

Events & Announcements



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Math Fest

A group of kids play a math game called Airplane Race during Math Fest Nov. 5 at Rainier Community Center. The annual event, which is sponsored by Zeno, a non-profit dedicated to inspiring children to love math, drew 407 kids and 275 adults from 41 different schools and organizations. John Muir El-

ementary brought the most kids and was honored for the third year in a row for the school with the highest attendance, followed by Dearborn Park and Orca K-8. Over 115 volunteers helped make the event a success.

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a calculator that helps visitors get a sense of what kind of financial help they can get; specifics on what to consider as a woman choosing a health insurance plan; and a way to find local, in-person help signing up and to schedule an appointment for assistance.

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Washington State Celebrates Global Entrepreneurship Month

Washington’s entrepreneurial spirit will be showcased during the month of November in cities and counties throughout the state. Held in conjunction with Global Entrepreneurship Week, an international celebration of entrepreneurship, more than 100 activities are planned statewide to inspire, encourage and support new business startups. Last year, entrepreneurship events took place in every county, making Washington #1 in participation and number of events among all states. Organized by local educators, economic development organizations and companies, Global Entrepreneur Week events include business plan competitions, seminars, workshops, speaker series, webinars and startup weekends, all designed to help people explore their entrepreneurial side and perhaps even become inspired to start a business.

Global Entrepreneur Week is just one of a number of programs associated with Commerce’s Startup 365 Washington, which is a clearinghouse for all the information and resources entrepreneurs, startups and small businesses need to achieve success.

A complete list of events by county and by date can be found at Startup 365 Washington (<http://startup.choosewashingtonstate.com/global-entrepreneurship-week/>).

Murray Calls for Continued Support to Protect Washington Families From E. Coli

This week, U.S. Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Ranking Member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee wrote a letter to Dr. Thomas Frieden, Director of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) expressing her concern over an outbreak of E.coli in Washington state associated with Chipotle Mexican Grill restaurants. In the letter, Murray expressed appreciation for the CDC’s efforts to date to support state and local health officials’ response to the outbreak, and called for continued support to help ensure Washington state families are safe as officials continue to combat the outbreak.

“I write to express concern about the current outbreak of Shiga toxin-producing E. coli in Washington state associated with Chipotle Mexican Grill restau-

rants, and to express appreciation for the Centers for Disease Control’s (CDC’s) efforts to date in support of state and local health officials’ response. A swift and decisive local response is key to containing food-borne illness outbreaks, and the effectiveness of these actions is amplified when local and state officials can benefit from federal expertise at the CDC,” said Senator Murray. “It is essential that we work together to identify the root cause of this outbreak and do everything we can to prevent them in the future. Until we have the answers we need to ensure that Washington state families are safe from this threat, I urge you to maintain your essential support for our state and local health officials in combating this outbreak.”

Hub Bellevue to Host Launch Party for New Working Space

In partnership with the City of Bellevue, Hub Bellevue is scheduled to officially debut its new co-working space, private offices, conference rooms, innovation lab and event venue at a launch celebration Nov. 10 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The event marks the culmination of a joint effort to renovate the city-owned Lincoln Center, a process that took more than nine months to complete.

“Working with Impact Hub is part of Bellevue’s goal to provide more opportunities for aspiring business owners to engage in innovative projects,” said Bellevue Councilmember Lynne Robinson. “By fostering an environment for companies to incubate, we hope more businesses will continue to call the Eastside ‘home’ as they grow.”

Hub Bellevue currently houses more than 100 inspiring Eastside entrepreneurs and startups. The community ranges from Saar Safra and Ken Egozi of ActiveGiver, a service that allows people to donate to politicians based on support for a specific cause, to Katherine Sears and Ken Shear from Booktrope, a collaborative website aimed at reinventing book publishing. Demand for co-working space on the Eastside is strong and is expected to continue to grow as the region’s technology, bioscience and aerospace sectors expand.

“We are very happy with the response we’ve seen from the community so far,” said Brian Howe, CEO of Impact Hub Seattle. “There was a large unmet demand for this type of space when we arrived. We still have some work to do, but we’re looking forward to being a part of Bellevue for the long haul.”

The launch party offers interested residents an opportunity to mingle with community leaders, meet the entrepreneurs, and enjoy appetizers and drinks provided by BizX, a prime example of one of the Eastside’s many innovative companies.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with short remarks from city leaders beginning at 6:30 p.m. A \$5 donation to the event and Hub Bellevue is suggested. Those interested in attending are encouraged to RSVP online (www.eventbrite.com/e/hub-bellevue-launch-party-tickets-19150569870?aff=es2).

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Free for all ages. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., McMenamins Kennedy School Gym, 5736 NE 33rd Ave.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

YWCA WILL HOST FOR FREE “BLACK GIRLS IN SUBURBIA” SCREENING: This film intends to spark an open dialogue about race, identity, and perspective among all people in hopes that these discussions will allow us to look at perceptions of ourselves, others and the community we live in as a whole. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Portland Community College, Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killing-swoth St. Moriarty Arts and Humanities Building.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

FREE FAMILY FUN NIGHT: Celebrate family and community connections thanks to “dream big” community centers. The events are fun filled and designed to get youth and their families out for a safe and free entertaining evening. G6 Airpark, Jump Night, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. 2200 NE Andresen Rd., suite J, Vancouver.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

15TH ANNUAL PRETTY KITTY HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR: This is the House of Dreams Cat Shelter’s biggest annual fundraiser! The bazaar features handmade gifts for people and pets, large silent auction, raffle, baked goods and much more. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Tabor Space, 5441 SE Belmont St.

FREE FIRSTENBURG FAMILY FUN DAY: Firstenberg Community Center will be hosting a free family fun day and movie night filled with swimming, climbing wall challenges and activities in the gym. Free activities from noon to close. Firstenberg Community Center, 700 NE 136th Ave., Vancouver.

5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR! Festivities start with a pancake breakfast at 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. Over 50 vendors of arts, crafts and gifts will open their booths from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Live music, silent auction items, food and drinks and raffles. Grout Elementary School, 3119 SE Holgate Blvd. Portland, OR

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

SEATTLE CHOCOLATES ANNIVERSARY PARTY AND SALE: Guests will enjoy chocolate samples, wine and cheese, a photo booth and much more. One serving of food will be donated for every guest and everything purchased through Northwest Harvest. 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Seattle Chocolate Factory, 1180 Andover Park W., Tukwila.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

NORTHWEST ART AND FINE CRAFT SHOW: Northwest Art and Fine Craft show is happening. It is a premier event in gifts & handmade industry. All day event at Magnuson Park, 7400 Sandpoint Way NE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY: Building with blocks develops children’s math and science skills, and provides lots of fun. Bring your children to a block party and build, talk, explore and create together. All you need is an imagination. 10 a.m. University Place Library, 3609 Market Place. W., University Place.

FREE MILITARY FAMILY NIGHT: We Are Thankful For You. Free admission for Military Family Night. Active, reserved military. ID required. 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Imagine Children’s Museum, 1502 Wall St., Everett.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

PEHCHAN GIRLS CAREER DAY OUT! We will have various activities to show you all the possible careers you could have one day. Noon, Sammanish Library, 825 228th Ave. NE, Sammanish.

HUGE PRE-BLACK FRIDAY HOLIDAY BAZAAR: Get a jump start on your shopping! Bring family and friends for a fun-filled day of food, free door prizes, raffles, and quality vendors. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Renton Technical College, 3000 NE 4th St., Renton.

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