

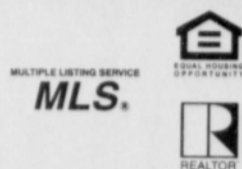
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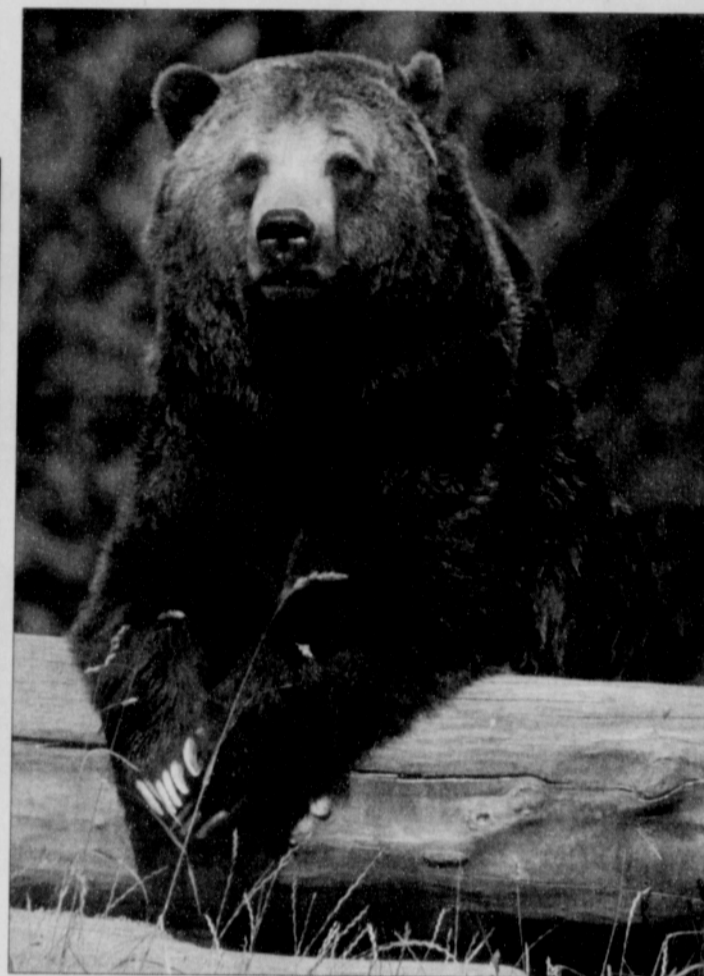


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ZOONEWS



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A bear at the Oregon Zoo, one of the featured attractions during Bear Fair, Saturday, March 20.

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Birth Announcement An Affair for Bears at Oregon Zoo

A red-flanked duiker, born Jan. 30, is on exhibit with its mother at the Oregon Zoo. Duikers are one of the smallest members of the antelope family.

According to zookeepers, the female calf is healthy and weighs about three pounds.

Duikers are not endangered, but is threatened by decreasing numbers due to the bush meat trade crisis in Africa.

Duikers are found throughout sub-Saharan Africa, in wetlands, rainforests and heavy timber forest. Duikers are classified as

frugivores. In the wild they browse or graze on grass, leaves, shrubs and trees, but the main component of their diet consists of wild fruits and vegetables, such as yams, sweet potatoes and carrots. They've also been observed eating carrion and insects, so they have a protein need in their diet, which is different from most antelope.

The zoo is located five minutes from downtown Portland, just off Highway 26. The zoo is also accessible by MAX light rail line. The zoo opens at 9 a.m. daily.

Do bears hibernate in the winter? Visitors will discover the surprising answer to this question and learn other facts about bears during Bear Fair, on Saturday, March 20 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Oregon Zoo.

Bear Fair, which is presented by Hagen Food & Pharmacy will star polar, grizzly, and Malayan sun bears as well as teddy bears. Between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. many of the bears will receive special treats, including, toys, feeder balls, large barrels, and huge piles of ice. Other Bear Fair activities include stories, activity stations, and experiments that will educate visitors about the different habitats and characteris-

tics unique to each bear, including black bears (not on exhibit).

A special Teddy Bear Picnic area will be set up for children of all ages to bring (or purchase) their lunches and feast with their teddy bears or other stuffed buddies.

In addition, 'Repair-A-Bear', a special surgical mending station, will be set-up for operations with emergency patchwork "in case your teddy bear or other stuffed buddy needs a little extra loving care."

The zoo's costumed bear mascot, Honey Bear, will also be making friends during her appearance, along with U.S. Forest Service's Smokey Bear.

