

# Portland and SW Washington

## SPOTLIGHTS

### Pan-Africa Young Leaders Social Impact Fair

The World Affairs Council of Oregon holds a special event to see how Africa's Young Leaders are envisioning the future of social change in their communities, Friday, March 27, from 3:30-4:45 p.m. at the June Key Delta Community Center, 5940 N. Albina St.

Come meet the Pan-Africa Young Leaders and learn about the action projects they have developed to address social issues in their communities.

Visiting Oregon through the State Department's Pan-Africa Youth Leadership Program, these 19 students and teachers have come from Angola, Malawi, Mauritius, Nigeria and Zambia to learn how young people are making an impact here in the U.S. The Social Impact Fair will exhibit the ideas and innovations they will use to bring positive social change back home.

Join us for this free event and see how young people are tackling the issues that shape modern Africa.

For more information call the World Affairs Council of Oregon at 503-306-5252 or go to [www.worldoregon.org](http://www.worldoregon.org).

### Drivers Urgently Needed for Meals on Wheels

Individuals, corporations, civic or ecumenical groups are needed that can deliver Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors in the North Portland area on weekdays.

Deliver once a week or once a month with a pick-up at the Two Rivers Center, located in the Charles Jordan Community Center, 9009 N. Foss.

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have a valid driver's license, their own car, vehicle insurance and will have to undergo a criminal background check.

For more information, email [ruth.jensen@mealson-wheelspeople.org](mailto:ruth.jensen@mealson-wheelspeople.org) or call 503-953-8210

### Sybrina Fulton at Community Event

The African American Alliance in collaboration with sponsoring organization, the YWCA of Greater Portland, is coordinating a community unity event featuring special guest, Sybrina Fulton, mother of 17 year old Trayvon Martin who was attacked and murdered in 2012.

Fulton will share her powerful inspirational message on "Empowering Our Youth," Monday, April 13, from 6:45 to

## 'Healing the Healthcare Blues'



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The Fourth Annual Inner City Blues Festival is Saturday, April 11. The event – a benefit for the single-payer health reform movement — features Norman Sylvester and a host of Northwest music all-stars. Also on hand are food, drinks and desserts available for sale, with a no host bar and community information tables, raffle prizes and silent auction. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., the show runs from 6 p.m. till midnight, at the North Portland Eagles Lodge, 7611 N. Exeter at Lombard. Proceeds go to support the work of Health Care for All-Oregon. This year's festival will honor the memories of Janice Scroggins, Linda Hornbuckle, Jim Miller, Mel Solomon, Geneva Knauls and Lucinda Tate. Tickets are available on [www.tickettomato.com](http://www.tickettomato.com); at Music Millennium, 3158 E Burnside St.; Geneva's Shear Perfection, 5601 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.; and Musicians Local 99, 325 NE 20th St. For more information go to [www.hcao.org](http://www.hcao.org) or [www.facebook.com/healingthehealthcareblues](http://www.facebook.com/healingthehealthcareblues).

8:30 p.m. at Maranatha Church, 4222 NE 12th Ave. Please plan to arrive by 6:15 pm since seating is limited.

For additional information please leave a message at 503-288-8429.

### Hip-Hop Benefit Concert

A benefit concert to aid 14-year-old Liliana Marfil in her fight against surmounting medical bills is set to feature

some of the top talent in Portland hip-hop.

The day-long affair starts at 1 p.m. April 18 and will feature a host of emcees including (but not limited to) the likes of Mic Crenshaw, Mic Capes, Swiggle-Mandela, Elton Cray and Talilo of RLM entertainment.

To donate to Liliana Marfil's medical expenses now visit the official Gofundme page: [www.gofundme.com/lilianacancer](http://www.gofundme.com/lilianacancer).

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#### Saturday March 28

**BETTER LIVING SHOW.** The Northwest's largest sustainability expo. Free entry. Home, garden, lifestyle, prizes, samples and much more. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Portland Expo Center, 2060 N. Marine Dr.

**CHERRY BLOSSOM DAY AT THE CAPITOL.** The public is invited to attend the Cherry Blossom Day! 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. The event is free for all to enjoy. Activities for children and families include games and cherry tasting, and much more. Oregon State Capitol, 900 Court St. NE Salem.

Sunday March 29

**MORTGAGE BURNING.** A.M.E. Zion Church,

Vancouver, WA will host a special service for the burning of its duplex mortgage. 4 p.m. 3605 E. 13th St. Vancouver. Come and celebrate with us!

**UPLIFE. A COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.** Join us for an open house to celebrate our Grand Opening. Enjoy cake & drinks, and a sewing project! This event is free and open to the public! 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. UPLIFE, 424 NE Killingsworth St.

#### Monday March 30

**DO YOU HAVE IDEAS OR OPINIONS ABOUT COMMUNITY POLICE RELATIONS IN PORTLAND?** If so, Paul De Muniz wants to talk with you! Meet with Justice Paul De Muniz, the former Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. No appointment is needed. Just drop in! 3 – 6 p.m. Kenton Neighborhood Library, 8226 N. Denver Ave.

#### Tuesday March 31

**MOTOWN CELEBRATION.** Please join Tony Jacobs a District Resource Officer for the Vancouver School District, as he performs Motown classics, also joining him will be district employees, city council members. 6 – 8 p.m. Ft. Vancouver High School, 5700 E. 18th St. Vancouver.

**MEET THE ARTIST. THE FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY FOUNDATION HOSTS A RECEPTION FOR VANCOUVER ARTIST TOM RELTH.** There will also be a raffle for a framed and signed acrylic painting

from the artist. 5 – 7:30 p.m. This event will be held at the Foundation's offices at the FVRL District Headquarters building, 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd. Vancouver.

#### Saturday April 4

**8TH ANNUAL CULLY NEIGHBORHOOD EASTER EGG HUNT.** Age groups (2 – 4 ages), (5 – 6 ages), and (7 – 8 ages) candy prizes. Arrive 15 minutes prior to posted time for each group staging! **IMPORTANT – Adults can only help kids hunt in the 2 – 4 age group.** The first group starts hunting at 10 a.m. Trinity Lutheran Church & School, 5520 NE Killingsworth St. For more information 503-288-6403.

**53RD ANNUAL ALPENROSE EASTER EGG HUNT.** Chocolate eggs will be hidden across the Alpenrose grounds and kids can redeem sticker wrapped eggs at the prize booth for a special prize! Plus the Easter Bunny will be there: The day's excitement begins at 10:30 a.m. This is a free event hosted by Alpenrose: 6149 S Shattuck Rd.

**OPENING DAY CELEBRATION.** A benefit for Friends of Baseball. Open to all who love the game. All leagues, team families, neighbors and friends are welcome. Green Zebra Grocery is a sponsor for North Portland Little League. Healthy, local food offered with the donation of your choice. Samples from local vendors, lots of fun. Noon – 3 p.m. Green Zebra Grocery, 3011 N. Lombard St.