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Odds & Ends Community Newsletter

October, 2018



Linda Lacombe teaching children's tap

Community Action Spotlight

Twenty-two Years of Dancing for Fun!

A Conversation with Linda Lacombe

O&E: How long have you been teaching Tap and Novelty dance classes?

Linda: I'm happy to say this will be my 22nd year of teaching dance as Dance 4 Fun. I started in 1996 out of the basement of my house. It grew from there to become the dance company it is today!

Our first recital was in 1997 at Roosevelt High School. I really miss that beautiful auditorium. So many little dancers have performed on that stage, including myself.

O&E: What are the ages that you teach?

Linda: We start with very energetic three year olds and run through adults. Our oldest 'hooper' was a whopping 73 years 'young.'

O&E: How long have you been teaching in the Odd Fellows Community Classroom?

Linda: I was lucky enough to be welcomed to the Odd Fellows lodge by the wonderful Frank Shrives about twenty years ago. He told me about a little tap

dance group that would come and entertain the lodge once in a while – the Burley School of Dance. This lady taught out of her garage and would bring in her dancers – one of those little dancers was me!

I remembered dancing upstairs on a big beautiful wood floor, and would never forget the bright pink powder room. To a little girl, it was all so glorious! He loved that I was still carrying on dance in St Johns. I have been lucky enough to continue teaching dance here ever since.

O&E: Why do you teach Tap and Novelty dance?

Linda: I LOVE dance! Upon retiring, Miss Celia Burley, with whom I had been student teaching for years, asked me to take over her dance school.

My goal is to make teaching fun, not strict. I love the power dance brings to an individual! It can help clear your mind, make a tired body come alive, and bring calm to an overwhelmed

pace. It just brings simple joy. I also want to produce a well-rounded dance program, and give dancers an opportunity to try many different styles of dance.

O&E: Does Tap and Novelty dance run in your family?

Linda: Yes! I started dance when I was four years old. My mom and grandma loved music and dance with all their hearts. They brought all four of us Butler girls to this wonderful little dance school in St. Johns. My love of dance started in that tiny garage. The amazing Celia Burley taught us tap, Jazz, Charleston, swing, waltz, and salsa, and also to sing "Barber Shop"!

My grandma (a war seamstress) would sew many a costume for us four girls. I was overwhelmed with joy when I got to start designing some, which I still use to this date!

O&E: Anything else to add?

Linda: We take great pride in sharing our talents in neighborhood Senior Centers. A smile is contagious and a little one in costume, singing a song and tapping a toe, can brighten any day!

Portland Odd Fellows Feed Houseless Neighbors and Provide Garbage Service



Members of Golden Rule Encampment make sack lunches for the houseless before their meeting.

Across Portland, Odd Fellows are teaming up to help address issues resulting from the city's houseless crisis.

It is estimated that Portland has nearly 2000 men, women and children living on its streets and in tent camps, creating both a humanitarian and environmental crisis.

When most people think of services for the houseless, they think of the need to provide food and clothing. But there is another service that the houseless lack and the housed take for granted – garbage service. Without garbage service, houseless waste becomes unsightly and even dangerous litter.

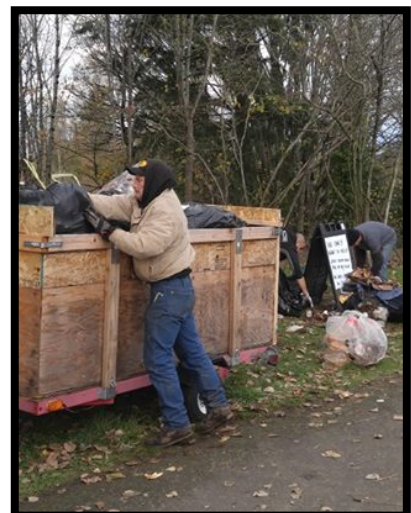
In order to address this need for garbage service, Peninsula Odd

Fellows member Terrance Moses began visiting houseless camps and hauling away their trash in his own truck and at his own expense. The service he provided was greatly appreciated by the housed and houseless alike. He began receiving donations and eventually founded the service organization Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

Impressed by the work that Terrance was doing, some lodge members began making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Terrance to deliver; others assisted in hauling garbage to the city dump.

Peninsula Lodge member Merrilea Manning then spread the idea to other lodges, as well. Partnering with St. Johns Food Share, she established sack lunch crews at the Golden Rule Encampment and

Rose City Rebekahs lodges. Among these three lodges, more than two hundred lunches are made each month, to be distributed by Neighbors Helping Neighbors volunteers.



