

# SW Washington Labor Council issues endorsements for August 5 primary

VANCOUVER, Wash. — The Southwest Washington Central Labor Council announced its endorsements for the Aug. 5 primary election.

Washington conducts a “Top 2 Primary,” meaning the top two vote-getters — no matter what party they belong to — will advance to the general election in November.

Several labor-endorsed candidates are in races with only two candidates, so they automatically advance. They are:

Craig Pridemore for Clark County commissioner; Deanna Pauli-Hammond for county clerk; and Tony Golik, who is seeking re-election for prosecuting attorney.

That is not the case in races for County Sheriff and Clark County Public Utilities Commissioner, Position 3.

Four candidates are running to succeed retiring Sheriff Garry Lucas. The labor council endorsed Republican Chuck Atkins. Atkins is up against another Republican, an Independent, and a candidate who says he has no party preference.

Incumbent PUC Commissioner Byron Hanke faces three challengers in his non-partisan race. Hanke is running with backing from the labor council.

In other political action, the labor council supports the re-election of state Reps. Sharon Wylie and Jim Moeller in District 49, Positions 1 and 2; and state Rep. Monica Stonier in the 17th District, Position 1.

Moeller faces a challenge from two Republicans, and Wylie is up against a challenger from the Republican Party and a candidate who has no party preference.

Stonier has only one challenger, so she automatically advances to the general election.

The labor council also endorsed candidates Mike Briggs and Maureen Winningham for state representative seats in the 18th District. Briggs, a Democrat, is running against two Republicans. Winningham, a Democrat, is challenging incumbent Republican Liz Pike. Only two candidates are in that race, so both will advance to the general election.

In the Third Congressional District, the labor council supports Democrat Bob Dingethal over incumbent Republican Jamie Herrera Beutler. A third candidate who prefers the Republican Party also is running against Herrera Beutler.

The SW Washington Labor Council is helping coordinate phone banks and a Super Walk for several candidates. The Super Walk is Saturday, July 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. It starts and ends at the Fire Fighters Local 452 Hall, 2807 NW Fruit Valley Road, Vancouver. Training, snacks and a barbecue will be provided.

Phone banking will be conducted at the Fire Fighters Hall July 29 and July 31 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Training and snacks will be provided.

For more information, contact Shannon Walker at 360-761-8922, or email her at [shannonawalker@aol.com](mailto:shannonawalker@aol.com).



## Union member Nosse installed in Oregon Legislature

Rob Nosse (center), a union representative for the Oregon Nurses Association, was installed July 7 as state representative in Southeast Portland’s House District 42. On June 26, Nosse was appointed by the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Jules Bailey, who was elected a Multnomah County commissioner in the May 20 primary. The appointment came after Nosse won his Democratic primary race in HD 42, in which he defeated five other candidates. No Republicans filed to run in the solidly Democratic district. The unexpired term runs until Jan. 11, 2015. At that time, Nosse will begin his elected two-year term of office. Nosse is a graduate of the Oregon Labor Candidate School and had heavy support from organized labor throughout his campaign. Joining Nosse at his installation at the State Capitol in Salem were Joe Esmonde of IBEW Local 48, Sara Ryan, coordinator for the Oregon Labor Candidate School, State Sen. Michael Dembrow, who is a member and former officer of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), and Jaime Rodriguez, an AFT member and leader of the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement. “Thank you to everyone who came down to Salem for my swearing in, and thank you to all of the people who made this day possible. I’m truly honored, and excited to get to work as the state representative for my constituents in Portland!” Nosse posted on his Facebook page.

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