

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Operation Overcoat Seeks Winter Supplies for Homeless

Union Gospel Mission seeks donations of blankets, coats, warm clothing and socks for Operation Overcoat, an annual clothing giveaway and street fair for the homeless and people in need. Operation Overcoat takes place this Saturday, September 29 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Union Gospel Mission will be closing off NW Third Avenue in front of the Mission between Burnside and Couch streets and part of Couch Street between Third and Fourth Avenues to stage the event. Thousands of articles of clothing will be given away, a free barbeque meal will be provided, and free dental care. This event is free and open to anyone in need.

Donations of blankets, socks and other clothing items may be dropped off at Union Gospel Mission at 3 NW Third Avenue (corner of Third and Burnside) in Portland. For more information call 503-274-4483, or make a financial donation online at www.ugmportland.org

Prescription Drug Turn In Event

The Office of Neighborhood Involvement Crime Prevention Program and the Portland Police Bureau will hold a Prescription Drug Turn In event on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Fred Meyer-Gateway 1111 NE 102nd Avenue.

The mobile precinct will be on site. Portland Police Officers and Crime Prevention staff will be on site for the anonymous turn in of unused or expired prescription medications, to share information about the dangers of prescription drug abuse and to answer community and media questions regarding this issue.

For questions contact: Jenni Bernheisel Crime Prevention Coordinator 503-823-4257
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Diabetes Walkathon Raises More than \$140,000

More than 1,300 walkers took to the streets of Portland this morning and participated in the annual Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes event raising more than \$140,000 for diabetes education, research and advocacy. Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes is an event organized by the American Diabetes Association.

There's still time to join the Stop Diabetes movement by walking in the Clark County Step Out: Walk to

Stop Diabetes on Saturday, Sept. 29 beginning at the Vancouver Landing. To register go to www.diabetes.org/clarkcountystepout.

St. Johns Octoberfest Oct. 6

The second annual St. Johns Oktoberfest is Saturday, Oct. 6, from noon to 8 p.m., at the corner of N. Ivanhoe Street and N. Charleston Avenue in the parking lot of McMenamins St. Johns Theater and Pub, 8203 N. Ivanhoe. This event is co-sponsored by the St. Johns Boosters (the local business association) and McMenamins.

A benefit to light up the St. Johns business district street trees for the holiday season, this family-friendly event will include free music and fun. Food and beverages for sale include sausage plates and kids' hot dog plates, roasted corn, hot cider, beer and soda. Local businesses have provided raffle prizes and local crafters and artists will have booths along N. Charleston Avenue, which will be closed to traffic. The Boosters have organized games for the adults, and Coffee Kids will provide activities for children in a reserved area.

All proceeds will help Light Up Lombard in St. Johns. For more information go to www.stjohnsboosters.net

Dance Classes



Kemba Shannon Dance Center has opened on N. Kilpatrick street in the Kenton neighborhood. Along with offering dance training in Hip Hop, Jazz, Ballet, Tap, African, and several other dance forms, the Center's founder says her goal is taking the extra step and "bringing all people together through dance." The Center is open Monday through Saturday, with workshops and special projects on Sundays. Classes are available for all ages, from toddlers to adults. Specialty classes such as belly dancing, African dance and praise dance are all available. For more information visit www.kembashannon.com, call 1-855-NOW-DANCE or visit the Kemba Shannon Dance Studio at 2017 N. Kilpatrick Ave, Portland, OR.

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Friday September 28

CALLING ALL JEFFERSON HIGH ALUMNI, SUPPORTERS & COMMUNITY. Join us for the Jefferson Alumni Associations Annual Tailgater. Renew friendships and swap favorite memories of your times at Jefferson and in its community. Prior to the football game, the annual Tailgating Party starts at 3 p.m. Football game starts at 7 p.m. Tailgating is on the Kerby Street side.

Saturday September 29

DARIGOLD FARMALICIOUS FUN FRIDGE. Darigold will be at the Square giving away samples of chocolate milk and ice cream sandwiches. Noon - 4 p.m. Pioneer Courthouse Square.

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, 2730 N. Killingsworth.

Tuesday October 2

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY INVITES THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND AN EFFECTIVE BIBLICAL RESPONSE TO IMMIGRATION. This is a special panel discussion on immigration reform to be held in Concordia's Hagen Campus Center. 6 p.m. 2811 NE Holman St.

Friday October 5

ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS: HOMECOMING CELEBRATION AND OUR NEW NIKE TRACK DEDICATION. Car show, live band, free BBQ, family activities and much more. Fun starts at 5 p.m. and goes until the end of the football game. Roosevelt High School, 6941 N. Central. Footballs game tickets - Adults \$6, Students with ID \$4 - Students without ID \$6.00, kids \$2.

Saturday October 6

PORTLAND PET EXPO. From 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. the expo will be packed with more than 200 local and nationally-recognized veterinarians, groomers, trainers and much more. Portland Expo Center. Free for all to enjoy.

URBAN WAXX IS HOSTING SA 24-HOUR WAA-A-YHON CHAIRTY EVENT. The event starts at 9 a.m. Saturday and runs until 9 a.m. Sunday. Benefitting two deserving charities Friends of Trees and The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. Walk in welcome. There will be food and beverages and a lot of fun. 1086 NW 18th Ave. For more info call 503-219-9299.