

## Irvington Club News



April



## Notes From the General Manager

Dearest Irvington Club Members,

In an effort to keep you informed and not inundate you with emails, we have added the column "Committees", with drop downs, to the Irvington Club website. You will see our various committee members and more drop downs for Community Involvement and Social Justice for events and resources. We will do our best to keep things current on the website and hope you will refer to it often. We are open to suggestions/comments.

Our Board of Trustee Meeting minutes continue to be posted on the bulletin board as you enter the Club.

We will be opening the pool this summer, but still working on how it will look, depending on the restrictions. We also plan on offering Swim Team and Swim Lessons. Paul Garboczi will be our Pool Manager and Swim Team Coach. He was all set last summer to Coach but we were not able to open. He will be contacting former guards and pool staff. More to come soon from Paul.

We will ease our way back into normalcy as we are allowed. Let us know if you need any assistance with scheduling your vaccination.

Stay Safe,

Barbara

### Calendar of Events

#### April

1st ~ April Fool's Day

2nd ~ Good Friday

4th ~ Easter



#### May

1st ~ May Day

10th ~ Mother's Day

31st ~ Memorial Day



## New SJC & CIC Pages on the Irvington Club website

We now have new pages on our website (irvingtonclub.com) for Social Justice Committee (SJC) events/resources and the Community Involvement Committee (CIC) events.

SJC Events: https://irvingtonclub.com/sjc-events/

SJC Resources: https://irvingtonclub.com/sjc-resources/

CIC Events: https://irvingtonclub.com/cic-events

Coming up in May: Community Involvement Committee asks club to support the Portland Backpack Project: <a href="https://www.portlandbackpack.com/new-index-1">https://www.portlandbackpack.com/new-index-1</a>

## Ways to Support AAPI

Here are some ways to support AAPI (Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders):

#### **Oregon Coalition Against Hate Crimes**

https://oregoncahc.org

HELP raise the awareness of AAPI hate crime with these three simple steps:

- 1. Share your story on social media with #StopAsianHate.
- 2. Follow @StopAAPIHate on social media or visit www.stopaapihate.org to stay informed.
- 3. Visit the following local AAPI nonprofit organizations and learn about their causes:

Asian Health & Service Center

Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce of Oregon and SW Washington

APANO: Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon

**Chinese American Citizens Alliance Portland** 

**Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association** 

**Chinese Friendship Association of Portland** 

Japanese American Citizen League

Japanese American Museum of Oregon

The Korean American Coalition (KAC)

**Northwest Chinese Alliance** 

**Northwest China Council** 

**Oregon Chinese Coalition** 

**Portland Chinatown Museum** 

PSSCA: Portland-Suzhou Sister City Association

SPDC Samoa Pacific Development Corporation

Utopia PDX - United Territories of Pacific Islanders Alliance Portland

#### AAPI Supporting Organizations to Stand with and Donate to

https://www.marieclaire.com/politics/a35866266/how-to-support-asian-american-community-organizations/

#### Support grassroot activism by making donations to:

Hip Hop For Change

Coalition for Asian American Children and Families

Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC

<u>Hollaback</u>

Act To Change

#### Ways to support AAPI Communities and Businesses in Portland

https://everout.com/portland/articles/ways-to-support-aapi-communities-and-businesses-in-portland/c567/

Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon: https://www.apano.org

Supporting HAPI Artists: https://www.portlandoregon.gov/index.cfm?&c=71327

Organizations fighting for Asian American rights: <a href="https://libguides.clackamas.edu/aapi#s-lg-box-26220462">https://libguides.clackamas.edu/aapi#s-lg-box-26220462</a>

Educate yourself: Oregon's history: https://libguides.clackamas.edu/aapi#s-lg-box-26231939

Local and national AAPI-led organizations: https://libguides.clackamas.edu/aapi#s-lg-box-26208085

## April's Community Involvement Committee (CIC) Project

#### Help us support Kids N' Tennis

Kids N' Tennis is a culturally diverse program with free summer camps for kids historically underrepresented in the sport of tennis...essentially creating a junior program for ages 7-18 that helps kids learn how to play tennis regardless of their social, financial situations.

Kids N' Tennis' objective is to use tennis as a vehicle to teach and reinforce educational, social, and life skills through a sport that offers kids similar opportunities for success.

