



Monday is Martin Luther King, Jr. day, so how better to spend it than in service to the community? Friends of Trees is having a community **ivy pull-down** in Alton Baker Park to protect the ecosystem there. Erik Burke, the Eugene Director of Friends of Trees, says, "It helps the understory plants like the wildflowers and it also helps release the trees a little bit." This particular area of the park is special, he says, because it's "one of the best examples of the wildflowers that used to grow in these areas." Burke says there are several species of lilies and delphiniums that grow in the area, but they compete with invasive species like English Ivy. "The reason we want to get it off the trees isn't so much to keep it from killing the trees, which it rarely does, but because the ivy reproduces when it climbs." By preventing the ivy from reproducing, volunteers will be helping the indigenous wildflowers grow better in springtime. "I would encourage people to go to the Whilamut natural area in Alton Baker Park because there's spectacular wildflowers and birding in the area," Burke says. He hopes to see 100 volunteers on Jan. 16, and says, "We'd like to thank Willamalane Park and Recreation district, Northwest Natural, Northwest Youth Corps, The Holden Center, and the National Academy of Gymnastics" for their participation.

Friends of Trees green space ivy pull event, gloves, tools, & refreshments provided, Monday, Jan. 16, 8:30-11:30 am, meet at the Patterson Slough bridge south of Walnut Road, Spfd., RSVP at eugenetrees@friendsoftrees.org or 632-3683. FREE. — *Kelly Kenoyer*

THURSDAY

JANUARY 19

SUNRISE 7:42AM; SUNSET 5:04PM
AVG. HIGH 47; AVG. LOW 33

FILM *The General* screening, 6:30-9pm, Wildish Community Theater, 630 Main St., Spfd. FREE.

The Last Waltz 40th Anniversary, 7pm, WOW Hall. FREE.

GATHERINGS Sharps & Flats, Ages 50+, 9:30-11:30am, Willamalane Adult Activity Center, 215 West C St., Spfd. \$5-\$6/term.

The Heart Has no Wrinkles, exploring sexuality later in life. 1:30-2:30pm, Willamalane Adult Activity Center, 215 West C St., Spfd. FREE.

Anti-Racist Community Forum, 6-8pm, The Boreal, 450 3rd Ave. FREE.

Active Bethel Citizens Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Bethesda Lutheran Church, 445 Royal Ave. FREE.

Santa Clara Community Organization, 7pm, Messiah Lutheran Church, 3280 River Rd. FREE.

Downtown Toastmasters continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Emerald Photographic Society Club Meeting continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Exhibit Talks continue. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Home Grown Community Radio Forming KEPW-FM meetings continue. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

NAMI Connection Support Group for people with mental health issues continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

KIDS/FAMILIES Wonderful Ones Storytime continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

LECTURES/CLASSES The Gallery—Artist Relationship: A Conversation between Catharine Clark & Sandow Birk, 12pm, JSMA, 1430 Johnson Ln. FREE.

Live Alone? How to prepare for a local/national emergency w/Geoff Simmons M.D., 2pm, Sheldon Oaks Retirement, 2525 Cal Young Rd. FREE.

Talk: "Gender Justice in Guatemala: Advances and Challenges," Erin Beck & Lynn Stephen, 3:30pm, EMU 119, UO Campus. 346-5286. FREE.

Paint Party, 6-8:30pm, Viking Braggot Company, 520 Commercial St., Unit F, pre-register at thirst2create.com. \$35.

Amanda Stamper on the ecological role of fire in the Willamette Valley, 7pm, Stellaria Building, 150 Shelton-McMurphey Blvd. FREE.

Talks at the MNCH continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

LITERARY ARTS Author Lunch w/ Cindy Swanson, Annette Cone & N.J. Mahayni, noon, Indulge! Antiques in Gateway Mall. FREE to participate.

ON THE AIR "Arts Journal," current local arts, 9-10pm today & Thursday, Jan. 12, Comcast channel 29.

Thursday Night Jazz w/David Gizara, 10pm today & Thursday, Jan. 12, KLCC 89.7FM.

