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Work experience

September 1997 – July 2020

Eagle Newspapers, Inc.

Applications Support and Systems Administration

Provide applications support for newspaper and printing group based in Salem, Oregon. Program utilities to transfer data from legacy programs into more modern systems. Provide desktop support and administration for Office 365. Manage purchasing and software licensing administration. Maintain company web sites. Managed migration from the MS-DOS applications to Windows applications hosted in Amazon Web Services.

July 1989 – September 1997

Community Newspapers, Inc.

Data Processing Manager

Managed system providing computing services to a weekly newspaper group. Systems included Netware LAN's for three offices. Provided technical support and training for staff users and external customers in applications including mail list management, office automation, vertical market applications for the newspaper industry and electronic publishing. Additional responsibilities included managing the corporate mail room. Programmed applications for database publishing.

January 1989 to June 1989

Oregon Legislative Assembly, Legislative Information Systems

Courier/Microcomputer Specialist

Divided duties between serving as courier to transport documents to the state printer, and working with operations staff to support the legislative committee staffs and legislators. Diagnosed and serviced PC compatible systems and printers, mainframe connectivity devices, and other hardware. Installed and configured software, PC hardware, printers and printer sharing devices.

Volunteer Activities

Polk County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Emergency Coordinator

Served as emergency communications volunteer through the county Sheriff's Office since 2001. I have been the leader of the county ARES unit since 2010. I am also chair of Mid-Valley ARES, Inc., a non-profit supporting Marion, Polk and Yamhill County ARES units, and the Amateur Radio Unit at the Oregon Office of Emergency Management. I am a life member and board member of Salem Repeater Association, which maintains radio repeater locations in Salem and Falls City.

Polk County Search and Rescue

Radio Communications and Human Tracking

Have served as radio communications lead for Polk County Search and Rescue since 2005. I also am a certified tracker and designated trainer (visual tracking) of lost or missing subjects.

Education

Continuing Education

I have completed several FEMA courses in Incident Command System, as well as Auxiliary Communications and Communications Technician. I also regularly attend and instruct in the Polk County Search and Rescue Academy and for Polk County Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

Chemeketa Community College, 1982

Major: Computer Programming. Courses in programming, college level accounting and psychology. 3.9 GPA

Oregon College of Education, 1979

Major: Undeclared, concentration in Liberal Arts. Participated in Honors College World Civilization/Western Literature block program. Courses in programming, German language, mathematics and writing. 3.7 GPA

References

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