFCCC, which allows them the same level of recognition as business

and non-governmental organizations."

"It's an incredibly important event, and an exciting opportunity," Byrd told the NW Labor Press. "I think there's strong interest in this whole climate change discussion, locally and globally."

The U.S. delegation will issue a report from COP13 and Byrd plans to share the information at union meetings.

IBEW #48's Phil Parker named to State Transportation Commission

Phillip Parker, a longtime member of Electrical Workers Local 48, has been appointed to the Washington Transportation Commission by Gov. Chris Gregoire.

The commission is composed of seven citizen members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate. Commissioners work with the Washington State Department of Transportation and elected officials to define the state's transportation plan, transportation investment plan and transportation policy.

Parker, 61, of Vancouver, succeeds Ed Barnes, a retired member and business manager of Local 48, who served on the commission for the past 12 years. Commissioners can serve only two terms.

Parker was appointed Nov. 16. His term is for six years.

In addition to his work as an electrician, Parker is the chairperson of the Labor Roundtable of Southwest Washington and a member of the executive board of the Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council. He is a member of the Tech Prep Advisory Committee for Clark College, the Columbia River Economic Development Council and the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce.

He serves on the Clark County Public Facilities District Board and is a member of the Washington State Electrical Board.

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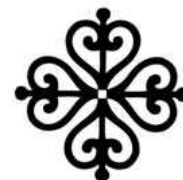
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