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Eddie Lincoln (from left), Karol Collymore and Lew Frederick vie for a seat in the Legislature, representing House District 43. Frederick, a longtime community leader, former school district spokesperson and TV reporter, won the appointment.

Frederick Appointed State Rep

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Before casting their votes, commissioners questioned the candidates for nearly two hours on topics including funding for social services, education, jobs and the economy, as well as their personal experiences.

Lincoln pointed to his deep roots in north and northeast Portland, and described how he's watched home prices soar, businesses struggle, and families fight to get by.

"I got to know Portland by driving a bus," said Lincoln, who worked a litany of jobs while putting himself through college. "It's time to give back to the community that has shown me much love and affection."

Collymore, a New Mexico transplant with a background in political organizing, praised the work of Shields and former State Rep. Jo Ann Bowman, and said she would bring new blood to Salem.

"What is also different is I'm a 31 year-old woman with a different perspective," she told commissioners.

Collymore pointed out that County Commissioner Deborah Kafoury once held the same seat when she was 31.

She called attention to her work with the county turning land into gardens that produced vegetables for the Oregon Food Bank, in addition to her wide range of volunteer and political work.

She told commissioners that, as a lawmaker, she would fight for the protection of social services in the down economy and equity in the school system. Her boss, Jeff Cogen, watched intently as she spoke, occasionally breaking into a wide grin.

Throughout the questioning,

Frederick brought attention to his array of experiences as a TV news reporter, Portland Public Schools information officer, and member of the State Board of Education, and argued that they prepared him to be an able representative of the district, which covers north and northeast Portland.

Frederick reiterated that the district, which struggles with high unemployment, could experience revitalization if lucrative government contracts would be broken into smaller chunks so that small businesses could more easily secure them.

All of the candidates demonstrated that they probably have more in common than different. All supported the tax hikes passed by the Legislature last session on businesses and the wealthy, and opposed efforts to repeal them.

Each of them wanted to protect the ability of the county government to raise revenue in the recession. All called for a single-payer health care system. And all stressed the importance of education and social services.

After questioning the candidates, each of the five commissioners made a brief statement before saying who they were inclined to vote for.

Kafoury praised each candidate before throwing her support behind Collymore.

Cogen confronted the issue of whether or not he should re-use himself from voting for someone who works in his office.

"As an attorney, it didn't feel like a conflict of interest to me," said Cogen.

Cogen noted that he had asked the county attorney for advice, who said that it would

be a conflict of interest if he stood to benefit financially.

He also mentioned that he had a tremendous amount of respect for Frederick after having run against him for his county commission seat in 2006.

"You'd be a terrific state representative," he said to Frederick, before saying he would support Collymore.

Commissioners Diane McKeel and Judy Shiprack praised all the candidates before stating they would support Frederick in the final vote.

It came down to County Chair Ted Wheeler.

Wheeler reiterated his respect for each candidate, and expressed discomfort in making a choice that he felt should rightly reside with the voters of the district.

"This should not be our decision," said Wheeler, who called on each candidate to run in the next primary for the seat.

He then threw his support behind Frederick.

With it being clear who the next Representative from House District 43 would be, the commission voted unanimously for Frederick.

"I know the district, and the district knows me," said an emotional Frederick after being voted in.

When asked about Wheeler's call for the candidates to run in primary challenge against Frederick, Lincoln and Collymore said they would need to think about it. Collymore added that she was ready for nap.

Frederick, whose cheeks had turned red from the excitement, hugged and shook the hands of supporters, some of which came as far away as east county wearing "Lew" buttons.

"I'm up for a primary challenge," he said.

Obituaries

In Loving Memory

Thomas Carr Jr.

Thomas Orland Carr Jr. was born on June 20, 1941 in Chicago to the proud parents Thomas and Mildred Carr Sr.

In 1944, when he was 3-years-old, the family relocated to Portland. He attended Sitton Elementary and graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1958.

After high school, he enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his county for three years, receiving an Honorable Discharge.

When Thomas returned home from the Army he met and fell in love with Joyce White. They were joined in holy matrimony and to this union they had two children, Lynell and Tommy Carr III. The couple later divorced.

He was employed at the shipyards as a laborer out of Local 296 for many years.

In 1975, he met Sherlene Young and two years later they were married. Out of this union he had two more daughters: Shlanda Marie and Tomica Monique Carr.



In 1982, Thomas gave his life to the Lord. He became a member and Deacon at Glow Love Ministries.

He loved helping the elderly and maintained several yards for seniors. He always kept his own yard beautiful and the best looking on the block. He also enjoyed fishing, camping, taking pictures

and traveling. He adored his mother, father, children, grandchildren and sisters and brothers. He was a man of hospitality, gladly doing whatever he could to help someone.

Thomas leaves to cherish his memory, his parents, Mildred and Thomas; daughters, Lynell of Vancouver, and Shalanda and Tomica of Portland; sons, Donald Lewis Carr of Portland and Tommy Carr of California; sisters, Gloria Phillips, Mildred Tarver and Jeanette Carr; brothers, William, Robert and James of Portland; eight grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Services were held Tuesday, Oct. 27 at Cox & Cox Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Willamette National Cemetery.

He Touched Many Lives

Darryl W. Davis

Funeral services for Darryl W. Davis were held on Monday, Oct. 26 at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.

A resident of Portland for 6 1/2 years, he departed on Oct. 17, 2009 at the age of 49.

He was born Feb. 16, 1960 in Austin, Texas, to Walter and Anita Davis. He lived in San Francisco, until he was 11 years old, and then moved to San Jose, Calif. where he attended Lee Matson Junior High School and where his love of football began.

He played football throughout his younger years until he graduated from Piedmont Hills High School in 1977. He went on to further his education at San Jose State University for about two years where he cultivated many friendships and acquaintances.

In 1984 Darryl and then girlfriend Valerie Anderson became the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl, Tanya Marie Davis. He continued to live in the San Francisco Bay Area in his younger years, participating in local softball activities, attending sports and other social events.

He became employed as a material analyst and logistic expert, working for Celerity, Ricoh, Pfeiffer Vacuum, Spherion, Savin Corp and other companies. He prided himself on knowing his business when it came to work.

Darryl had a zest for life; he was the competitive sportsman, adventurer, computer

geek, bar room brawler, bootleg lawyer and Romeo all rolled in one. In his spare time he loved to spend time with his friends and coworkers, playing all types of sports, talking trash and debating on whatever subject was brought up.

If you had a question, he had an answer. He was the "Go to, Fix it, Help me move Man." He migrated to Portland to be closer to his family where he touched many lives. Darryl loved to make you laugh.

He is survived by his mother, Anita Louise Davis-Goodwin of Portland; his precious daughter, Tanya Marie Davis of Reno, Nev.; siblings, Walter D. Davis, Sr. of Everett, Wash., Dennis W. Davis and Delethia W. Moore of Tucson, Ariz., and Darnika L. Frisco of Portland; 13 nephews and nieces, three great nieces and his loving companion, Glenda Bassa.

He will truly be missed for all the love and friendship he has shown to his many family members and friends, young and old. He has touched so many of our lives for the better. His light will never go out and he will forever shine in our hearts.

Arrangements by Terry Family Funeral Home.



Services Scheduled

Bernice 'Lady' Taylor

Funeral services for Bernice "Lady" Taylor will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 11 a.m. at the Moore Street Salvation Army, 5325 N. Williams Ave.

She was born March 23, 1913 in Warren, Ark. She died Oct. 26, 2009.

Viewing is scheduled Monday, Nov. 2 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Terry's Funeral Home, 2337 N. Williams.



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