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Community Calendar

Free Gun Locks

A firearm safety education and free gun lock giveaway happens Wednesday, June 21 through Friday, June 23 from noon to 6 p.m. at Portland G.I. Joe's, 1140 N. Hayden Meadows Dr.

Hate Crimes Conference

Many feel powerless to stop hate crimes, but there are ways to effectively combat this community problem. Portland Community College will host the 2006 Oregon Hate Crimes Conference, Wednesday through Friday, June 21-23 at the Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killingsworth St. For more information, call 503-614-7621.

Safe, Healthy Kids Day

Metro's Safe and Healthy Kids Day on Saturday, June 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. means fire engines, horses and free bike helmets at Blue Lake Regional Park. Attendance is free with park vehicle entry fee, or ride TriMet's Blue Lake shuttle for free entry. For more information visit www.metro-region.org/bluelake or call 503-665-4995.

Summer Hoops Camp

Skills and Drills Summer Basketball Camp, presented by Miss Oregon Teen USA 2006 Kelci Rae Flowers and in association with Portland Trailblazer Jerry Moss, takes place Saturday, June 24, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Jack, Will & Rob Boys and Girls Club, Camas, Wash. The camp is \$20 with lunch provided, and is open to Boys and Girls Club members ages six to 16. For more information call Veronica Alberti at 971-409-8687 or Joelle Camacho at 360-817-9966.

Tibetan Cultural Festival

Tibetans will share their ancient culture on Saturday, June 24 at the 5th Annual Tibetan Cultural Festival, sponsored by the Northwest Tibetan Cultural Association, at Oaks Amusement Park on the east end of the Sellwood Bridge. The festival runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is free.

Outdoor Tea and Talk

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Arts and Letters Committee welcomes special guest Perri Gaffney, author of *The Resurrection of Alice*, for an Outdoor Tea and Talk on Tuesday, June 27 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth.

Drumming, Dance Camp

Children ages six to 10 can join host Chata Addy for drumming, dancing and the sounds of Ghana, West Africa from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, July 10 to Friday, July 14. Cost is \$80 with lunch and snacks provided. Hand drumming class for adults and teens also offered. For more information visit www.chataaddy.com, email chata@pacifier.com or call 503-632-0411.

Health Clinic Celebration

Join a community celebration for the opening of the Nurse Practitioner Community Health Clinic's new facility at 27 N.E. Killingsworth St., Thursday, June 29 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

In Other Words Events

In Other Words bookstore, 8B N.E. Killingsworth, hosts weekly events through July, including Children's Story Hour, Art, Meditation, Hatha Yoga, Spoken Mic and Luna Music Series. For dates and times, visit www.inotherwords.org or call 503-232-6003.



The cast of Kwik Jones' jazz musical 'Spotlight' takes the stage at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center.

Local Playwright Casts 'Spotlight'

First musical for Jefferson graduate

Local director and playwright Kwik Jones brings his first musical to the stage with "Spotlight," featuring a cast of nine players and smooth jazz performed in the theater lobby before the curtain calls.

This is Jones' sixth original piece and his ninth directing credit. Last fall, the Jefferson High School gradu-

ate won local acclaim for a prison drama production of "Voices" based on the writings of Soledad Brother George Jackson.

"Spotlight" is set in the windy city of Chicago at the end World War II.

Inspired by the use of women during and after war, the Jazz musical follows two brothers as they struggle at keeping their personal life from affecting their failing record company.

Frank, a gambling junkie, decides to use the company as collateral for a "sure

thing." But hiding the bad news from his newlywed brother Floyd doesn't last long. To keep their company out of the hands of a knife-carrying mobster, they come up with a plan of deception to make a backwoods country gal whose voice could shatter dreams into a "Stara" by having her lip sync a famous drunken blues singer song. Will their plan work or will the light shed on the truth?

The play stars Onnie Irby, Popcorn, Ken Dembo, Dan Scott, Andre Barnes, Brittany Harold-Golden, Stella Richter,

Portia Elise and Josie Seid

Sponsored by the Portland Observer, the Studio 20 Entertainment production opens Friday, June 30 at 8 p.m. at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate Ave. Repeat performances are each Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. through July 15.

General admission is \$15 with tickets for children at \$12. For reservations call 503-473-6649.



81 Bikes for 81 Kids

David Yandell supervises the donation of 81 new bikes for children, including five-year old Anthony Salazar-Jackson and 11-year old Anayeli Nieves Alvez at Beach Elementary School in north Portland. Portland Police officers were also on hand to distribute the bikes and fit the young cyclists with helmets. Yandell, with financial help from developer Marty Kehoe and Radio Cab Foundation and others, has coordinated gifts of more than 500 bikes over the past three years.

Race for Justice

Helping low-income families with legal services

St. Andrew Legal Clinic on Northeast Alberta Street will hold its 6th Annual "Race for Justice," Saturday, June 24 at 10 a.m., starting at McMenamins Kennedy School, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave.

Walkers and runners will have the choice between a 6K course and a 10K course. A post-event party will immediately follow in the Kennedy gymnasium and courtyard, where participants will enjoy free pizza, beverages, live music, a raffle and awards.

St. Andrew Legal Clinic is a nonprofit organization that has been providing individuals and families with legal representation since 1979. Branch offices are located in Washington and Clackamas counties.

The 2006 "Race for Justice" is supported by 15 local law firms and companies, including Adidas and Standard Insurance. The goal is to raise \$100,000, which will all go directly toward giving low-income families the legal assistance they desperately need.

To participate, there is a registration fee of \$35, but the fee is waived for those who raise \$100 or more in pledges. On-site registration also will be available for \$40.

For more information, call 503-281-1500, extension 24, or go to www.salcgroup.org.

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