

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Free Parenting Classes in February at North Clackamas Schools

Parent Power, a free 4-week parenting class that focuses on the power of positive parenting, is being presented by North Clackamas Schools in partnership with Northwest Family Services. Based on Love and Logic and Active Parenting, Parent Power is built on modeling healthy relationships and communication. Class sessions will be held at Happy Valley Elementary, Happy Valley Elementary, 13865 SE King Road, Happy Valley - begins February 7 and continues every Thursday for 4 weeks from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. These classes are open to parents from all schools. Participants will walk away with usable parenting and relationship skills from this fun workshop. Childcare will be provided. Register, in advance, at www.lastingrelationships.org or by calling 503.546.6377.

Care About Animals? Join the Advisory Committee

Multnomah County Animal Services is creating a Community Advisory Committee for residents to give input on animal-related issues.

The bureau is especially interested in recruiting members who can bring a diverse perspective from other community groups to the discussion, especially people with ties to a community of color, an ethnic, immigrant or refugee group, the LGBT community, an economics rights group, veterans group, a group for people with disabilities, etc., are encouraged to apply.

Being on the MCAS Community Advisory Committee gives you a voice in animal-related issues. Whether you love pets and have many, or whether you'd like to address animal nuisance laws, we want to hear from you.

Meetings will be scheduled every other month and last 2-3 hours. This is a volun-

tary position. If transportation, language, or childcare is a challenge, please let us know so we can help. Translation services can be requested.

For more information call 503-789-4561. Please mail completed applications to: MCAS, P.O. Box 6978, Troutdale, OR 97060. All applications must be postmarked or received by midnight, Feb. 15.

Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program

OFN is now accepting applications for their Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program through March 3. Traditional artists of exceptional merit qualify for \$3,000 grants, which enable them to pass their expertise on to someone of great promise in their cultural community. The master - or mentoring - artist and his or her apprentice apply together as a team and must demonstrate how traditional their art form is, how significant it is to the community they share, how strong their ties are to that cultural community, and the excellence of the quality of their work based on work samples, like images, videos, support letters, and press.

Applications must be received in the office by 5 p.m., March 3. For more information go to <http://ofn.uoregon.edu>, or contact Bruno Seraphin at 541-346-3820 or ofn@uoregon.edu.

Explore Civility, Political Polarization and American Democracy at WSU

"Why Can't We Get Along? Civility, Political Polarization, and American Democracy," will be presented by Cornell W. Clayton at 7 p.m. Feb. 4 at Washington State University Vancouver in the Dengerink Administration Building, Room 110. This event is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the lecture. Clayton is the Claudius O. Johnson Distinguished Professor of Political Science at

Falling into Place



Hattie Kauffman, the first Native American newscaster of a major television network, reads from her memoir, *Falling into Place: A Memoir of Overcoming*, Saturday, Feb. 1, noon, at the Lloyd Center Barnes and Noble store. The book tells the story of Kauffman's life growing up in the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho, her success as a journalist and journey to faith.

WSU Pullman and has been the director of the Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service since 2008. His research focuses on American political institutions, law and judicial politics. The first 50 guests on Tuesday night will receive a free copy of "Civility and Democracy in America: A Reasonable Understand-

ing," edited by Clayton and Richard Elgar, assistant director of the Foley Institute. WSU Vancouver is located at 14204 N.E. Salmon Creek Ave., east of the 134th Street exit from either I-5 or I-205. Parking is available at meters and in the Blue Daily Pay Lot for \$1.50 after 5 p.m. Parking is free after 7 p.m.

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Friday – Tuesday January 31 thru February 14

CHINESE NEW YEAR – YEAR OF THE HORSE. Lan Su Chinese Garden's annual celebration for families and individuals. All activities are free with garden admission or membership. 239 NW Everett St. Portland, OR 97209. Please call for operating hours 503-228-3131

Saturday February 1

NORTH PORTLAND LIBRARY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. Come join our 100th birthday celebration. We'll have music, refreshments and fun activities for the whole family. 2 – 5 p.m. North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St. Portland, OR 97217.

Tuesday February 4

GETTING YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER. A free four week financial fitness course with a culturally and historically African American perspective. 6 – 8:30 p.m. Dinner Provided. Portland Housing Center, 3233 NE Sandy Blvd. To register please call 503-797-4014

HOW TO BUY AND SELL PORTLAND REAL ESTATE. Learn how real estate can contribute to your over-all wealth. Free. 6 – 8:30 p.m. North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St. Upstairs meeting room.

Saturday February 8

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH WELLNESS. You're invited to a day of wellness. Living in Health. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Free wellness checks. 126 NE Alberta. Portland

Sunday February 9

MYHERITAGE.COM WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW. The Jewish Genealogical Society of Oregon: Daniel Horowitz, Chief Genealogist, my heritage. Daniel will walk you through the many aspects of the website. The program is free to 2014 JGSO members. We ask non-members for a \$5 donation. 1 p.m. Ahavath Achim, 3225 SW Barbur Blvd. Portland

Sunday – Saturday February 9 – 15

GENEALOGICAL FORUM OF OREGON PRESENTS OPEN HOUSE & BOOK SALE. During the open house, the library and classes will be open and free to all. 2505 SE 11th Ave. Suite B-18. Portland, OR 97202