

Events & Announcements

Community Calendar 2017

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

EAGLE FUN FEST: Centennial High School FBLA will be hosting a benefit carnival. The night's activities include a variety of old-fashioned carnival games, family activities, and a benefit raffle. Tickets will be 3 for \$1 or 20 tickets for \$5. Come support Centennial High Schools Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Commons at Centennial High School, 3505 SE 182nd Ave., Gresham.

FINE ART AND COOL CRAFTS SHOW AND SALE: Art and craft show featuring over 30 artisans with unique handmade quality items by local artist. 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., Northeast Community Center, 1630 NE 38th Ave.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

ASPIRE MARKETPLACE HOLIDAY EXPO: ASPIRE Marketplace Expo is free and open to the public. Connect with community members showcasing their talents. Participate in workshops and informational sessions for opportunities to start your own business. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., 3635 N. Williams Ave.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

CARGO CELEBRATION DAY OF THE DEAD WITH ICONIC ANNUAL PARTY: Beverages and traditional Mexican treats will be offered and a crafts table available for children to make Day of the Dead altar flowers, decorate sugar skulls and much more. The party is free of charge. 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Cargo, 81 SE Yamhill St.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

STIMSON LUMBER TREE ARRIVAL: Come downtown and welcome the arrival of Portland's Christmas Tree. Noon, Pioneer Courthouse Square, downtown Portland.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR: Health screenings, flu shots/Immunizations, vision, medical & dental care, OHP application enrollment & assistance, refreshments & gifts. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., IRO Community Center, 10301 NE Glisan St.

PUBLIC INVITED TO ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CEREMONY: This Veterans celebration will take place rain or shine, with covered seating available! Event includes guest speakers and the singing of the National Anthem and more. 11 a.m. - noon, Washington County Veterans Memorial, NE Veterans Drive and NE 34th Ave., Hillsboro.

17TH ANNUAL PRETTY KITTY HANDMADE HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR: House of Dreams no-kill cat shelter's popular, fun bazaar features handcrafted gifts for people and pets, many using recycled content. Free admission for all to enjoy. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Taborspace, 5441 SE Belmont St.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARD/AUCTION CEREMONY: The Muslim Educational Trust will recognize the dedicated individuals for their positive contribution to MET and the Community. Potluck dinner, please bring your favorite dish to share. Free and open to the public. MET, 10330 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Tigard.

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First Phase of Rocky Butte Project Completed

After reestablishing spectacular views and clearing invasive plant species, the first phase of Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R)'s project at Rocky Butte has just wrapped up. PP&R staff created more opportunities to view scenery, such as Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens, and Rip City's downtown from the top of the extinct volcano, plus removed innumerable invasive plants. This makes room for the next phase of the project: planting 400 new trees and 5200 shrubs this fall and winter!

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Nov. 2 is the Last Day for Voters to Safely Mail Ballots

Thursday is the last day for voters to safely mail their ballot for the Special Election on Nov. 7. Ballots can be mailed with one first class stamp. Ballot envelopes must be signed and ballots received by the elections office by Nov. 7 at 8 p.m. Postmarks do not count in Oregon.

All registered voters within the Portland Community College District, Alto Park Water, or Hillsboro School District boundaries should have received their ballots. Registered voters who have not received their ballots or need a replacement should contact the elections office. The Order Ahead Replacement Ballot Service allows voters to go online to multco.us/elections/webform/order-ahead-replacement-ballot, request a replacement ballot and have it ready at "Will Call" at the elections office at 1040 SE Morrison St., Portland 97214 when they arrive. Voters can also call Multnomah County Elections at (503) 988-3720 or visit in person to get assistance or a replacement ballot.

Multnomah County Elections normal office hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. Special extended office hours for the November 7 Special Election are listed below.

Multnomah County Elections extended office hours:

10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4

8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday, Nov. 6

7 a.m. - 8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 7 (Election Day)

Voters can sign up to track their ballot and get a virtual "I Voted" sticker. Text, email, or voice alerts tell voters when the county elections office has mailed ballots. Alerts indicate whether the ballot has been accepted for counting or whether it requires fur-

ther action by the voter. Inside the "Accepted Ballot" message voters will get access to a special Oregon "I Voted" sticker ready to share on social media. Multnomah County voters can sign up by visiting: multco.us/elections/track-your-ballot.

Multnomah County Elections provides an interpreter, free of charge to anyone who needs help voting in a language other than English. Additional voting and elections information in nine languages is online at multco.us/education-and-outreach.

Voters who have not returned their ballot can drop them off in person at official 24-hour drop sites located west of 122nd Avenue before 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7. Voters can also drop off their ballot at Multnomah County Library locations west of 122nd Avenue during regular library hours, multcolib.org/hours-and-locations.

EPA Awards Environmental Justice Small Grants to Local Communities and Tribes in Alaska and Oregon

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will award Environmental Justice Small Grants to the Sitka Tribe in Alaska, Three Degrees Warmer in Anchorage, Alaska, and Trash for Peace in Portland, Oregon. EPA's Environmental Justice Small Grants program provides funding for non-profit and tribal organizations to partner with stakeholders in industry, government, and academia.

Environmental Justice Small Grants were awarded to:

The Sitka Tribe in Alaska, for the project "Microplastics in Tribal Subsistence Foods in Southeast Alaska." Project partners include University of Alaska, Mount Edgecumbe High School, Southeast Alaska Watershed Coalition, and the Sitka Conservation

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