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Community Calendar

Sports Hall of Fame

The Oregon Sports Hall of Fame will induct Terrell Brandon and five other great contributors to the sports world during ceremonies at the Multnomah Athletic Club on Tuesday, Sept. 26 with a reception beginning at 5:30 p.m. at dinner at 7 p.m. For tickets, call 503-227-7466.

Personal Transformation Class

Portland Community College hosts a class to achieve a healthy and more energetic lifestyle. Pathway to Personal Transformation meets from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays from Oct. 3 to Nov. 21 in room 105 at the Portland Metro Workforce Training Center, 5600 N.E. 42 Ave. Cost is \$59. For more information, call 503-978-5205.

Stroller Class for Moms

Are you a new mom or have a toddler? Get some exercise and meet other moms at the free Stroller Strides class, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursday at Peninsula Park. All you need is a stroller, water, a mat or towel and comfortable shoes. Call Helen at 503-260-5018 for more information.

Walk for the Wildwood

Friends of Forest Park will hold the seventh annual Walk For the Wildwood run/walk/hike at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 24 beginning at Lower Macleay Park, at the end of Northwest Upshur Street near 28th Place. Adult registration for the 2.5-mile course is \$10 and \$15 for the eight-mile course. Children under eight can participate free. To sign up, visit www.friendsofforestpark.org or call 503-223-5449.

Job Fair at Forestry Center

Make "Maximum Connections" at a World Forestry Center-hosted job fair, Thursday, Sept. 21 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tualatin Valley Employer Council and the WorkSource Oregon Employment Department will sponsor approximately 50 employers promoting job opportunities including representatives from the high-tech, financial, insurance, manufacturing and retail industries.

Interstate Farmers Market

The Interstate Farmers Market next to Overlook Park in north Portland features a variety of fresh local produce, baked goods, cut flowers, artisan cheese, meat and fish each Wednesday through Sept 27 across the street from Kaiser Permanente.

Shapenote Singing Convention

Portland Sacred Harp invites those who love to sing to attend a traditional Shapenote Singing School, Thursday, Sept. 28 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Community Room of McMenamin's Kennedy School, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave. Shapenote singing is an American tradition of exuberant, unaccompanied, four-part harmony sung from "The Sacred Harp", a songbook in print since 1844.

Memory Walk for Alzheimer's

Join more than 500 people across the metro area for the Alzheimer's Association's annual Memory Walk takes place Sunday, Oct. 1 at Pioneer Courthouse Square at SW 6th between Morrison and Yamhill streets. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and can be done in advance by visiting <http://mw06.kintera.org/PDX> or by calling 1-800-733-0402.

36
years of
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American Dream Doomed



PHOTO BY REBECCA BECKER

Renee Cleland stars as Sarah and D. William Hughes as Coalhouse Walker in 'Ragtime: the Musical,' an epic story of struggle, dignity and honor on stage at the Lakewood Center for the Arts in Lake Oswego.

'Ragtime' musical is story of struggle, dignity

Lakewood Theatre Co. presents the Oregon premiere of the Tony award-winning "Ragtime: The Musical," an epic story of struggle, dignity, honor and acceptance.

In a cavalcade of life and music in segregated America at the turn of the 20th century, the fictional lives of three very different American families become dramatically intertwined with real-life historical figures and events.

The year is 1906. America is in the midst of its Gilded Age, a time when the boom of industrialization made prospects for wealth and happiness seem boundless. Such dreams are what lead Tateh and his little girl to escape their native Latvia and hop a boat headed for Ellis Island.

In Harlem, black ragtime pianist Coalhouse Walker Jr. entertains crowds of dancers but longs to reunite with Sarah, his former lover and the mother of his child.

Outside the city, in a large Victorian house lives an upper middle class family who has attained their wealth through a fireworks factory. While the father is away on an expedition to the North Pole, the mother is shocked to discover an abandoned infant boy. The police arrive with Sarah, whom they plan to charge with attempted murder for neglecting her child. However, the arrest is

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Ray Charles Tribute for 'Museum after Hours'

Museum after Hours kicks off its 20th anniversary season on Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 5:30 p.m. with a celebration featuring the Northwest Ray Charles Tribute organized by local saxophonist Patrick Lamb.

Lamb has put together an all-star band of 23 Northwest musicians to pay tribute to Charles, including names like Duffy Bishop, Andy Stokes, and Reggie Houston. The group has only made a handful of performances after debuting at the Waterfront Blues Festival in July, where it earned rave reviews.