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Baseball Clinic

An interactive baseball coaching clinic will resurrect the game in north and northeast Portland from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 13 at Jefferson High School's main gym, 5210 N. Kerby.

Children of Uganda

Nike and White Cloud present the Portland debut of Children of Uganda, an ensemble of 20 children who have lost their parents to AIDS. The performance will benefit Portland's Black United Fund, Cascade AIDS Project, For Us Northwest, Harambee Center and the Urban League of Portland. Tickets range from \$18 to \$40. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 31 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Fortickets, call 503-224-4400.

Artists Monthly

March artists for the Talisman Gallery, 1476 N.E. Alberta St., are Sue Allen and Juergen Eckstein. A reception is from 5:30 to 9 p.m. on March 25. For more information, visit www.talismangallery.com.

Boogie Cat

LaRhonda Steele will perform with Norman Sylvester and his band at Billy Reed's Restaurant and Bar on Thursday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. 2808 N.E. Martin Luther King Blvd. For more information, visit www.normansylvester.com.

Urban Nights

Urban Nights features The Reparations Band and Cool Nutz with special guests at 9 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at the Ash Street Saloon, 225 SW Ash St. \$8 cover.

Dino Discovery

The Oregon Zoo discovers Dino Island: The Land of Civilization Forgot through April 30. This simulator thrill ride includes riders on a scientific team whose mission is to explore a newly formed island baffling environmentalists around the world. The ride is \$4 in addition to general admission. For more information, call 503-226-1561 or visit www.oregonzoo.org.

Artist's Cafe

The Abbey Café, 441 N. Killingsworth St., invites musicians to sell their CD's and perform on Fridays and Saturdays. March's artist of the month is Serena Barton. For more information, call 503-286-4847.

Kiss Me, I'm Irish

Experience Irish stories with the Portland Storytellers' Guild production of "Kissing the Blarney Stone: an Evening of Irish Stories!" The show is at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at McMenamin's Kennedy School's Community Room, 5736 N.E. 33 Ave. Suggested donation is \$3 for children, \$4 for adults and \$10 for families. The Guild also features "The Week Folk and the Not-So-Wee Stories from Ireland" at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Charlotte A. Cavatica Learning Center, 602 N.E. Prescott. Free.

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Quilting Celebrated

The 10th annual "Airing of the Quilts" show is at the Milwaukie Center with a special exhibit on ethnic quilting. The show is at 5440 S.E. Kellogg Creek Drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, March 19 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 20. For more information, call 503-653-8100.

Pill Hilly at IFCC

PassinArt Theater presents "Pill Hilly" by Samuel Kelley through April 10 at the Firehouse Interstate Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate Ave. General admission is \$15 with discounts for students and seniors. For more information, call 503-823-4322.

Loaded with Music

Disjecta welcomes Jason Mears Quartet with dancer Miyuki Kobayashi for a jazz show on Thursday, March 18 at 9 p.m. \$6. All ages. For more information, visit www.disjecta.org. 116 N.E. Russell St.

Wild Child

Hand 2 Mouth Theatre and Signal Light Puppet Theatre present, "The Wild Child," based on true accounts of children raised by wild animals. Show plays Fridays through Sundays until March 27 at Performance Works Northwest, 4625 S.E. 67th Ave. All performances are at 8 p.m. and tickets range from \$7 to \$10. For reservations, call 503-235-5284.

Laughing Through It

A Portland Jam Night plans to heal the community's ills through laughter at the Wave Theatre in North Portland. The live music and sketch improv. Comedy is at 9 p.m. Fridays. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for kids. For more information, call 503-735-4184 or visit www.jam-night.com.



Children of Uganda, a dance troupe of children orphaned by AIDS inspires joy and hope. The company performs in Portland March 31 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall.

Open Mic Competition

Bands and solo performers can compete for a \$3,000 cash prize at the New Copper Penny in southeast Portland for free on Mondays from 8 to 11 p.m. beginning March 15. There is a \$5 cover charge for patrons. To register, call or e-mail Richard Mathison at 503-408-0300, richard@advocatesound.com or visit www.advocatesound.com/venues.html.

Larger Than Life-sized

OMSI's big-screen OMNIMAX theater is showing "Coral Reef Adventure" through March, "Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West" through June and "Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees" through May. For more information, call 503-797-4588.

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Ice Cream Social Correction: A photograph by Susan Sumimoto, on display this month at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center in celebration of Women's History, was misidentified in last week's issue. The artwork is titled "Ice Cream Social." We regret the error.