

Business and INDUSTRY

New Assistant Vice President at Urban League



Marnella Mosley

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Marnella Bingham Mosley has been promoted to Assistant Vice President at the Urban League of

Portland. Ms. Mosley has served as Director of Workforce Development at the Urban League. Her new position will supervise Workforce Development and two other Urban League departments: Adult and Senior Services, and Youth and Family Services.

Prior to joining the Urban League, Ms. Mosley was Manager of Community Relations for The Private Industry Council.

She has more than 24 years of experience in employment and training issues and in working with people of color and low-income customers. Ms. Mosley has made presentations on these issues to the U.S. Dept. of Labor, neighborhoods/USA Conference, and the Housing Authority of Portland. A native of Portland, she attended John Adams High School and is an active member of St. Paul Church of God in Christ. Ms. Mosley attended the University of Oregon and has done course work at City University.

Ms. Mosley recently received the Bravo Award from the U.S. Dept. of Labor for a job training partnership

between the Urban League North/Northeast One Stop Career Center and Nike.

"Marnella is a native Portland who is passionate and compassionate about the people of our community," said Urban League President Lawrence J. Dark. "She has developed strategies to help the community based on the private and public sectors working together. Marnella's professionalism and knowledge of our community's needs will help us accomplish our goal of creating self-reliant families."

The Urban League of Portland is a safe haven for youth and families. The agency is a non-profit, community-based human service, economic and social justice agency serving families, students, job seekers, and seniors.

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Cadell and Brevig-Awarded CCIM



Alexandra Brevig



Susan Cadell

■ CCIM's are recognized as a business network encompassing 1,000 markets throughout North America

Susan Cadell & Alexandra Brevig have been awarded the Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) designation by the Commercial Investment Real Estate Institute (CIRES).

Susan Cadell, with over 20 years of real estate experience, joined Norris, Beggs & Simpson's Portland Assets Management Department in June, 1994, to manage Cornell Oaks Corporate Center, a 116-acre, 682, 137 square foot business park.

Susan was named Portland Metropolitan Association of Building Owners & Managers (BOMA) 1997 Building Manager of the Year for

her supervision and management of Cornell Oaks Corporate Center.

She is a member of Portland BOMA, Commercial Association of Realtors-Portland/Vancouver, Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM), CIRES, City of Beaverton Liaison Committee, City of Beaverton Code Revision Program, Business Advisory Council to Metro, Citizens with Disabilities Advisory Committee, and is a Board of Director, a 1998 President-elect and 1999 President for Beaverton Chamber of commerce. She received her B.A. degree from Sacramento State University and holds an Oregon Real Estate License.

Alexandra Brevig is responsible for all aspects of the 400 Sixth Avenue Building in downtown Portland, Oregon, including building operations, tenant services, finan-

cial management and marketing.

The 400 Sixth Avenue Building is an 11-story, 183,051 square foot, Class B office building. She joined Norris, Beggs & Simpson in 1996 with 18 years of property management and real estate experience. Prior to joining the company, Alexandra worked for Meridian Management, First Interstate Bank, and Koll Management in San Francisco.

She is member of IREM, along with being the Editor for their news magazine, and is also a member of BOMA. She received her Certified Property Management designation in 1986 and is a licensed associate broker in Oregon.

The Chicago-based Commercial Investment Real Estate Institute is an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

Mark Williams receives an appointment at IAAM Facility Directors Training

Mark Williams is not going to be satisfied until he sits in a facility directors chair. Right now that chair belongs to his boss Jeff Blosser.

Jeff Blosser recommended Mark Williams apply for Facility Director training at the International Association of Assembly Managers (IAAM) 2 year program in 1997, at that time Mark was not available to attend but applied in 1998 with the support of Jeff Blosser and the manager of his department. Accepted for the training, he joined 120 other freshman selected from, around the world to attend, places such as Australia and Canada. Many had applied many times for entry and were now getting the opportunity they had hoped for.

At the training Mark says he learned so much information that is of value to him on his quest, the focus

on customer service creating an atmosphere for repeat clients and reduces competition. His classmates noticed his enthusiasm and expertise and elected him to one of 3 leadership positions with his class. To prepare himself Mark, has already held jobs in the maintenance area and worked his way up to a management position in event planning. he also noted his areas of lesser experience and plans to develop that expertise and training so that he will be ready for that new position that may be awaiting him.

In Mark's spare time he likes to spend time with his wife and three daughters and he loves to talk to students about his career and how they can prepare themselves for a career in tourism or event management.



Job growth characterized as seasonal and temporary

Oregon saw a big boost to total nonfarm employment levels in August, but most of the job gains came in seasonal industries and in business services. Total nonfarm payroll employment in Oregon rose by 9,300 between July and August, and now stand at 1,569,400.