Community Events Calendar

[10/6]

Benefit Breakfast for the ALS Association

8:00am-12:00pm | North Portland Eagles Lodge, 7611 N Exeter Ave. | Donation of \$8/person. Eggs cooked to order!

Free Yard Trees for North Portland residents

9:00am-12:00pm | Cathedral Park | Free medium or large tree for North Portland residents, via grant from PPR's Urban Forestry mission. Available trees incl Douglas fir, scarlet oak, giant sequoia, western red cedar, Pacific ponderosa pine,, purple beech, etc.

[10/13]

The Aspire Project Gala: Raising the Barre

5:00-8:30pm | Village Ballroom, 704 NE Dekum St | Enjoy a catered dinner, refreshments, performances, silent auction and raffle. Link to buy tickets: <http://tinyurl.com/aspire2018gala>

[10/14]

New Hope for New Avenues Celebration

12:00-4:00pm | Peninsula Odd Fellows Lodge, 4834 N. Lombard St | Celebrate New Meadows housing project for young adults transitioning out of foster care and into their own apartments. Donation drive wish list:

<https://tinyurl.com/ybh55ehm>

[10/16]

North Portland Repair Cafe

6:00-8:00pm | North Portland Tool Library, 2209 N. Schofield St | Volunteers will be fixing small appliances, mending garments, and repairing bikes for free

[10/17]

Classical Up Close Pop-Up Show

6:00-7:00pm | Historic Kenton Firehouse, 8105 N. Brandon Ave | Free pop-up classical performance, featuring Kevin Kunkel on the cello and Ruby Chen on the violin; hosted by Classical Up Close

[10/18]

St. Johns Clothing Closet monthly opening

2:00-7:00pm | St. Johns Center for Opportunity, 8250 N. Lombard St | Free clothing closet for North Portland community members in need, 3rd Tuesday of each month

[10/27]

St. Johns Museum Sneak Peek

10:00am-4:00pm | Baha'i Center, 8720 N. Ivanhoe St | Over 8 historical exhibits, children's activities, gift shop, and presentations: Theater historian Steve Stone, 11:00am; A Pictorial History of St. Johns, author Don Nelson, 2:00pm

8th Annual All Fun, No Frights Halloween Carnival

11:00am-2:00pm | Peninsula Odd Fellows Lodge, 4834 N. Lombard St | Free admission, \$1 games, concessions for sale. Win candy & toys. Join your favorite movie villains for photos, karaoke, trivia and crafts. ALL proceeds donated to local PTAs

St. Johns Children's Halloween Walk

1:00-3:00 pm | Downtown St. Johns | An opportunity for local children to trick-or-treat local businesses

Neighborhood Association

board meetings for October

Portsmouth

October 2, at 6:30 pm

Peninsula Odd Fellows Lodge
4830 N. Lombard Street

University Park

October 8, at 7:00 pm

Portsmouth Trinity Lutheran
7119 N. Portsmouth Ave.

The Odd History of North Portland on Exhibit at Museum Sneak Peek

The St. Johns Museum is holding a sneak peek for the public on Saturday, October 27th, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Peninsula Lodge has been invited to share an exhibit on how the Odd Fellows were instrumental in the founding, growth and prosperity of St. Johns.

In the history of Portland, there has been a total of twenty Odd Fellows lodges through out the city. Of those twenty, almost half were located in North Portland and inner Northeast. To the pioneers of St. Johns, University Park, Portsmouth and Kenton, the Odd Fellows offered them services and security. When a member was sick and could not work, the Odd Fellows paid their wages. If a member's house caught fire, the Odd Fellows would provide them food and lodging. When a member died, Odd Fellows performed the burial, and cared for their survivors.

Membership in the Odd Fellows provided the pioneers of North Portland with the "best safeguards against the adversities of life." It also provided a very intimate and personal sense of community. Unlike an insurance company, Odd Fellows took care of each other with direct, hands-on assistance. They pooled their money and resources to help each other during times of need.

From 1889 to 1913, eight Odd Fellows lodges were instituted in the North Portland area to meet the needs of these early residents.

With the rapid modernization and growth taking place in North Portland today, there is an urgent call to preserve our unique

history. In response to that call, the St. Johns Museum is being formed. The Odd Fellows are proud to be a part of that history, and to partner with the new Museum to preserve and cultivate the rich heritage of St. Johns and North Portland.

