

# Events & Announcements

## Rev. Dr. Samuel B. McKinney Dies at 91

Rev. Dr. Samuel B. McKinney, Pastor Emeritus, Mount Zion Baptist Church, passed away on Saturday April 7th. Dr. McKinney was the pastor of Mount Zion Baptist church for over 40 years. He was active in Civil Rights, participating in demonstrations and organizing in Seattle and even joining his old college classmate the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in Washington D.C. in 1963 and the Selma to Montgomery Voting Rights march in 1965. He continued his activism throughout his life, he was arrested along with other church leaders in 1985 protesting against apartheid in South Africa and during his tenor as the leader of Mount Zion a daycare center and kindergarten were started, a scholarship fund which annually awards \$20,000 in academic scholarships was instituted. Another legacy is the Samuel Berry McKinney Manor built in 1998, across the street from the church. The residence has 64 units, 40 of which are for low-income residents.

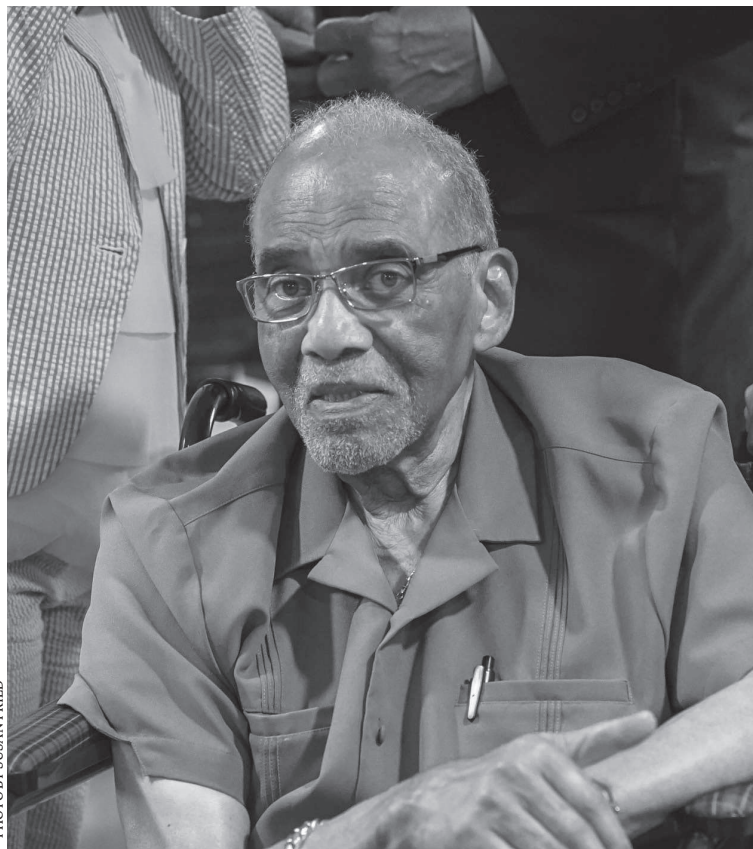


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## Community Calendar 2018

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and the all-new Family Scouting program for girls ages six to 10. Admission is \$5. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pacific Lutheran University, 12180 Park Ave. S., Tacoma.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

**TEEN RESUME AND INTERVIEW WORKSHOP:** Learn how to write a great resume and give a great interview. For teens 16 and older. Students age 16 and up can learn about the library's paid Student Assistant position & how to apply. 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Rainier Beach Library, 9125 Rainier Ave. S.

**JOB FEST 2018:** JOB FEST provides young adults aged 16 to 24 with an opportunity to meet face-to-face with over 100 exhibitors who are ready to hire full-time, part-time and seasonal positions. 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., Tacoma Dome, 2727 E. D. St., Tacoma.

### FRIDAY - SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - 22

**TULIP FESTIVAL STREET FAIR 2018:** This year the Street Fair includes over 150 vendors, 15 different food vendors and 3 days of live entertainment in multiple locations throughout the street. Free for the entire family. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Historic Downtown Mount Vernon, First St., Mount Vernon.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 21

**ARBOR DAY - EARTH DAY FAMILY FESTIVAL:** All ages welcome. Plant a tree with your family, kids can grab an Arbor Day - Earth Day activity passport from a park ranger. Completed passports will be entered into a prize drawing. 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd., Bellevue.

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE:** Come check-out books, magazines, films, CDs and occasional LPs and cassettes at reasonable prices. 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Poulsbo, 700 NE Lincoln St., Poulsbo.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 22

**SPRING RESTORATION DAY IN VOLUNTEER PARK:** Celebrate Earth Day by joining your friends and neighbors at this fun event making Volunteer Park beautiful for everyone. This is a great activity for kids and families. We'll provide the free coffee and donuts. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Volunteer Park, 1247 15th Ave. E.

