

New contract at Cascade General; new officers at Metal Trades Council

The Metal Trades Council of Portland and Vicinity has a new slate of officers and a new contract at Cascade General Ship Repair.

Gary Moore of Laborers Local 296 is executive secretary-treasurer of the organization. Tim Carrier of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 5 is president and Hank Mroczkowski of the Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters is vice president.

Other officers include Bill Elzie of Teamsters Local 162, recording secretary, and John Candioto of Sheet Metal Workers Local 16, sergeant-at-arms.

Executive Board members are Mike O'Rourke of Plumbers and Fitters Local 290; Lee Duncan of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 48; and Stan Danielson, business manager of Insulators Local 36.

Trustees are Lance Hickey of Boilermakers Local 104; Scott Lucy of Machinists District Lodge 24; and Jack Miller of Operating Engineers Local 701.

The Metal Trades Council is com-

prised of union locals that represent some 500 workers at Cascade General, which operates out of Swan Island in Portland.

Shipyards workers ratified a new three-year contract that provides for wage increases of \$1 an hour in each of the next three years; full maintenance of benefits for health insurance; and pension hikes of 10 cents an hour the first two years and 5 cents more in the third year.

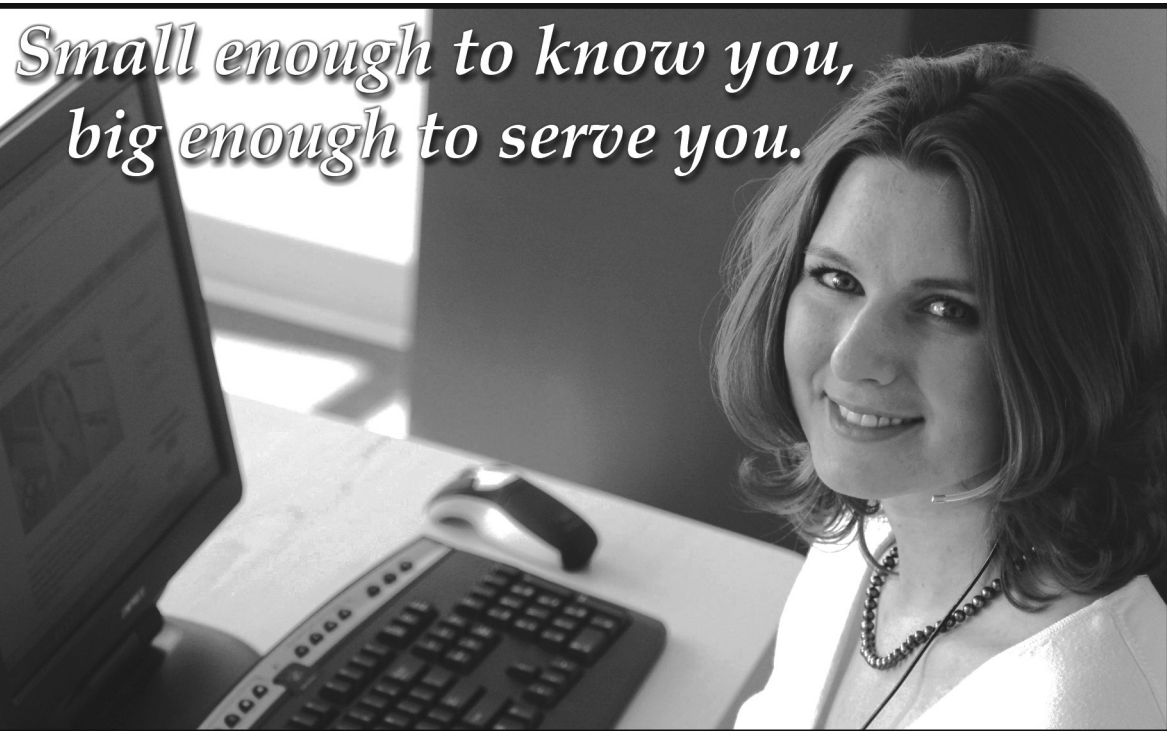
Moore said the council turned back a push by the company to freeze seniority and to open the door to subcontracting.

"It was difficult negotiations," Moore said. "Our guys voted overwhelmingly for strike authorization, which I think bolstered the bargaining team."

Moore said work has been good at the shipyard. "I've been seeing progressively more and more work coming in over the last three years," he said.

The contract was ratified by a two-thirds margin and went into effect July 16.

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