

Hello Tech BU Members:

This Newsletter focuses on education (Union, Partnership and Professional). Please consider taking advantage of these training programs to build your skills and advance your career.

New Union Workshop Series Announced

Go to: <http://www.ofnhp.org/?view=news&item=922> to view the current union class offerings for people who are seeking education to become Union stewards or partnership representatives from the union. The first 8 hours of classes are paid for NEW stewards.

To register for any workshop, e-mail to: mbartlett@ofnhp.com

The new OFNHP office is located at 2045 SE Ankeny, Portland, OR 97214.

Stipend Funds Still Available

Stipends Available for OFNHP members attending a professional or technical advancement program this fall.

The Northwest Region still has money available to provide stipends to qualified employees currently enrolled in certain academic programs in the region.

Stipend applications are still being accepted from OFNHP members through the Ben Hudnall Memorial Trust, a benefit created by the 2005 National Agreement. The stipend pays you at your hourly rate for time that you are released from your job to attend class or to study. It can replace up to 8 hours worth of income a week, up to \$6,000 per employee, for two years.

The first important qualification is that you need to already be enrolled in, or accepted for, a fall 2007 professional or technical advancement program that prepares you for work in a position that has been designated hard-to-fill or critical.

For more information

To qualify for a Hudnall trust stipend, you must meet several other criteria, including:

- For more information about the stipend program or career counseling:
- Check out: <http://benhudnallmemorialtrust.org>.
- Call 1-800-216-4517.
- E-mail Imp-careers@kp.org.

- You must be in a program that is at least a year in length.
- The academic institution must be accredited by the relevant accrediting body.
- The release time from work must be approved by your supervisor.
- Your supervisor’s written agreement must accompany your application.
- You must be a regular, full-time or part-time employee entitled to benefits.
- You must have passed your probationary period.
- You should coordinate this benefit with other education leave that is available to you.

Applications will be reviewed by the regional Workforce Development co-leads. They will submit their choices to the national Workforce Development co-leads, who will make the final selections.

To receive an application and instructions e-mail Imp-careers@kp.org with your request or call 1-800-216-4517. You can also download the information at www.benhudnallmemorialtrust.org.

Look for posters or flyers about the LMP classes in the breakrooms or print one for your area by going to: <http://www.ofnhp.org/?view=news&item=923>.

In Unity,

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