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SYMPHONY TO HOST OPEN HOUSE FOR ARTQUAKE

Those Attending Artquake in downtown Portland Sept. 4, 5, and 6 will notice a major addition to the city's traditional celebration of arts and culture: the first-ever Oregon Symphony "Open House" from 1 to 4pm daily at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall in the Portland Center for the Performing Arts. In addition, the first orchestra rehearsal of the 1993-94 season will be open to the public in honor of Artquake on Sunday, Sept. 5 from 10am to 12:30pm.

Free hall tours, musical presentations, educational displays and a chance to win Symphony tickets, including a subscription to the 93-94 Pops series, will be featured each day of the Symphony Open House. A daily schedule of activities will be posted at the Broadway entrance to the hall.

Members of the Oregon Sym-

phony orchestra will give the musical presentations, which will be entertaining and educational in nature and will be targeted at families, young people and those not already familiar with symphonies and symphonic instruments.

Information on the Symphony's 1993-4 season also will be available, along with hall charts that will allow potential concertgoers to select subscription seating on the spot.

KXL Newsradio 750, media sponsor for the 93-94 Pops series, will conduct a special live remote broadcast from the concert hall on Monday, Sept. 6. Featuring KXL on-air personality Bill Gallagher, the live remote broadcast also will feature the drawing for the winner of the Pops subscription, and may include an appearance by Symphony Associate Conductor Norman Leyden.

Inmates Help Neighbors

Paint Historic Gazebo, Ready Park For 3rd Annual Gospel Music Festival

Inverness jail inmates, Eliot Neighborhood, and the Portland Park Bureau will be swapping fees, labor, and good will in a project to dress up the historic gazebo in Dawson Park in time for the neighborhood's music festival Sept. 11, according to a festival spokesperson.

The painting party is set for 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday Aug. 17 and 18 in the park at North Williams and Stanton, across from Emanuel Hospital, according to Joyce Boles, festival chair. Prep work on Tuesday, painting on Wednesday.

"The park bureau said they'd waive the fees for the festival, which came to more than \$600, if we'd paint the gazebo, and they'd the paint," she said. "The corrections buy people waived their fees, too.

Northeast Portland Resident Is Kaiser Employee Of The Year

Northeast Portland resident Diane Norris was recently chosen one of three employees of the Year at Bess Kaiser Medical Center. The award is given annually by the volunteers to recognize employees who go above and beyond the requirements of their job and for being helpful to co-workers, staff and patients.

Norris took classes in early childhood development at Eastern Oregon State and Mt. Hood Community College, then went on to get her Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health Aide certification. She has worked with the elderly in nursing homes and in private homes, but has found that she takes special pleasure in working with the youngest patients. She currently works in the nursery at Bess Kaiser Medical Center. Her duties include everything from stocking shelves to holding a baby who is being circumcised. "I love it here," says Norris, a Bess Kaiser employee of six years. "There's a feeling of happiness and closeness. Everyone helps each other."

work more."

Also receiving recognition were Beaverton resident Billy McNulty and George Lane, a Ridgefield, Washington resident. They are night shift engineers at Bess Kaiser. Bess Kaiser

Medical Center, 5055 N. Greeley Ave., is one of two non-profit community medical centers providing health care to about 375,000 Kaiser Permanente members in Northwest Oregon and Southwest Washington.



Diane Norris Employee of the Year at Bess Kaiser Medical Center in Portland, Oregon

CIC Looking For New Members

The Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC) Of Multnomah County, Winner Of The National Assn. Of Counties Achievement Award, Is Looking For New Members.

"In our country, citizens are the government," said Defry Jackson, CIC Chairperson. "We are responsible for how its business is conducted. If services are bad, if we don't feel safe, if we don't like what's going on, we can work to change it. But, the only effective citizen is an informed and involved citizen. If we want government to work, we have to roll up our sleeves and get into the game."

CIC was created in 1983 by a vote of the people to guarantee their participation in county government. Five citizen representatives chosen by neighborhoods, community groups and coalitions from each of the four

districts of the county, and five at-large representatives of county boards and civic groups make up the committee. The mission of the CIC is to inform residents of their opportunities and rights in the decision-making processes of all aspects of county government; to create meaningful Citizen Involvement opportunities; and, to integrate citizens into the county's decision-making process.

"CIC does not involve itself in the merits of issues," said Jackson, "but in the merits of the processes which shape the issues. CIC works so that citizen concerns are heard and accounted for early in the formal decision-making process for optimum effect. We work with citizen boards, commissions, task forces, associations, ad hoc groups and individuals, participating with our elected repre-

sentatives to exercise home rule authority."

CIC's citizen-run program allows individuals to pick a way to participate that fits personal style. "If you have ideas on what your County should be," Jackson said, "CIC helps you to express your thoughts in a way that will have impact. You can make a difference, but you must be involved in the process. Together we can do it, hand in hand with every other citizen, using open, honest communication."

"Participate," Jackson urged. "Be an active citizen."

Interested citizens should call the Office of citizen Involvement at 248-3450 for more information or to request an application to join CIC; or write: Citizen Involvement Committee, 2115 S. E. Morrison, #215, Portland, Oregon 97214.

Inner City Youth Complete Entrepreneurial Program

Two groups of young entrepreneurs, aged 10-16, will be honored at an awards ceremony to be held Friday, Aug. 20, from 6:30 - 8 p.m. at Emanuel Hospital's Lorenzo Conference Center, 2801 N. Gantenbein in Portland. You are invited to witness and view the talent displayed by the Kimbro Kidds.

