

Events & Announcements

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

STIMSON LUMBER TREE ARRIVAL: Come to downtown Portland and welcome the arrival of Portland's 75-foot tall Douglas fir to Portland's Living Room. Festivities include a parade, seasonal songs and free hot chocolate. Noon, Pioneer Courthouse Square.

BLACK LEGACY PROJECT HISTORY SYMPOSIUM: This symposium is in honor of the historic role of African Americans in Portland. Program is free and for all ages. Doors open at 6 p.m. Program runs 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Billy Webb ELKS Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook St.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS OREGON HONORS WOMEN VETERANS: Shop til you drop at Acey's Closet Fall Sale. Fabulous deals on new and gently used women's designer clothing, shoes and accessories (all starting at \$5). Proceeds support Dress for Success. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., Dress for Success Oregon, 1532 NE 37th Ave. Suite B.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

PORTLAND VETERANS DAY PARADE: All veterans are welcome to participate in the parade. Participants can register at www.veteransdayparadepdx.org The parade begins at 9:30 a.m. at NE 40th Ave. and NE Hancock St. and travels east on NE Sandy Blvd. to NE 48th Ave. where a memorial flag ceremony will be held.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

NAACP BLACK LEGACY PROJECT: ART EXHIBIT! Five local African American artists will be exhibiting and selling their work. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with artists open exhibit. Official program at 7:30 p.m. plus music. Billy Webb Elks Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook Ave.

TWO RIVERS SPAGHETTI DINNER: Join us for an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner. Tickets are \$6. Kids eat for just \$3.50. 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., Charles Jordan Community Center, 9009 N. Foss Ave.

ST. THERESE 35TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR! Talented craftspeople and artists, cookies, used books, raffle, café & Santa. Free admission. St. Therese, 1260 NE 132nd Ave.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

SANTA PAWS PET PORTRAITS BY OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY: Get See Community Calendar on page 5



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Open House for Evie Crowell

Portland Community College's Cascade Campus will host a community open house to celebration the conclusion of the college's bond-funded construction campaign and inauguration of the renovated Cascade Campus Library, with the naming of a new Center for African American Community History in honor of longtime community leader Evie Crowell from 4 to 7 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Cascade Campus Library, 705 N. Killingsworth Street, Portland.

Portland News Briefs

NAACP Issues Statement on 2016 Presidential Election

NAACP President and CEO Cornell William Brooks issued the following statement regarding the results of the 2016 presidential election:

"This beautiful fall morning represents the end of a long night filled with many midnight moments of uncertainty, voter intimidation and suppression, campaigns founded on bigotry and divisiveness as an electoral strategy.

"And yet, despite the moments of ugliness, this election season has reminded us of the beauty and strength of both the nation and of the NAACP.

"This was the first presidential election in more than 50 years where voters did not have the full protection of the Voting Rights Act. We confronted all manners of ugly, unconstitu-

tional voter suppression, including voter purging, long lines and intimidation and misinformation. When white nationalists bragged about dispensing malt liquor and marijuana in African-American communities to suppress the vote, we were neither distracted nor dissuaded from our work. When campaign operatives and candidates alike openly called for voter suppression in broad daylight and on camera, we neither flinched nor flagged in our efforts.

"The NAACP prevailed in the federal courts against voter suppression no less than nine times in recent months. In Texas, our state conference saved 608,470 votes with a victorious decision from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. In North Carolina, our state conference saved nearly five percent of the electorate when the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit ruled that the state legislature had enacted discriminato-

ry voting laws that intentionally targeted and disenfranchised black voters. And, just days ago, the NAACP saved nearly 4,500 voters from being purged from the North Carolina rolls.

"The last five days of the campaign, after many months in planning, we formally launched our Selma Initiative, to protect the right to vote. We targeted 6,022 precincts in 17 states, dispatching both lawyers and laypeople alike to guard the ballot box and safeguard the rights of voters standing in long lines through our national command center.

"Altogether, we mobilized our two million digital activists, nearly half million card-carrying members, 2,200 local units, and more than a hundred partner organizations to both protect and get out the vote through the Selma Initiative.

"History will judge not only the courage of our volunteers but also the cowardice of those who chose again and again to suppress the vote rather than listen to the voice of democracy this year. History may take note of the Selma Initiative, but let us all now remember Shena Goode, a 79-year-old NAACP volunteer who not only organized a virtual phone bank in her apartment complex, but also made more than 200 calls in a single day to get out the vote. Her story is the story of the NAACP and the nation. When civil rights are threatened, we are as persistent as we are determined.

"Now that the election is over, the first priority for a new Congress and a new president must be restoring the badly-broken Voting Rights Act. We cannot afford to send untold teams of lawyers to court and spend incalculable sums of money to defend our right to vote in the courts and in the streets again and again.

"Any effort to suppress the vote, whether at the hands of lawmakers, judges or everyday people, is and must continue to be considered unjust, un-American and utterly unacceptable. The NAACP will not rest until full and equal voting rights are restored for each and every American citizen."

Hales Issues Statement on 2016 Election

Portland Mayor Charlie Hales issued the following statement regarding the outcomes of the 2016 Election:

"This is a bad day for our country, a sad day, in which the values of love and tolerance have been repudiated by the voters in the United States of America.

"The most important thing that we can all say is that this is a time when we, as Portlanders, must come together and reach out to each other. Reach out to our immigrants and refugees who moved here because they believed this was a good and safe place, a land of opportunity—it is and it has to be.

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Associated Students Portland Community College (ASPCC),
Please Don't Die Black Men (PDDBM),
and the Black Student Union (BSU) Proudly Present

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A Celebration of Family, Community, and Culture



Saturday, December 03, 2016

Doors Open - 3:30pm; Event Starts - 4pm
Karamu Starts - 6:00pm

PCC Cascade Campus
Moriarty Arts Auditorium
705 North Killingsworth Street, MAHB 104,
Portland, Oregon 97212

Celebration - FREE

Karamu (Kwanzaa Feast) -
***EVERYONE ATTENDING KARAMU
MUST HAVE A TICKET
\$25 - Ages 7 and up
\$6 -- Ages 4 - 6
Children 3 and under - FREE

- ❖ Tickets For **Karamu** Available Now Thru December 2nd, **No Door Sales**
- ❖ Karamu Located At Horn of Africa, 5237 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Portland, OR 97211; (Parking Located Behind Restaurant)
- ❖ Buy Tickets Online at: pddb.com, or Contact Ruby N Lewis at 360-991-7389.

