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Members of Local 17 march in the Labor Day parade in downtown Seattle in 1938. Back then, Local 17 was part of the International Federation of Technical Engineers, Architects and Draftsmen's Union, and had less than 500 members. As we celebrate our centennial, we have expanded to represent a wide array of public workers – nearly 9,000 of them! – across Washington and Oregon ■

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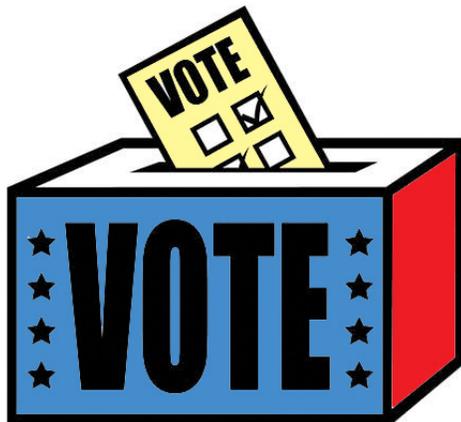
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Local 17 Executive Board Election!

Ballots have been mailed to all members at their last known mailing address. They must be returned to the P.O. Box listed on the ballot by Tues., Nov. 13.

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Entering our next century

One hundred years. There aren't a lot of organizations that can say they've been around that long. But labor unions – many of which were founded during the industrial turmoil at the end of the 19th century – seemed to have weathered all kinds of storms: recessions, depressions, political adversaries, and social unrest, to name a few. Maybe that's because when times are changing, unions provide a solid foundation that anchors us to our core values and our shared strength.

Local 17 is celebrating our 100th anniversary this year, and what a year it has been! We've weathered a few storms, and frankly, we are stronger than ever because of them. But while we want to learn from our struggles and honor our history, we are now looking to the future and moving in a direction that ensures we're around for another 100 years.

With that, I present you with this special issue of *Insight*. In it, we take a look back at our roots with a brief history of the origins of Local 17 (p. 4), and some classic photos from our archives (p. 12). We also highlight some of our present-day wins and everyday heroes – like the great strides made in the 2019-21 contract with the State of Washington (p. 4); our Building Inspectors at the City of Tacoma (p. 7) and our Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers at the Washington State Patrol (p. 8) who keep our homes and school buses safe for our families; and members who go above and beyond, like Mark Rauchenstein in Clark County who was recently honored for his military service by the Southwest Washington Labor Roundtable (p. 4). We'll also look to the future by introducing our newest staff member Steven Pray (p. 6); giving you a sneak peak at our refreshed look and website – set to launch by the end of the year (p. 6); and celebrating this year's Local 17 scholarship winners (p. 9), who I know will do great things over the course of their lives.

I had a great-grandmother who lived to be 103, and I always marveled at all of the things she must have witnessed in her lifetime. Local 17 members, too, have seen and done great things over the last 100 years. As we enter our second century, let's take a moment to honor all that we've accomplished as this powerful collective of public employees, and ready ourselves for all of the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

In unity,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deidre". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D".

P.S. It's election season! Don't forget to VOTE in the general election on Nov. 6, and for your Local 17 Executive Board by Nov. 13!

2019-21 State contract ratified by members

On Sept. 12, your Local 17 negotiations team came to a tentative agreement on the 2019-21 contract with the State of Washington, and after ballots were counted on Sept. 27, members overwhelmingly voted to ratify the contract.

Some highlights of this contract, which will go into effect on July 1, 2019, include: a three percent cost of living adjustment (COLA) for all members in each year of the contract (six percent total); targeted wage increases for several classifications; additional geographic pay for members with duty stations in King County; and much more.

See the Local 17 state webpage for the details: pte17.org/state. ■

Clark County member honored by Labor Roundtable and Sen. Cantwell



Clark County member and former Chapter president Mark Rauchenstein was honored at the 34th Annual Labor Awards for the Labor Roundtable of Southwest Washington for his military service.

He was presented with a flag that had been flown over the U.S. Capital. Senator Maria Cantwell also spoke at the event, and Rauchenstein was able to meet her afterwards (photo above). Congratulations Mark! And thank you for your service. ■

A century-long history of Local 17



This October, Local 17 is celebrating 100 years of representing public employee professionals. That's right – a *century* of coming together to fight for workers' rights!

