

# Events & Announcements

## Community Calendar 2018

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#### THURSDAY, JUNE 21

**'WE'RE ALZ' SUMMERTIME BLOCK PARTY:** On the longest day of the year, thousands of people will join together to show their love for those affected by Alzheimer's disease. There will be raffle prizes, games, food vendors, educational booths and more. 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., Esther Short Park, 605 Esther St., Vancouver.

#### THURSDAY - SATURDAY, JUNE 21 - 23

**BOOKFEST '18 - SUMMER SALE:** Great selection at amazing prices. Kick off summer with this incredible opportunity to stock up on all your summer reading material, for those long lazy days. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. all three days. Library Hall downstairs at the FVRL Operations center, 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 23

**COLUMBIA BANK PRESENTS COMMUNITY FREE DAY AT WORLD FORESTRY CENTER DISCOVERY MUSEUM:** The World Forestry Center is pleased to partner with Columbia Bank to offer free admission for everyone. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., World Forestry Center Discovery Museum, Washington Park, 4033 SW Canyon Rd.

**VANCOUVER NAACP ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION:** Vancouver NAACP has teamed with community partners to host a job fair and celebrate community activists. Fun and entertainment for the whole family will continue all afternoon. Including bouncy house, face painting and crafts and a free hot dog or hamburger for the first 75 kids. Plus more activities throughout the day. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Clark College, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver.

**HEROES 2018 NIGHT COMMUNITY EVENT:** Join us for an evening of fun and support our local heroes! There will be a car show from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Family friendly activities, door prizes, one night only saving. No membership required to shop during the community event. 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., The East Vancouver Costco, 19610 SE 1st St., Camas.

#### SATURDAY - SUNDAY, JUNE 23 - 24

**RECYCLED ARTS FESTIVAL:** See how people, just like you, are giving new life to old items, that would otherwise have been lost in a landfill. Vendor booths, kid's activities, live entertainment and much more. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, Esther Short Park, 301 W. 8th St., Vancouver.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 24

**2018 MILK CARTON BOAT RACES:** The Milk Carton Boat Races features large, handmade humane powered boats that float entirely by means of recycled milk cartons and jugs. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Westmoreland Casting Pond, 7580 SE 22nd Ave.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 25

**SUMMER BLOCK PARTY:** Gear up for some family fun. Attend the free summer block party to celebrate summer learning. Free admission to the Gilbert House Children's Museum all day. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Gilbert House Children's Museum, 116 Marion St. NE, Salem.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 28

**ALBINA HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START ROUND UP, OPEN HOUSE & COMMUNITY FAIR:** Albina offers Early Head Start and Head Start Services to low-income families living within the program services area. Come to our community affair learn about services, tour a classroom, raffle and much more. 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., 2513 NE Saratoga St.

**REGION'S LARGEST LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENT SCHEDULED IN PORTLAND:** The Oregon Law Enforcement Hiring Expo. This job fair helps bring law enforcement agencies face-to-face with eager job seekers pursuing careers in the law enforcement industry. Job seekers will have time to meet with several agencies. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel, 8235 NE Airport Way.



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## Kelly Brister, Sr. Turns 90

A longtime resident of NE Portland celebrates his 90th birthday with his neighborhood and family last month. Kelly Brister Sr. is the patriarch of five generations. Pictured here are Kelly Brister, Sr. (seated) Kelly Brister III (left), DaQuan Montrele Brister and Jah'niyah Armoni Geneses Brister and Maggie Brister-Mashia.



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## Portland News Briefs

### AG Rosenblum Looking for Information from Oregonians on Children Separated from Families at the Border

Oregon Attorney General Rosenblum Tuesday encouraged Oregonians who believe they may have family impacted by the Trump administration's decision to separate families at the border, or know of children who have been separated and may have been placed in Oregon, to contact the Oregon Attorney General's office.



Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum

"Right now, we have very limited information about who is impacted by the Trump administration's cruel decision to separate children from their families once they cross the border into the U.S. We do not know where these children are going, and we do not know the full extent of who is being impacted," said Attorney General Rosenblum. "If you believe your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews or other family members have been separated, we want to hear from you. Or, if you know of any children who have been separated from their families and are coming to Oregon, we want to hear from you. The more accurate information we have, the better we are able to assess our legal options," said Attorney General Rosenblum.

According to recent media stories, more than 123 individuals who are seeking asylum are being held in a federal prison in Sheridan, Oregon. Wednesday President Trump signed an executive order ending the family separation policy but at press time the federal government had no clear plan to reunite families.

Please contact the Oregon Attorney General's office at (503) 378-6002 if you have information to share.

### Mayor's Office to Host June 27 Community Forum on Law Enforcement Interactions with Vulnerable Populations

The Office of Mayor Wheeler will host its monthly public safety forum on June 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 1900 SW 4th Avenue Room 2500B, on the topic of how police interact with vulnerable populations, including the houseless and those struggling with mental health and addiction. The forum will examine the

upstream issues of homelessness, including mental health and addiction, and how public safety officials interact with individuals, including referral to services and collaborating with other social service partners to address issues.

The meeting will include two panels, featuring both service providers and public safety officials across jurisdictions who interact with vulnerable populations, in order to examine addiction and mental health from a public safety lens. The forum will discuss the importance of a public safety approach that is both accountable and compassionate.

The Mayor's Office will spearhead a program - the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing (PCCEP) - to develop recommendations for how the Portland Police Bureau can better engage the community in its development of policies that directly affect Portlanders, with a specific focus on racial justice, constitutional policing and mental health issues. Part of PCCEP's role is to facilitate conversations with Portlanders about public safety and police accountability. The Mayor's office will host interim community forums until the PCCEP is established and members are seated. These interim meetings are held the last Wednesday of every month.

### Pilot Project Invites Faith Organizations to Host Vehicles While Partnering With Nonprofit

Hoping to work more personally with the region's faith community on solutions for homelessness, the Joint Office of Homeless Services will launch a 12-month pilot project that invites faith organizations to open their lots to neighbors sleeping in vehicles while working with a proven nonprofit, Catholic Charities, to offer vital service connections.

The pilot project will start as soon as this summer and include three to five sites. To participate, faith organizations must have approval and participation from their members, appoint a liaison to work with Catholic Charities, and provide space for at least one vehicle and agree to take responsibility for providing trash service and bathroom facilities (portable, if needed).

Catholic Charities will coordinate the effort for faith organizations, helping with logistics such as insurance, community outreach and guest screening. Catholic Charities also will provide referral services as needed - drawing from its experience helping hundreds of people through its housing and street outreach programs, and through the successfully managed Kenton Women's Village program.

Some specific details about the program - including a firm date for launching and how it will connect with the work of other outreach and housing services providers - are still being worked out. But faith or-

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