Women in Trades Fair 2005 will feature “10 Things Girls Need to Know”

Rogue Community College will host the sixth annual Women in Trades Fair on March 11 at the RCC Crater Lake Center, 5759 Crater Lake Hwy., Medford. The schedule includes hands-on workshops, exhibits, demonstrations, and training and employment information. Admission is free.

This year’s fair offers a new format: From 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the fair will serve middle and high school girls from throughout the region; events will be open to the public from 2:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Also new will be the opportunity to learn the “10 Things Girls Need to Know,” skills that range from reading a voltage meter to hammering skills to measuring and lifting.

“These are experiences and skills that sometimes girls and women don’t experience but seem to be taken for granted on construction sites,” said event organizer Barbara Campbell. “Hands-on exhibits, including welding, wiring, carpentry, metal routing and more, will be going on continuously so that the girls can get an idea of what that trade is all about,” Campbell added.

Women in Trades 2005 is presented by RCC, with support from Southern Oregon Education Service District, and the Oregon Department of Education. RCC organizers work closely with educators from regional middle and high schools in designing and promoting the fair.

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