

# Family Living

The Portland Observer

## Cultural Center Community Asset



Theater In D' Hood is the pride of the IFCC



Kids participate in Theater In D' Hood talent show

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 ▲ the program each area will host a talent show and potluck from the other areas.

"What's very important, as America starts to embrace its diversity, is for us to get training on how to come together and deal with the mutual issues of our diversity," Busby maintains. "It's easy to stay in our own communities. What's hard is to come out and be comfortable in the greater community. Theater In D' Hood is about cross cultural training."

The IFCC is funded by grants, cor-

porate and foundation sponsors, and individual memberships and funding is paramount on Busby's agenda. The organization faces a funding crisis but the creative staff came up with a successful "breakfast among the art" campaign that invites area business see the programs first hand.

From corporate background, Busby credits the artists for what she knows. At the interview for the job she was asked if she could bake a cake from scratch. Her response was that she didn't bake but she could walk on water and judging by the center's success, perhaps she can.

## National Pet Week At The Zoo

National Pet Week celebration kicks off at the Metro Washington Park Zoo Sunday, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. No pets are allowed at the zoo.

Activities will emphasize the special bond between people and their pets. Visitors can talk to veterinarians, zoo keepers and representatives from other organizations. Dis-

plays will cover topics from responsible pet ownership to emergency care and household hazards for pets.

The event is an opportunity to learn how to choose the right pet and to learn which animals don't make good pets.

Children can visit the petting zoo, have their faces painted make a cat or dog toy to take home and enter a

coloring contest. Prizes for the contest will be awarded by random drawing.

Shaggy dog, silky cat and sleek white mouse will make an appearance.

The event is sponsored by Ralston Puren and Portland Veterinary Medical Association with support by K103 radio.

## Enjoy A Free Ride Home

Enjoy a free ride home on Tri-Met and avoid parking and traffic hassles when visiting the Imperial Tombs of China exhibit.

Take Tri-Met to the Imperial Tombs of China and get a free ride home.

MAX light rail and bus service will take visitors to within walking distance of the museum. Bus routes serving the museum and connecting to the Portland Transit Mall include 63-Washington Park-OMSI and 6-Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

To get a free ride home, just bring the proof-of-payment used to get to the museum to redeem for a ticket home.

Tickets home are available at the museum information desk and ticket office in the north wing, as well as at the information tent outside the main entrance to the museum on the park blocks.

Information on riding Tri-Met is available 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. weekdays by calling 238-RIDE, TTY 238-5811 or Fax 239-3092.

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 2141 N.W. 25th Avenue  
 (25th & Vaughn)  
 Lab Bldg., 2nd Floor Auditorium  
 Thursday, 12:00 Noon

### NORTHEAST PORTLAND

Tillamook Park Bldg.  
 2108 N. E. 41st Ave.  
 Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
 Tues. 7:00 p.m.  
 Wed. 9:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.  
 Thurs. 7:00 p.m.  
 Fri. 9:30 a.m.

Temple Baptist Church  
 1319 N.E. 7th  
 Fireside Room  
 Tues. 12:00 Noon

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## Older Americans Recalled For Service

May is officially Older American Month and among these Senior Citizens are many experienced workers who want to return to the labor market. The mature worker offers high productivity, good attendance, old fashioned work ethics and a wealth of experience. They bring good judgement and ability to solve problems quickly. Many successful companies have recognized the value of pre-screened experienced workers, some of which are bilingual and all offer skills and knowledge capable of serving today's business needs.

AARP Senior Employment can give you information on opportunities for the mature workers and can make referrals to the interested employers. There is never a fee for services. The phone number is 231-8078.

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