**St. Johns
Museum
Sneak Peek**

**Saturday Oct.
27th**
Baha'i Center
8720 N Ivanhoe St.

10 am - 4 pm

Over 8 historical exhibits
children's activities, gift
shop, and presentations
by:

Theater Historian Steve
Stone
11am

*A Pictorial History of
St. Johns*
Author Don Nelson **2pm.**

Logos at the bottom: St. Johns Museum, Convergence Architecture, and a circular logo.

Villains & Vixens Halloween Cabaret



Back by popular demand, Torchsong Entertainment presents the 4th Annual "Villains & Vixens" spooktacular musical cabaret, featuring songs from your favorite evil-doers from TV, movies, musicals, literature, and legends! Start the Halloween season off right with a night of mischief, mayhem, and manically marvelous music.

WHEN:

- Saturday, October 20th at 8:00pm
- Sunday, October 21st at 7:00pm
- Saturday, October 27th at 8:00pm
- Sunday, October 28th at 7:00pm

WHERE:

Peninsula Odd Fellows Lodge
4834 N Lombard St

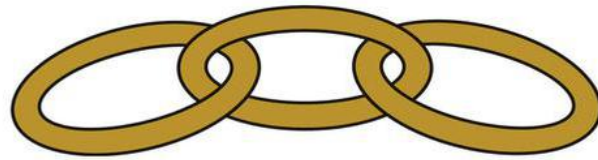
www.torchsongentertainment.com

Eighth Annual All Fun, No Frights Halloween Carnival

On Saturday, October 27, 2018, Peninsula Odd Fellows will host the eighth annual All Fun, No Frights Halloween Carnival. The carnival will run from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. All proceeds are donated directly to local parent-teacher organizations.

This popular event features a variety of games, at which children can win candy and toys. The games cost \$1.00 and vary in difficulty, so every child can experience the thrill of a challenge and still leave a winner. Snacks and refreshments are available for purchase.





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Classes Offered at Peninsula Odd Fellows

Class:

Aikido – Aikido Portland
Aikido – Ronin Bushido
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Dance – Dance-4-Fun
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Jujitsu – Kaishinkai Danzan Ryu
Zumba® – Monica Robles

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RoninBushidoAikidoPNW.com
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Danzan Ryu, a Traditional Style of Jujitsu



Ryan McDaniel-sensei pictured with his senior students and assistant instructors.

North Portland KaishinKai offers a traditional alternative to the current trend of MMA fighting at many Jujitsu schools.

Founded in 1927 by Hawaiian Henry Seshiro Okazaki, Danzan Ryu combines aspects of judo, karate, wrestling and more with aspects of massage and eastern methods of healing. Danzan Ryu also has a strong focus on learning to fall, and working with one's partner safely.

Danzan Ryu uses a method of teaching in which advanced students transmit knowledge to newer students; this allows new students to begin at any time.

The club's instructor, Sensei Ryan McDaniel, began studying Danzan Ryu in 2003 under Sue and Ron Jennings

from Grand Mound, Washington.

After moving to Portland in 2009, McDaniel-sensei started North Portland Kaishinkai while he was training for his black belt exam, which he passed in 2010.

According to McDaniel-sensei, Danzan Ryu Jujitsu is a great way to stay in shape, learn effective self-defense methods, meet new people, build physical skills, and most importantly, build mental confidence. The tools you learn in Danzan Ryu Jujitsu will help you in everyday life.

His assistant instructors bring a wide base of knowledge from various backgrounds to create a diverse, welcoming environment. "This is fitting," according to McDaniel-sensei, "as the name Kaishinkai translates to

a gathering of open minds. So no matter who you are or what your physical abilities are, North Portland Kaishinkai will make a place for you."

McDaniel-sensei credits Danzan Ryu as an important factor in his recovery from being hit by a drunk driver in February, 2007. McDaniel states that the mental and physical discipline that he learned in studying Danzan Ryu Jujitsu made it possible for him to stay active and engaged in the community.



McDaniel-sensei recovering in 2008

"2019 will be a big year for us," McDaniel-sensei said. "We will be celebrating our ten year anniversary, with old and fresh faces, and hopefully some surprises! Come check us out; we offer the first 10 classes free!"

Danzan Ryu Jujitsu is offered at 7:00 pm, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the upstairs hall of Peninsula Odd Fellows Lodge. For more information about the North Portland Kaishinkai club, please visit them online at: <https://danzanryupdx.wordpress.com>



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