"The Point" continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Board Game Night continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Brew & Cue Trivia continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Cribbage Tournament continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Duplicate Bridge continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Lunchtime Tap & Growler Running Group continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Pool Hall for seniors continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

WDYK Trivia w/Rick continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

SOCIAL DANCE Fall Dance Sampler Series, Cha Cha, 7:30pm, In Shape Athletic Club, 2681 Willamette St. \$10.

English & Scottish Country Dancing continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Music & Dance Workshops w/ Taller de Son Jarocho continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

SPIRITUAL Insight Meditation continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Zen Meditation continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Zen Practice & Teaching continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

TEENS Japanese Manga & Cartoon Drawing Club! 4-5pm, Ophelia's Place, 1577 Pearl St. Ste. 100. \$10-\$25 sug. don. for the term.

No Shame Workshop continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

THEATER *The Explorer's Club* continues. See Friday.

Oregon Contemporary Theatre: *The 39 Steps* continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

VOLUNTEER Care for Owen Rose Garden continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah Native Plant Volunteer Work Party continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

Native Plant Nursery Volunteer Work Party continues. See Thursday, Jan. 12.

CORVALLIS AND THE REGION

THURSDAY, Jan. 12: Corvallis Sustainability Coalition annual meeting, noon-1:30pm, Corvallis-Benton County Public Library, 645 NW Monroe Avenue, Corvallis. FREE.

SATURDAY, Jan. 14: Yachats Agate Festival, 1am-4pm today & tomorrow, Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 101. FREE. Movie Night: *Meet John Doe*, dinner at 6pm, film at 7pm, Rural Art Center, Lorane Grange #54, Old Lorane & Orchard Rd. \$7 sug. don.

SUNDAY, Jan. 15: Motocross Practice Day, 8:30am, Clark's Branch Motocross Park, 2400 Clarks Branch Rd., Myrtle Creek. \$10.

Yachats Agate Festival continues. See Saturday, Jan. 14.

MONDAY, Jan. 16: OSU Martin Luther King Jr. celebration: keynote address & peace march, 11am, The LaSells Stewart Center, 875 SW 26th St., Corvallis. FREE.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18: Death Café Corvallis, Come talk truth to death, 6-7pm, Interzone, 1563 NW Monroe Ave., Corvallis, facebook.com/groups/death-cafecorvallis. FREE.

ATTENTION OPPORTUNITIES

Due date for the calendar is noon the Thursday before the Thursday issue in which you would like your event published. For example, if you'd like to be

included in our Jan. 19 edition, please follow our formatting guidelines with the date, name of the event, time, place, address & send to cal@eugeneweekly.com by Thursday, Jan. 12 at noon.

The Lane County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to serve on the Lane County Performance Audit Committee. The deadline is 5pm, Thursday, Jan. 19 applications are available online and in the Board of Commissioners' Office.

Eugene Springfield Solidarity Network (ESSN) is looking for volunteers to work on labor & social justice campaigns in Lane County. The ESSN Action Mobilization Committee meets at 6pm on the third Monday of each month. For more info email essn@solidaritynetwork.org or visit solidaritynetwork.org.

The Sponsors Inc. Mentorship Program needs volunteer mentors to mentor men & women transitioning out of state & federal institutions. For more info, contact James at 505-5662.

West Coast Dog & Cat Rescue needs volunteers to respond to calls concerning cat adoption, abandonment, & medical concerns. May provide this valuable service at home on a flexible schedule. For more info call 225-4955.

Oregon Money Management needs volunteers to assist low income clients with financial management, paying bills & balancing checking account. Orientation & training required, one year commitment. For more info contact Dana at 682-4177 or ddoney@lccog.org.

A Family For Every Child is seeking volunteers to mentor youth in the community. Fill out an application at afamilyforeverychild.org.

Teens: volunteer at the downtown Eugene Public Library w/ Teen Team. Team meets Tuesdays 4-5pm. For more info or an application, visit the Downtown Eugene Public Library Teen Desk or call 682-8316.

Springfield Public Library is seeking applicants for the Library Citizen Advisory Board. The deadline is 5pm Friday, Jan. 13. Applications are available at the City Manager's Office in City Hall, 225 Fifth Street, or download the application at springfield-or.gov/bcc.htm.

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