

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

'Women Surviving Homelessness' the Television Show Airs Next Week

The book release event for "No Room of her Own: Women's Stories of Homelessness, Life, Death and Resistance," (Palgrave Macmillan, Sept. 13, 2011) featuring Desiree Hellegers, associate professor of English and a founding co-director of the Center for Social and Environmental Justice at Washington State University Vancouver, can be seen and heard on "Women Surviving Homelessness" by the Flying Focus Video Collective during the weeks of Sept. 17 and 24 on cable TV.

The book is based on extended interviews with 15 women gathered over the course of nearly 20 years. It illuminates the physical challenges of homelessness on bodies already compromised by health issues and harrowing conditions—including routine threats of sexual and physical violence.

"Women Surviving Homelessness" was taped by

Sara Newton and Flying Focus member PC Peri, and edited by Flying Focus member Barb Greene. It plays at the following times: Part I, 9:30 p.m. Sept. 21, Cable Access Network channel 23; Part II, 2:30 a.m. Sept. 25, Comcast channel 22; 11 p.m. Sept. 26, Comcast channel 23; 9:30 p.m. Sept. 28, Cable Access Network channel 23.

DVD/VHS copies of the show will be available in mid-October for a suggested donation of \$11 plus \$4 postage by visiting www.flyingfocus.org.

Vision Action Network Announces Aging Summit with Washington County Leaders

On Friday, Sept. 21 the Vision Action Network holds a summit on "Preparing for the Aging Boom in Washington County: Moving into Action."

The event aims to address the challenges that are emerging from the current and upcoming increase in older adults in Washington County. Washington County seniors, young adults, and agencies and businesses serving the needs of seniors are encouraged to participate in the Summit that will be held at the Washington County Fairgrounds from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In 2006, almost 68,000 of Washington County's residents (13% of the population) were 60 or older. With the aging of the baby boomers, who began turning 60 in 2006, that number is expected to increase 75% in the next 15 years to over 117,000 people.

After the Summit the VAN Board will select an initiative or initiatives to pursue to address the challenges raised at the Summit.

Suicide Epidemic



City leaders voted Wednesday to place suicide prevention signs up around Portland's bridges to help slow an epidemic suicide rate—which has doubled in the past decade to 1,200 crisis calls per year.

ETHOS correction

Correction: *The Skanner* recently became aware of some inaccuracies in last week's article about Ethos' efforts at the IFCC under Charles Lewis' leadership. During this time, Ethos did in fact fulfill its contract with the city concerning the IFCC, did create community panels, and did select other art organizations to use the building. *The Skanner* regrets the errors.

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Thursday September 20

AN EVENING WITH DR. JANE MCGONIGAL. Dr. Jane McGonigal is a world renowned designer of alternative reality games – or games that are designed to improve real lives and solve real problems. Concordia University invites the public to attend this free event. 7 p.m. 2811 NE Holman

Friday – Saturday September 21 -22

YOUTH EXPLOSION: CITY WIDE 2-DAY YOUTH EVENT. Friday 7 p.m. Guest speaker Rev. Thomas Garrett Sr. Pastor A.M.E. Zion Church, 3605 E. 13th St. Vancouver, WA Then on Saturday from 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The Youth Event will take place at Vancouver Police Station, 2800 Stapleton Rd,

Vancouver, WA Workshop activities are \$5 per youth.

Saturday September 22

EASTSIDE STREETCAR GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION AND OPEN HOUSE AT THE AHC. Free event open to the public. There will be other events going on in the neighborhood as well, so it will be a great day to visit the Central Eastside. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 701 SE Grand Ave.

CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY CRAFT CARNIVAL. Environmentally-friendly, hands-on craft activities for families and children under 12. Hear music from The Alphabeticians from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Lents Park, SE 92nd Ave & Holgate Blvd.

HARVEST FUN DAY 2012. It's almost that time again. We're excited to announce this year's Harvest Fun Day – our annual free family-fun-on-the-farm event. Pie-eating and corn shucking contest plus much more. 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78th St. Vancouver, WA

Sunday September 23

HAWTHORNE LAUGHTER CLUB. Laughter clubs are social groups where people get together to do laughter yoga exercises & reap the multiple health benefits of laughter and breathing exercises. 4 – 5 p.m. Hawthorne Wellness Center, 3942 SE Hawthorne Blvd.

Monday September 24

2012 WALGREENS WAY TO WELL HEALTH TOUR. The tour will offer all adults 18 and over free health tests that will measure ten key health indicators, no appointment needed. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Walgreens, 6166 NE MLK, JR. Blvd.

Tuesday September 25

OREGON VOICES CONVERSATION PROJECT SERIES PRESENTS: JAMES LAMMASSON, Life after War Photography and Oral Histories of Coming Home. Presented in Partnership with Rotary Club of Portland. Event begins at 6 p.m. in the Oregon Historical Society Pavilion. Free Admission.

Saturday September 29

STRU YOUR MUTT PORTLAND. Leisurely one-mile group dog walk followed by a doggie themed celebration festival that includes Crunch Fitness, Dog Yoga, Sit, Stay, Fit and much more. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. Walk begins at 9 a.m. Festival ends at noon. Laurelhurst Park, 3756 SE Oak St.

LAST SATURDAY FESTIVAL. Go Dog of North Station, presents live music from 1 – 5 p.m. featuring local Portland Artists with Jewelry, art, paintings and much more. North Station Food Cart Court,