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Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Through Apr 30, Clackamas County is inviting all drivers to pledge to always drive free of distractions. The campaign to join the pledge is taking place during Distracted Driving Awareness Month. People who drive are encouraged to focus on the three primary tasks of driving — visually (keeping your eyes on the road), manually (keeping your hands on the steering wheel), and cognitively (keeping your mind focused on driving). During April, readers are able to watch a short video about the dangers of distracted driving at movie theaters in Oregon City and Happy Valley and view a poster that was turned into a billboard, "Texting Equals Driving Blind," created by Sandy High School student Alyssa Bigelow. Driver distraction is related to 80 percent of car crashes and the top source of inattention is cellphones. To learn more, call (503) 742-4661 or visit <www.clackamas.us/drivetozero/saferdriver.html>.

"Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II"

Through May 25 (Tue-Sat), 10am-4pm, Lane County Historical Museum (740 W 13th Ave, Eugene, Ore.). View "Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II," an exhibit that tells the story of Japanese Americans who worked as seasonal farm laborers, many in the sugar beet industry, during World War II. The display features images from federal photographer Russell Lee's documentation of Japanese-American farm labor camps near the towns of Nyssa in Oregon and Rupert, Shelley, and Twin Falls in Idaho; interpretative text panels; and a short documentary film featuring firsthand accounts about life in the camps. For info, call (541) 682-4242, or visit <www.lchm.org> or <www.uprootedexhibit.com>.

"Art of the Brick"

Through May 29 (Tue-Sun), 9:30am-5:30pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). View "Art of the Brick," a 12,000-square-foot exhibit featuring large-scale sculptures created exclusively out of LEGO toy building blocks by artist Nathan Sawaya. The display also includes hands-on activities, demonstrations, challenges, and more. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"Terracotta Warriors of the First Emperor"

Through Sep 4, 10am-5pm (Mon-Fri), 10am-6pm (Sat-Sun), Pacific Science Center (200 Second Ave N, Seattle). View "Terracotta Warriors of the First Emperor," an exhibit that includes 10 original life-size statues from the terracotta army — created 2,200 years ago and consisting of 6,000 life-sized soldiers, horses, chariots, bowmen, and archers standing guard at the tomb of Emperor Qin Shihuang in a 20-square-mile burial compound — and more than 100 original objects and artifacts from the first imperial dynasty of China, on loan from the People's Republic of China. In addition to original objects, the exhibit features hands-on science learning through a series of interactive and immersive experiences. For info, call (206) 443-2001 or visit <www.pacificsciencecenter.org>.

"We Are the Ocean: An Indigenous Response to Climate Change"

Through Nov 12 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View "We Are the Ocean: An Indigenous Response to Climate Change" and explore how indigenous communities are responding to the ways climate change is affecting their waters and lives: temperatures rising, islands gradually disappearing due to rising waters, coral reefs slowly dying, storms increasing both in frequency and strength, and more. The stories represent people who live in Guam, Pohnpei, Yap, Tonga, Hawai'i, Alaska, and elsewhere. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

"Glimpses of a Forever Foreigner"

Through Feb 11 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View "Year of Remembrance: Glimpses of a Forever Foreigner," an exhibit featuring poems by Lawrence Matsuda and artwork by Roger Shimomura that recognizes the 75th anniversary of Executive Order 9066 and explores historic and contemporary issues of racism, discrimination, and human rights. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

"A Will Is Not Enough in Oregon"

Apr 17 & 26; Apr 17, 6:30-8pm, Kenton Library (8226 N Denver Ave, Portland); Apr 26, 6-7:30pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Attend "A Will Is Not Enough in Oregon," a free workshop led by attorney and author Richard Schneider focused on safeguarding family assets. The session offers basic information on wills, living trusts, powers of attorney, and healthcare directives. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Who We Be: The Colorization of America book discussion

Apr 18, 6:15-7:45pm, North Portland Library (512 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Engage in conversation about literature at a Pageturners discussion sponsored by Friends of the Library. The book for discussion is Jeff Chang's *Who We Be: The Colorization of America*, a literary work that remixes comic strips and contemporary art, campus protests and corporate marketing campaigns, and Martin Luther King Jr. and Trayvon Martin, into a timely cultural history of the idea of racial progress. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.



COMPELLED TO RESIST. The 2017 DisOrient Asian American Film Festival, held April 21 through 23 at the Bijou Art Cinemas in Eugene, Oregon, highlights 13 Asian-American feature films and 23 shorts. Among the films featured is *Resistance at Tule Lake*, which includes intimate first-hand stories of Japanese-American men and women who were incarcerated during World War II. The documentary conveys the emotions, values, and family bonds that compelled them to resist, to protest their incarceration, and to salvage a livable future for their families. (Image courtesy of *Resistance at Tule Lake*)

Free cancer screenings

Apr 19, 9am-5pm, Providence Cancer Center, Jill Lematta Learning Center (4805 NE Glisan St, Portland). Receive free oral, head, and neck cancer screenings at the Providence Cancer Center. Screenings take only a few minutes. For info, or to register (recommended), call (503) 574-6595.

