

Police Bureaus Host Open House



PHOTO BY NICOLE HOOPER/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER
Portland Police Lt. Harry Jackson works at the Northeast Precinct, which will host a public open house on Saturday, Aug. 13.

officers, will be on hand to answer questions, give tours, and spend time getting to know community members in an informal setting. Children are especially welcome to come sit in a police car, look through the mobile command center, and possibly see a police dog or horse. Snacks will be provided.

Portland Police Chief Derrick Foxworth sees the open houses as mini public safety fairs, where police can provide important information, while also discussing crime and neighborhood livability concerns with people who live in that precinct.

"I'm hopeful that Portlanders will take some time out on a sunny summer day to come by and say hello," Foxworth said.

The chief hopes open houses will become an annual tradition.

Over the last year, Portland Police Precincts have implemented outreach efforts aimed at crime prevention and building relationships with the community. Through special missions targeting crime by neighborhood, to providing information via mail, to knocking on doors to talk with people about what is happening on their street, the Police Bureau and the community have noted the reduction of reported crime in some cases.

Even though the open houses for the Southeast and East Precincts have passed, there is still a chance to visit other precincts as well. The North Precinct open house is set for Saturday, Aug. 6 and is located at 7214 N. Philadelphia. The Central Precinct is the last of the open houses on Sunday, Aug. 14 at 1111 S.W. 2nd Ave. in downtown Portland. All open houses start at noon and end at 4 p.m.

hood. On Saturday, Aug. 13, the Northeast Precinct, 449 N.E. Emerson St., will have their open house from noon to 4 p.m.

"It gives people a chance to come see what we do, how we operate and to meet some of the officers. A lot of time people don't get further than the holding cell if they are under arrest. This is a chance to get your questions answered on the spot and to see the rhyme and reason for why we are here," said precinct officer Lt. Harry Jackson.

Jackson, along with the other

Community members urged to attend

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Criminals know what the inside of a police bureau looks like, but it's more than just a place to deal with troublemakers. The police bureau is a community fixture to let residents know that help is always near. That's why the five area Portland Precincts are hosting open houses to let the community come in and take a peek.

Members of the community are encouraged to drop in and meet officers who work in their neigh-



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Partners in Diversity Hosts Reception

Partners in Diversity invites the public to attend its next quarterly reception to welcome new professionals of color to Oregon and southwest Washington. It is supported by a growing coalition of major employers and community partners working together to support diversity in the workplace and community.

This is a great event to meet, greet and connect with other supporters of diversity in the workplace. The event will be held on Thursday, Aug. 11 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Self Enhancement, Inc. on 3920 N. Kerby Ave.

For more information, call 503-249-1721 or visit www.selfenhancement.org.

Kaiser Workforce Diversity Grows

Kaiser Permanente has added to its diverse workforce by hiring anesthesiologist Dr. Diane Tran for its Interstate Medical Office in north Portland and at Providence St. Vincent's Medical Center in southwest Portland.

Born in Vietnam, Tran came to the United States when she was just over a year old in 1975. She earned her medical degree from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma



City, and then completed her residency in anesthesiology at Ohio State University before joining Kaiser Permanente.

Kaiser Permanente is a group practice health care organization founded in 1945 and serving the health care needs of more than 465,000 people in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Dr. Diane Tran

Scholarships for Gay Students

Gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community members or a child of a gay parent needing financial help to pursue an education in a health related field are invited to apply for the Kaiser Permanente Northwest Pride Scholarship Fund.

Scholarships will be awarded for health care career training at

accredited technical, trade, and undergraduate or graduate schools. The scholarships will vary depending on the amount of applicants that apply.

"We hope to encourage people in the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community to pursue their dreams of a career in health care," said Su-

san Caulfield, RN, co-chair of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Pride Staff Association.

The deadline for applications is 5 p.m. on Friday, August 15. For more information please contact the Equity Foundation at 503-231-5759 or on the web at www.equityfoundation.org

Mural Celebrates Community Diversity

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"This cooperative effort demonstrates a wealth of untapped talent and potential within the growing population of Latino

youth in our community," said Raquel Aguillon, project organizer with Multnomah County.

Touchstone is a voluntary school and community based family support program that

offers a variety of services designed to help families build on their strengths in order to overcome the challenges brought on by circumstances, parenting and poverty.

Fred Meyer Inclusion Value Statement

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Diversity and Inclusion go hand-in-hand. A diverse workforce that works together, leveraging employee differences and experiences in an inclusive manner creates an atmosphere for corporate innovation and growth.

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