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FRIDAY – SATURDAY, JUNE 10 – 11

DRESS FOR SUCCESS – CLOSET SUMMER CLOTHING SALE: Come shop 'til you drop at Dress For Success and score amazing deals on new and gently used women's designer clothes, shoes and accessories. Noon – 7 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday, Dress For Success Oregon, 1532 NE 37th Ave. Suite B.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

LEGACY SALMON CREEK HEALTHY KIDS FAIR: Join our annual celebration of kids and families at Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center in Vancouver. Bike helmets for purchase for \$6, Child passenger safety seat check, fun activities for all ages and much more. Admission is free and donations of canned food for Share Vancouver's backpack program are welcomed. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital, 2211 NE 139th St., Vancouver.

SPIRIT MOUNTAIN GRAND FLORAL PARADE: Spectacular all-floral floats, bands & equestrians march through the Coliseum to downtown Portland. Watch the parade for free along the 4.2-mile route. Parade kicks-off at 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

JUNETEENTH: WORDS ALONG THE WAY: Join us on the North Portland lawn as we celebrate Juneteenth with words and music under the skies. First come, first served. 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St.

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WORKSHOP: Free workshop where participants learn how to prevent lead exposure in their home. Qualified participants receive a free kit of safety and testing supplies. Register for this workshop at www.communityenergyproject.org or call (503) 284-6827 x 109. 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m., Community Energy Project, 2900 SE Stark St. Suite A.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

JUNETEENTH OREGON CELEBRATION "BRIDGING THE GAP": Family fun, parade, community vendors, music, family activities, food vendors, live entertainment, kids area, hip hop yoga and spoken word. The parade starts at 10:45 a.m. Parade starts on 8th & Jarrett travels South on MLK – then West on Russell. Then events will be at Emanuel Field, NE Graham & Vancouver following parade. Noon – 7 p.m.

2016 JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION: "SUPPORTING SUCCESS FOR BLACK STUDENTS LIVES": Hosted by Black Lives Matter, Vancouver. There will be food, sweet potato pie contest, entertainment, vendors, T-shirt contest winner announced, sales of winning T-shirt, and so much more. 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Marshall Community Center, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver.

THE COURTYARD AT ONE NORTH SUMMER PARTY: THIS IS THE PLACE TO BE: The Boise and Eliot Neighborhoods are getting a new public space, and to welcome the community into the courtyard. One North is throwing a summer gathering in the style of a classic neighborhood block party. We will One celebrate the past, present, and future. Free for the community to enjoy. 2 p.m. – 6 p.m., N. Fremont between N. Williams & Vancouver Ave.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 9

FIRST HILL PARK COMES ALIVE WITH MUSIC: The First Hill Improvement Association is using the power of music to enliven and enrich First Hill Park. Buskers will be in the park everyday between Memorial Day and Labor Day providing a total of 276 hours of music during both lunch and the after work hours. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., First Hill Park, 1201 University St.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

PARK IN THE HEART: Park in the Heart is a children's workshop at the park under a caravan tent. Kids learn techniques and participate in projects using different materials. Free 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Ballard Commons Park, 5701 22nd NW.

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Last Chance to Catch 'Streetcar'

Demetrius Grosse plays Stanley and Kristen Adele plays Stella in Portland Center Stage's "A Streetcar Named Desire," which opened May 20 and runs through this weekend on the U.S. Bank Main Stage. Tennessee Williams' iconic Pulitzer Prize-winning masterpiece studies the unraveling of Blanche DuBois, a fading southern belle. When she arrives unexpectedly on the doorstep of her sister, Stella, and her brother-in-law, Stanley, Blanche is clinging desperately to a persona designed to help her survive. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.pcs.org/streetcar.

Portland News Briefs

Oregon Humanities Offers Free College Course for Adults

Oregon Humanities is accepting applications for Humanity in Perspective (HIP), a free, eight-month college course offered in downtown Portland. Adults living on low incomes and looking to challenge themselves are encouraged to apply.

Since its inception in 2001, HIP has provided hundreds of adults in Oregon the opportunity to take a college-level humanities course. Students explore challenging ideas about power, justice, knowledge, identity, and community in an engaging and supportive environment. Participants in the course improve their writing, communication, and critical thinking skills by studying philosophy, literature, US history, and art history.

Classes meet two weekday evenings per week from 7 to 9 p.m., from September 2016 to April 2017, at Oregon Humanities' office in downtown Portland. The course is offered free of charge. Books, bus tickets, and childcare stipend are provided at no cost. Students receive six transferable course credits from Bard College.

Applications are available online at oregonhumanities.org, and should be submitted by Sunday, July 24, 2016. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and willing to commit to attending class two evenings per week during the eight-month program. Applicants are not required to have a high school diploma or GED. Those who have a household income of \$23,800 or less for an individual or \$48,600 or less for a family of four are eligible. The 2016-17 Humanity in Perspective course is offered in partnership with Bard College, Marylhurst University, and Portland State University.

For more information, visit oregonhumanities.org or contact course coordinator Kyle Weismann-Yee at kyle@oregonhumanities.org or (503) 241-0543, ext. 112.

Community Alliance of Tenants Offers Community Workshops

The Community Alliance of Tenants is hosting about Renters' Rights and Responsibilities workshops at various locations around the city this summer. These workshops allow renters to learn about CAT resources for Oregon renters, learn all about Tenant-Landlord Law and hear about CAT's organizing and advocacy and the current Renters' State of Emergency.

There will be two workshops at Multnomah County Library locations June 18, both at 2 p.m. One is at the Central Library and one is at the Midland Library. For more info:

<https://multcolib.org/events/renters-rights-workshop>

Portland Underground Graduate School will also be holding a Tenants' Rights Series in conjunction with CAT. For more information visit: <http://www.pugspdx.com/tenants-rights/>

If your organization, school, church or community group is interested in contracting CAT to present a workshop, please contact jensi@oregoncat.org for more info and to schedule.

Portland State University Graduate Employees Union Is Certified

The Graduate Employees Union, jointly affiliated with the American Federation of Teachers and the American Association of University Professors, announced today that it is now certified to represent all graduate assistants at Portland State University.

The state Employment Relations Board certified the union this week, nearly a month after the union filed authorization cards signed by an overwhelming majority of PSU graduate assistants. The Graduate Employees Union will now represent approximately 800 graduate administrative assistants, graduate research assistants and graduate teaching assistants.

The GEU joins two other unions representing graduate employees in Oregon, both affiliated with the AFT—the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation, Local 3544, AFT-Oregon, at the University of Oregon, and the Coalition of Graduate Employees, Local 6069, AFT-Oregon, at Oregon State University.

Oregon's FAFSA Plus+ outreach effort expanding, seeking applicants

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) is pleased to announce that the HECC Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC) is expanding its FAFSA Plus+ program, a successful initiative to increase completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) among high school seniors. OSAC is expanding the program with a call for applications among high schools and partners statewide.

The FAFSA Plus+ program currently operates at more than 110 schools and sites across the state, providing schools with key data and resources they need to target outreach efforts and proactively support students in completing the FAFSA. Educators at FAFSA Plus+ sites are able to see exactly which students have completed the FAFSA, so that volunteers and staff can provide targeted assistance. Sites also offer personalized services and events, such as College Goal Oregon, financial aid nights, senior parent nights, financial literacy and scholarship resources, parent communications, and more. In the words of one FAFSA Plus+ site representative, Yvonne VonHolle of Logos Public Charter School, "The FAFSA

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