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County HR employee named to national board

Snohomish County Employee Susan Thornton has been named to the International Public Management Association's Publications Advisory Board for 2010.

Thornton, a senior employee relations analyst in the county's Human Resources Department, was selected from a host of national and international candidates for the position.

The IPMA for Human Resources represents the interests of human resource professionals at the federal, state and local levels of government. Members include all levels of public sector HR professionals. The organization's goal is to provide human resource leadership and advocacy, professional development, information and services to enhance organizational and individual performance in the public sector.

"Employees such as Susan Thornton are dedicated to their work and are always interested in improving their field at a local and national level," Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon said. "We're pleased the IPMA has honored her with this selection."

The charge to the Publications Advisory Board is to review manuscripts submitted for possible publication in the IPMA-HR professional journal "Public Personnel Management" and to suggest possible relevant topics to be addressed in the journal and other association publications.

"Susan is a wonderful employee and anything you task her with will be a success," said Bridget Clawson, the county's HR director.

Thornton has been employed with Snohomish County for more than 22 years and is an involved community member.

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