Events & Announcements

Community Calendar 2018

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FRIDAY, MAY 11

NATIONAL PUBLIC GARDENS DAY CELEBRATION: Leach Botanical Gardens will be celebrating Public Gardens Day with several free events all day long. The store cabin will be open. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Leah Botanical Gardens, 6704 SE 122nd Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

PORTLAND PEACE CHOIR SPRING CONCERT: The Portland Peace Choice celebrate its yearly extravaganza with its Spring Concert "Songs for Mother Earth" with special guest Shy in the Road. This is a free concert. Concert donations and proceeds from our bake sale support member scholarships. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Concert starts at 7 p.m. Unity Church of Portland, 4525 SE Stark St.

12TH ANNUAL ST. JOHNS BIZARRE: Celebrating its 12th year as one of Portland's most popular street fairs, the St. Johns Bizarre returns. This year the event features an electric lineup of local musical talent, an expanded craft fair featuring more than 130 vendors and more. Free. 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the heart of Downtown St. Johns, N. Lombard and Philadelphia.

OREGON'S HUMANE SOCIETY'S DOGGIE DASH: Join Portland's biggest party for pets and people at Tom McCall Waterfront Park for blocks-long pet festival. Celebrating the Oregon Humane Society's 150 anniversary. 7:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tom McCall Waterfront Park, 1020 NW Naito Parkway.

KICKOFF TO BEST SUMMER EVER: This is a free day of fun activities at the Marshall Community Center. Drop in fees waived noon – 5 p.m. and amenities available will be: Public swims, teen SPOT and game room, fitness center, gymnasium, pottery demonstrations, and indoor inflatables. Noon – 5 p.m., Marshall Community Center, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver.

SATURDAY – SUNDAY, MAY 12 – 13

2018 MOTHER'S DAY RHODODRENDON SHOW & SALE: A judged flower show in the Exhibit Hall at peak bloom time. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. both days, Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden, 5801 SE 28th Ave.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

MOTHER'S DAY VIKING PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Treat your mom to our delicious all-you-can-eat Viking pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fresh fruit, juice, coffee and more. Adults $8, children 5 – 12 $4, children under 5 years old eat for free. Parking is free. 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Norse Hall, 111 NE 11th Ave.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

FAMILY ACTIVITES TO PROMOTE HEALTHY AGAING: The brain benefits from an active and engaged lifestyle. Join Dr. Fayron Epps as she talks about the importance of healthy aging, how family members can support the older adults in their lives and ways to stay physically, mentally and socially active as one ages. This event is free and open to all. No registration required to attend. 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., The June Key Delta Community Center, 5940 N. Albina Ave.

CREATING YOUR SOCIAL JUSTICE GIVING PLAN: Many of us are ready to support those on the front lines of the fight for progressive change. Donating to grassroots organizations is one way to engage. But how do we decide when, where and how much to give? This free workshop will help you with these questions. Dinner provided. Register at http://socialjusticefund.org/creating-your-social-justice-giving-plan-in-portland. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., Multnomah Friends Meeting, 4312 SE Stark St.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

OREGON TRADESWOMEN'S 26TH ANNUAL CAREER FAIR! Career seekers can learn about training opportunities, apprenticeship, and job openings at local companies and organizations. FREE admission, parking onsite, childcare available and free shuttle from Gateway Transit Center. 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., NECA-IBEW Electrical Training Center, 16021 NE Airport Way.

PORTLAND TRAIN DAY 2018: Oregon Rail Heritage Center is hosting its third annual Portland Train Day. This year's theme will highlight the 80th birthday of the SP&S 700 engine. Lots of ac-

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Dr. Danny Jacobs Selected as OHSU's President

The Oregon Health & Sciences University board of directors announced Tuesday it had unanimously approved the selection of Dr. Danny Jacobs , M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.S., as its fifth president Jacobs, the executive vice president, provost and dean of the School of Medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch, will succeed Joe Robertson, M.D., M.B.A., effective Aug. 1.