Our organization was first founded in 1918 by a group of draftsmen employed in the Seattle shipyards. This was just prior to the Seattle General Strike of 1919, which originated in the shipyards.

While membership waned after the start of World War I, 100 draftsmen and engineers revived Local 17 on Oct., 24, 1927 when we became chartered by the International Federation of Technical Engineers, Architects and Draftsmen's Unions (IFTEA- DU). At this time, Local 17 was known as the Seattle Association of Technical Engineers and Architects (SATEA).

The purpose of the union then, as now, is contained in the Local 17 constitution: *“The objectives of this organization are to elevate the economic status of its members by establishing higher standards of skills, assisting in the securing of employment, improving the general working conditions, and securing by legal and recognized means, adequate and proper compensation.”*

Although first chartered to cover only the Seattle area, in 1942, Local 17 gained

jurisdiction over public sector engineers across the entire state of Washington. Our official name was changed to the Technical Engineers and Architects Association (TEAA).

In the 1950's the International changed its name to the American Federation of Technical Engineers (AFTE), and Local 17's name changed again to the Professional and Technical Engineers Association (PTEA).

Since the early 1970's, Local 17 has changed to reflect the Northwest's professional diversity, and includes a wider range of job classifications – from public health professionals and administrative specialists to, of course, engineers and technical workers – representing a rapidly expanding public sector workforce.

By 1980, there were 3,400 members. Since then, membership has steadily increased and expanded, including the addition of over 800 employees at the City of Portland in Oregon in 2013. Today, Professional and Technical Employees (PTE) Local 17 successfully operates independent of an international union and represents nearly 9,000 public workers.

We look forward to the next century of standing together to advocate for what's fair and right! *More photos on back cover.* ■

Be a Member Leader! Chapter Elections this fall

Your union, your colleagues, and your fellow members – about 9,000 public sector workers throughout Washington and Oregon – need your skills, experience, and enthusiasm to help our organization be the best it can be! **To nominate yourself or a fellow member (with their permission) for chapter leadership, send an email to election@pte17.org** with the name, chapter, and position for which you are submitting a nomination by **Wed., Nov. 14 at 5 p.m.** Open positions for each chapter are listed below. Visit pte17.org/chapters.php for a description of positions. Terms vary – contact your Union Representative or current chapter leadership for the details.

- ABERDEEN:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1)
- BENTON-FRANKLIN:** President | Vice-President | Secretary | Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Labor Council (1)
- CHELAN-DOUGLAS:** President | VP | Sec -Treas | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alternate
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- INLAND EMPIRE:** Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alternate
- KITSAP:** President | Vice-President | Secretary -Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1)
- KING COUNTY:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegates (10) | REC Alt | Labor Council (3)
- MT. BAKER:** President | Vice-President | Secretary | Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1)
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- PIERCE COUNTY:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegates (3) | REC Alternate
- PORT ANGELES:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1)
- PORTLAND:** President | Vice-President | Secretary | Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alternate
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- SPOKANE HEALTH:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegates (2) | REC Alt | Labor Council (1)
- TACOMA:** President | Vice-President | Secretary | Treasurer | REC Delegates (3) | REC Alt | Labor Council (1)
- THURSTON CO:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (3)
- VANCOUVER:** Pres | Vice-President | Sec-Treas | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1) | Labor Council (1)
- WSP-CVEO/CVO:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegates (2) | REC Alt
- WENATCHEE:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegate (1) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (1)
- YAKIMA:** President | Vice-President | Secretary-Treasurer | REC Delegates (2) | REC Alt | Policy Committee (2)

Local 17 celebrates 100 years... with a facelift!

Keep your eyes peeled for a fresh new look and website by year's end

Last year, the Regional Executive Committee (REC) approved of funds to update the Local 17 website, logo and other materials, and now, on the heels of celebrating our 100th anniversary, we are getting close to unveiling our fresh new look!

This initiative was undertaken for several reasons: 1) to ensure that our website is more mobile-friendly and user-friendly for our current members who frequently use their cell phones to get the information they need; and 2) to help us look more modern and appealing for an increasingly younger audience of potential new members who will need to choose to join our union in this post-*Janus* world.

