

**NORTHWEST news**

registry and the clarification of confusing language. Four hearings have been scheduled to receive public comment about the proposed changes:

- 6 p.m. May 28: Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard St.
- 1 p.m. May 31: Campbell Senior Center, 155 High St.
- 6 p.m. June 6: Petersen Barn Community Center, 870 Berntzen Road.
- 11 a.m. June 8: McNutt Room, 777 Pearl St.

The public forums will be followed by formal hearings Sept. 24 and Oct. 14. Time and place will be announced at a later date.

For more information contact Greg Rikhoff and Holly LeMasurier at 541-682-5177 or hrc@ci.eugene.or.us.

**PRIDE 2002 NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Almost 400 volunteer slots need to be filled before Portland Pride 2002, which will take place June 15 and 16. Shifts range from three hours to all day.

Several types of volunteers are sought to cover the stage, parade, festival and security. People also are needed before Pride weekend to help make calls and fill time slots.

To volunteer e-mail your shift preference and telephone number to redcowboyboots@excite.com.

**VANCOUVER ADDRESSES HOMELESS YOUTH ISSUE**

Community leaders in Vancouver, Wash., will brainstorm actions that can be



Pride Northwest needs volunteers to help turn an empty field into a lively festival

taken on behalf of youth who are forced out of their homes because of their sexual identity during a special meeting from 4 to 5 p.m. May 29 at the Children's Home Society, 309 W. 12th Ave.

Llyn Zephyr, Sexual Minority Services Project executive director, said a "breakaway" group needs to address this specific issue as its sole focus. She hopes to assess what options are available to these kids, to find out how many individuals in the community are willing to get involved and to help develop additional resources and options.

To RSVP call 360-695-1325 by May 27.

**GAY BLACK REPUBLICAN WILL DELIVER LECTURE**



Peter J. Gomes

Hailed by *Time* magazine as one of the seven best preachers in the United States, the Rev. Peter J. Gomes will give a lecture, "The Good Life: Truths That Last in Times of Need," 7:30 p.m. May 31 at the Center for Spirit-

tual Development Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 147 N.W. 19th Ave. The cost is \$10.

The Harvard University professor and minister wrote the best seller *The Good Book*, a "vivid, common-sense and wise analysis of what the Bible means for us today." In his latest, *The Good Life*, he addresses challenging and perplexing questions about happiness and service.

Gomes transcends any obvious labels by reconciling so many of them: He is African American, gay and Republican. He was raised a Baptist and is past president and trustee of the Pilgrim Society of Plymouth, Mass.

For more information contact Ellen Morrison at 503-478-1218 or emorrison@center-for-spiritual-development.org.

**SHARE YOUR VISION FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW**

Almost 1 million people in more than 1,500 communities in 85 countries will participate May 19 in the 19th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial.

A vigil will begin 8 p.m. on the steps of the state Capitol in Salem. Attendees are asked to bring their candles, their friends and their memories of those who have passed from HIV/AIDS.

In Ashland, a memorial and mobilization will be held 7 p.m. at the Lithia Park Bandshell. Organizers and participants include OnTrack's Alan Collins AIDS Project, the Jackson County Health Department's HIV Division and the Rogue Valley Gay Men's Chorus.

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