These young people are participants in a business program through Kimbro Kidds, Inc., a nonprofit training program aimed at inner-city, minority youth.

Presenting awards at the ceremony will be Lew Frederick, public information officer for Portland Public Schools. Also, making presentations will be Michael Chappie Grice, Portland Public Schools communications specialist and Kimbro Kidds board member.

Through the program, approxi-

mately 10 youths, aged 10-13, published a newspaper, The Portland Informer. The first issue was published Aug. 4 and a second edition is set for Aug. 18. The young people participated in nearly every facet of newspaper publishing, including interviewing news sources, writing articles, and completing layout and design.

The six older teens, aged 14-16, formed Kidd Graphic Design, a graphic arts and printing company whose client list includes the Portland State University Outdoor Program; Project P.L.U.S.; and the Lifesavers, a local gospel rap music group.

In addition to the two group enterprises, each young person worked to complete a personal business plan. These plans will be judged with the winner receiving up to \$500.

Kimbro Kidds, Inc. was developed this year by Wanda Irving, regional community relations manager for the U.S. Forest Service, and her children, Marcel 16, and Sharon, 12. It operates under the premise that early business training helps lead to success in the business world.

Kimbro Kidds is supported by organizations such as: the Portland Observer newspaper; Housing Authority of Portland through its Drug Elimination and Resident Initiative Program funds; Black United Fund; Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation; Portland Trailblazers; Boys and Girls Club; Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory; Portland State University Vanguard and City Liquidators.

"Fostering a New Generation of Business Leaders"

Space Available In Early Childhood Centers

Openings for fall are still available in many of Portland Public Schools' seven early childhood education centers (ECECs) serving 4- and 5-year-olds whose families live within school district boundaries.

Half-day prekindergarten and full-day kindergarten programs operate five days a week at the centers, which draw Grant and Jefferson high-school-area children and transfer students from other Portland School District neighborhoods. Transportation is provided from most neighborhoods.

Lower staff-student ratios and a variety of enrichment programs including computers, math, science and cultural studies are available at the centers.

ECEC offers reopen Aug. 23 for registration. Parents should bring proof of birth, address and immunization records when registering their children.

Portland School District ECECs are:

- Boise-Eliot ECEC - Grades PK-5
620 N Fremont St., 97227, 280-6171

- Humboldt ECEC - Grades PK-5
4915 N Gantenbein St., 97217
281-8797
 - Irrington ECEC - Grades PK-5
1320 NE Brazee St., 97212
280-6456
 - King EEC - Grades PK-5
4906 NE 6th Ave., 97211
280-6456
 - Sabin ECEC - Grades PK-5
4013 NE 18th Ave., 97212
280-6482
 - Vernon ECEC - Grades PK-5
2044 NE Killingsworth
280-6415
 - Woodlawn ECEC - Grades PK-5
7200 NE 11th Ave., 97211
280-6282
- For further information, please contact Marjorie Kerr, communication specialist, Portland Public Schools, 249-2000, Ext. 4563 or Jefferson Cluster Director of Instruction Office.

Darigold Kids Village Offers Fun For The Young

The Oregon State Fair caters to all ages, young or not so young. The Darigold Kids Village; however, is a real treat for the young ones.

The Kids Village is located on the Main Lawn and will open daily, August 26-September 6, except on Young At Heart Day, August 31. The Village hours are 10am to 5pm and is

packed with a fun-filled agenda. The fun includes Kaiser Permanente's "Professor Bodywise's Traveling Menagerie," Mollies Follies Performing Pigs, Ronald McDonald's "Red Shoe Revue," Free Milk-N-Snack Break and more.

Friday, August 27 is Care*Free Gum Children's Day, sponsored

by Care*Free Gum and that means that all children age 6-12 years get FREE admission all day with a Care*Free Gum Big Pack Wrapper with UPC label. Plus, between 10am and 12 noon, all carnival rides are FREE.

Sound interesting?

Sunday Jazz At The Old Church

Premiering Sunday, September 19, 1993 is a Jazz series offering artistic jazz in an elegant setting. Including a la carte food, wine/beer offered before and during the performance, with Dave Frishberg and Rebecca Kilgore.

Dates:

- Sunday, September 26, Dan Balmer and Randy Porter.
- Sunday, October 3, Ron Steen and Friends.
- Sunday, October 10, Suzi Stern, Dick Berk, Phil Baker and George Mitchell.
- Sunday, October 17, Leroy Vinnegar and Mel Brown Band.
- Sunday, October 24, Tall Jazz.

From 1 to 4:30pm. Music begins at 2pm in the Old Church Society Concert Hall

The Admission is \$8 per person (\$40 for the concert series). Non-reserved seating, in a smoke-free informal setting for jazz buffs interested in listening to the unusual in an acoustically sound concert hall.

Proceeds benefit the piano fund for the purchase of a concert-quality piano for the Old Church. Give Old Church the opportunity to take its place in the community as a fine acoustically sound concert and performance venue.

Sponsored by Old Church Society Inc., 1422 SW 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, 222-2031

For More information contact Kristin Chabot, Manager, The Old Church Society, 222-2031 or Sandy Stallcup, Jazz Committee Chair 977-1718.



STAND UP PORTLAND

Stand Up Portland, a citizen-driven media campaign to honor diversity, culminates in a day-long picnic at Tom McCall Waterfront Park, Saturday, August 21.

Participants will stage a "Living Postcard to the World," donning painters' caps to create an aerial picture of the Portland skyline to be broadcast nationwide. Registration for the staging begins at 7am. The photo shoot takes place between 10am and 11am.