

Portland and SW Washington

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Protest ICE



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After protesters, including Augustana Lutheran Church Pastor Mark Knutson with microphone above, demonstrated outside the federal courthouse last Thursday, a federal judge ordered the temporary release of community labor leader Francisco Aguirre. Threatened with arrest and deportation by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement after a DUI, then charged with illegally entering the country, Aguirre spent 45 days in sanctuary with the support of hundreds of community leaders from faith, labor and immigrant rights organizations – even Portland Mayor Charlie Hales. He was arrested last week after he appeared at the Clackamas County Courthouse to answer on the drunk driving charge. Supporters say he is back in the sanctuary with his family at Augustana.

Dance Club Hosts Fundraiser for Healthy Birth Initiative

Groovin' High Steppers host a fundraiser in support of the Healthy Birth Initiative, and the expanding work of the program that provides services and classes for African American fathers and males, Nov. 15 and 16, in an array of events held at the Colwood Golf Center, 7313 NE Columbia Blvd. in Portland.

The event includes a Meet and Greet, Saturday, Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. with dominoes and bid whist tournaments (small entry fee and prizes). Playing your favorite R&B, Neo-Soul & Jazz for your dancing, Chicago Steppin',

line dancing and listening pleasure. The attire is casual and light Hors D'Oeuvres will be served.

The Main Event, Saturday, Nov. 15 from 8 p.m. – 1 a.m. with music host DJ George, spinning sophisticated R&B, Neo-Soul & Jazz for your dancing, Chicago Steppin', line dancing and listening pleasure. The attire is dress to impress and hearty Hors D'Oeuvres will be served.

On Sunday, Nov. 16 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. is a farewell dance set and brunch.

Tickets may be purchased and donations made online at www.groovinhighsteppers.com via PayPal (Select the NEWS tab and EVENTS drop-down). The group hopes to raise \$3000 for the birth project.

PAALF Hold Last Breakfast of the Year

This Saturday, Nov. 15, PAALF hosts a community breakfast focusing on the Justice System: Know Your Rights, Saturday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Rosewood Initiative, 16126 SE Stark, Portland.

This month's breakfast will focus on exploring our individual and collective rights when dealing with the police. How can we build a movement against state sanctioned violence in Portland?

Breakfast includes a free warm meal, free youth programming, and community discussion on the impact of state sanctioned violence in our community and what we should know as individuals and a community in encountering the police

For more information go to www.weareblackweare.com

Fix Unsigned Ballots by Next Tuesday

Oregon voters have until close of business on Tuesday, Nov. 18th, to cure any signature problems on their ballots. If the signature problem is not fixed by the deadline, the ballot will not be counted.

The list of voters with ballot signature problems will be made public on Wednesday, Nov. 12. Campaigns are permitted to contact voters on the list. Campaigns are also permitted to provide transportation for voters, but laws prohibiting undue influence apply.

Voters who have any concerns or questions should contact the Secretary of State's office at 503-986-1518.

PFLAG Events Coming Up

There are some upcoming free community events happening through Basic Rights Oregon, PFLAG Portland Black Chapter, and LGBTQ communities at Portland State University.

Nov. 18, from 5:45 -9 p.m. is a Dinner Social and Gathering for LGBTQ people of color to learn about Basic Rights Oregon: Our Families Leadership Program. Find the location by calling 503-222-6151, ext. 117.

On Nov. 19, the amazing Cece McDonald will join other Transgender Activists on a panel at PSU in recognition of Transgender Day of Remembrance, 6:30-8:30 at the Smith Center Ballroom.

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Thursday – Sunday November 13 – 16

12TH ANNUAL TEEN ART SHOW. Opening reception is Thursday Nov. 13 at 4 p.m. The reception features artistic activities throughout the exhibition, light refreshments and much more. Beaverton City Library, All open to the public. 12375 SW 5th St. Beaverton.

Friday November 14

STISON LUMBER TREE ARRIVAL AT PONEER COURTHOUSE SQUARE. Festivities include a parade, The Beat Goes On marching band, free hot chocolate. All the fun begins at noon. Pioneer Courthouse Square.

Saturday November 15

VANPORT MEDIA PROJECT. "THE WAKE OF

VANPORT". Honors the Death of a City. It presents the city's history through collecting Vanport Stories told by the voices of those who lived there. Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church, 3138 N. Vancouver Ave. 2 p.m.

BLUES & BAR-B-QUE, BENEFIT FOR VETERANS. Voices for Veterans to benefit our local veterans down home Bar-B-Q dinner, blues music with Norman Sylvester Band, auction, prizes all for \$15. 7 – 11 p.m. North Portland Eagles Lodge, 7611 N. Exeter & Lombard.

GIRLFEST. Join us for our largest Girl Scout celebration of the year GirlFest! Discover hundreds of amazing activities. \$10 pre-registration, \$15 at the door. Register at www.girlscout.org/girlfest. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Portland Expo Center, 2060 N. Marine Dr.

Monday November 17

PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT JOB FAIR. Expecting to fill more than 300 concession jobs over the next few months. PDX concessions are looking for seasonal, part-time, full-time and temporary employees. 5 p.m. PDX Conference Center, located above Oregon Market in the airport's main terminal, 7000 NE Airport Way.

Thursday – Sunday November 20 – December 21

A SLUTE TO OREGON ARTISTS. Concordia University Libraries Art & Culture presents A Salute to Oregon Artists art exhibit in the George r. White Library and Learning Center. A catered "meet

the artists" reception will be held on Sunday December 7, 2014 from 2 – 4 p.m. The exhibit and catered reception are free and open to the public. 2811 NE Holman St.

Saturday November 22

FREE FIRSTENBURG FAMILY FUN DAY. The Firstenberg Community Center will be hosting a FREE Family Fun Day and movie night filled with swimming, climbing, activities in the gym and so much more. Fun starts at noon and runs all day & evening. 700 NE 136th Ave. Vancouver.

28TH ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD FIX-IT FAIR. Healthy Families, Healthy Homes! Fix-it fair is a free event where you can learn simple ways to save money and be healthy at home this winter. 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Parkrose High School, 12003 NE Shaver St.

Sunday November 23

SENIORS INVITED TO GIVE THANKS AT SENIOR CENTER. The free dinner includes turkey and all the trimmings, plus tasty side dishes, music and fellowship will follow. All seniors living in North and Northeast Portland are invited. Noon – 2 p.m. Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 NE 40th Ave.

DROP – IN POETRY WORKSHOP AT THE NORTH PORTLAND LIBRARY. No registration required. Just bring a pen & notebook. We will create a group poem, and participants will leave with the beginning of a new writing. 512 N. Killingsworth St.