Last fall, we accepted proposals from local branding and design firms. In January, we went with Portland-based Watson Creative, whose out-of-the-box thinking was just what we were looking for.



As you can see in the logo above, we are updating our name as well. We are still 'Professional and Technical Employees Local 17', but our short-hand moniker is now PROTEC17 instead of PTE17. This came about after tossing around many different ideas. We like that the '17' brings our history along with us, while 'PROTEC' seems more modern and easier to say than

'P-T-E'. Also, we had already purchased the domain name protec17.org in 2011 after disaffiliating from the international union, which made the decision even easier. The new website should come online by year's end.

Both the Local 17 Executive Board and a special panel of members who work in communications-related classifications gave input on the brand refresh along the way. Thank you to all of them for their help with this project!

We know that this is a big change in the look of your union, but we believe it will show that unions are as relevant as ever as we move into our next century of fighting for worker's rights!

If you have questions about the website and rebranding project, please feel free to reach out to Communications Director Deidre Girard at deidre@pte17.org or 800-783-0017 ext. 130. ■

Find ways to get involved in your union at: pte17.org/get_involved.php

Steven Pray joins Local 17 as Union Representative

In August, Steven Pray joined Local 17 as its newest Union Representative. He will be working with members at the City of Seattle and King County.

Although this is his first permanent position at Local 17, Pray had previously received a grant from the Washington State Bar Association Labor & Employment division, which financed his internship with Local 17 in the summer of 2017, after which he returned to Seattle University to finish his final year of law school.

In preparation for the *Janus* decision, Local 17 hired Pray part-time to assist with member outreach starting in February until he graduated in May. After graduation, Pray took a couple of months off to study for the bar exam, which he took in late July and passed! Now, he's been hired full time, and is excited to be working for Local 17 again uninterrupted.



"I look forward to joining Local 17 as it enters a new era of public sector collective bargaining," he said. "Although we are in uncharted territory, I am confident that Local 17 and the labor movement at-large will ultimately be stronger than ever, and I hope that I can play a part in that."

Pray comes from a family of public sector employees. His mother is an elementary school teacher and member of the Washington Education Association, and his father is a City of Renton employee and AFSCME member.

During his second and third years of law school, Steven served as the Vice President of the Labor and Employment Law Association. He also took the Workers' Rights Clinic during his final semester of school. The Workers' Rights Clinic is a nonprofit community-based organization dedicated to helping low income workers assert their legal rights in the workplace.

"I have a passion for workers' rights and the labor movement, and working at Local 17 is the perfect fit for me," said Pray. "I am grateful to have the opportunity to join such an amazing organization." ■

Building inspectors keep Tacoma projects to code

On a busy day, Local 17 member John Reeves can inspect up to 25 housing projects a day. He is one of six Local 17 Inspectors and one Supervisor at the City of Tacoma who are keeping construction projects moving throughout the city.

Reeves and his colleagues are responsible for making sure that residential, commercial, and industrial projects are to code. This means inspecting each phase of a project over the course of months to ensure that it meets the guidelines in the international codes.

Inspectors visit each project at least once, often more, during each phase of a project. Phases include: foundation, under-floor, framing, shear (outer) wall, plumbing, insulation, and more.

For Reeves – who predominantly inspects residential properties and has seen a boom of new housing developments in the last few years that necessitate inspections from foundation to final – this means that he needs to be on top of all of the rules and regulations. While he's been in the residential construction world in one capacity or another since the late 1970s, there's always more to learn.

"We all rely on each other to share our experiences," said Reeves. "I don't have a plumbing background, for example, so it's helpful when someone in our office can offer their expertise in a given area."

Each day, the inspectors gather at the end of the day to work on their reports, share stories about their challenges, and ask each other questions. Often, they pull out the code book -- a book that's over three inches thick -- and learn something new, too.

"There are always new things to learn," said Reeves, who has been at the City of Tacoma for ten years.

While the City doesn't require that inspectors have any specific certifications, some have sought opportunities to earn credentials through the International Code Council (ICC). These certifications enable inspectors to increase their knowledge and



Local 17 member John Reeves inspects a new housing development in Tacoma.

provide an even better service for City of Tacoma residents.

