

# GUILD LEADER

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## Downsizing Update

# 22 Workers Sign Up for Buyouts; Guild Awaits Word on Next Step

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Twenty-two Journal employees have signed up for the buyout program, 12 from the News department and 10 from Advertising. However, the number of departing workers is less than the company's stated goal of 35.

Guild officials could hear from the company by the end of next week on the number of additional job cuts the company is seeking.

If additional cuts are required, the company has said it will be looking at involuntary layoffs. The Journal has never before laid off regularly scheduled Guild represented workers.

The Guild expects to work out the details of any layoffs with management once the need for cuts is known.

For most of the departing workers, Friday September 12 will be the last day of work.

### **Reception Scheduled**

To honor our departing colleagues and their contribution to the newspaper craft, the Guild will hold a reception September 12 from 4 until 8 p.m. at the Guild office, 270 Westminster St.

Beer, wine, soda and snacks will be served.

The reception is open to all Journal workers, regardless of Guild membership or management status.