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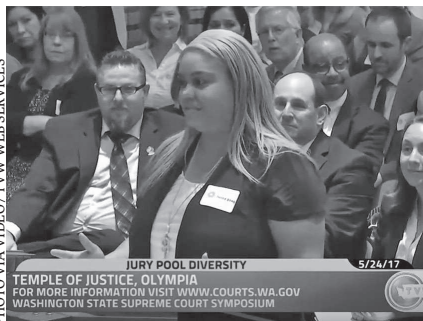
## 45 Employers Seeking to Fill 1,500 Job Openings at Opportunity Youth Job Fair April 13

Prosper Portland and Gateway to College National Network will cohost an Opportunity Youth Job Fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 13 at the Oregon Convention Center.

At the opening event at 10 a.m., young adult job seekers will share their aspirations and civic leaders will address initiatives to provide more meaningful employment opportunities for vulnerable youth in the community.

During the fair, youth will be able to interview for immediate job openings, and participating employers are likely to make hundreds of offers throughout the day. WHO: Oregon State Representatives Barbara Smith-Warner, Margaret Doherty and Tawna Sanchez; Hillsboro Mayor Jerry Willey; Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith; Portland Community College President Mark Mitsui; national executives from Starbucks, Macy's, and Intel.

To learn more or register, visit [www.gatewaytocollege.org/pdx-job-fair](http://www.gatewaytocollege.org/pdx-job-fair).



At a symposium about jury diversity in Washington state in May 2017, an African American woman who had been excluded from serving on a jury explained how distressing the experience had been.

that the motive for the exclusion is intentional racial discrimination. With the new rule, these objections to peremptory challenges will no longer be restricted to instances of purposeful discrimination but can also be used if an "objective observer" could view race or ethnicity as a factor in use of the peremptory strike. The rule specifies that an objective observer is someone "aware that implicit, institutional, and unconscious biases, in addition to purposeful discrimination, have resulted in the unfair exclusion of potential jurors in Washington state." Read full text of the rule.

Since the 1986 decision in *Batson*, peremptory strikes, when challenged on the basis of race discrimination, are often defended with reasons that historically have been associated with racial bias. These reasons include having prior contact with law enforcement officers, expressing a belief that law enforcement engages in racial profiling, having a close relationship with people who have been stopped, arrested, or convicted of a crime, living in a high-crime neighborhood, receiving state benefits, and not being a native English speaker.

Adoption of the rule builds on the court's leadership in sponsoring a symposium about jury diversity in Washington state in May 2017. At the symposium, an African American woman who had been excluded from serving on a jury explained how distressing the experience had been. Her testimony conveyed the devastating effects of racial bias in jury selection on communities of color.

## People's Academy for Community Engagement Now Accepting Applications

Seattle Department of Neighborhoods is accepting applications to the People's Academy for Community Engagement (PACE), its civic leadership development program for the next wave of community leaders. The Spring Quarter begins June 2 and runs through June 30.

During the 5-week program, 25-30 emerging leaders (18 years and up) will learn hands-on strategies for community building, accessing government, and inclusive engagement from experts in the field. PACE has a strong focus on Seattle's community and the city's governmental structure and processes.

Spring Quarter will be held on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute. Topics include: Approaches to Leadership, Accessing City Government, Community Organizing, Inclusive Outreach and Public Engagement, Public Speaking, Conflict Resolution, and more.

Tuition for the 5-week program is \$100. Tuition assistance is available. To apply, visit [seattle.gov/PACE](http://seattle.gov/PACE). Applications for all quarters are accepted on a rolling basis. The application deadline for the upcoming Spring Quarter is Monday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m.

Given the popularity of the program, PACE is offered three times a year: winter, spring and fall. For more information, visit our webpage and for questions, email [PACE@seattle.gov](mailto:PACE@seattle.gov).

## Seattle News Briefs

### Washington Supreme Court is First to Adopt Rule to Reduce Implicit Racial Bias in Jury Selection

The Washington Supreme Court on April 5 became the first court in the nation to adopt a court rule aimed at eliminating both implicit and intentional racial bias in jury selection. General Rule 37 will take effect at the end of April and will apply to all jury trials, civil and criminal, throughout the state.

The rule will expand the prohibition against using race based peremptory challenges during jury selection. Not only is intentional race discrimination outlawed, but also challenges based on "implicit, institutional, and unconscious" race and ethnic biases will now be rejected.

During jury selection, each side can use peremptory challenges or strikes to exclude particular jurors without giving a reason. Since a 1986 U.S. Supreme Court decision (in *Batson v. Kentucky*), these challenges can be objected to if the other side suspects

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