

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

OMSI Mummy Exhibit Continues

The touring Mummies of the World exhibition, now on view at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry through September 8, has welcomed one-million overall visitors. Boasting the largest collection of real human and animal mummies and related artifacts ever assembled, the exhibition has drawn impressive crowds across the United States.

OMSI admission is just \$2 every first Sunday of the month.

The Mummies of the World engagement at OMSI serves as its northwest debut and one of the last stops on its limited U.S. tour. For more information, please visit omsi.edu or mummiesoftheworld.com.

For general information, call 503-797-4000 or visit www.omsi.edu.

Mental Health Lecture

Pamela A. Martin, PhD, Director of Oregon's Addiction and Mental Health Division, speaks about Oregon's public mental health system at the Oregon Health & Science University, on Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. A reception will be held prior to her talk at 6 p.m.

Dr. Martin became the director of Oregon's Addictions and Mental Health Division at the beginning of May, after spending 35 years in the mental health field in New Mexico.

This event is sponsored by Lifeworks NW, Street Roots, the Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest, Clackamas County Behavioral Health, Empowerment Initiatives, African American Health Coalition, OHSU Department of Psychiatry, Multnomah County Mental Health and Addiction Services Division,

Volunteers of America, Addiction Counselor Certification Board of Oregon, Health Share Oregon, Central City Concern, The Lund Report, Folktime, Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Oregon State Hospital, Disability Rights Oregon, Telecare, Washington County Community Mental Health Program, and the Mental Health Association of Portland.

The event is free and open to the public. Registration is required at <http://pamela-martin.eventbrite.com>

Free Solar Workshop and Tour at Portland Community College Rock Creek

On Saturday, July 13 the nonprofit organization Solar Oregon will host a Basics of Going Solar Workshop at the Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus. This free workshop will be held at 1pm in Building 7 Room 103. Following the workshop, we will be offering a tour of PCC Rock Creek's ground mounted solar array. Approximately 35,000 square feet, it is the largest ground mounted solar array in the Portland Metro area. Constructed in 2012, this 500kW array provides electricity for Building 9, a 72,000 square foot structure that houses student and administrative services and the Rock Creek Campus library.

This workshop will focus primarily on residential applications for solar energy including:

How well solar works in Oregon's climate: Available solar technologies and how they fit into your overall energy use

Assessing your site for solar: The financial considerations of going solar

How to access incentives and tax credits that can cover up to 75 percent of the cost:

Cruz Walsh to Head Virginia Garcia Memorial Foundation



Serena Cruz Walsh is the new executive director of the Virginia Garcia Memorial Foundation. Cruz Walsh will oversee all foundation activities, including fundraising, community partnerships and support for the Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center based in Hillsboro. The former Multnomah County commissioner and attorney more recently managed Albina Construction LLC, a construction and development company she founded with her husband. Cruz Walsh holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of California at Berkeley, Master's degree in Public Policy from Harvard University and Bachelor of Arts degree from Lewis & Clark College. The Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center serves Washington and Yamhill counties with medical and dental clinics as well as school-based health services. For information go to www.viriniagarcia.org.

Leasing, power purchase and financing options to the public. Register online at: www.solaroregon.org/events or call 503-231-5662

This workshop and tour are free and open

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Thursday July 11

PLAZA PALOOZA FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES KICKS – OFF AT THE OREGON CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA. Free live performance, Vicci Martinez will kick – off the summer series. Food and beverages and good music. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Oregon Convention Center.

Friday July 12

FREE DAY IN THE PARKS. Metro is celebrating the 50th anniversary of two special public parks, Oxbow Regional Park on the Sandy river and Blue Lake Regional Park in Fairview. Park entry is free all day. If you have not been in awhile, come see what is new.

Saturday July 13

BIKE RODEO. 4 – 9 p.m. Open to the public. Hot dogs, bike and bike helmet check, giveaways, bike rodeo, dancing and music. 6700 to 6800 block of NE Killingsworth.

12TH ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI STREET FAIR. The community – building event honors residents, businesses and organizations from N. Fremont to N. Skidmore on Mississippi Ave. Street Fair will include 200+ vendors and crafts, 40+ bands, food carts and more. This is an all day event.

ANNUAL LYLE'S MYLES RUN/WALK FOR HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS IN VANCOUVER, WA. This fun event raises money for Martha's Pantry, Cascade AIDS Project, and Global partners for Development. Registration for Lyle's Myles ask for a \$10 donation. Registration can be done in advance at www.lylesmyles.com or at 8:30 a.m. at Esther Short Park in Vancouver, WA the day of the event.

Sunday July 14

BUFFALO GRASS ART SOCIETY ANNUAL ART SHOW & SALE. Free admission plus treats and jazz with Piano & Bass. 1 – 5 p.m. Mountain Park recreation Center, 2 Mt. Jefferson Terrace, Lake Oswego. For more information call 503-635-3561.

Monday July 15

WANTED: WONDER WEEDERS AT PENINSULA PARK ROSE GARDEN. Please join Friends of Peninsula Park Rose Garden and a friendly crew of volunteers. Please bring your own weeding tools and gloves. 8 a.m. – Noon. Peninsula Park.

Wednesday July 17

SUNDOWN AT ECOTRUST CONCERT SERIES. Portland Cello Project with Adam Shearer will be performing. The concerts are family friendly. Bring the little rockers to the Sundown Kids corner. FREE 5:30 – 8 :30 p.m. 721 NW 9th Ave. Portland

Saturday July 20

5TH ANNUAL VANCOUVER FIRE FIGHTER'S FIRE IN THE PARK. This year's activities include: Fire fighter competition, chili cook off, kid's zone, music and much more. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Esther Short Park, Downtown Vancouver, WA

PORTLAND FREEDOM SOCIALIST PARTY HOSTING AWARD WINNING DOCUMENTARY. Viewing of Blue Gold: World Water Wars. Movie showing at 6:30 p.m. Chips and salsa spread served at 6 p.m. for a \$5 donation. Showing will be at ILWU Local 5 Hall, 920 W. Burnside. For more information call 503-240-4462.