PSU Center for Japanese Studies lecture

Apr 20, 6pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Memorial Student Union, Rooms 327/328/329 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "A Japanese-American Origin of Japanese Studies in the United States: Intersections of Minority Ethnic Politics and State-Sponsored Academic Propaganda," a free talk by University of Pennsylvania professor Eiichiro Azuma about the pre-World-War-II development of Japanese ("Oriental") Studies at institutions of higher education in the western United States. For info, call (503) 725-8577 or visit <www.pdx.edu/cjs>.

Earth Day at CCC

Apr 20-22, Clackamas Community College (19600 S Molalla Ave, Oregon City, Ore.). Attend an Earth Day celebration at Clackamas Community College (CCC). The English Department kicks off festivities April 20 from noon to 1:00pm in the Environmental Learning Center's (ELC) Lakeside Hall with a free open-mic event. Later that day, an Earth Day music performance technology concert is held at 7:30pm in the Niemeyer Center. The celebration continues April 22 from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the ELC with a display of Willamette Valley turtles, a birds of prey exhibit courtesy of the Audubon Society, information about the human impact on the watershed from Clackamas River Water Providers, choral music, an art project, and more. For info, or to obtain a schedule of events, call Renee at (503) 594-3015, e-mail <rharber@clackamas.edu>, or visit <www.clackamas.edu>.

Permit planning for residential homeowners

Apr 20 & 27, 5-8pm, City of Portland, Bureau of Development Services (1900 SW Fourth Ave, Portland). Homeowners in Portland are invited to attend an evening focused on permit planning for residential homeowners only. The event features staff from the Bureau of Development Services answering questions about the permitting process, helping homeowners understand which project plans and documents are required, and identifying the necessary permits for a successful project. For info, call (503) 823-7300, e-mail <bds@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/BDS/ResidentialPermitNight>.

DisOrient Asian American Film Festival

Apr 21-23, Bijou Art Cinemas (492 E 13th Ave, Eugene, Ore). View portrayals of the Asian-American experience and support Asian-American artists at the 2017 DisOrient Asian American Film Festival. This year's festival highlights 13 feature films and 23 shorts, including *Mele Murals*, *Never Forget*, *Avenues of Escape*, *Blasian Narratives*, *Mixed Match*, *Resistance at Tule Lake*, *Never Give Up! Minoru Yasui and the Fight for Justice*, *Vampariah*, *All Our Father's Relations*, and more. The festival also features question-and-answer sessions with several filmmakers. For info, or to obtain a schedule of events, call (541) 954-1798 or visit <www.disorientfilm.org>.

Friends of the Library book sale

Apr 21-24, 6-9pm (Fri, members only), 9am-9pm (Sat), 11am-5pm (Sun), 9am-3pm (Mon), Doubletree Hotel & Executive Meeting Center - Lloyd Center (1000 NE Multnomah St, Portland). Attend a used book sale presented by Friends of the Multnomah County Library. Asian-language books are available along with comic books, CDs, DVDs, LPs, sheet music, audiobooks, and more. Many books are \$2 and children's items start at 50 cents. For info, call (503) 224-9176, or visit <www.friends-library.org> or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Transforming Pain into Power"

Apr 22, 10am-3pm, Highland Christian Center (7600 NE Glisan St, Portland). Attend "Transforming Pain into Power," a free community forum hosted by Oregon Health & Science University and Portland State University to provide a safe venue to collaborate on ideas to reduce gun violence and address the social and societal conditions that contribute to gun violence across Oregon, southwest Washington, and beyond. The event features keynote presentations, small-group breakout sessions, entertainment, and on-site resources. Lunch is provided and childcare is available on request. For info, or to request childcare, call (503) 494-8811 or visit <www.ohsu.edu>.

Portland Arbor Day Festival

Apr 22, 10am-3pm, Mt. Scott Park (SE 72nd Ave & SE Harold St, Portland). Attend the Portland Arbor Day Festival, a free, family-friendly festival of "forest-y" fun. The multicultural event features local food vendors, music, bucket-truck rides, an ecological scavenger hunt, botanical printmaking, face painting, a tree climbing demonstration, tree seedling giveaways, the Bill Naito Community Trees Awards ceremony, and more. For info, call (503) 823-PLAY (7529) or visit <www.portlandparks.org>.

