

Roseburg techie will lead OSEA

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In a close race, Roseburg School District network technician Tim Stoelb outpolled Bend-La Pine School District secretary Linda Bradetich to become president of Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA). The election took place June 30 among roughly 260 delegates at the union's annual convention. OSEA's previous president, Bonnie Luisi, retired and did not seek a second two-year term.

OSEA represents about 20,000 support workers in K-12 school districts around Oregon, as well as in Head Start centers, several community colleges and private contractors that

have contracts with the schools. Its members include school secretaries, custodians, cafeteria workers, school bus drivers, maintenance workers, and educational assistants, as well as computer technicians and district office staff such as bookkeepers and payroll and accounting clerks. OSEA affiliated with American Federation of Teachers in 2008, becoming AFT Local 6732.

Luisi, a secretary in Hermiston School District's special education department, decided to take advantage of an early retirement clause in the con-



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tract recently ratified by her chapter in Hermiston. By retiring early, Luisi — a cancer survivor — can continue receiving health insurance benefits until she is eligible for Medicare. She will continue to serve on the OSEA Board as junior past president.

Stoelb, 56, came to work for Roseburg School District after a 21-year informational technology career in the U.S. Navy, where he attained the rank of chief petty officer. After watching bargaining sessions between the union and the school district in 2001, he got involved in OSEA, becoming building representative, steward, unit treasurer and president, OSEA Board member, director of OSEA Zone 5 in Josephine, Jackson, Klamath and Douglas counties, and a trustee on the Southern Oregon Central Labor Council. Stoelb will seek release from his job to work half time in Salem for OSEA.

Stoelb told the Labor Press his priority as president will be educating the public — at a time when public school budgets are being cut and public employees and their unions have come under attack.

"It would be nice to get people to understand that we're not the bad guy," Stoelb said.

Union-sponsored hunting show returns to Sportsman Channel

The Union Sportsmen's Alliance's (USA) award-winning hunting and fishing TV Show, "Brotherhood Outdoors" kicked off its third season June 28. The show airs Thursdays at 5 p.m. Pacific Time on the Sportsman Channel, which is Channel 405 on Comcast.

USA is a union-dedicated outdoor organization whose members hunt, fish, shoot and volunteer their skills for conservation.

"Brotherhood Outdoors" showcases

union workers who have the opportunity take part in an outfitted North American adventure or to act as a guide, inviting the show's host to their favorite hunting or fishing locations.

The show is produced by USA and sponsored by the Bank of Labor, the AFL-CIO, and numerous labor unions.

For more information about the show, USA, or the Sportsman Channel, go online to www.BrotherhoodOutdoors.tv or www.unionsportsmen.org.

IN MEMORIAM

CARLA FLOYD, a past president of Communications Workers of America (CWA) Local 7901, passed away at her Southeast Portland home June 27. She was 62.



Local 7901, Floyd was an active shop steward and executive vice president. She chaired many committees within the local, including Community Services.

Floyd served four terms as president of Local 7901 — from 1987 to 1996. During that time she negotiated numerous collective bargaining agreements and represented workers of various employers. She led the local during strikes against Dex One in 1989 and USWest in 1998, and was responsible for saving many jobs during the massive re-organization that US West (Qwest's predecessor) went through in the 1990s.

CARLA JO FLOYD was born in Portland, Oregon, Sept. 28, 1949, to Heini and Dorothy Ziegler. She was raised in Corbett, Oregon, and graduated high school there. She attended several colleges in Oregon and served as a Vista volunteer prior to starting her career with Pacific Northwest Bell more than 38 years ago.

Before being elected president of

Floyd also served as the labor representative on the Multnomah County Civil Service Board.

At the time of her death, Floyd was working for CWA District 7 as the health benefits coordinator at Century Link (formerly Qwest).

Floyd is survived by her daughter, Amanda Floyd; sister, Brenda Atkinson; and grandson, Ethan Sanders.

A memorial service was held July 20 at Rose City Funeral Home in Portland.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations in Floyd's name be made to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Donate on line at ASPCA.org/donate, or send a check to ASPCA Attn: Linda Tiramani, 520 8th Avenue 7th Floor, NY, NY 10018.

Local Motion

June 2012

A list of Oregon and Southwest Washington workplaces deciding whether to be union-represented — as reported by the National Labor Relations Board and the Oregon Employment Relations Board.

