

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Portland Center Stage Hosts Colored Pencils Art and Culture Night

Colored Pencils invites Portlanders to its monthly event with food, music and poetry, July 29, at Portland Center Stage, 128 NW Eleventh Ave., in the Ellen Bye Studio Theatre, from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Food is by Spice of Africa, with open mic by: Sihheng and Kilong Ung, Cambodian poetry; Nhi Vu and Phan Ngoc, Vietnamese dancers; Nat Hulskamp with Seffarine, Arabic music; Gauri Rajbaida, Nepali acoustic guitar; Salya Magar and Sudin Maharjan, Nepali dance; Randa BenAziz, contemporary Moroccan solo; Polo Catalani's talking story; Agnieszka Laska Polish group dancers, a modern multimedia dance company; and Ashia Grzesik, Polish musician.

Suggested donation: \$10. Free for students and seniors, more info at www.coloredpencilsart.com.

Planned Parenthood Block Party

The annual Summer Block Party to benefit Planned Parenthood of the Columbia Willamette is Friday, July 29, from 5-8 p.m. at the Regional Service Center at 3727 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Food, beer, live music from Lookbook, performances by the Sprockettes bike dance troupe, fire dancers, games and activities for the whole family. Advance admission is \$10 at

www.ppcw.org. Admission at the door will be \$15. Admission price includes two drink tickets. All funds go to family planning services for area women.

More patients need services at Planned Parenthood than ever before. Planned Parenthood Columbia Willamette (PPCW) is the largest non-profit family planning and reproductive rights organization in Oregon and southwest Washington.

St. Ignatius School Info

"Get a Taste of St. Ignatius School" Summer BBQs are Thursday, Aug 18, from 6 - 7:30 pm and Sunday, Aug. 21, 4:30 - 6 pm in Southeast Portland. Attend a BBQ to learn about their complete K-8 education: academics, small class sizes, arts & PE, cultural diversity, service learning, family groups, and affordability. Contact office@stignatiusparish.org or call 503 774-5533 for more information.

REAP Offers 2011 Student Leadership Camp

Reaching and Empowering All People Inc. will host the 2011 Challenge Camp Aug. 29 through September 2, 2011, at Portland State University.

Challenge Camp is a free five-day leadership experience designed for junior and high students to learn about self-leadership and various opportunities available at school and in their communities to implement their new skills and knowledge.

Fix the Kitten Free



The Animal Shelter Alliance of Portland offers free spay/neuter surgeries for kittens through July 22 at five locations around the Portland/Vancouver metro area. Caretakers of stray or feral cats can take advantage of this offer as well. Kittens need to be at least eight-weeks old and weigh 2.25 pounds. Mom and Dad cats are also included in this summertime adventure and can be spayed/neutered for only \$10. For a cat owner to qualify, they must receive government assistance (such as Medicaid, WIC, food stamps, SSI, Section 8 public housing, AFDC or TANF), and live in Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas, or Clark County. Individuals feeding unowned feral/stray cats need not meet income requirements. Call 1-800-345-SPAY for a cat you own; or 503-797-2606 for feral cats. Free spay/neuter appointments will be scheduled for July 18 through 22 only.

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If you have an event you want to share with the community, email it two weeks in advance to *The Skanner* at info@theskanner.com

Thursday July 21

BAREFOOT RUNNING! Author Michael Sandler is hosting a free barefoot running event. 5 Must-Know tips About Barefoot Running: REI Portland, 1405 NW Johnson St. For more info call 503-221-1938. 7 p.m.

Friday July 22

FLICKS ON THE BRICKS RETURNS TO THE SQUARE! Pioneer Courthouse Square will kick-off this year's FREE five-week outdoor movie series. Top Gun will kick-off the start of this season. Each event starts at 7 p.m. with live entertainment followed by the movie at dusk. Bring blankets, pillows, cushions or low back beach chairs. Pioneer Courthouse Square.

Saturday July 23

CHANNING FRYE'S KICK FOR KIDS KICKBALL TOURNAMENT! The one-day event activities include 32-team tournament, costume contest, beer garden, great food, raffle prizes and lots of laughs. 9 a.m. Lents Park SE 92nd and Holgate.

19TH ANNUAL DIVISION/CLINTON STREET FAIR/STREET DANCE! All are invited to join in the community parade starting at 10:45 a.m. from 50th and Division and traveling to SE 27th and Clinton St. Among other highlights will be music, entertainment, sidewalk sales and much more SE Division St, SE 12th to 60th and Clinton St. to SE 20th to 27th.

FIRE IN THE PARK! A day of fun with a firefighter challenge, chili cook-off, live music, kids fun zone, fire trucks on display and much more. FREE to all and fun for the whole family. Esther Short Park, 301 W. Eighth St. Vancouver, WA

Sunday July 24

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR! Regency Gresham will be hosting The Lions Mobile Health Screening Unit, for free health screenings. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Regency Gresham, 5905 SE Powell Valley Rd.

CONNIE BIEBERAH & ARMONIA LATINA CONCERT! Don't miss the free Sunday McCoy Park Concert! All concerts start at 6 p.m. This is a fun time for the whole family to enjoy. McCoy Park is located at N. Fiske between Trenton and Fessenden.

Wednesday July 27

PORTLAND PREMIERE OF THE AWARD WINNING DOCUMENTARY: CONCRETE, STEEL & PAINT: A FILM ABOUT AN EXTRAORDINARY MURAL PROJECT WITH PRISONERS, CRIME SURVIVORS & THEIR FAMILIES. Free and open to the public. Food & refreshments will be served. 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. OAME, 4134 N. Vancouver Ave For more details call 503-832-4429 or email koffi.dessou@portlandoregon.gov

Friday July 29

TRAILBLAZERS STREET JAM! Trailblazers Street Jam features divisions of all ages and abilities, more than 50 courts, slam dunk contest, a clinic for kids and so much more. All day event Rose Quarter and Memorial Coliseum - One Center Court.

HEALING & ARTS EXTRAVAGANZA! Readers, healers, artists, face painting, raffles and store discounts. Family and pet friendly. Noon - 5 p.m. 3135 SE Hawthorne Blvd.

Saturday July 30

SUMMER SIDEWALK SALE AT OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY! OHS is holding this sale of duplicate and out-of-scope books from the research library. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. As of July 1, 2011 the OHS Library has expanded its hours Tuesday's 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Wednesday's 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Also the library is now free to all Multnomah County residents.