According to analysts at the Oregon Employment Department, most of the job gains in August can be characterized as either due to seasonal variations in employment levels, or as temporary in nature. The largest job gains came in the food processing (+2,200) and in business services (+3,900), which includes temporary help agencies. Another large increase was registered in construction (+1,900), but outside of these industries, job gains were small and actual job losses were seen in high technology manufacturing categories.

Nearly every area of Oregon registered an increase in nonfarm employment between July and August. Gains in most areas were characterized by seasonal gains in tourism, construction, food processing, or business ser-

vices. Jefferson and Benton counties saw a drop in total nonfarm employment levels over the month. employment in Hood River County also dropped as food-related businesses wound down from the harvest season.

Malheur County saw a big increase of 580 nonfarm jobs, thanks to large gains in food-related processing and wholesale industries. This county typically sees a sizable bulge of food-related jobs during the summer months each year. Continued hiring at the Snake River Correctional Institution also contributed to the job gains.

Douglas County showed unusual strength in its manufacturing sector in August, adding 250 production jobs. Despite widely reported weaknesses in the wood and paper markets, local lumber and wood products manufacturers registered an increase in jobs; and the ending of a temporary shut-down at the International Paper mill in Gardiner resulted job gains in the paper industry. In the Portland-metro area, manufacturing employment dropped by 1,600 jobs in August. An increasing number of high technology manu-

facturing firms are reporting layoffs and cutbacks as a result of weak markets and the economic turmoil in Asia. Job gains in retail and business services helped to offset the loss of manufacturing jobs. Continued summer job declines at O.S.U. and local school districts contributed to a loss of 380 jobs in Benton County in August. These jobs should return in a month or two as the schools gear up for the coming school year.

The number of nonfarm jobs in Jefferson County dropped by 420 jobs in August. As sharp drop in tribal and local government employment added to smaller losses in nearly every industry category. Despite the relatively weak job picture last month, Jefferson County still had the lowest unemployment rate among the five counties in mid-to-central Oregon.

Along the Oregon Coast, seasonal gains in tourism industries, like restaurants and hotels, continued to dominate the job picture. Aside from other employment gains at local school districts, there was little change in employment levels in other industries.

The Urban League of Portland is seeking nominees for its Equal Opportunity Award, which will be presented to several individuals at the Equal Opportunity Dinner in March 1999.

The award is presented each year to deserving individuals who have worked to promote the concept of equal opportunity for all. Up to three awards may be presented.

The theme of the dinner and the awardees is "Economic Power: Levelling the Playing

Field."

Past award winners have included people in business, government, education, the media, non-profits and community organizations.

Winners are chosen for their success in opening doors for others and furthering the League's mission, which is to "strengthen African Americans and all who strive for economic self-reliance and social equality."

The 1997 winners were Gresham Dodge owner Dorian

Boyland, Wacker Siltronics Human Resources Manager Jim Harper, and U.S. Attorney Kristine Olson. The award is presented to individuals rather than organizations.

Nomination forms are available from Donald Chalmers (280-2626) at the Urban League.

Completed forms must be received at the Urban League by Monday, November 2 at 5 pm. Award winners will be selected by the Urban League's Board of Directors.

Youth Mural Project Nears Completion

■ The Youth Mural Project is an initiative promoted by the Coalition to promote livability within our neighborhoods through visual art.

As a result of an initiative led by the Northeast Community Development Corporation (NECDC) and the Portland Fire Bureau, the Fire, Life & Safety Coalition emerged as a grassroots collaborative between several N/NE non-profit community organizations. The coalition is dedicated to working with neighbors, schools, families, and local organizations to stimulate a livable community through fire, life and safety awareness. The projected goals are to stem the increasing number of kitchen fires, juvenile arsons, change behavior patterns around fire and life safety, and increase

the number of CPR trained youth and adults within N/NE Portland.

The Youth Mural Project is an initiative promoted by the Coalition to promote livability within our neighborhoods through visual art.

Six young aspiring artists from the community were selected by the coalition to work with a nationally known professional artist. The Mural Site is located on the wall of the Big City Produce market located on North Albina & Summer Street. The mural was designed and implemented by the youth.

We encourage the local media to take advantage of a photo opportunity that will capture the artistic spirit of the youth in our community as they work together to complete the mural by September 1, 1998.

The Youth Mural Project was also designed to inspire their artistic talents and broaden their scope of opportunities within the art field. Field trips included an afternoon at the Will Vinton Studios in NW Portland and Wyden & Kennedy advertising firm on September 3, 1998. Each youth will receive a stipend upon completion of the project.

Goals of the project include: the visual improvement of the Humboldt Target Area through a highly artistic and designed mural, to create a lasting image and positive perception for the community that reflects diversity and a collective sense of accomplishments.

The Youth Mural Project was made possible through generous grants from the Oregon Arts Commission and the Hoover Family Foundation.



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