

OPEU steward, LERC training set through June

Basic and advanced OPEU steward training classes have been scheduled for 20 dates and places around the state from now through June.

Basic Steward Training covers the role, authority, and special status of stewards, organizing around grievances, understanding the contract, progressive discipline, just cause, grievance handling, and *Weingarten* rights.

Locations and times for **Basic Steward Training** are:

• **Medford:** Friday, April 22, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Medford Inn, 1015 S. Riverside.

• **Roseburg:** Friday, April 22, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Windmill Inn, 1450 NW Mulholland Drive.

• **Klamath Falls:** Friday, April 22, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Mt. Mazama Room, Oregon Institute of Technology.

• **LaGrande:** Friday, April

22, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 309 Hoke Center, Eastern Oregon State College.

• **Ontario:** Friday, May 20, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., at Treasure Valley Community College.

• **Coos Bay/North Bend:** Friday, June 3, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, June 4, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., at State Office Building, Coos Bay.

Advanced Steward Training covers contract interpretation, organizing around grievances, problem solving, discipline and discharge, grievance investigation, recognizing discrimination, labor-management committees, bargaining skills, recruiting activists, sexual harassment, OPEU/SEIU Local 503 history, and preparing for arbitration.

Locations and times for **Advanced Steward Training** are:

• **Medford:** Saturday, May 21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Medford Inn, 1015 S. Riverside.

• **Pendleton:** Thursday,

May 19, Thursday, May 26, and Thursday, June 2, all at 6-9 p.m., at the Pendleton OPEU Office.

• **Coos Bay/North Bend:** Saturday, June 25, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., at State Office Building, Coos Bay.

The **Labor Education and Research Center** has four **Regional Academies** remaining in 1994.

Also scheduled are four multiweek evening courses in Portland and Eugene/Springfield.

Regional Academies will be held in Salem, North Bend, Bend, Portland, and Medford between now and May 1994.

The weekend Regional Academies meet from 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m. on Fridays, and from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

Remaining courses and sites are:

• **Portland** - April 22-23, Portland Community College Cascade Campus; Basic Grievance Handling, Intercultural Communication, or Labor Faces

the 21st Century.

• **Medford** - May 6-7, place to be announced, Labor Faces the 21st Century, or Labor Law.

EVENING COURSES

Additionally, LERC has scheduled multiweek evening classes for Portland and Eugene/Springfield.

Courses scheduled for **Portland** are:

• **Skills for Union Activists**, four weeks, April 19, 26, May 3, and 10, at 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Room 290/2, Smith Center on the Portland State University campus.

• **Labor Law** (private sector only), April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17, and 24, 6-8 p.m., Room 298 of the Smith Memorial Center on the Portland State University campus.

Summer Institute for Union Women: July 10-15, UofO

Courses on matters ranging from internal and external organizing, to community unionism, to safety and health for office workers, to diversity at work and in unions, to union publications are part of the 13th Annual Western Regional Summer Institute for Union Women hosted by the Labor Education and Research Center on the University of Oregon campus from Sunday, July 10, through Friday, July 15.

Women members, stewards, officers, and staff may join a week of classes, plenary sessions, and entertainment.

Participants take courses in three separate tracks or formats taught by LERC faculty, other university labor educators, and staff members from unions in the region.

The cost of the school, including meals, is \$375 for a single room, \$345 for a double room, and \$265 for commuters. Some tuition scholarships are available. Brochures describing the institute are available from LERC. For more information, contact Jill Kriesky at LERC (503) 346-2786 or 346-5054.

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