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ects in the four-county Portland/Vancouver area.

The events will include the nation's largest gathering of college and university students. Nine colleges and universities from N.W. Oregon will send up to 1,200 students to Roosevelt High School Jan. 16 to perform service projects that support the resurgence of one of the area's most ethnically diverse high schools.

"I am thrilled that United Way, with its partners, can help convene so many people who are willing and eager to spend their time to strengthen our community," said Jay Bloom, interim President and CEO of United Way of the Columbia-Willamette. "I'm also amazed that every year, more and more people sign up to help."

This year, there's space for 3,151 people, up more than 50 percent from 2011. As of today, several of the 93 events are full; organizers are encouraging would-be volunteers to check the United Way website at www.unitedway-pdx.org/mlk for a list of events.

United Way's Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend of Service is sponsored by The Boeing Company. Partners are The Skanner, Hands on Greater Portland and Campus Compact.

Mass Appeal

The African-American Catholic

Community of Oregon will hold a special cultural and liturgical celebration to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The celebration is set for 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, at St. Mary's Cathedral, N.W. 18th Ave. at Couch St. Rev. Msgr. Charles Lienert of St. Andrew Catholic Church will officiate. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle

— Martin Luther King Jr.

Space Invaders

Volunteers will gather to remove invasive plants from the King Facility parking lot, from 10 am to 4 pm. Jan 16, at 4815 N.E. Wygant, as part of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service. At the same time the King School PTA will be coordinating a cleanup, weeding, graffiti removal project on the school grounds, playground, and local area. The Portland Farmers Market is also planning to bring a small crew, a tent and some snacks. Whole Foods has also

pledged pastries, snacks and drinks.

Around 20 volunteers, have signed up, and there is space for 20 more. The land is being prepared for installation of native plant species. Also needed: someone to provide day care for the volunteers. To sign up call Diego Gioseffi 808-779-3435

Sisters of The Road Celebrates King Jan. 15 and 16

Sisters of The Road supporters will meet at noon Jan. 16 at the Sisters of The Road café, 133 N.W. 6th Ave., Portland for the 19th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day march and rally. This year's march will honor the social justice movements that have come before us and celebrate continuing struggles for racial and economic justice, civil rights and a nonviolent world. Speakers will include 'dreamers' from the Right 2 Dream Too (project on homelessness) and Paul Boden, the organizing director for the Western Regional Advocacy Project in San Francisco.

Sisters' Dorothy Day Community School will host a special teach-in on nonviolent direct action in the cafe at 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan.15. We are hoping that everyone who attends this training will play an active role in the march the next day. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Lucilene at lucilene@sistersoftheroad.org or 503-

222-5694 ext. 37.

The teach in will be followed that evening by the second annual peaceroots celebration. Peaceroots will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Jan. 15 in the Sifers of the Road Café (133 N.W. 6th Ave.) Ibrahim Mubarak, co-founder of Dignity Village and Right 2 Dream Too will receive the Genevieve Nelson Award.

All events are free and open to the public.

Pastor W. G. Hardy Headlines PSU Event

Rev. Dr. W.G. Hardy, Jr., senior pastor of Highland United Church of Christ, and a well-known advocate for Portland's African American Community, will deliver the keynote address during a week-long celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., at Portland State University. King's birthday is Jan. 15.

Pastor Hardy formed the nonprofit organization Highland Haven in 2000 to serve distressed Portland communities with nine different social service programs. He also serves on the board of the African American Mental Health Coalition. Hear Pastor W. G. Hardy at 7 p.m. Jan. 19 in the Smith Memorial Student Ballroom, Room 355, 1825 S.W. Broadway. Cost is \$5 to the general public; free with valid student ID

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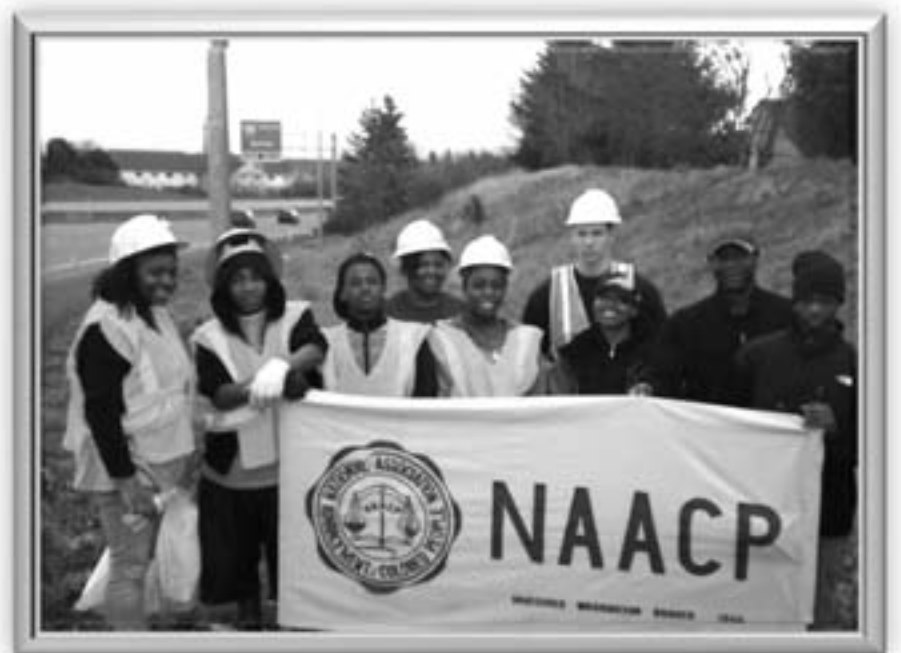


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