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“Unsettled/Resettled: Seattle’s Hunt Hotel”

Through Sep 25, 11am-3pm (Tue-Sat), noon-3pm (Sun), Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center (121 NW Second Ave, Portland). View “Unsettled/Resettled: Seattle’s Hunt Hotel,” an exhibit about the thousands of people of Japanese ancestry who were incarcerated in internment camps during World War II and returned homeless and jobless to their former communities in the Seattle area. Using interviews, archival footage, photographs, and original artworks by Aki Sogabe, the display recalls the resettlement experience of the families and individuals who found lodging at the Seattle Japanese Language School between 1945 and 1959, when it operated as a temporary hostel. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

National Preparedness Month

Through Sep 30 (daily), 7am. As part of National Preparedness Month, the Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency (CRESA) is hosting its “30 Days, 30 Ways Preparedness Challenge,” an online social media game and contest in which players are given a daily challenge at 7:00am west coast time. Participants can play as many days as they would like throughout the month and winners receive prizes. The national theme this year is “Don’t Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today.” For info, call (360) 737-1911, or visit <www.30days30ways.com> or <www.clark.wa.gov>.

NeighborWalks 2016

Sep 20, 10am-noon, Multnomah Arts Center (7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland). Take a tour of Multnomah Village as part of NeighborWalks 2016. The two-hour walk — which is 2.3 miles (and 4,600 steps) — explores Multnomah Village and its surrounding charming neighborhoods. Participants also learn about pedestrian safety and walkability for all ages from a Safe Routes to School national partnership expert. Attendees should meet on the west side of the Multnomah Arts Center. For info, call 1-866-554-5360 or visit <http://states.aarp.org/neighborwalks2016>.

Naturalization information session

Sep 20, 11am-2pm, Beaverton City Library (12375 SW Fifth St, Beaverton, Ore.). Attend a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) information session offering an overview of the process to become a U.S. citizen, the test, and the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Participants also learn about free resources and practice a mock naturalization interview at the event, which is held as part of “National Welcoming Week” in Beaverton. For info, call (503) 526-2584, e-mail <equity@beavertonoregon.gov>, or visit <www.beavertonoregon.gov/WelcomingWeek>. See related story on page 11.

OACPIA public meeting

Sep 21, 9-11am, Oregon State Library, Conference Room 102 (250 Winter St NE, Salem, Ore.). Attend a public meeting of the Oregon Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OACPIA). The meeting agenda includes commissioner reports, other subjects of interest to the commission, and more. For info, call (503) 302-9725, e-mail <OACO.mail@das.state.or.us>, or visit <www.oregon.gov/OACPIA>.

Ending homelessness talk

Sep 21, 6-7:30pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Attend a talk led by local advocates of homeless people about the history of homelessness, current work addressing the issue, and what can be done to change the future by ending modern-day homelessness in Portland and nationwide. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

“Break the Silence, Break the Stigma”

Sep 21, 7-9pm, Curious Comedy Theater (5225 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Attend “Break the Silence, Break the Stigma,” an evening of interactive community theater to help break the stigma surrounding mental health using real-life stories of Oregon residents who have experienced challenging and often silent adversities. After the performance, community members and mental-health professionals are available to discuss the mental-health community in Oregon. For info, call (503) 402-8117. For tickets, visit <www.breakthestigma2016.eventbrite.com>.

Free “Beneficial Insects” workshop

Sep 21 & 29, 6:30-8:30pm; Sep 21, Sunnyside Community House (3534 SE Main St, Portland); Sep 29, Bridgeport United Church of Christ (621 NE 76th Ave, Portland). Attend “Beneficial Insects,” a free sustainable garden workshop at which participants learn about beetles, bugs, flies, lacewings, and other invertebrates that provide free pest control as well as how to attract and sustain the friendly beneficial insects. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 222-7645 or visit <www.emswcd.org>.

OAPABA gala dinner

Sep 22, 5:30pm, Sentinel Hotel (614 SW 11th Ave, Portland). Attend the gala dinner of the Oregon Asian Pacific American Bar Association (OAPABA). The evening, which this year has the theme “Recognizing Our Heroes: Voices of Change,” features dinner; awards; a keynote address by David Lat, founding and managing editor of the “Above the Law” legal blog and author of *Supreme Ambitions*; the posthumous presentation to Minoru Yasui of the Justice Lynn R. Nakamoto Award; and more. For info, call (503) 546-4631 or e-mail <president@oapaba.org>. To buy tickets, visit <www.oapaba.org>.



