

RELIGION



A young volunteer helps to serve meals at Saturday's annual Operation Overcoat event at the Union Gospel Mission, downtown.

Meals and Coats for the Homeless

Portland's homeless lined up and waited for hours before the gates opened at 10 a.m. Saturday for Union Gospel Mission's annual Operation Overcoat. By 2 p.m., approximately 1,100 people had come to the event where they received clothing, blankets, shoes, and hygiene items.

The day also featured a free barbeque meal with hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad and beverage. Guests enjoyed and an opportunity to receive free dental and eye exams. Medical Teams International's mobile dental van provided free dental exams. This is the first year that eye exams have been available

at Operation Overcoat thanks to the Casey Eye Institute.

All the items distributed at the event were donated. Over 150 volunteers organized the event, they sorted clothing and prepared and served meals.

Union Gospel Mission has been hosting the annual Operation Overcoat event for 12 years.

Church Hosts Parents Workshop

In an effort to help prepare sons and daughters of the community to be the most successful in their own lives, Dr. Jay Klusky and the Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church will hold a workshop event for parents to learn new skills on how to help their children meet today's challenges.

As the demands placed on youth are constantly and rapidly changing with the world, many parents have concerns for their children's success living in a society filled with peer pressure,

soaring college costs, unmotivated and unhappy teens, shrinking job markets and rising competition within a globaleconomy.

The event, which is dedicated to transforming youth one parent at a time, will give parents throughout Portland a chance to have a fresh take on developing self-esteem and self discipline.

Food will be provided at the

workshop, which will be open to everyone with suggested donations.

The event will be held on Thursday, Oct. 20, from 5 to 8p.m. located at the church, 3138 N. Vancouver Ave.

For more information or pre-registration, visit OneParentataTime.com or call 503-265-8235.

Free Concert Open to All


The University of Portland University Singers, Women's Chorale, and Jazz Band will be performing their first concert of the year at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2.

The concert will be in the Buckley Center Auditorium on the University of Portland campus, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd. The concert is free and open to the public.

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