



Portland Metal Trades Council installs new officers

Will Lukens (above, left), a business representative of Machinists District Lodge W24, was sworn in as executive secretary treasurer of the Portland & Vicinity Metal Trades Council Sept. 24 by President Pat Christensen. Also taking the oath of office as a new delegate was Phil Casciato (left), business manager of Iron Workers Shopmen's Local 516. Local 516 is a new affiliate of the council. Lukens succeeds Jason Joeckel of Laborers Local 737, who resigned. The Metal Trades Council represents workers at the Portland Shipyards.



Photo from Policy Group on Tradeswomen Issues

Ashbrook honored

Connie Ashbrook, a member of Elevator Constructors Local 23, received a Lifetime Achievement Award Oct. 2 from the Center for Women's Leadership in Portland—for a lifetime of advocating for women in the trades. Ashbrook founded Oregon Tradeswomen Inc. (OTI) in 1989 and was its executive director until retiring in 2017. OTI promotes success for women in the trades through education, leadership, and mentorship. Ashbrook was the first woman in Oregon to become licensed as an elevator mechanic.



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