



Makeup artists Pat Chard and Diane Trapp (background in glasses) — both members of IATSE Local 28 — painted kids' faces at Labor Day picnic at Oaks Park.



Jim Anderson of Operating Engineers #701 set up a replica of a 4100 Manitowoc crane at Oaks Park.

Union workers celebrate Labor Day

Thousands of union members, their families, and friends gathered at parks throughout Oregon Sept. 7 to celebrate Labor Day. The largest event took place at Oaks Amusement Park in Southeast Portland, where park officials estimated a crowd of nearly 17,000. Several hundred were counted at events in North Bend and Medford, while numbers weren't too far behind in Springfield and Bend. Photos on this page are from picnics hosted by the Northwest Oregon Labor Council, Southern Oregon Labor Council, and Southwestern Oregon Labor Council. Events in Bend and Springfield were hosted by labor councils in Central Oregon and Lane County.



Families enjoyed carnival rides at Oaks Park on Labor Day. The annual event is hosted by the Northwest Oregon Labor Council. This year's crowd was estimated at 17,000.

The 30th annual Labor Day picnic hosted by the Southwestern Oregon Labor Council attracted a good crowd at Ferry State Park in North Bend, including Sen. Joanne Verger and State Rep. Brian Clem.



A crowd of 250 came out to TouVelle State Park outside of Medford to celebrate Labor Day. The annual picnic is hosted by the Southern Oregon Central Labor Council. Among the picnickers were (above) Kathy McUne of IBEW Local 659 and Gregory Talbott, flying the colors of UFCW Local 555; and AFSCME's Ralph Browning (left). Participants heard remarks from Oregon AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Barbara Byrd and State Rep. Peter Buckley. (Photos by Wes Brain)