

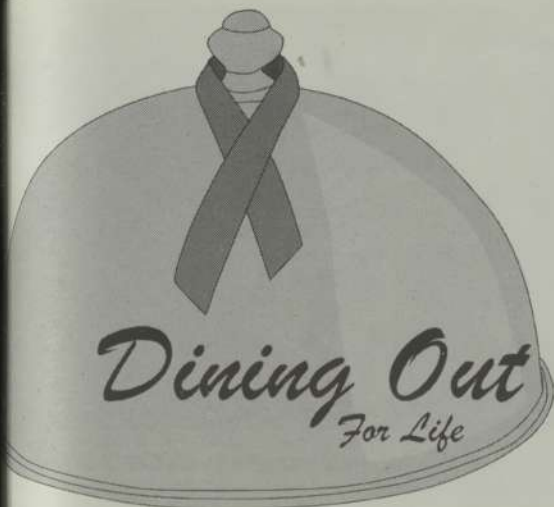


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## Restaurants raise more than \$4 million for HIV/AIDS awareness

Participating restaurants donate up to 30 percent of their customers bill to HIV/AIDS awareness

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Where were you this April? Perhaps if you were eating breakfast, lunch or dinner at one of Portland's restaurants, you could have been supporting those afflicted with HIV/AIDS. Dining Out for Life is a nationwide event where participating restaurants donate up to 30 percent of a customer's bill to the Partnership Project and the Day Center.

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Lindsay Ross  
Program Manager for HIV Day Center

The Partnership Project provides case management to living with HIV/AIDS. It runs educational and support programs about HIV/AIDS. Statistically, nine and a half million people contract HIV in the United States and only five are aware of their status.

The HIV Day Center is a drop-in day center for low-income folks living with HIV/AIDS where they can access basic needs such as food and clothing, but also have the opportunity to

develop psycho-social support networks with other clients, staff and volunteers," explained Lindsay Ross, program manager for the HIV Day Center, in an e-mail.

The event raises about \$4 million every year in 53 cities nationwide and even in some parts of Canada. Nearly 3,000 restaurants participate and an estimated 250,000 people dine out on this night. Portland has been a host to the event for two years.

Red Star Tavern is one of the two restaurants in Portland that participated. Lenny Cooper, a manager, said that their restaurant raised about \$1,000 from lunch to dinner and had about 160 guests attend and believes about half of them were there for DOFL specifically. This was the first year that Red Star Tavern participated in the event and donated 20 percent.

The restaurants are found to participate through volunteering on their own or are contacted to see if they would like to participate. For their support, they receive some advertising and a few extra customers for the event.

"We solicit participation from restaurants each fall. This past fall we sent out 200 plus invitations to local restaurants, and we follow up each letter with phone calls and visits. Restaurants are more than welcome to contact us as well," said Ross.

Detour Café was another participant in the event and raised around \$150 for the fundraiser and was told of the event through a customer.

DOFL doesn't just sit back and have restaurants do all the work, though; they send out ambassadors to every restaurant to talk with the guests about the event and who it supports and why it is important.

DOFL was the brain child of Julie Drizin in Philadelphia 20 years ago and was recognized this year with the Friends for Life Award by Action AIDS along with Ted Allen, who is a co-spokesperson for the event.

You can find out more about Dining Out for Life and the participating restaurants on their website [www.diningoutforlife.com](http://www.diningoutforlife.com), or follow them on Twitter @DineOut4Life.

## Clackamas students gravitate towards PSU because of lower tuition and local campus

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*Doctrina Urbi Serviat*, or "let knowledge serve the city," is the motto for the most obvious choice of a transfer school for a number of Clackamas Community College students, Portland State University. The 49 acre PSU campus is located in the heart of downtown Portland, just a bus ride away from home for most.

For some, selecting Portland State is more than just convenience; it is the cost as well.

"Because it's a good school with good programs, and I want to take the Native American studies," said James Altman, a student at Portland State who is undecided between law and history as a major. Altman also

works on campus doing security work in order to receive a discount on tuition.

For a resident student transferring to PSU from CCC as an undergraduate, you can expect to pay \$6,764. Or as a non-resident student, you will be paying nearly twice that amount at \$12,675, though it is unclear if PSU, like CCC, will be increasing tuition in the near future.

Brandon Gullion, a PSU student double majoring in business accounting and music performance said, "I knew PSU had an excellent music program as well as a great business program, which was my second choice if I ended up not wanting to do music. After visiting the campus shortly after I started my application process, I instantly loved it."

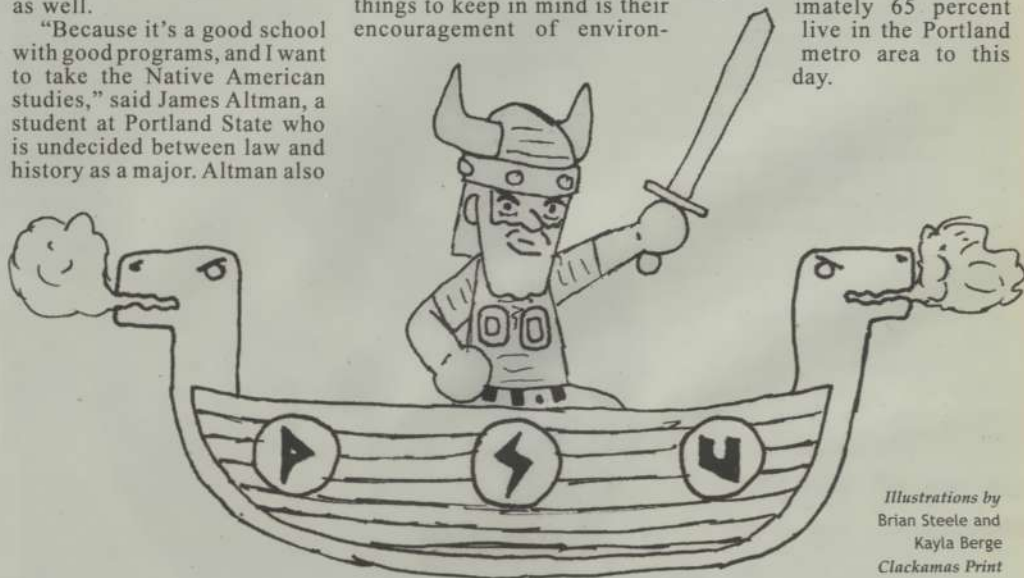
Being that PSU is in Portland, one of the important things to keep in mind is their encouragement of environ-

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mental awareness. According to *The Princeton Review*, Portland State is included on their list of 286 green colleges nationwide.

"The campus is very clean and well kept and whenever there is an issue, the staff gets on it immediately," said Gullion.

The university boasts, over 121,000 alumni, and according to [www.PDX.edu](http://www.PDX.edu) approximately 65 percent live in the Portland metro area to this day.

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