

One night only fundraiser for LCSA

Labor's Community Service Agency will be a beneficiary of a "Together 4 Oregon, Together We Thrive" fundraising event broadcast live Saturday, July 18, from 7 to 8 p.m. on KGW-TV. The event is to raise money for non-profit organizations that benefit Oregon workers hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic. Other non-profits that will benefit from the call-in are Bradley Angle (domestic violence), NAYA (Native community), and the Sunshine Division (food resources).

Labor Day picnics canceled

Northwest Oregon Labor Council (NOLC) and Lane County Labor Chapter have announced that they will not host Labor Day picnics this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. NOLC hosts one of the largest Labor Day events west of the Mississippi at Oaks Park.

But after conferring with Gov. Kate Brown, the NOLC's Executive Board voted June 22 to cancel the event. Brown wrote that there should be no large gatherings until there's a reliable treatment or vaccine, which is many, many months out. If a county is in Phase 2, there may be gatherings of no more than 250 people with physical distancing. In Phase 1, there should be no gatherings of more than 25 people with physical distancing.

It will be the first time since 1985 that NOLC hasn't sponsored a picnic on Labor Day.

For similar reasons, Lane County Labor Chapter also canceled its Labor Day picnic.

Women in Trades Career Fair canceled

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, this year's Women in Trades Career Fair has been canceled. The popular even sponsored by Oregon Tradeswomen Inc. (OTI), had been rescheduled from May 15-16 to Sept. 25-26, but continued uncertainty about the coronavirus led to the cancellation. Next year's fair will be held May 14-15.



South Korean Government donates face masks to Clark County KWVA

The government of South Korea donated 5,500 face coverings to the Clark County chapter of the National Korean War Veterans Association to be distributed in Vancouver and Clark County. Above, Pete Adams (right), principle officer of Vancouver Fire Fighters Local 452, receives two boxes of 200 face coverings from Robert Sumrill, 1st Vice Commander at the Clark County KWVA Chapter 321. The face coverings were distributed to nearly two dozen organizations June 26 in the parking lot of 40 Et 8 Chateau in Vancouver, Washington. Also getting masks were American Medical Response ambulance service, Kaiser Permanente Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center, VA Hospital, American Red Cross, Cowlitz Clinic, Free Clinic, Vancouver and Clark County police and sheriff's departments, and others. Ed Barnes, second vice president of the Northwest Oregon Labor Council and a retiree of IBEW Local 48, helped coordinate the mask distribution. Barnes, a Korean War veteran and member of KWVA Chapter 321, has spent the last several years raising money to go toward building a Korean War "Wall of Remembrance" on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Chapter 321 has raised over \$77,000, with a good portion of that money coming from union members and labor organizations. If you would like to contribute send checks payable to "Korean War Memorial" to the Northwest Oregon Labor Council, 9955 SE Washington St., Suite 305, Portland, Oregon, 97218.

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