THE BIRTH OF SAKÉ. *The Birth of Saké, a documentary by Japanese-American filmmaker Erik Shirai, who goes inside the Yoshida Brewery — a 144-year-old family-owned company in northern Japan — to capture the traditional saké-making process, airs Monday, September 26 on Oregon Public Broadcasting. (Images courtesy of Oregon Public Broadcasting)*

Medicare info session

Sep 22 & 29, 5:30-7:30pm, Hillsdale Library (1525 SW Sunset Blvd, Portland). Attend a free Medicare information session presented by the Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services Division focusing on comparing insurance options, untangling paperwork and problems, appealing benefit denials, and reporting Medicare fraud. To schedule a one-hour, one-on-one counselling appointment with a Multnomah County SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) program representative, call (503) 988-3646. For info, call (503) 988-5388 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Runway Run

Sep 24, 7-9am (security screening), 9:05am (race), 10-11:30am (awards & post-race celebration), Portland International Airport, North Runway (7000 NE Airport Way, Portland). Participate in the Runway Run, a run/walk held as part of the Port of Portland’s 125th anniversary. The race — from one end of the north runway to the other and back — is limited to 2,500 participants age 12 and older. For info, including fees and security information, or to sign up, call (503) 292-4626 or (503) 415-6000, or visit <http://htcraceseries.com/event/pdx-runway-run-2016>.

Free health resource fair

Sep 24, 9am-2pm, Clackamas County Public Health Courtyard (150 Beaver Creek Rd, Oregon City, Ore.). Attend a free health resource fair hosted by FamilyCare Health in collaboration with the Clackamas County Public Health Department. The fair features dental screenings; flu shots; blood-pressure screenings; fluoride varnish; enrollment assistance for the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), Medicaid, WIC, and SNAP; health and wellness resources and education; giveaways; snacks; and more. For info, contact Tania at (503) 488-8342, e-mail <taniac@familycareinc.org>, or visit <www.familycareinc.org/events>.

Free lead screening for families

Sep 24, 10-10:45am, Hillsdale Library (1525 SW Sunset Blvd, Portland). Attend a free screening for lead poisoning that uses a quick and simple finger-prick test administered by trained professionals. A child with lead poisoning may be asymptomatic — looking and acting healthy — and because of this, lead poisoning may go unrecognized. The test takes only minutes and results are available immediately. Resources for lead-poisoning prevention are also offered. The clinic is aimed at children age six and younger, women who are pregnant or breastfeeding, and any student within Portland Public Schools. For info, call (503) 988-5388 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup

Sep 24, 10am-1pm, Oregon Coast and inland rivers. Join fellow Oregonians for the annual SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup. Volunteers are needed to clean Oregon’s beaches and inland riversides from the Washington to the California border. Participants are asked to check in at one of more than 100 meeting sites and clean up the coastline and riverbanks for wildlife and visitors. Sturdy shoes, weather-appropriate clothing, a reusable container for drinking water, a reusable bag or bucket for collecting trash, and gloves are suggested. Volunteers are also encouraged to carpool or use public transportation where possible, pack a “trash-free” lunch, and bring an old colander to beach cleanup sites to sift the tide lines for harmful, bite-sized bits of plastic. For info, or to register, call 1-800-333-SOLV (7658) or (503) 844-9571, ext. 332, or visit <www.solveoregon.org>.

“Learning about Taiwan from the Art of Tea”

Sep 24, 1-3pm, Beaverton City Library (12375 SW Fifth St, Beaverton, Ore.). Join the Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors for “Learning about Taiwan from the Art of Tea,” a “National Welcoming Week” event that features Taiwanese tea history, a tea ceremony, the preparation of mashed Hakka tea, and samples of bubble tea. For info, call (503) 526-2584, e-mail <equity@beavertonoregon.gov>, or visit <www.beavertonoregon.gov/WelcomingWeek>. See related story on page 11.

20th anniversary of the Midland Library

Sep 24, 1-4pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Join the Midland Regional Library’s 20th anniversary celebration. The event features entertainment, kids’ crafts, demonstrations of the library’s latest services, and cake. For info, call (503) 988-5392 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Islamic Center of Portland open house

Sep 24, 3-5pm, Islamic Center of Portland (6940 SW Hall

Blvd, Beaverton, Ore.). Attend an open house at the Islamic Center of Portland (ICP) to learn about Muslim culture, Islam, and the center’s role in the community. The event, hosted by ICP and the Vose Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC), is held as part of “National Welcoming Week” in Beaverton. For info, call (503) 526-2584, e-mail <equity@beavertonoregon.gov>, or visit <www.beavertonoregon.gov/WelcomingWeek>. See related story on page 11.