At UTMB, Jacobs is the chief academic officer, responsible for approximately 3,800 employees and trainees for its schools of Medicine, Nursing, Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences. A surgeon by training, Jacobs' faculty appointments at UTMB include professorships in the Institute for Translational Sciences as well as the departments of Surgery, and Preventive Medicine and Community Health. He also oversees the institution's research programs. His research interests focus on the metabolic effects of malnutrition, stress, infection and injury; nuclear magnetic resonance applications in organ function, bioenergetics and metabolism; and, specific nutrients and growth factors in enteral (by way of the intestine) and parenteral (administered by some means other than oral or rectal intake) nutritional support.

Jacobs is OHSU's first African American president.

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Portland News Briefs

City Holds Information Sessions on PCCEP

The City of Portland will be hosting six informational sessions for those interested in learning more about the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing (PCCEP) and the application process. Applications are due June 1, 2018. Dates, times and locations are as follows:

Thursday, May 10, 6:30-7:30 pm
Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 NE Knott St.

Saturday, May 12, 2:00-3:00 pm
Midland Library, 805 SE 122nd Ave.

Wednesday, May 16, 6:30-7:30 pm
Belmont Library 1038 SE César E.Chávez Blvd.

Sunday, May 20, 1:00-2:00 pm
Capitol Hill Library, 10723 SW Capitol Highway

Tuesday, May 22, 6:30-7:30 pm
Kenton Library, 8226 N. Denver Ave.

Thursday, May 24, 6:30-7:30 pm
Friendly House, 1737 NW 26th Ave.

Questions regarding the PCCEP or the PCCEP application can be directed to Mandi Hood, PCCEP Project Manager, at (503) 319-7736 or email PCCEPinfo@portlandoregon.gov.

PreSERVE Coalition Presents 'Family Activities to Promote Healthy Aging'

Dr. Fayron Epp, PhD, RN, will talk about the important of healthy aging, how family members can support older adults in their lives and how to stay physically, mentally and socially active as one ages from 1 to 3 p.m. May 16 at the June Key Delta Community Center, 5940 N. Albina Ave.

Dr. Epps has more than 15 years of nursing experience. She is an assistant professor at Georgia State University Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions and is an affiliate faculty member with the Gerontology Institute. Her research interests include promoting quality of life for African Americans with dementia and their family caregivers.

This event is free to all and no registration is required. For more information, contact Edline Francois at (503) 494-2367.

EPA Awards ODEQ $466k to Improve Diesel Monitoring

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has awarded the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality $466,276 to research better ways to monitor diesel exhaust and help protect Portland's most vulnerable citizens.

To conduct this research, ODEQ is partnering with local colleges, community groups and government agencies. Portland State University and Reed College will head research projects seeking better ways to measure diesel emissions in specific Portland locations. Neighbors for Clean Air, Multnomah County, and the City of Portland are active partners in the two-year study, supporting community outreach objectives and providing mapping and demographic information.

The overarching goal is to better understand health impacts on certain demographic groups, particularly low-income residents, communities of color, youth and seniors.

Diesel emissions contain a complex mixture of very small particles and toxic pollutants that can enter the lungs and bloodstream, thus breathing diesel exhaust is harmful in a host of ways. Exhaust contains some of the same pollutants as can be found in other sources of pollution, like the "black carbon" in smoke from wood stoves.

One part of this project will assess the relative contributions of diesel sources to particulate matter by continuously monitoring black carbon, particle size distribution and gaseous pollutants to distinguish between diesel sources and other PM sources. Another part involves producing source profiles for targeted diesel emissions sources and source attribution.

Other specific study goals include:

1. Identifying specific areas of vulnerability in the Portland metro region
2. Assessing the emissions contributions to particulate levels in those areas
3. Building the public knowledge base about air pollution and how it can contribute to chronic health diseases in Portland's underserved communities.

The ODEQ diesel monitoring research is funded through March, 2020. For more about ODEQ's diesel program visit http://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/programs/Pages/Diesel.aspx.

Seattle News Briefs

Drug Overdose Deaths Continue to Increase

Drug and alcohol use caused the deaths of 379 King County residents in 2017—an increase from 348 in 2016—according to two new reports published today by Public Health – Seattle & King County and the University of Washington's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Institute.

Data from the 2017 Overdose Death Report describes drug and alcohol-caused deaths over the past

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