Bargaining for the next contract with the City of Tacoma begins soon, and one of the items on the Local 17 priority list is to provide incentives for Inspectors to get these kinds of additional certifications, which add tremendous value to their work.

Inspectors spend a lot of their time interacting with the public. Even when he has to record a violation or ask residents to re-do a piece of their construction project, Reeves rarely sees people get angry or frustrated with him. That's because they respect the work that he's doing, and his expertise.

Recently, Reeves worked with a family who was adding to their house before the arrival of their second child. He enjoyed helping them make their home safe, while seeing their family grow.

"My favorite part of this job is that you get to know people," said Reeves. "You see families building their homes, having children... They really appreciate that our job is to keep them safe."

Prior to working for the City, Reeves spent 30 years in residential construction as a self-employed contractor. Many of the other Inspectors have also come from

the residential and commercial side of development.

Now on the City-side of these projects, the Inspectors see just how important this public service is to the community. And while building styles have changed over the last four decades since Reeves began his career, construction rules and regulations have also changed – for the better. The work of the Local 17 Inspectors at the City ensures that construction is done correctly, and that safety is of the utmost priority for the people of Tacoma. ■

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John Reeves, Local 17 member and Inspector with the City of Tacoma

Safety first: WSP Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers inspect every school bus in Washington

Local 17 member Carrie Whisman is an expert when it comes to keeping school kids safe. That's because as a Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer (CVEO) with the Washington State Patrol (WSP) Motor Carrier Safety Division, Whisman spends most of her summer days in school bus garages across Western Washington deciding whether a school bus is safe for continued use, or whether it should be placed out of service.

Washington state school buses are subject to minimum specifications established by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Washington Administrative Code mandates that the WSP inspect every school bus annually during the summer, and an additional 25 percent of school buses during the winter, which are selected at random.

Any vehicle used for the transportation of students on a regular basis must carry safety equipment, pass an inspection test, and be equipped for on-street instruction. The 17-item inspection test includes checking things like the brakes, the exhaust system, and emergency exits.

Approved vehicles are provided a sticker to be placed in the lower left hand corner of the windshield. Vehicles that do not pass the test are placed out of service until necessary repairs are made.

Some garages, including the one in the Mukilteo School District, are equipped

"I take pride in my job and enjoy what I do. School buses haul one of our most precious cargo – our children! By keeping the buses safe, we are keeping our future generations safe."

Carrie Whisman, Local 17 member and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer at the Washington State Patrol



A bus on the lift at the Mukilteo School District garage ready for inspection by Local 17 CVEO members.

with a lift, allowing the CVEOs to walk under the bus. However, some districts require inspectors to use a wheeled device or trench to inspect the undercarriage. This can be difficult depending on how much space there is between the ground and the bus.

The brake tests require the inspector to sit in a moving bus to check brake efficiency. In one test, a driver makes a hard brake upon reaching 20 miles per hour. The CVEO then uses an electronic device and conversion table to determine the efficiency. There are two different tables for wet and dry road conditions.

The second test checks the parking brake and entails the driver pulling the parking brake upon reaching 15 miles per hour. The bus must stop in a straight line

within 50 feet from the time the brake is activated to be in compliance.

These processes can be tough on the CVEOs, especially when they have to perform dozens of them each day.

At the end of the day, CVEOs work together to complete inspection reports, and determine which buses need to be put out of service. They have to work as a team to efficiently complete the inspections.

"I take pride in my job and enjoy what I do," said Whisman. "I'm able to help contribute to keeping our roads safe as well as keeping buses safe. School buses haul one of our most precious cargo – our children! By keeping the buses safe, we are keeping our future generation safe. Being in this position has been a honor and very satisfying." ■

Congratulations to our 2018 scholarship winners!

Once again, Local 17 offered two \$3,000 scholarships for college students as they embark on, or continue, their studies this fall.

Scholarship applications were accepted through July 31, and were open to children, grandchildren, and dependents of members in good standing. The application asked students to demonstrate their academic achievements, educational goals, and extracurricular and volunteer activities. In addition, applicants needed to submit letters of recommendation, and a labor-related essay, which was judged by outside labor educators.

This year's winners are both from the south Puget Sound area: freshman Joshua Hanigan, who started at Linfield College in Oregon in August, and Charisma Burrows, who is studying Molecular and Cellular Biology at Johns Hopkins University.