Voting in union elections

Date	Workplace (Location) Union	Yes	No	
5/23	Rural Metro paramedics (Eugene) Teamsters Local 206	9	3	👍
6/7	Ore. Child Dev. Coalition (Cornelius) Laborers Local 320 DECERT	59	33	👍

Unionizing by majority sign-up

Date	Workplace (Location) Union	Number of workers in unit
5/16	Multnomah County physicians (Portland) Oregon AFSCME	26
5/30	Washington County appraisers (Hillsboro) Oregon AFSCME	28
6/21	Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (Redmond) ATU Local 757	45

Requesting a union election

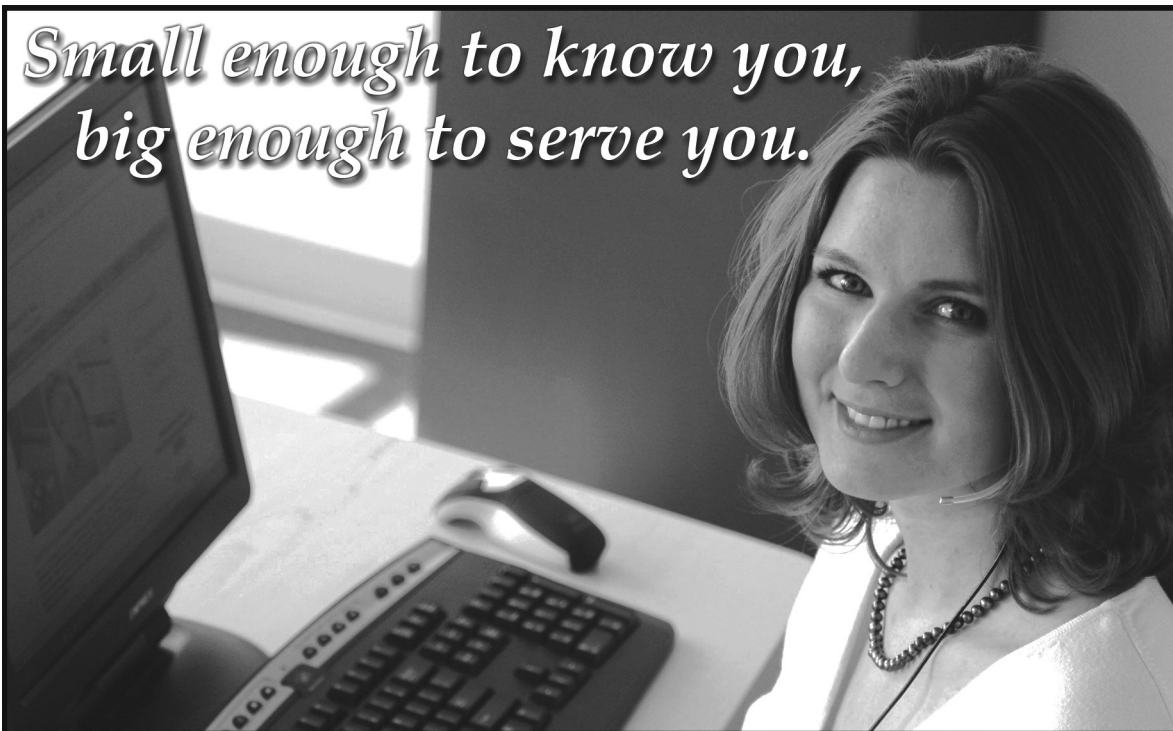
Workplace (Location) Union	Number of workers in unit
City of Waldport (Waldport) Oregon AFSCME DECERT	9
BrucePac (Woodburn, Silverton) Laborers Local 296	300
McMinnville Water and Light (McMinnville) IBEW Local 125 DECERT	10
YoCream/Dannon frozen yogurt manufacturing (Portland) Teamsters Local 305	45
City of LaPine Public Works (LaPine) Teamsters Local 962	5
Turner Fire District (Turner) Fire Fighters Local 2557 DECERT	2

LEGEND

👍 : workers will be union-represented 🗳️ : workers will be on their own

DECERT : A decertification election occurs when some union-represented workers declare that the union no longer has majority support. A 'yes' vote is a vote for the union.

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