

# CLASSIFIEDS/BIDS

## In Loving Memory

### Linda Kay Marfell-Pitts



Linda Kay Marfell was born July 23, 1943, to Chester and Maxine Marfell in Minneapolis, Minn. She passed away Aug. 21, 2010, after suffering a heart attack.

Linda was a graduate of Madison High School, class of 1961, and had remained friends with many of her classmates.

Shortly after high school, she married Marshall Pitts and together they had three sons, Jerry, Chip and Jason. Jason died in infancy, Linda and Marshall later divorced.

Linda loved to travel and had visited most of the world. She was especially fond of Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. She was an avid bowler and belonged to leagues for over 40 years. Her teams bowled in tournaments all over the country.

She owned Oregon Plating Company on Southeast Sixth Avenue for about 30 years and recently retired.

Preceding her in death was her father, Chester. She is survived by her mother, Maxine and sons, Jerry and Chip; grandchildren, Libby, Travis and Christopher; brothers, Peter and Scott Marfell; and sister: Connie Marfell.

Arrangements entrusted by Neal's Compassionate Heart Funeral Home.

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## Minimum Wage Increase Coming

### New rate of \$8.50 takes effect on Jan. 1

Beginning Jan. 1, the minimum wage for workers in Oregon will raise from \$8.40 per hour to \$8.50.

According to the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries, which announced the raise Monday, the 10-cent increase is tied to this year's 1.15 percent cost of living increase for inflation, as revealed in the August Consumer Price Index.

"It is critical, with our economy still straining to regain its momentum, that Oregon's lowest wage earners not lose ground by falling behind inflation. At the same time, this modest increase will not shock businesses in a way that hurts the economic recovery," said BOLI Commissioner Brad Avakian.

In 2002, voters approved the adjustment in Ballot Measure 25, which requires an annual minimum wage adjustment based on changes in inflation as defined by the Consumer Price Index.

Second to Washington, who will

announce an annual wage increase from \$8.55 later this fall, Oregon has the highest minimum wage rate in the country, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, and is one of 10 states that annually adjust the minimum wage to keep up with economic conditions.

For the people struggling to maintain above the poverty line during such economic hardships, a bleaker picture is painted. Under the new wage, a full-time minimum wage worker will earn \$17,680 a year.

Though a single, 20s-something student who bikes to their part-time job and school might cheer the 10 extra cents increase, a full-time minimum wage worker with a family of three and car payments to make, would need to earn greater than \$8.80 per hour to climb above the federal poverty line.

Steve Robinson, analyst for Oregon Center for Public Policy, is confident that a higher minimum wage is good for the economy, because it puts money in the pockets of low-income workers.

"They tend to spend that money quickly and locally, and that helps maintain and create other jobs," he said.

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