

METRO Life

The Portland Observer

SECTION B

"Bridging Portland's Communities"

Community Calendar

Steps to Teen Success

Dr. John Oda, NLP will be providing a free workshop for parents only. The program will give parents enhancement tips of dealing with their teen. The program is called "The Seven Steps for Teen Success." The program will be held at the Wells Fargo Center, 1300 S.W. 5th Ave., Sept. 18, from 7-9 p.m. For reservations, call 503-471-2954.

A Living History Event

Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, located in the Vancouver National Historic Reserve, will be having their 2001 Fort Vancouver Candlelight Tour. This is a historical reenactment of the fort's history when Oregon Trail immigrants first arrived during the mid-1800's. The Candlelight Tour will be held on Sept. 14 and 15, from 7-10 p.m.

Job Opportunity Fair

The North Portland Office of the The Oregon State Employment Dept. will hold its 12th Job Opportunity Fair on Thursday, Sept. 13, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The North Portland Employment office is located at 30 N. Webster St. in Portland. There is no charge for the public to attend.

Elders in Action Commission

The Elders in Action Commission invited interested citizens to join them at their monthly meeting. Hot topics on the agenda include: Senior Forum hosted by Elders in Action and Multnomah County Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey. The event will be on Wednesday, Sept. 19, from 12:30 p.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call 503-823-5269.

Women of Achievement

The Annual Women of Achievement Award is a semi-formal gala attended by politicians, corporate principles and citizens who support women's rights. Their dinner reception and silent auction will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the DoubleTree Hotel Lloyd Center in the Lloyd Center Ballroom, located at 1000 N.E. Multnomah. Call 503-725-5889.

Health and Fitness Classes

Get in shape for fall with Providence Health System's west-side fitness classes. On Tuesdays and Thursdays this month, a class on "Alternative exercise: for those with joint mobility limitations" will be held at the Mercantile Medical Plaza in Lake Oswego, from 12:45 p.m.-1:45 p.m. Call 503-216-6595.

Memory Walk

The Oregon-Greater Idaho Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will be having their Tenth Annual Memory Walk - a 5K pledge-driven walk and run starting at the World Trade Center, located at S.W. Salmon and First on Oct. 7. The Competitive Run starts at 8:25 a.m. and the walk at 8:30 a.m. Call 503-413-6471.

Leach Botanical Plant Sale

Prepare now for a lovely garden next spring. Our Northwest fall rains present optimum conditions for the planting of perennial specimens that produce blooms in early spring and the seasons beyond. The Leach Garden Plant Sale will be on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Floyd Light Middle School, 10800 S.E. Washington.

The New Leadership Challenge

On Nov. 7, learn how to face new challenges at the Worldwide Lessons in Leadership Series at the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, from 7:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. To register, call 1-800-689-9771.

Music, Dance Usher New Era at PDX

Strike up the band and put on your dancing shoes, "PDX to the MAX" is an official weekend long celebration for the completion of three major public works projects at Portland International Airport.

This free community open house will feature music and dance on Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tri-Met is offering free rides home on MAX light rail for those who take MAX to the celebration.

Highlighting the weekend is Pendulum Dance, a dazzling aerial ballet with Suzanne Kenney and her Portland dance troupe performing at 2 p.m. both days. Other acts range from Chinese and Native American dance to steel drums, samba, blues and jazz.

The locally renowned Hot Shot Tap Dancers will perform on Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Clowns, children's activities and aviation displays will be on hand throughout the weekend, as well as special offers by airport retailers.

A full performance schedule is available at www.portofportland.com.

The event celebrates three projects that combine to improve airport convenience, comfort and capacity.

Attendees will see the new PDX South Lobby, which hosts the main stage for the event, and opens fully in October. The new Tri-Met Airport MAX Red Line opened Sept. 10, and the new PDX Concourse C opened Aug. 13.

"These improvements position PDX to well serve our Portland/Vancouver region into the next two decades," said Steve Schreiber, Port of Portland aviation director. "We hope everyone will bring the whole family out to celebrate."

Concourse C replaces the oldest 13 gates in the airport with wider passageways and waiting areas. It features Oregon native Larry Kirkland's artistic terrazzo inlaid floor depiction of the Columbia River and unique benches and art poles marking key industry and activities along the river.

The new Airport MAX Red Line runs every 15 minutes, traveling directly to



The Hot Shot Tap Dancers, the Ambassadors of Tap, are one of the many entertainment groups scheduled to perform this weekend at Portland International Airport in a public party to celebrate the new Airport Max light rail, a revamped terminal lobby and new concourse.

downtown Portland in just 38 minutes. Trains run every day from about 5 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. and cost just \$1.55. The Airport Station is just 150 feet from the baggage claim area.

The expansive new PDX South Lobby is framed by hundreds of panes of glass offering an open, inviting atmosphere. It

includes space for the new Columbia River interpretive center that opens later this fall.