In his essay, Hanigan, who received glowing reviews from his recommenders, talked about the long history of union membership in his family, and how it has provided safety and security for all of them.

"My father – someone who was only able to afford a few classes at community college – is able to assist me with my educational expenses because of his fair working union wage, his benefits, and his safety at work," he said in his essay.

Hanigan isn't exactly sure what he will pursue yet, but he is certain it will involve sports, which is one of his passions. At Linfield, he is considering a business major in Sports Management. He will also be playing on the football team there.

So far at Linfield, Hanigan has enjoyed meeting a wide range of new and welcoming people on campus.

"One of the most important things at college is learning new perspectives and ways to unpack difficult questions," said Hanigan. "Working with others on challenging assignments will really benefit me and will help me realize that there are numerous ways to solve problems, approach challenges, or tackle situations."



"This scholarship has given me even more motivation and has reminded me of the great opportunities that come from hard work."

Joshua Hanigan, Scholarship Winner and son of Local 17 member Jim Hanigan, Pierce County

Meanwhile, at Johns Hopkins in Maryland, Burrows is taking a full load of science classes, including: biochemistry, physics, psychology, animal physiology, and ecology. She is very grateful for this scholarship as it will help her focus on her studies.

"This scholarship will allow me to focus on my academics and research project without having to worry about funding my education," said Burrows. "I work as a tutor and research technologist during the school year, and this scholarship will help me enjoy the work and worry less about working as many hours as possible."

In her essay, Burrows talked about how unions built the middle class.

"Growing up in the middle class myself provided me with the opportunity to pursue my dreams, while instilling in me the work ethic to achieve my goals," she said.



"My time at college has driven me to work harder and continue to reach for my dreams."

Charisma Burrows, Scholarship Winner and daughter of Local 17 member Brett Burrows, City of Tacoma

Eventually, Burrows would like to attend medical school, and is hoping to become a doctor specializing in infectious disease. She is also minoring in Spanish because of her interest in traveling to help improve global health care systems.

The Local 17 scholarship program is designed to help ease the financial burden of a college education, and both Hanigan and Burrows expressed their deep gratitude to the members of Local 17 for supporting their dreams.

Hanigan said: "This scholarship has given me even more motivation and has reminded me of the great opportunities that come from hard work."

"Education is extremely important to my future success," said Burrows. "My time at college has driven me to work harder and continue to reach for my dreams." ■

Portland members invite the Mayor, City Commissioners, and Bureau leadership to membership meetings



The Portland Chapter took advantage of the summer lull in activities to host multiple electeds and Bureau heads at their meetings.

Chapter leadership took the unprecedented step of inviting a commissioner, the mayor, and two bureau directors to chapter meetings in order to provide opportunities for our members to connect directly with the City's leadership on issues that are important to them. While Local 17 members participate in labor management committees (LMCs) throughout the City, it is unusual to have this sort of direct contact with those leaders at City Hall.

"Having our elected officials and executive leaders attend our meetings gave our members an opportunity to learn directly how the union and management are working together to create a better workplace culture."

Andrew Neuman, Local 17 member and Principal GIS Analyst at the Portland Bureau of Environmental Services

Commissioner Eudaly kicked off the visits by attending the June meeting where she expressed her support for organized labor and introduced a resolution in support of worker's right to organize. The meeting was held at the Development Services Building to support attendance by members from bureaus in her portfolio. Commissioner Eudaly also dropped by Local 17's ice cream social in July, following our incredible win for increased vacation leave (highlighted in the last issue of *Insight*).

Human Resources (HR) Director Serilda Summers-McGee attended the August meeting where she shared her philosophy as the City's "Chief People Person." Members appreciated the opportunity to 'peel back the curtain' on the great and mysterious HR.

As someone new to the City of Portland, Summers-McGee was astonished to discover that employees did not come to HR with problems. She is working to change the relationship between employees and HR. Local 17 staff and member leaders have noticed that this attitude also applies to the relationship between the Union and Human Resources.

"The union meeting was my first time hearing our HR Director speak," said Francesca Patricolo, City Planner with Portland Bureau of Transportation.

"Overall, I got the impression that her leadership is strong, and I think that if she champions something, it will get done."

