

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Dishman Fitness Trainer Celebrates 50 years of Helping Seniors

Celebrate with Chuck Amato as he marks 50 years as a fitness trainer for Portland Parks & Recreation. Amato's clients include many elderly and disabled people, dealing with strokes, brain injuries, and other ailments. The party starts at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 16 at Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 N.E. Knott St.

Vancouver NAACP Holds Annual Meeting

Vancouver NAACP will hold its annual membership meeting from 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 17 at Clark County YWCA, 3609 Main St., Vancouver, Wash. Members and non-members are invited to meet current officers of the Vancouver NAACP and learn more about how the group supports civil rights for all in the Northwest. Cascade AIDS Project will offer a brief presentation on HIV/AIDS in the African American Community. A free pancake breakfast will be served to all.

Learn more at www.naacpvanc.org

Football Tournament Supports Youth

The Police Activities League invites you to support our youth by coming to the first 'Best of the NW Classic Youth Football Tournament, 5 - 7 pm Saturday, Dec 10 at Roosevelt High School. Three teams from Seattle and Portland will compete in three age divisions: 9-10, 11-12, and 13-14. Entry fee is \$4 with all proceeds supporting youth activities. Contact the PAL Office (503) 823-0250 for further information about the event

Buy Local This Weekend

Black Santa is just one of the attractions at the June Key Delta Community Center's Holiday Bazaar. The bazaar will feature gifts by local artists and artisans, including: African American greeting cards and ornaments, Native American jewelry, clothing, art and holiday treats. The bazaar will run 4 to 7 p.m., Friday Dec. 9; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday Dec. 10; and 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday Dec. 11. The June Key Delta Community center is located at 5940 N. Albina Ave.

Help Advantis and Sunshine Division Feed Families

Families

Advantis Credit Union is collecting high protein non-perishable food for hungry families in the Portland-metro region. Last year supporters made cash contributions of \$7,300 to the drive. Anyone can contribute by helping fill food barrels placed in branch lobbies.

Forgot to bring cans? No problem. You can buy cans of tuna for just \$1 each at any branch. Advantis is working with the Sunshine Division to help make sure food is available for everyone.

"Foods high in protein, such as tuna fish, play such a vital role in the fundamentals of fighting hunger and providing hunger relief,

and that need for nutritious foods is prevalent year-round," said Officer Phil Kent of the Portland Police Bureau Sunshine Division. "We applaud Advantis Credit Union for their leadership in helping us stock our pantry and spreading the word on this critical need for food- and fund-raising year-round."

Helpful donations are critical year-round and include:

foods high in protein (like tuna and peanut butter)

breakfast cereal — both hot and cold whole-grain pasta

canned vegetables and fruit baby food, formula, diapers

Sign of the Times



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New signage, landscaping and energy-efficient building improvements are making the Skanner News offices a showplace of sustainability. Stay tuned for solar panels in 2012.

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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 December 8

PORTLAND CAREER FAIR: Meet local companies hiring in your area. Bring your resumes and dress like you are going to an interview. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Hilton Hotel - Portland, 921 SW Sixth Ave.

Friday December 9

FREE CHRISTMAS CONCERT! Portland Chamber Music is providing a FREE Chamber music holiday concert in the Parkrose Neighborhood. 7 p.m. St. Mathews, 11229 NE Prescott.

Saturday December 10

HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD'S HOLIDAY STROLL! The 2nd annual holiday stroll features neighborhood business sales and parties, live music and entertainment, complimentary snacks and hot drinks & much more. Noon - 7 p.m. All of Hawthorne main tent on 36th & Hawthorne.

Sunday December 11

PORTLAND SUGARPLUM ELVES! The Portland Sugarplum Elves are a performance group who

sing, dance and entertain. Their matching outfits and adorable elf personalities are a surefire way to brighten everyone's holiday season: 12:45 p.m. Pioneer Courthouse Square.

ICE SKATE FOR THE SUNSHINE DIVISION. From 12:15 to 6:15 p.m. anyone who brings 8 cans of food for the Sunshine Division can go ice skating for free. Lloyd Center Ice Rink.

Thursday December 15 thru Thursday December 31

PORTLAND'S PEACOCK LANE TRADITION CONTINUES! Residents plan light displays, pedestrian-only night to accommodate Portlanders of all ages. Schedule: Dec. 15 - 16 pedestrians only; Dec. 24 - 31 lights on at 6 p.m. to midnight for automobiles. Peacock Lane is located East of 39th and Belmont.