“Voice Your Vote”

Sep 24, 4-4:45pm, Belmont Library (1038 SE César Chávez Blvd, Portland). Attend “Voice Your Vote,” a workshop led by the Multnomah County Elections office to learn how to register to vote in Multnomah County and receive and return a ballot accurately. The deadline to register to vote in Oregon for the November 8, 2016 election is October 18. To register (required), call (503) 988-5234. For info, call (503) 988-5382 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Free “Naturescaping Basics” workshop

Sep 24 & Oct 1, 9am-1pm; Sep 24, Southeast Uplift (3534 SE Main St, Portland); Oct 1, LivingSpace (3926 N Vancouver Ave, Portland). Attend “Naturescaping Basics,” a free sustainable garden workshop at which participants learn to create a low-maintenance landscape that conserves water; prevents pollution; and saves time, money, and energy. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 222-7645 or visit <www.emswcd.org>.

Pad thai cooking class

Sep 25, 10am-1:30pm, West Linn Adult Community Center (1180 Rosemont Rd, West Linn, Ore.). Learn the ins and outs of making two versions of pad thai — one with authentic sauce using tamarind and another version that is popular in the U.S. — at a class taught by Indonesia-born chef Surja Tjahaja. The class includes lunch. For info, or to register, call (503) 557-4700 or visit <www.westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec>.

China Business Network

Sep 26, noon-1:30pm, Miller Nash Graham & Dunn LLP (111 SW Fifth Ave, 34th Floor, Portland). Attend “Update on PRC Employment and Labor Law,” an event presented by the China Business Network. The lunch talk features Jeffrey Wilson, counsel at JunHe LLP Shanghai, who speaks on the latest developments in labor and employment law in the People’s Republic of China (PRC), including the efforts by the PRC to limit the increase in labor costs as well as create flexible labor markets. For info, or to register (by September 20), call (503) 973-5451 or visit <www.nwchina.org>.

“Spirit of Portland” awards

Sep 26, 4pm (nominations due). The City of Portland is seeking nominations for its annual “Spirit of Portland” awards. The awards — given to individuals, neighborhoods, businesses, and volunteers to recognize the importance of citizen involvement — are presented at a ceremony on December 13, 2016. Awards are given in categories such as Community Leader of the Year, Young Leader of the Year, Business of the Year, Sandy Dierich Environmental Stewardship of the Year, and more. For info, or to obtain a nomination form, call (503) 823-3093, e-mail <spiritofportland@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandonline.com/oni/spiritofportland>.

“Banned Books” panel discussion

Sep 26, 6-7:30pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Join artist and *Asian Reporter* cartoonist Jonathan Hill; comic-book authors M.K. Reed, Anina Bennett, and Tristan Tarwater; and editor Hannah Means-Shannon as they participate in “Banned Books: Diversity, Inclusion, and Respect,” a panel discussion examining the trend that diverse authors and literature about multicultural communities are increasingly likely to end up on lists of banned books. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

The Birth of Saké

Sep 26, 11pm-12:30am; repeats Sep 28, 4-5:30am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch *The Birth of Saké*, a documentary by Japanese-American filmmaker Erik Shirai who goes inside the Yoshida Brewery — a 144-year-old family-owned company in northern Japan — to capture the traditional saké-making process. (Japan/USA, 2015, Erik Shirai, 87 mins.) To verify showtime, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

“Guns and America: Exploring the Second Amendment”

Sep 27, 6-7:30pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Join Reed College professor Pancho Savery for “Guns and America: Exploring the Second Amendment,” a discussion about why the Second Amendment exists and the special circumstances that made the freedom to own guns important enough to merit its own amendment. The talk is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities Fund of the Library Foundation. To register (required), call (503) 988-5234. For info, call (503) 988-5387 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

“Banned Books Week: Diversity”

Sep 27, 7:30pm, Powell’s City of Books (1005 W Burnside St, Portland). Join Charles Brownstein, executive director of the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund and chair of the Banned Books Week Coalition, for a talk about why more than half of all banned books are written by authors of color or contain events and issues concerning diverse communities. For info, call (503) 228-4651 or visit <www.powells.com>.

Oregon gubernatorial debate

Sep 30, 11:30am (doors), 12:15-1:15pm (debate), Sentinel Hotel (614 SW 11th Ave, Portland). Learn about the candidates running for governor of Oregon — democratic incumbent Kate Brown and republican challenger William “Bud” Pierce — at an Oregon gubernatorial debate presented as part of the City Club of Portland’s Friday Forum. For info, call (503) 228-7231 or visit <www.pdxcityclub.org>.

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