College financial aid workshop

Apr 22, 10:30am-noon, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Teens and adults are invited to attend a workshop to learn about applying for financial aid for college with representatives from Mt. Hood Community College. The event offers information about and help with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) — a document that determines eligibility for grants, loans, work study, and some scholarships — and the Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA), a document that accesses state aid and is a source of college funding for those who are not eligible to fill out the FAFSA. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

API Pride hiking trip

Apr 23, 10am, Horsetail Falls (Historic Columbia River Hwy, Cascade Locks, Ore.). Join API Pride for a spring hike at Horsetail Falls. The four-mile trip takes place rain or shine. API Pride supports lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people of Asian and Pacific Islander (API) descent in Oregon. For info, or to register, call (503) 877-9379, e-mail <api.pride@gmail.com>, or visit <www.facebook.com/APIPRide>.

PPS budget forum

Apr 25 & May 9, 5-6pm, Blanchard Education Service Center (501 N Dixon St, Portland). Attend a budget forum for Portland Public Schools (PPS) to give voice to opinions and hear comments of others on the proposed budget dictating how the district should allocate funds in the coming year. For info, or to sign up in advance to speak at the forum, call (503) 916-3741. To send comments electronically, e-mail <schoolboard@pps.net>.

NET volunteer training

Apr 29, 8am-5pm, Benson High School (546 NE 12th Ave, Portland). Attend a session to become a Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) volunteer. NET members are trained to provide emergency disaster assistance to their families and neighbors and work within an emergency response team to save lives and property in their neighborhood. The free class is available to any person who lives or works in Portland. Childcare is provided. Part one of the training is held April 29. For info, or to sign up, call (503) 823-4375 or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/pbem>.

Plant sale

Apr 29, 8:30am-5pm, Washington County Fair Complex, East Entrance near Cornell Road (873 NE 34th Ave, Hillsboro, Ore.). Attend the Tualatin Valley Garden Club's 54th annual plant sale. The sale features numerous vendors selling vegetables, herbs, landscape plants, garden-related materials, and more. For info, call Joy at (503) 647-9980 or Dave at (503) 648-4236, or visit <www.tualatinvalleygardenclub.org>.

Spring cleaning & recycling

Apr 29, May 6, 13 & 20, 9am-1pm; Apr 29, Holley Park (1000 E Fourth St, La Center, Wash.); May 6 & 13, Washougal Transfer Station (4020 S Grant St, Washougal); May 20, Battle Ground High School (300 W Main St, Battle Ground, Wash.). Clark County residents are invited to bring unwanted block foam, electronic equipment, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, scrap metal, and up to five tires without rims to a spring cleaning and recycling event. Business waste and household hazardous waste are not accepted. For info, call (360) 397-2121, ext. 4352, or visit <www.clark.wa.gov/hhw> or <www.recyclingA-Z.com>.

Smoke alarm installation events

Apr 29 & June 3, Cities in Metropolitan Portland. Residents in the Portland metropolitan area are invited to help increase home safety by scheduling an appointment with trained Red Cross volunteers who install free in-home smoke alarms, review fire-safety and home-hazard checklists, and provide information about creating a fire-escape plan. To schedule an appointment, call (503) 528-5783, e-mail <preparedness@redcross.org>, or visit <www.redcross.org/CascadesHomeFire>.

"We Are What We Eat: Connecting Food and Citizenship"

Apr 30, noon-1:30pm, Sellwood-Moreland Library (7860 SE 13th Ave, Portland). Reflect on how your relationship to food production, preparation, and consumption might help create self-sufficiency and empowered citizenship at "We Are What We Eat: Connecting Food and Citizenship," a gathering facilitated by poet and essayist Wendy Willis. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Race and Place"

May 3, 5:30-7:30pm, Oregon College of Oriental Medicine (75 NW Couch St, Portland). Attend part two of "Race and Place: Old Town's Chinatown and Japantown Through Chinese-American and Nikkei Eyes," a free public conversation by a panel of Chinese- and Japanese-American community elders who share their stories about growing up, living, and working in adjoining quarters, in what was called New Chinatown and Japantown between the 1920s and 1960, and is now known as Old Town Chinatown. For info, call (503) 224-0008 or visit <www.portlandchinatown.org>.

"The New Civil Rights & Global Justice"

May 4, 7pm, Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall (1037 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "The New Civil Rights & Global Justice," a talk by journalist and civil-rights activist Shaun King held as part of the World Affairs Council of Oregon's 2017 International Speaker Series. The subject of the next lecture in the series is "Understanding China" (June 6). For info, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>. To buy tickets, call (503) 248-4335 or visit <www.portland5.com>.