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SECTION B

Community Calendar

ZooTunes Tuesdays

ZooTunes, a series of three outdoor concerts for kids on selected Tuesday evenings, begins July 22 at the Washington Park Zoo. The concert are free after regular zoo admission.

Get into fitness

The State Games of Oregon presents its first health and fitness fair Friday from noon to 6:30 p.m. at the Tualatin Hills Athletic Center in Beaverton. The afternoon will consist of health and fitness assessments, vendors displaying their goods and services, product sampling and much more. There will also be a variety of sports demonstrations and interactive clinics taking place.

A mindset on business

Learn to change your business mindset and increase your influence at the July 16 Business Roundtable, sponsored by the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce. Bart Wood, corporate accounts executive for Anthony Robbins, will be featured at the 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. session at McMenamins Pub, 2927 SW Cedar Hills Blvd. There is a \$2 charge of coffee and a muffin.

Easy meals for summer

Home economist Marjorie Barker will share the latest in healthy cooking with samples and recipes to take home. Tuesday, July 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 NE 40th.

New library hours

Reduced hours of operation have been imposed at the Central Library and all 14 branches of the Multnomah County Library system. All the libraries will now be closed on Sunday and Mondays as part of the budget cuts.

Art show planned

The North Clackamas Arts Guild is calling for artists to participate in their annual fine arts exhibit the weekend of Sept. 19-21. The prospectus is available by writing to the arts guild at P.O. Box 1955, Portland, OR 97207.

Aquarium offers day camps

Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport has scheduled a series of day camps this summer for youth of all ages. For more information, call (541) 867-3474, extension 5221.

Kids show spirit

Enjoy the energy and colorful regalia of young performers from many different tribes during Antelope Spirit, a special production, July 10 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Children's Museum, 3037 S.W. Second Ave. Kids can clap along to the beat of traditional drums and see how difference Indian cultures mark special occasions with different dances.

Summer dance

The School of Oregon Ballet Theater, in its 8th year as one of the Pacific Northwest's most prestigious dance training institutes, is offering a five-week summer dance program, July 14 through Aug. 16. Over 200 students, ages 7 to 20 will receive instruction. For information call the School of Oregon Ballet Theater at 227-6890.

Free skin cancer screenings

The American Cancer Society Annual free skin cancer screenings on Saturday, July 19, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. until noon, at the following Portland area locations: **Legacy Mt. Hood Medical Center**, 24800 SE Stark Gresham; **Providence/Portland Medical Center**, Radiation Oncology Dept., 5050 NE Hoyt, B Level, Portland; **OHSU**, Gabriel Park, Family Health Center, 4411 SW Vermont, Portland.

Pre-registration is required. Call the American Cancer Society, toll free at 1-800-ACS-2345 in Oregon or 295-6422 in Portland to register.

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Seniors citizens giving back

Urban League puts spotlight on elders

Inner city seniors who give back to our community as volunteers, employees and supportive family members will be honored at the Urban League of Portland's annual dinner Thursday, July 10 at 7 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center.

"This is the first time we have honored the people who built the community we live in," said Urban League President Lawrence J. Dark. "The dinner will also remind us of the many ways senior citizens continue to give back to our community long after they turn 65."

The program will highlight the range of gifts urban seniors provide, from volunteering time and professional skills, to social, cultural and economic contributions.

The dinner honorary co-chairs are Dr. Walter C. Reynolds and Jim McConnell. Reynolds symbolizes seniors who continue to share their professional skills. He is a Portland native who has practiced family medicine in the city for 43 years.

Reynolds was the first African American to graduate from the University of Oregon School of Medicine. He has served as a college instructor, military physician and has a long record of volunteer service, including chairing the Urban League board in the 1950s.

One of Dr. Reynolds' priorities has been supporting minority students' entry into the health professions.

Jim McConnell is Director of Aging Services for Multnomah County.

