

Feeling sad and depressed? You might be suffering from Capitalism

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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Are you anxious? Worried about the future? Feeling isolated and alone?

According to Occupy Portland, the symptoms of Capitalism may include homelessness, unemployment, poverty, hunger, feelings of powerlessness, fear, apathy, boredom, cultural decay, loss of identity, extreme self-consciousness, loss of free speech, incarceration, suicidal or revolutionary thoughts, et al.

So what's the cure for this dreaded disease? Take the afternoon off from work or school and find out at the **PDX May Day General Strike**, Tuesday, May 1st at 2:00 p.m. in the South Park Blocks (SW Park Avenue and Salmon Street).

Here some of the other things happening this month in Southwest:

Pageturners Book Groups read *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. Engage in stimulating conversation about books, exchange perspectives about characters and plot, and get to know your neighbors.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Thursday, May 3, 1:30-2:30 p.m. and Tuesday, May 8, 6:45-7:45 p.m. Space at programs is limited. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. For adults. Capitol Hill Library, 10723 SW Capitol Hwy, 503-988-5385.

No Women, No Cry: A Maternal Healthcare Event. For too many women around the world, including the United States, pregnancy is a death sentence.

Learn about these tragedies and how

they can be prevented. Thursday, May 10, 2012, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location is 7850 SW Capitol Hwy in Multnomah Village.

Here is the schedule of events: 6:00-7:00 p.m. live music by local NW artist Melanie Joy Hall; 7:00-8:00 p.m. movie, "No Woman No Cry," directed by Christy Turlington Burns; 8:00-9:00 p.m. panel discussion with an OB/GYN, nurse mid-wife & the Oregon CARE advocate.

Also, free drawings for prizes from local women-owned businesses. Take action through Amnesty International card writing to world leaders. FREE. Contact: Nadine Lefkowitz, gifts@topanien.com, (503)244-9683.

Broadway Dreamers: Northwest Senior Theatre has won a chance to be on Broadway. They will stop along the way to perform songs about the cities and states we go through. Broadway shows will include "Hello Dolly," "Man of La Mancha," "Show Boat" and others.

Showtime is 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, through Saturday, May 19, at Alpenrose Opera House, 6149 SW Shattuck Rd. Lots of free parking. Wheelchair/walker friendly. For more information call Betty at 503-227-2003 or email bettymer@comcast.net or visit www.nwtheatre.org.

Karen Cries On The Bus: Tuesday, May 22, is film night at the Garden Home Community Library. Show starts at 6:30 p.m. This Colombian film is

directed by Rojas Vera in Spanish with English subtitles.

Here's the synopsis: Karen has left her slimy but successful husband Mario after ten years of marriage. She walks out into Bogotá with no job, no friends, and hardly any money, but catches a break when she meets a hairdresser named Patricia at a cheap flophouse.

The Library is located at 7475 SW Oleson Rd. Portland, OR 97223. More information call 503-245-9932 or visit www.wccls.org.

Sellwood Bridge Faces Access Issues

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originally planned to provide access through Freeman Motors, Pullen said, but both parties objected to this.

A second plan would go through Southwest Miles Place. Ken Love, South Portland Neighborhood Association chair and Miles Place resident, said neither he nor his neighbors had been notified of these plans, and that he was worried about the traffic impact.

Pullen later said that Macadam Bay's 30 moorages would probably not generate more than 100 new auto trips a day, which would not have a significant impact on Miles Place.

At a public open house on the issue last month, more than 50 people showed up and expressed concerns. "There's no consensus on any plan," Pullen said. "This is turning out to be the most difficult part of the project."




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