

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Volunteers Needed for Reading Class for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

On-the-Move Community Integration offers the area's only free reading program for adults with developmental disabilities.

This is an incredibly rewarding opportunity to work with a diverse group of students of all levels as they learn new skills to help them gain independence in our community.

The classes take place on Thursdays from 3-4:30 p.m. beginning on April 12 and concluding on June 14 (10 weeks). Training for volunteers takes place on April 5 from 3-5 p.m. Both the classes and the training take place at On-the-Move, located at 4187 SE Division Street in Portland.

For more information, please contact On-the-Move at 503.287.0346, email info@onthemoveonline.org or visit www.onthemoveonline.org

The Portland Parks Board Accepting Applications

The city's Parks and Recreation department seeks to fill three vacancies on its board. The application deadline is March 23.

The Portland Parks Board, established in 2001, serves to ensure that the vision and recommendations of Parks 2020 Vision are at the forefront of discussions about park and recreation issues. This Board also advocates for parks on a city and regional basis to ensure that parks, natural areas, open spaces, and recreation facilities are advanced in planning and design.

The Parks Board meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings are open to the public and are generally held in the Lovejoy Room of City Hall, 7:30-9:30 AM. For more info contact Nancy Stites, 503-823-5135.

'Who Profits from the Israeli Occupation?'

Portland State students sponsor Israeli human rights activist Dalit Baum for a talk on 'Who Profits from the Israeli Occupation? Lessons for the Boycott-Divestment-Sanctions Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation,' on Thursday, April 12th, 7 to 9 p.m., Smith Memorial Room 296, 1825 SW Broadway.

Baum, an Israeli peace and justice activist, will talk about boycott, divestment and sanctions (BDS) on Israel and the corporations who profit from the decades long occupation of Palestine.

The event is sponsored by Students United for Equal Rights (SUPER) and co-sponsored by Americans United for Palestinian Human Rights, and Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP)-PDX Chapter.

Washington State Grants for Artist Projects

Individual artists who reside in Washington State are encouraged to apply to the 2012 Grants for Artist Projects (GAP). Artist Trust's GAP provides support for individual artist projects awarding up to \$1,500 per project.

GAPs are open to artists working in all creative disciplines including visual, performing, literary, media, emerging and cross-disciplinary arts, and folk and traditional arts. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older by application deadline date; be

TV Show on Gangs



PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Melvin Delk, a civil rights champion who has worked with gangs in Chicago, is one of the hosts for Gangs are Guys and Gals that don't Know Government, a cable show being aired live at 3 p.m. March 18, from Portland Community Media, 2766 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Delk, pictured above with fellow activist Evelyn Murray, said that the main problem for young people in gangs is their lack of earning power and legitimate ways to make money. Without legal means to make money, young people turn to gangs and the underground economy as a way to survive. For more information call Melvin at 312-701-4117

a generative artist; and be a resident of Washington State at the time of application and when the award is granted. Applicants may NOT be a graduate or undergraduate matriculated student enrolled in any degree program by the application deadline date, which is May 20, 2012.

Artists are encouraged to attend grant writing and professional development workshops and webinars offered by Artist Trust to artists around the state. Application guidelines and workshop information can be found at www.artisttrust.org.

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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 March 15

HOME REPAIR WORKSHOP FOR SENIORS. Free resources in the community to help with major and minor repairs. Join us and have an opportunity to win a gift card. 2 - 4 p.m. O.A.M.E. 4134 N. Vancouver Ave. For more info call 503-288-2923 ext 133

LAURELHURST COMMUNITY CENTER'S FRIDAY FAMILY

FUN NIGHT. The center will offer arts & crafts, activities for the little ones and the tot playroom will be open for them to enjoy. 5 - 8 p.m. 4554 NE 41st St. Portland.

Saturday March 17

HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY PACKY. Meet animal guests from the Oregon Zoo, make a birthday card for Packy, enjoy elephant ears and balloon animals and much more. Free admission to this event at The Oregon Historical Society. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

BEAVERTON HOSTS: POOCHES ON THE GREEN. A ST. PATRICK'S PAW-TRICKS DAY CELEBRATION. Pooches on the Green is a wonderful way to celebrate this year's St. Patrick's Day with our friends & family, furry or not. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Beaverton City Park 5th St. and Hall Blvd.

MURPHY'S ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE. Hillsboro's 34th annual St. Patrick's Parade. The parade starts at 11 a.m. at Hare Field. The Hillsboro Boys and Girls club will host games for the kids and these activities take place at the Hillsboro Civic Center Plaza between 1st and 2nd on Main St. in

downtown Hillsboro.

Wednesday March 21

TRI MET BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING. Give formal public comments on proposed changes to fares and service. 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Portland Building Auditorium, 1120 SW 5th Ave.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY DISABILITY RESOURCE FAIR. Visit over 30 are agencies serving Clackamas County adults, youth and veterans with disabilities. There is no cost for this event. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Clackamas Community College, 19600 Molla Ave. Oregon City.

Saturday March 24

A FREE WRITING PROMPT WORKSHOP. Trying to make time to write? Take this Saturday afternoon and enjoy writing prompts provided in company of other writers. 2 - 5 p.m. Paper Tiger Coffee Roasters, 703 Grand Blvd. & Mill Plain Blvd in Vancouver, WA.