

# METRO *Life*

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## SECTION B

### Community Calendar

#### Air Park To Host Flying Tigers

The Pearson Air Museum in Vancouver will host a public reception for the famous Flying Tigers of World War II, Saturday, Sept. 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will allow you to meet the famous veterans and inspect two restored Curtiss P-40 Warhawks, the aircraft that made the pilots famous. The museum is located next to the Ft. Vancouver Historical Site.

#### Community Fair Set For Woodstock

A kids' parade, crafts sale and cultural fair will be some of the activities going on in the Woodstock community this weekend. The parade begins Saturday at 1 p.m. at 46th and Woodstock. Retailers along the boulevard are planning special activities to coincide with the event. Arts and crafts vendors will be on hand and musicians are planning to entertain.

#### Parks Offer Gardening Workshops

Metro is offering free alternatives to pesticides workshops in August and September to help home gardeners keep problems in check with a light touch. The goal of the program is to reduce the volume of pesticides entering the region's garbage and waterways. Call 234-3000 for more information.

#### 19th Amendment Celebrated

A parade and waterfront celebration takes place Saturday to mark the 75th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, giving women the right to vote. Participants will gather at 9 a.m. Saturday at the South Park Blocks for the parade which begins at 10 a.m. Activities, including performances, music and speeches take place Saturday starting at 11:30 a.m. at the Ankeny Stage near the Burnside Bridge.

#### Senior Safari Day At Zoo

Free admission and train rides for seniors and their escorts will be part of the fun during Senior Safari Day, Sept. 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Metro Washington Park Zoo. The special event will include refreshments, entertainment, animal tricks, pettable animals and more.

#### Call For Senior Volunteers

Senior citizens who want to help their community are needed in the Multnomah County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). To help, call Helen Wahl at 229-7787 and ask about volunteer job opportunities to suit your interests. Current needs include computer helpers, food basket coordinators, child abuse hotline operators and tutors for parents.

#### CPR Classes Scheduled

The Portland Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services is offering residents the chance to attend one of two CPR classes on Saturday Oct. 7. Cost is one new unwrapped toy for the firefighters' holiday Toy and Joy program for needy children. Class enrollment is limited to 50 people per session, offered on a first come, first serve basis. To register, call Kevin Shanders at 823-3698.

**SUBMISSIONS:** Community Calendar information will be given priority if dated two weeks before the event date.



Roena Douglas (above, from left), Mary Harris and Jessie Snodgrass are among area residents attending a rummage sale and family barbecue at the Northeast Multicultural Senior Center. On the front lines at the event are center activities coordinator Rachel Belcher (left), and Daisylin Oten. (See story and additional photos, page B2.)

(Photos by Duane Lewis)



### County Opens Work Crew Annex

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office has opened a Work Crew Annex, a temporary jail facility on the grounds of the Inverness Jail.

The addition of the beds in the annex is designed to ease prisoner crowding.

A low-security facility, the annex will initially have 27 openings for work crew inmates.

There is room for expansion within the warehouse for up to 45 inmates.

Officials said relocating the inmates to the annex frees up "hard" jail beds for other offenders.

The warehouse was originally designed

to house supplies and materials needed to operate the five sheriff's office jail facilities. It's conversion into a jail facility began in early March.

Since then, a work team of sergeants, command officers and civilian staff have worked continuously to bring the warehouse space into a condition suitable for human habitation.

Among the provisions essential to the conversion was the addition of an adequate number of toilets and showers for inmates, greater fire suppression capability and enhanced lighting, ventilation and video surveillance ability.

### Local Award Recipients Recognized For Volunteer Efforts

Michelle Harper, Bishop Adolph Wells, Rev. Alcena Boozer, Margie Keller and the late Neil Kelly of Portland were honored with the Whitney M. Young Jr. National Service Award by the Cascade Pacific Council, Boy Scouts of America on Monday July 31.

Named for the late Whitney M. Young Jr., the award is presented to individual volunteers or organizations who have made an outstanding contribution in bringing the Scouting program to low-income youth within the council. Young was known throughout his life as a spokesman for civil rights and as executive director of the National Urban

League from 1961 until his death in 1971. The award was established by the Boy Scouts of America in 1978.

The award was presented at the annual Century Club Luncheon which has been formed to help raise the money needed to help low-income youth participate in Scouting.

Nominations are made within each local BSA council and are approved by a local committee, as well as by the National Urban/Rural Field Service Committee.

Michelle Harper of the Parks and Recreation Department of Portland got started in Scouting through her son's involvement in Tiger Cubs, and has worked diligently in

### VA To Break Barriers At Health Conference

Looking to enhance access to medical care for all veterans, the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center is sponsoring a Minority and Women Veterans Conference, Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Portland Conference Center, 300 N.E. Multnomah St.

The conference includes speakers representing several aspects of medical care the chance for veterans to share their concerns.

The keynote speaker will be Elizabeth Allen, an expert speaker on Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome and an African-African

veteran who served in Vietnam.

Allen currently serves on the New Jersey Agent Orange Commission.

Officials said one of the reasons the conference was organized was to help minority and women veterans discover what services are offered for them at the veterans medical center in Portland and the best ways to access those services, V.A. officials said.

"Perceived barriers may prevent individuals from accessing the VA as a source of health care," said Barry Bell, medical center director. "We hope to break down those perceived barriers at this conference."

### Urban League Finds Ideal Co-Chairs



Peter Gray and Joyce Harris

Peter Gray, Vice President of Corporate Affairs for Bank of America, and Joyce Harris, a community leader and Program Director with Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, have been named Co-Chairs of the Urban League of Portland's 50th Anniversary Membership Drive.

The announcement was made by Lawrence J. Dark, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Urban League of Portland. "We feel very fortunate to have two talented volunteers to spearhead this year's expanded membership drive," Dark said. "Our goal is to demonstrate community support for our work by recruiting 5,000 individual members and corporate membership in the amount of \$150,000. With Peter and Joyce leading our volunteer team, I am confident we can reach our goal."

The campaign theme is "Open Doors & Open Minds," echoing the message of the League's 50th anniversary publicity campaign which was launched this spring. To take advantage of the anniversary, this year's membership drive has been expanded to include a team of volunteer captains and membership enrollers who will use creative methods to recruit new members. People interested in volunteering for the campaign should contact the League's Brian Black at 503/280-2619.

Volunteers assisting with the campaign include Duane Bosworth-Davis, Wright, Tremaine, Cynthia Brooks--MassMutual, Sonia Stalling Clark--Intel, Okianer Christian Dark--U.S. State Attorney's Office, Julius Evans--Tri-Met, Thelma Golden, Alberto Gonzales, Roy Jay--Oregon Convention Visitors Services Network, Rhonda Meadows--Columbia Distributing Co., D'Norgia Price--City of Portland, Paula Kinney--Jefferson High School, Harold Williams--CH2 and Associates, and Amy Youngflesh--Portland Community College.

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