

Oregon Tradeswomen, LERC to sponsor leadership institute



Blue collar women from Oregon and Washington will convene at the 2011 Tradeswomen Leadership Institute Sept. 16-17 to participate in workshops focused on leadership development and advocacy skill building. The two-day event seeks to build unity among union, open shop, or self-employed tradeswomen working in the building, construction, mechanical, and utility trades.

"Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. and The University of Oregon's Labor and Education Research Center offer the Tradeswomen Leadership Institute to help tradeswomen succeed in their careers," said Connie Ashbrook, executive director of Oregon Tradeswomen.

Tradeswomen learn skills in workshops and discussion groups to be more effective leaders in their workplaces, unions, companies, and communities. The event also serves as an opportunity to build relationships with other women working in non-traditional careers where they can gain vital support from a community of women who share similar experiences of working in the trades.

The 6th Annual Tradeswomen Leadership Institute takes place at the NECA/IBEW Electrical Training Center located at 16021 NE Airport Way, Portland.

For more information, go online to www.tradeswomen.net.

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