

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### The Cascade Institute Policy Picnic Celebrates School Choice

The Cascade Institute hosts a National School Choice Week Policy Picnic, Jan. 30, at noon, they say to raise awareness about the need to empower parents with the ability to choose the best educational environments for their children. These options include high-performing public schools, public charter schools, magnet schools, private schools, online learning, and home-schooling.

Cascade Institute founder Steve Buckstein hosts, and participants must pre-register because space is limited. Bring your own brown bag lunch, the Institute supplies coffee and cookies.

The picnic is at the Cascade Policy Institute office at 4850 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Suite 103. Call 503-242-0900.

### PCC Hosts Oregon Transfer Days around Portland

To assist students transferring to a four-year college or university, Portland Community College holds Oregon Transfer Days at all of its campuses during a week in February.

Oregon Transfer Days are a partnership involving four-year universities and all of the state's 17 community colleges. First launched by a coalition of admissions professionals in 2007, the annual Oregon Transfer Days outreach tour brings admissions and recruitment professionals from

the state's seven public universities, private and out-of-state colleges to the community colleges.

Assistance is offered from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day, on Monday, Feb. 18 (Upper Mall, College Center Building, Sylvania Campus, 12000 SW 49th Ave.), Tuesday, Feb. 19 (Mall, Building 3, Rock Creek Campus, 17705 NW Springville Road), Wednesday, Feb. 20 (Mt. Tabor Hall, Southeast Center, 2305 SE 82nd Ave.) and Thursday, Feb. 21 (Cafeteria, Student Center, Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killingsworth St.).

The transfer days are open to any community college student, whether they are planning to transfer, or just starting to consider their four-year degree opportunities.

For more information about PCC's Oregon Transfer Days, contact Kathleen Bradach, academic advising specialist, at 971-722-4578, or by e-mail at kbradach@pcc.edu.

### Free Red Cross Class Prepares Oregonians for Unforeseen Disasters

The American Red Cross hosts free monthly preparedness classes in which Oregonians can learn how to get ready for unforeseen disasters, 6-7 p.m., the last Tuesday of every month at the Oregon Trail Chapter, Tillamook Room, 3131 N. Vancouver Ave.

Together We Prepare, a free community education class that provides information on how to prevent, prepare for, and respond to disasters by making personal disaster plans, establishing family meeting places and addressing emergency communication strategies. Participants learn how easy it is to assemble a disaster kit and have the

### Barber's Book



PHOTO BY HELEN SILVUS

Barber Franklin Whatley wondered why he had never seen a textbook for clipper haircutting. So he decided to create his own. Now, Whatley hopes his book, "The Art of Clipper Cutting: A Guide to Clipper Cutting Fundamentals," will be adopted by Cosmetology schools around the country. Whatley, who works for the Terrell Brandon Barbershop on Northeast Alberta Street, has just been appointed to the Oregon Board of Cosmetology.

opportunity to ask questions related to individuals' preparedness plans.

In 2013, classes will be held on Feb. 26, March 26, April 30, May 28, June 25, July

30, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 29 and Nov. 26. No class will be held in December.

For more information call 503-284-1234.

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#### Friday February 1

2013 OREGON BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION THEME: A WHOLE NEW WORLD. Portland Annual Diversity Event: Education, entertainment, youth participation, advances in diversity and inclusion principles. Located at Historic The Hotel Monaco, 506 SW Washington. This is a free event for the public.

Friday – Saturday February 1 & 2

23RD ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF ART: BUCKMAN ART SHOW & SELL RETURNS TO SE PORTLAND. The longtime fixture in the Portland art scene benefits Buckman Arts Focus Elementary PTA. Children activities and much more. Friday \$5 per person age 5 and older. 5 – 9 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. \$2 suggested donation. Buckman Arts Elementary School, 320 SE 16th Ave.

#### Sunday February 3

FREEDOM FIGHTER EXHIBIT. You are invited to come see The Glider Lehrman Institute of American History National Exhibit of Fredrick Douglass. Roosevelt High School students bring you interviews based on local Freedom Fighters on Social Justice. 9:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. Mt. Olivet located on the corner of N. Chautauqua & N. Willis

#### Tuesday February 5

NATIONAL PANCAKE DAY: IHOP TO OFFER FREE PANCAKES TO GUESTS NATIONWIDE. While celebrating Children's Miracle Network Hospitals 30th anniversary. On this day the restaurant chain hopes to raise \$3 million as the first

national fundraising campaign to kickoff the 2013 fundraising year. 7 a.m. – 10 p.m. IHOP Restaurants Nationwide. Donations will be greatly accepted for this event.

#### Wednesday February 6

WHAT'S THE LEAST I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT HEALTH CARE REFORM? The event is free and everyone is invited. Presentation and discussion will be at 7 p.m. at TaborSpace Community Room and Coffeehouse, 5441 SE Belmont in the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church.

#### Sunday February 10

CELEBRATING AFRICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH: LITERATURE AS A TOOL FOR JUSTICE AND LIBERATION. You are invited to a very interesting and dynamic discussion about literary fiction as a tool for justice, liberation and forward human progress. This event is free and open to the public. 7 – 9 p.m. Red & Black Café, 400 SE 12th St.

FREE AT LAST? LET THE ELDERS POINT THE WAY. Delta June R. Key Center, 5940 N. Albina Ave. 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.