

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Memorial Day Ceremony to Recognize Local WWII Veterans

The public is invited to a Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 27, from 1 - 2:15 p.m., at the Washington County Fair Complex. The collaboration among Washington County, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will honor our nation's brave service members who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Program highlights include recognition of Purple Heart recipients, a prisoners of war ceremony, 21-gun salute and a focus on Washington County's role in World War II. The names of the 129 WWII service members from Washington County who were killed in action will be read. Personal stories of local living WWII vets from the Merchant Marine, Navy, Army, Marines and Army Air Corp will also be shared.

Among the participants will be leaders from the Hillsboro Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion, Hillsboro Mayor Jerry Willey and Board of Commissioners Chairman Andy Duyck. Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici will give the keynote address.

The Memorial Day Ceremony will take place rain or shine. Attendees may park in TriMet's lot at the Fair Complex/Hillsboro Airport MAX Station. For more information, call Washington County Disability, Aging and Veteran Services at 503-846-3060.

Portland Police Bureau News Release

Portland Police Still Seeking Volunteers

for Grand Floral Parade The Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade is scheduled for Saturday June 8, 2013, and the Portland Police Bureau is continuing to seek volunteers to help along the parade route.

Volunteers are needed from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.to work fixed barricade positions and walk or ride bicycles along the parade route.

Interested volunteers need to fill out the application form and return it to Emily Morris, Volunteer Coordinator for the Portland Rose Festival.

RACC Celebrates New Mural on N. Albina and Mississippi

The artist collective, SpaceCraft Mission to Arts, has completed one of the largest murals funded by RACC's Public Art Mural Program and will celebrate this collaborative project with a community celebration 3:30-6:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 in the grassy field across the street southwest of the project site. The mural is located on the west wall of the City of Portland's Bureau of Transportation Maintenance facility (3150 N. Mississippi).

Travelers on N. Mississippi Ave between N. Fremont St. and N. Monroe St. will see the mural by car, foot, and bike. It is also visible to Northbound drivers on I-5 and I-405. The mural will serve as a gateway to the Historic Mississippi Business District and Boise neighborhood and discourage graffiti

This project was funded in part by a Portland Graffiti Abatement grant and the RACC Public Art Murals Program.

Missing Children's Awareness

A 5th grader at Milwaukie's Linwood Elementary School, Zion Brooks' artwork was selected to represent Oregon in the national Missing Children's Day Poster Contest. In addition to a pizza party held for her and about 20 classmates, Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber sent Brooks a letter congratulating her on the winning poster and for helping to raise awareness about child safety. Pictured at right are: father Moddie Sesson, Zion, and mother Lisha Melifeng. May 25, 2013 is "Missing Children's Awareness Day" in Oregon, and families are encouraged to take 25 minutes to talk to their children about safety and abduction prevention as part of the Take 25 (www.Take25.org) national child safety campaign.



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Friday May 24

ROSE FESTIVAL FIREWORKS AT WATERFRONT PARK: Kick-off the 2013 Rose Festival with the spectacular fireworks display at 10 p.m. Waterfront Park Downtown Portland.

Saturday May 25

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS WORKING IN OUR COMMUNITY: McCoy Academy's silver year! Come celebrate silver with us at McCoy Community Project Saturday Market Place. This market will take place every Saturday for six-weeks from May 25 to June 20. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday - Sunday May 25 - 26

16TH ANNUAL SPRING ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL BRINGS INCREDIBLE FUN TO YACHATS, GEM OF THE OREGON COAST: Enjoy over 70 exhibitors in Yachats Commons, 441 HWY 101 N. at 4th St. Gifts and personal shopping in a fun, friendly environment. Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Admission free .

Monday May 27

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY TO RECOGNIZE LOCAL WWII VETERANS: The public is welcome to a Memorial Day Ceremony from 1 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. at the Washington County Fair Complex. This event takes place rain or shine. For more info call 503-346-3060.

Thursday May 30

HOW CAN WE MAKE A HEALTHY COMMUNITIY FOR AFRICAN-AMERICANS 55+: Join us for a community conversation! Replenish your Body and Soul with a healthy Soul Food Demo! 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Woodlawn Community Resource Center, 1425 NE Dekum St. FREE

Friday May 31

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS RETURNS TO PORTLAND'S LIVING ROOM: The 29th Annual Festival of Flowers

celebration opens on Friday. The festival runs through June 12 at Pioneer Courthouse Square.

Saturday June 1

2013 STARLIGHT RUN & PARADE: One of Portland's brightest traditions, the Portland General Electric/Solve Starlight Parade lights up the night for more than 250,000 spectators in downtown Portland. Get your spots early and cheer on the Starlight runners. Runners start at 7 p.m. Parade starts at 8:30 p.m.

10TH ANNUAL BUDDHIST FESTIVAL IN THE PARK: Theme for this year's festival is "You Are Here." Event includes washing the Baby Buddha ceremony, activities for children, Tabling by Buddhist community, workshops, food carts and much more. The festival is free for all to attend. 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Colonel Summers Park, SE 17th and Taylor St.

Sunday June 2

WOODSTOCK FARMER'S MARKET OPENS JUNE 2: Offering shoppers even more organic food choices, more hot prepared food, a longer market season and much more. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Every Sunday. Key Bank Parking Lot, 4600 SE Woodstock Blvd