

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Wanted: More Women Leaders

The Oregon Commission for Women (OCFW), hosts Women at the Table, part of a statewide effort led by the Governor's office to grow the number of Oregon women serving on Boards and Commissions.

The event is Nov. 10 from 4:30-6 p.m. at the Multnomah County Building, 501 SE Hawthorne, Room 635.

Speakers include Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, and Kendall Clawson, director of executive appointments at the governor's office. This is one of the first in a series of talks about this issue around the state. Register for the event at: <http://boardparity.eventbrite.com/>

Co-hosted by the OCFW; PSU's Center for Women, Politics & Policy; and the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber. Supporting organizations include Women in Transportation - Portland, and the AAUW - Portland.

### Civil Liberties 10 Years After 9/11: Can We Be Safe?

Since 9/11 2001, civil liberties have taken a back seat to the 'War on Terror' as successive U.S. administration's scramble to prevent further attacks on the nation. Advocates say the whole point of American democracy is to protect the very freedoms and rights that now are threatened by our own government.

Celebrated public defender Stephen Wax will join local other local and national

champions at a forum to discuss our endangered civil liberties, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Saturday Nov. 12 at Portland Building Auditorium, 1120 SW 5th Ave. Sponsored by the National Lawyers Guild, the ACLU of Oregon, the American Constitution Society, Peace and Justice Works - Iraq Affinity Group and Amnesty International USA - Group 48 the panelists include : Steven Wax, a federal public defender, who has represented Guantanamo detainees; David Fidanque, of the ACLU of Oregon; Kayse Jama, of the Center for Intercultural Organizing; Steven Goldberg an attorney whose litigation successfully challenged the NSA warrantless surveillance program, and Brandon Mayfield, the local Muslim attorney who was falsely accused and imprisoned on terrorism charges. Jo Ann Hardesty, (formerly Jo Ann Bowman) will moderate the discussion.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact: Mark Kramer, National Lawyers Guild, (503) 243-2733; [mark@kramer-associates.com](mailto:mark@kramer-associates.com)

### PSU Inducts Wanda M. Austin into Women Engineers Hall of Fame

Portland State University's Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science will induct Dr. Wanda M. Austin, president and CEO of The Aerospace Corporation, into the Denice Dee Denton Women Engineers Hall of Fame. The Denton Award honors outstanding women who can serve as role models for future female engineers.

Since 1979, Austin has served The

### College Bound



The 2011 Portland College Fair, brought high school juniors and seniors from across the region to the Oregon Convention Center Nov. 6 and 7. Pictured here are Lincoln High School students Lavell Lindsay, Justin Scott, John Jackson and Terrell Pittman

Aerospace Corporation in positions of increasing responsibility, including as general manager of the Military Satellite Communications Division and as senior vice president of both the National Systems Group and the Engineering and Technology Group.

Under her guidance, the company continues to contribute to national security space programs by conducting studies and supporting programs such as NASA's human spaceflight, NOAA's weather satellite, and the Landsat system of satellites.

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#### Thursday November 10

COMMUNITY FORUM ON THE CITY'S 2012 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA! Commissioner Fritz is inviting you to participate in a community forum regarding the upcoming 2012 State of Oregon Legislative Session. Please RSVP to [maxbernstein@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:maxbernstein@portlandoregon.gov) or call 503-823-3992.

STIMSON LUMBER TREE ARRIVAL! Come downtown to welcome the arrival of Portland's 75-foot Douglas fir to start the holiday season. Festivities start at noon at Pioneer Courthouse Square.

#### Friday November 11

VETERANS DAY PARADE: NABVETS will participate in the Veterans Day Parade which starts at 40th & Sandy Blvd at 9:45 a.m. and will proceed to 49th & Sandy Blvd. Come out and show your support for our servicemen and women.

#### Saturday & Sunday November 12 & 13

LELOOSKA MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE! The museum displays an extensive collection of Native American artifacts from North America. There will be over 600 items. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Craft activities for children at 2 p.m. No admission. Located 40 miles NE of Portland. 165 Merwin Village Rd, Ariel, WA 98603. For more info call 360-225-9522.

#### Sunday thru Friday November 13 thru 19

CIRCLE ON THE COURT WILL KICK-OFF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST DIABETES WEEK! A free event showcasing community resources for those living with diabetes. Sunday hours 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Rose Garden, One Center Court.

#### Wednesday November 16

COMMUNICATING ACROSS LANGUAGE BARRIERS UNDERSTANDING ACCENTS: This interactive workshop will offer insights and tools for understanding accents from countries where English is secondary. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Our United Villages Conference Room, 3625 N. Mississippi. Please RSVP 503-546-7499.

#### Saturday November 19

16TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S PEACE FAIR: Local peace and justice groups will lead children's activities. Admission is free to all: 1 - 4 p.m. De La Salle North Catholic High School, 7528 N. Fenwick Ave.

PORTLAND'S 25TH ANNUAL FIX-IT-FAIR: Fix-it-fairs are free. Events where you can learn simple and effective ways to save money at home this winter and stay healthy. 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Ron Russell Middle School, 3955 SE 112th Ave.

#### Saturday & Sunday November 19 & 20

TRINITY ARTISAN FAIR! Celebrate the season and the works of 30 talented local artists. Admission is 2 cans of food or \$2.00. Saturday hours 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday hours 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 147 NW 19th Ave.