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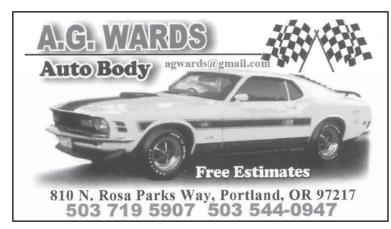
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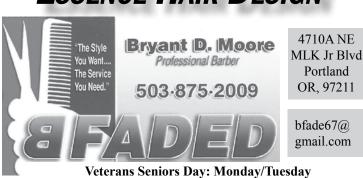
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Iranian Culture Festival -- The community is invited to enjoy live music and dance performances, local and authentic Iranian food and deserts, traditional arts and crafts and more at the 18th annual Iranian Festival on Saturday Aug. 5 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the South Park Blocks, downtown. Attendance is free, but canned food donations will be accepted to support the Oregon Food Bank.

Free Blues Concert at Dawson Park -- Award-winning soul, blues and R&B vocalist Curtis Salgado will give a free concert at Dawson Park in north Portland on Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m. With his roots in Oregon, Salgado is back on the road after recovering from quadruple bypass surgery last March .From co-fronting the Robert Cray Band to leading his own band, NPR calls him "a blues icon" with a "huge voice."

Summer Reading and More --Kids of all ages can sign up for the Multnomah County Library's 2017 Summer Reading Program at any branch. Participants will also find engaging storytimes, crafts, classes and camps. Signing up for the program gives participants (or their parents) a gameboard to engage in literacy-building activities. As they complete levels, participants earn books, free passes, restaurant coupons and other prizes.



Pompeii Exhibit at OMSI -- Preserved bodies cast by volcanic debris in the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius and nearly 200 other artifacts on loan from the unparalleled collection of the Naples National Archaeological Museum in Italy are part of the new OMSI exhibit, Pompeii: The Exhibition. Now showing through Oct. 22.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Wednesday, July 19 at Billy Blues in Vancouver; Thursday, July 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Camas Summer Concert Series; Friday, July 21 at the Blue Diamond; Saturday, July 22 at 8:30 p.m. at the Estacada Summer Celebration; Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Kenton Park; and Friday, July 28 at Clyde's.

Life of an Iconic President -- One hundred years after his birth, John Fitzgerald Kennedy remains a subject of endless fascination for millions of Americans. The Oregon Historical Society's current exhibition "High Hopes: The Journey of John F. Kennedy" explores Kennedy's early life, his road to the presidency, and the changes he effected during his time in office. Runs through Nov. 12.

Summer Concerts and Movies -- The city of Vancouver presents another summer of free concerts and movies. Noon concerts are held each Wednesday through Aug. 9 at Esther Short Park, and "Sunday Sounds" concerts take place each Sunday night through Aug. 13 at Columbia Tech Center Park. Friday night movies are held at various parks through Aug. 1. For a complete schedule, visit cityofvancouver. us/events.

History Hub -- Oregon Historical Society exhibit for young people explores the topic of diversity with interactive objects and pictures that tell the stories of the people of Oregon, past and present. With puzzles, touch screen activities and board games, History Hub asks students to consider questions like "Who is an Oregonian?," "How has discrimination and segregation affected people who live in Oregon?," and "How can you make Oregon a great place for everyone?"

Discount Tickets -- Low income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a unique program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.