McConnell is responsible for overseeing an agency that helps seniors live independently in our communities. These vital services range from senior activity centers to



Heloise Hill, a retired school principal, enjoys working with inner city kids at the Urban League of Portland's Whitney Young Learning Center. Hill and other deserving seniors will be honored for their volunteerism July 10 at the Urban League's annual dinner.

(Photo by Carole Archer)

meal services, transportation and case management.

Dr. Patricia Fletcher, president of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, will be the evening's guest speaker. Fletcher has committed her life to the ad-

vancement of women and children. She has served as board chair of an Ohio program for abused women and as principal of an elementary school focused on international studies.

Life-size photos of 30 seniors from Portland who are giving back to our community,

will decorate the convention center lobby, where guests will be able to read about the important gifts they continue to make.

The evening will begin with a no-host reception at 6 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$50 and are available by calling 280-2617.

Anderson retires with honors

Rosemary Anderson, the former executive director of the Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center, was honored Saturday for her work helping young people.

The recognition was presented by the Oregon Association of Colored Women's Club, one of Portland's oldest civic groups, dating back to 1917.

Anderson retired March 20 after 29 years of outstanding service, but still works with POIC as a volunteer. During her tenure as an administrator, she took bold and aggressive steps to keep the center open through difficult times.

She also developed and implemented an alternative middle and high school program for Oregon students who were not succeeding in traditional school settings.

Under her leadership, the school was accredited through the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges in 1989.

She has been consistently recognized and honored for her dedication and commitment to high risk youth.



Rosemary Anderson (left) of Portland receives an honorary plaque from Layola Brown, president of the Oregon Association of Colored Women's Club, during the club's annual awards luncheon Saturday.

(Photo by Mark Washington)

Food Bank goals high for Blues Festival

Star performances from the Staples Singers and others, expected to boost attendance, food donations

With more than 400,000 hungry people in Oregon last year and food stamp cuts beginning to take effect, Oregon Food Bank officials are counting on a strong turn-out this week at the 1997 Waterfront Blues Festival to store up resources for the coming year.

Food Bank officials expect The Staples Singers, known for hits like "I'll Take You There" and "Respect Yourself," to draw a large crowd for their 7:45 p.m. show on Sunday, July 6. Pop Staples, with daughters

Mavis, Yvonne and Cleo, will make their first Portland appearance in a decade at the close of the four-day benefit festival for Oregon Food Bank.

"I can't believe that we started with a couple of bands on one stage and a few volunteers, and now we've got 600 volunteers, four days of music, two stages, and we're doing so much for hungry people!" said Oregon Food Bank Executive Director Rachel Bristol.

This is the tenth anniversary of blues for hunger-relief in Portland's Tom McCall

Waterfront Park. The festival tradition began in 1987 with the Rose City Blues Festival, which raised \$7,500 and 6,500 pound of food.

This year, Oregon Food Bank and hungry people hope to see the Miller Genuine Draft Waterfront Blues Festival bring in \$175,000 and 80,000 pounds of food from the gates. Still the most affordable festival in the Pacific Northwest, admission is a suggested daily donation of \$3 and two cans of food per person. Annual festival proceeds account for five percent of Oregon Food Bank's operating budget.

The Staples Singers' appearance at the Waterfront Blues Festival is made possible by First Tech Federal Credit Union, and their accommodations will be provided by the Governor Hotel.

Other national, regional and local blues

acts will perform non-stop on two stages over the four days of the festival. The festival will run from 5:00 p.m. through 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, from noon through 10:00 p.m. on July 4th and 5th, and from noon through 9:00 p.m. on July 6.

On Friday, July 4th, show-closer Boozoo Chavis, zydeco king of Louisiana, will be followed at 10:00 p.m. by a fireworks spectacular simulcast by Earth 105 FM.

The 1997 Miller Genuine Draft Waterfront Blues Festival is presented by Credit Union Access and receives major sponsorship from Earth 105FM, Ford Trucks, Sprint PCS, and Levi's Apparel.

For a complete festival schedule or other information, call the Miller Genuine Draft Waterfront Blues Festival Hotline at (503) 973-FEST.