The CIC is asking members to step up and help raise funds to support this worthwhile program for young tennis players. The typical cost is \$10 per session for each kid for typically 8 months. For example, during the year it would cost \$320 per kiddo. If you are interested in making a monetary donation, please drop off a check at our front desk made out to Tennis 'N Kids.

If you prefer or also have any **adult** racquets that you would like to donate, the kids need racquets now for summer camp. Another donation could be "real" tennis shoes for the kids who are especially new to competition. And no surprise tennis balls are always welcome, and if you can find alternate balls too (foam, red, green dot, and orange) those would be greatly appreciated. We will set up a box in the lobby during April to collect any of these items.

Help us meet the CIC goal to raise enough money to support two scholarships with donating several racquets, a few pair of "tennis" court shoes and lots of tennis balls. Thank you!

## Support the Portland Backpack Project

Portland Backpack puts food directly into kids' hands. Portland Backpack gives kids and adults a way to use their own hands & hearts to make each food sack possible. The Hands & Hearts event is another opportunity for you to help fill 2,000 food sacks from your own home!!

#### April 3, 10 to 11am Livestream event:

A youth panel of kids sharing about why volunteering is important to them. Our panel includes students from Beaumont Middle School.

A heart-art lesson by Talia Valdez, a student at Lincoln High School. She will teach her own artistic lettering style that you can use to create heart-filled messages on your own care cards. Talia will present in English and Spanish. <u>Here is a link to her Instagram page.</u>

The youth will invite you to a friendly competition for the two challenges:

*Fab Family Fundraiser* - help raise the funds to fill 1,000 food sacks.

*Bag Packing Palooza* - sign up to pack a few or many food sacks at home and drop them off on April 10th. Help us reach our goal of 1,000 food sacks!

Go to our event page here to find all the details and to get signed up.

Portland Backpack is all about community. A community that does more than wave at our neighbors. We use our hands & hearts to show up and help.

Diane Rheos, Executive Director PBP, hopes you will think about joining us to reach our goal to fill 2,000 food sacks!

## Oswald West—Short Sand Beach Cleanup

Join SOLVE from 10 AM – 1 PM on 4/17/21 for a beach cleanup!

This event is part of the Oregon Spring Cleanup, presented by PGE.

Saturday, April 17th, 2021 from 10:00am - 1:00pm

Location: Arch Cape, OR 97102

For more info and to sign-up, visit:

https://www.solveoregon.org/opportunity/a0C1I00000QFJTFUA5

## Community Club Book Shelf

The Community Involvement and the Social Justice Committees have set up a book shelf upstairs outside the Board Room where members can share and borrow books that may be of interest to our members.

Members are encouraged to bring books that they feel are worth sharing and/or then take a book home to read. All we ask is that members sign out the book on a clipboard and then return it in a timely manner so that others can "sign" it out.

We are asking for books that represent a wide variety of subjects and authors. Consider sharing books about social justice, equity, antiracism, BIPOC themes and historical perspectives, education about racism and its history, books both fiction and nonfiction by BIPOC authors, books that promote good health practices and wellness (body and soul), mindfulness, exercise and even tennis.

CIC/SJC plan to host discussions of other books on a monthly basis. Next discussion will be April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM. Look for details in an e-blast.

Questions, please contact Stephanie Vickers: stephanievickers@comcast.net

## From The Tennis Archives

#### Celebrating 50 years: The Portland Tennis Center

50 years ago (1971) the Portland Tennis Center Association (PTCA) was formed which was an organization that led to the covering of four courts at the Portland Tennis Center. The effort was led by the following 4 ex Irvington Club members who are shown from left to right in the picture:

Doug Donaca, Treasurer, Sam Lee, President, Pat Carr, Vice President, Jim Flynn Executive Secretary.

Read the history at the Oregon Tennis History website.

Here's the link: <a href="https://oregontennishistory.com/portland-tennis-center/">https://oregontennishistory.com/portland-tennis-center/</a>



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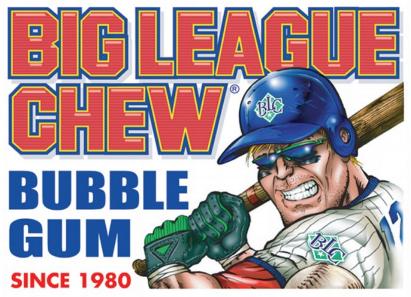
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