

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS



Seahawks Players Hold Toy Drive for Children’s Hospital

Seattle Seahawks, Aaron Curry, Justin Forsett, Marcus Trufant, and Marshawn Lynch will sign autographs in exchange for the donation of a new, unwrapped toy (\$10 or more please) to benefit the Seattle Children’s Hospital toy drive. The toy drive will run from 6 to 8 p.m., Dec. 6 at the Westfield Southcenter Mall at the south intersection of I-5 and I-405 in Seattle. One autograph per player please.

Ravenna Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale Dec. 4

Third annual Ravenna Holiday Arts And Crafts Sale. Arts and crafts, kids’ play area, hot soup and a bake sale this Saturday
Come and shop for unique hand-crafted holiday gifts in the neighborhood, while your children enjoy the kids’ play area and crafts table. Ravenna-Eckstein Community Centers’ 3rd annual holiday arts and crafts sale takes place Saturday, December 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the center, 6535 Ravenna Ave. NE.
Now in its third year, the sale features an expanded roster of artistic offerings: ceramics, hand-stitched and hand-woven goods,

wood cutting boards, beautiful “upcycled” (<http://www.sustainabilitydictionary.com/u/upcycle.php>) home goods, candles, jewelry, whimsical clocks, fine art photographs, note cards, handmade original prints, hand-blown glass ornaments and vases, and more!
There will be a kids’ art activity area and play space and a bake sale to benefit the community center’s teen program. To warm you up, volunteers from the Ravenna Community Garden will have hot soup on hand.
Bring your family and complete your holiday shopping close to home! Your purchase of gifts from local arts and craftspeople will support programs at the Ravenna Eckstein Community Center.
Please let your neighbors know about this terrific opportunity to support a local community center and local artists, while having fun and bringing home great gifts.

Proud Ground Shows Affordable Housing at Woolsey Corner

If you are interested in buying a house and have steady employment, it might be easier than you think. Find out this Saturday from Proud Ground, the nonprofit that helps low-income people buy homes. Proud Ground invites the public to attend an open house from 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 4 at Woolsey Corner, 4475 N. Trenton St., Portland.
Woolsey Corner is eight brand new homes across from Rosa Parks Elementary School and the University Park Community Center. These beautiful, new 2 and 3 bedroom homes are priced at between \$105,600 to \$144,000. The estimated house payments will range from \$743 to \$1074 a month.
Utility bills will be low, too, thanks to the many energy efficient features. And garden-

ers are in luck: a community garden is right next door.
Cat-Stravaganza: Foster Cats

Join us December 7 for Cat-Stravaganza II: An event opportunity to foster cats and kittens Make a difference with a two-week commitment
Multnomah County Commissioner Barbara Willer is partnering with Multnomah County Animal Services to host a one-hour cat foster training event, Cat-Stravaganza II, on Tuesday, December 7. The event will take place from 6 p.m. to

7 p.m. at the Multnomah Building in the Boardroom, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. (at Grand Ave.), Portland, Oregon 97214. Map.
With the Multnomah County Animal Services shelter in Troutdale at capacity with cats, the Cat-Stravaganza II event provides an engaging and accessible opportunity to learn the requirements for opening your home to a young kitten or adult cat recovering from minor medical conditions. For as little as a two-week commitment, some foster kittens and cats will be available on-site for approved foster parents to take home.
“Cat-Stravaganza is an answer to the need for more space at the shelter for incoming cats and kittens.”



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