Wrapping up the summer, Mayor Wheeler (pictured at left) and the City's Chief Administrative Officer and Director of the Office of Finance and Management, Tom Rinehart, attended the September meeting.

The Mayor was asked to share his reasoning behind bureau assignments and his priorities for the City. A larger than normal crowd showed up at the City Hall meeting to share concerns about the proposed work stations employees will see once they move back to the renovated Portland Building.

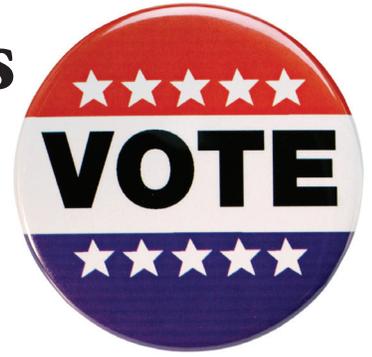
Members seemed to enjoy having these special guest speakers at the meetings.

"Having our elected officials and executive leaders attend our meetings gives our members an opportunity to learn directly how the union and management are working together to create a better workplace culture," said Andrew Neuman, Principal GIS Analyst at the Bureau of Environmental Services.

"It also illustrates the mutual respect that has been developed between Local 17 and executives in the City, and their commitment to working with labor, not against it." ■

To learn more about the political issues that impact Local 17 members, visit: pte17.org/publicaffairs

Local 17 PAC Recommends 2018 General Election Endorsements



There are some key races in the November election with outcomes that could have a direct impact to Local 17 members. Make your voice heard – VOTE by Nov. 6! For more info on the PAC, visit: www.ptel17.org/publicaffairs/PAC.

Washington State Legislature

Legislative District 3
House 2 – Timm Ormsby

Legislative District 5
House 1 – Bill Ramos
House 2 – Lisa Callan

Legislative District 6
Senate – Jessa Lewis
House 1 – Kay Murano
House 2 – Dave Wilson

Legislative District 11
House 1 – Zach Hudgins

Legislative District 13
House 2 – Sylvia Hammond

Legislative District 17
House 1 – Tanisha Harris

Legislative District 18
House 1 – Chris Thobaben
House 2 – Kathy Gillespie

Legislative District 19
House 1 – Erin Frasier

Legislative District 20
House 1 – John Thompson

Legislative District 21
Senate – Marko Liias

Legislative District 25
House 2 – Brian Duthie

Legislative District 26
Senate – Emily Randall
House 1 – Connie Fitzpatrick

Legislative District 27
House 2 – Jake Fey

Legislative District 28
House 1 – Mari Leavitt
House 2 – Christine Kilduff

Legislative District 29
House 1 – Melanie Morgan

Legislative District 31
House 1 – Victoria Mena

Legislative District 33
Senate – Karen Keiser

Legislative District 34
House 1 – Eileen Cody

Legislative District 36
House 1 – Noel Frame

Legislative District 38
House 1 – June Robinson
House 2 – Mike Sells

Legislative District 41
House 1 – Tana Senn

Legislative District 42
Senate – Pinky Vargas

Legislative District 43
House 1 – Nicole Macri
House 2 – Frank Chopp

Legislative District 44
Senate – Steve Hobbs
House 2 – Jared Mead

Legislative District 46
Senate – David Frockt

Legislative District 47
Senate – Mona Das
House 1 – Debra Entenman
House 2 – Pat Sullivan

Legislative District 48
Senate – Patty Kuderer



The Families, Education, Preschool and Promise (FEPP) levy aims to address the opportunity gap many children face in Seattle by funding subsidized high-quality preschool, K-12 support programs, and community college scholarships for all Seattle public high school grads. In addition, this directly impacts Local 17 members at the City of Seattle Department of Education and Early Learning. voteyesforseattlekids.com ■

Jo Ann Hardesty for Portland City Council

After conducting three rounds of interviews during both the May primary and pre-general election, Professional and Technical Employees Local 17 is endorsing Jo Ann Hardesty for Portland City Council.

“In our conversations with Jo Ann we found her to be very open to our ideas on improving benefits and working conditions for our members,” said Paul Cone, Local 17 City of Portland chapter president. “Jo Ann’s diverse background and interests naturally make her someone we feel we will be able to collaborate well with.”



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