Admission is \$10 general and \$7 for members of the Portland Art Museum. Tickets are available at the museum box office and online at communityboxoffice.net.

For 20 years, those in the know have been congregating at the Portland Art Museum for Museum after Hours. When it began, organiz-

ers wanted to give the public a new way to experience the museum. Few would have guessed that it would become an integral part of the Portland music scene, providing a platform for local musicians.

Other acts in the 2006 lineup include: Oct. 11 - Soul Vaccination, big band blues with a soulful kick; Oct. 18 - Linda Hornbuckle, Portland's blues matriarch; Nov. 1 - Rose City Kings, blues boogie-woogie; Nov. 8 - Dirty Martini (galleries open), local acoustic favorites; Nov. 15 - Michael Allen Harrison, sophisticated Portland jazz pianist; Nov. 22 - 20th Anniversary All-Stars, music direction by Carlton Jackson; Nov. 29 - Pepe & the Bottle Blondes, Latin lounge with a blonde twist; Dec. 6 - Charmaine Neville (galleries open), a member of New Orleans' first family of music; and Dec. 13 - Paul Delay, larger-than-life local blues legend.



The Patrick Lamb Band

Intruder Killed May Have Been Hit Man

Husband charged in nurse's attack

(AP) — The estranged husband of a southeast Portland nurse who strangled an intruder with her bare hands has been accused of hiring the intruder as part of a murder plot.

Michael James Kuhnhausen, 58, was charged Thursday with criminal conspiracy to commit murder and attempted murder.

Detectives said he helped disarm the security alarm at his wife's home on Sept. 6 and let Edward Haffey in. Haffey, armed with a claw

hammer, then waited for Susan Kuhnhausen to arrive home from her OHSU nursing job.

Haffey struck her several times in the head, but Kuhnhausen managed to take the hammer away, according to a court affidavit. Kuhnhausen lost her grip on the weapon, and wrestled with Haffey. The intruder bit Kuhnhausen several times, and she bit back.

Finally, the 51-year-old woman was able to get on top of Haffey, and place him in a choke hold. She eventually choked the life out of him.

Portland police found the 59-year-old Haffey dead on the hallway floor.

Susan Kuhnhausen told homicide detectives that she believed her husband was involved, saying



Michael Kuhnhausen

he was the only other person who knew the security code to the house alarm and there was no sign of

forced entry. She also knew her husband had stopped by the house earlier that day because he left a note that said he was going to the beach.

Inside a backpack Haffey left at the scene was a day planner with "Call Mike, Get letter," scribbled on the week of Sept. 4, the affidavit said. Michael Kuhnhausen's cell phone number was jotted on the inside of a folder.

Detectives checked Haffey's background, discovering his lengthy prison terms for conspiracy to commit aggravated murder, and convictions for robbery and burglary. They also learned that he had worked as a custodian for the Fan-

tasy Adult Video stores. Detectives talked to the company and found out that Michael Kuhnhausen was the supervisor for custodians, and had hired Haffey.

Susan Kuhnhausen, who has been out of town attending a national Emergency Nurses Association conference, left the following message on her home voice mail: "I'm not able to answer all the calls that I've received. I'm being comforted by your concern and your support. I want you to know that our lives are all at risk for random acts, but more likely random acts of love will come your way than random acts of violence."

Community Baby Shower Saturday

Goal is accessible health care, education

Multnomah County Health Department's Healthy Birth Initiatives program will host a Community Baby Shower on Saturday, Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Northeast Health Center, 5329 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

The baby shower will benefit expectant moms who participate in the program as well as promote the healthy

baby program with services to prospective clients in north and northeast Portland.

The event will include raffles, food, and games. To participate, you must be pregnant, African American, and living in the project's area (zip codes: 97203, 97211, 97212, 97213, 97217, 97218, 97220 and 97227.) To register, call 503-988-3387 or visit the Northeast Health

Center.

HBI is also asking local community members and businesses to help make the baby shower a success by donating new baby items such as: car seats, strollers, cribs, breast pumps, diapers, toiletries, and gift cards. There is a wish list available upon request.

The organization is registered at both Burlington Coat Factory and Target Stores under the name of Healthy Birth Initiatives, or pick up baby items from your favorite store. Donated items are tax deductible. To make arrangements

for delivery or pickup of donations call 503-988-3387.

"Every family deserves the comfort and peace that comes with knowing that their baby will have the things needed for a healthy start," states program manager Sharon Smith.

HBI's goal is to reduce the disparities African Americans experience in infant mortality and low birth weight by improving their client's access to health care and providing health education, in-home case management and a variety of family supports.