

FREE DENTAL CLINIC

A free dental clinic for extractions only is coming up Saturday, June 23, for people who are uninsured, low income, have a tooth that needs to be removed, and have not had recent dental care. Patients need to have a phone number where they can be reached to confirm appointments.

The event is being organized by the Occupy Eugene Medical Clinic in cooperation with St. Vincent de Paul. Dentists can work on only one quadrant at a time so only one upper or lower jaw, left or right side, can be treated at this clinic. A limit of 20 people can be treated.

The clinic will be held at the St. Vincent de Paul's Service Station on Highway 99. The two check-in times are 8:30 and 10 am. Contact Sue at sierralupe@comcast.net to get on the list.

ACTIVIST ALERT

• Sunday, June 17, marks Occupy Eugene's 50th **interfaith meditation/prayer circle** and the group is hoping to have 50 people show up at 1 pm for communion ceremony, followed by Sufi dancing, qi gong, meditation/prayer and a Native pipe ceremony. The event will happen at the old Federal Building at 7th and Pearl.

• The **Independent Party of Oregon** will nominate candidates for the November election by conducting its own 2012 primary election from June 19 through July 17. The deadline for becoming a candidate is June 14 (find application at www.indparty.com/candidates). There is no filing fee for candidates who submit a small number of support petitions from Independent Party members.

• Anti-war activist **Cindy Sheehan** will be speaking at 7 pm Friday, June 22, at the small amphitheater in Maurie Jacobs Park, off River Road and across the river from Valley River Center. Her son Casey was killed in the Iraq War and she has become an outspoken critic of American foreign policy under both Bush and Obama. More information next week.

biz beat

GreenLane, a local business networking group, is partnering with Ninkasi Brewing for a "People, Profit & Pints" summer gathering from 5 to 7 pm Thursday, June 14, at Ninkasi, 272 Van Buren in the Whiteaker neighborhood. The event is for members and people looking at joining the group. Find GreenLane on Facebook.

We hear that **Laxton's Big & Tall** shop is closing its doors forever at 4 pm Saturday, June 16, after 57 years of business. Laxton's is selling its remaining goods at an additional 50 percent off the lowest sale price. Founder Walt Laxton died in 1985 and his wife, Lily, took over the store and still works there at age 86. Their son Kent Laxton has worked at the store since 1969. The shop is at 505 South A St. in Springfield. Phone number is 747-9412.

Star Gate Awareness Resources at 1374 Willamette in Eugene is celebrating its 25th anniversary with a community gathering from 7:30 to 11 pm Saturday, June 16, at the Saraha Dharma Center, the former Unitarian Church, at 477 E. 40th Ave. The event will include devotional singing and Gypsy trance dancing, according to owner and founder Alan Stein. Star Gate offers alternative books, music, DVDs and gifts. Email info@stargateeugene.com or call 342-8348.

College towns are real estate investors' "best kept secret," according to the CNN Money website June 6. The story says colleges and universities add stability to the rental market regardless of what the economy is doing, and "Even developers who have cut back on other housing projects are building in college towns." Meanwhile, CNN Money reports Corvallis and Eugene were listed as number 4 and 5 in a list of metro areas in the U.S. where home prices are "starting to turn." The story cites strong rental sales near UO and OSU and a lowering unemployment rate in Corvallis.

Local marketing and advertising agency **bell+funk** in the new Broadway Commerce Center downtown has hired Ali Fishner as an account executive. Fishner is a UO journalism grad who previously worked at the R/West ad agency in Portland.

CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our Summer Guide last week, we inadvertently had the seventh annual **Tayberry Jam** listed under the wrong date. The big "permaculture living summit and music festival" will be Aug. 3-5 at Cougar Mountain Farm in Saginaw. See cougarmountainfarm.com for details.

Also in Summer Guide, the correct date for the **Butte to Butte** walk and run is July 4. See runnerspace.com for details. And left out of the listings was the Maude Kerns Art Center's July 4th **Freedom Festival Fireworks** show with music, beer garden and family friendly activities at Alton Baker Park starting at 3:30 pm. See

LIGHTEN UP

Some friendly advice for the pope: Don't waste your time trying to impose a male worldview on 57,000 nuns. Any married man will tell you that he can't even train his wife to leave up the toilet seat.

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