Kirkland's artwork is on hand in the form of a circular, terrazzo and bronze inlaid floor map of the Pacific Northwest, and a 25-foot, futuristic, rocket-like column containing a large-scale flight information display monitor.

Saturday Walk to Benefit College Bound

Area residents are invited to celebrate the 12th annual United Negro College Fund "Walk-A-Mile-to-Save-A-Mind," Saturday, Sept. 15, at Peninsula Park on North Portland Boulevard.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the walk starts at 10 a.m.

Ronald McDonald, a friend to children of all ages, will lead the walkers through North and Northeast Portland neighborhoods. There will be food, music and prizes for individuals and teams.

Registration and pledge forms are available at Peninsula Park Community Center, Matt Dishman Community Center, Reflections Coffee and Bookstore, and Mrs. C's or by calling the United Negro College Fund at 503-223-8890.

Organizers encourage people to bring their entire family, friends, and neighbors to join hundreds of walkers of all ages representing the community, churches, schools, and civic organizations.

Together they expect to raise \$50,000 in scholarship funds for Oregon students.

Every year, more students from Oregon attend UNCF colleges and universities, which increase the need for scholarships.

These students come from various ethnic backgrounds, but the common denominator is that each has chosen to attend a historically black college or university. The job of volunteers is to raise the funds needed to ensure that these young students receive the quality education they deserve.

The UNCF has been providing students with funds to assist with tuition, books, and laboratory expenses for over fifty years. Oregon is home to scores of students and alumni of UNCF schools. This year's walk will be sponsored by Portland Parks and Recreation, NW Natural Oregon Lottery, Safeway, Wells Fargo, Oregon's 12 KPTV, Sheraton Portland Airport, and WinCo Foods.

Superintendent Search Widens

Portland Public Schools is holding two public meetings to gather input on the qualities people would like to see in its next superintendent.

The meetings will take place Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the Madison High School cafeteria, 2735 N.E. 82nd and Wednesday, Sept. 19 at the Wilson High School cafeteria, 1151 S.W. Vermont.

Meetings will be led by the Leadership Advisory Committee, community representatives appointed by the Portland Public Schools Board of Education to learn the community's views on the qualifications, background and leadership style of the next superintendent. District officials presented the following questions to ponder:

Should the next PPS superintendent have experience improving student achievement, motivating teachers, administrators and other staff, and have a strong track record in hiring high-quality staff?

Should the top executive have financial management experience and ability, experience working with employee unions, and the ability to advocate for school funding?

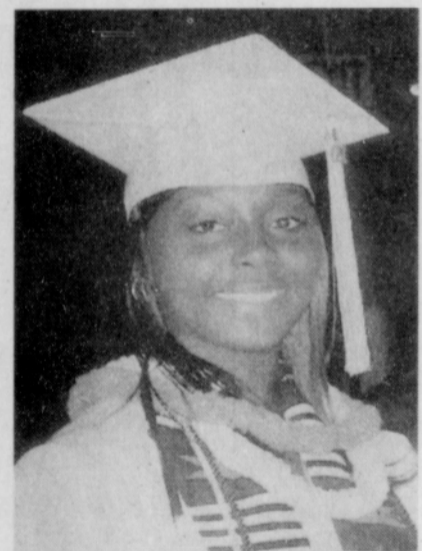
Should the superintendent have a working knowledge of Portland issues, experience turning around low-performing schools, and experience developing leadership among school principals?

Does the district need a superintendent with the ability to inspire public confidence, a background as an educator, strong communication skills, a strong track record of working with culturally diverse populations and a strong track record in building partnerships?

Phil Reynolds Scholars Head to College



Tulu Abe



Ahquoya Brooks



Sunni Sivadel

Three young women from local high schools are entering the official world of academia this fall with the help of the Phil Reynolds Memorial Scholarship.

Ahquoya Brooks, Sunni Sivadel and Tulu Abe were recently honored with \$500 scholarships each by the Reynolds family for their dedication to learning and outstanding achievement as young citizens in the community.

"Each one of these college bound freshmen will prove to the world that they can reach for and achieve their goals. Our best to all the students as they pursue their dreams," said Phyllis R. Smith, coordinator for the scholarship.

Abe, an outstanding student at St. Mary's Academy, will be attending the University of San Diego studying engineering to follow her interest in why things work.

Sivadel, an honor student from Wilson High School, plans to attend Howard University to fulfill her dream in sports medicine.

Brooks, an honor student and Rose Festival Ambassador at Jefferson High School, heads for the University of Washington in Seattle to further her interest in biology and a pre-medicine.

Reynolds worked in the railroad industry at the Terminal Company in Portland as a Redcap for 35 years. In 1935, he was

appointed supervisor of Redcaps and held that position until his retirement in 1957.

He was well known for his years of public service to the NAACP, Urban League and many other civic groups for the overall betterment of the community.

His work in establishing contact in the Oregon Legislature as a lobbyist for civil rights legislation clearly affected the course of the now current Equal Employment Act for the State of Oregon.

It was in honor of his dedication towards youth and their education that the scholarship fund was established.