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FEBRUARY OFFERS EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

BEAVERTON, Ore. – The new year is in full swing in Beaverton and there are events and opportunities throughout the month for residents and community members to enjoy.

Most events are free and open to the public. For more information and a full listing of upcoming happenings, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or www.BeavertonLibrary.org.

Beaverton Volunteer Fair | Applications Open

Nonprofits and community groups are invited to participate in the Beaverton Volunteer Fair happening Saturday, April 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Beaverton City Library (12375 SW Fifth Street). The free event is an opportunity for the community to learn about and get involved with more than 30 local nonprofits and organizations. The event is open to high school students, so organizations with volunteer opportunities for youths are encouraged to apply. There is no cost to participate. The deadline to apply is Monday, March 9 at 5 p.m. Visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/VolunteerFair for more information.

Gig Economy: The ABCs of Tax Planning for the (Accidentally) Self-employed | Tuesday, Feb. 11 | 6-7:30 PM | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

Are you a gig worker? Learn about the various tax forms you need (including details about the W2 and 1099, and reporting income beyond the 1099-K.), basic rules for independent contractors, tips and tricks for tracking expenses, and pitfalls to avoid. Presenter Jenna Gonzales has years of experience as a tax preparer for individual and small to medium-sized business clients, including partnerships and corporations. No registration required.

Renter Rights Training | Wednesday, Feb. 12 | 6-8 PM | Beaverton City Library (Meeting Rooms A&B), 12375 SW 5th Street

The city in partnership with the Fair Housing Council of Oregon will provide a free Renters Rights Training to help renters understand Fair Housing laws, and what to do if these rights are violated. The training is facilitated in English and other languages by request. Dinner and childcare are provided. RSVP requested. Visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/housingservices for details.

Civil Discourse Discussions | Feb. 12 from 1:30-3:30 PM and Feb. 24 from 6-8 PM | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

Come learn the lost art of civil discourse! Sessions will explore how we think and talk about differences and practice dialogue rather than debate. In the first half of each session, small groups will talk about the potential benefits and difficulties inherent in listening to other people's beliefs (with the help of a trained mediator and facilitator). In the second half, the groups will engage in exercises to practice what they've discussed in an environment less

risky than a holiday dinner. Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided. Additional sessions are offered throughout spring. Visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/mediation for dates and details.

Repair Fair | Saturday, Feb. 15 | 12:30-3:30 PM | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

This event offers free repairs by volunteers who are skilled at mending small household items. The team of fixers has a variety of expertise from appliances, electronics, and furniture to clothes, jewelry, bicycles, and more. An activity corner will be available for children. Please register items to be repaired at <https://repairfair.org/upcoming-events/feb-15-beaverton-library>.

Basic Mediation Training | Session Begins Feb. 20

The Center for Mediation and Dialogue will hold its popular Basic Mediation Training February 20, 21, 22, 28 and 29. Spaces are currently open at a cost, but financial assistance may be available. The training will introduce participants to the themes, practices and skills of becoming a mediator in the community. Students will learn how to communicate with parties involved during case development and mediation, promote understanding, and facilitate the problem-solving discussion that helps resolve the dispute. Learn more and register at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/mediation.

Who I Am | Saturday, Feb. 22 | 3-4 PM | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

Join local playwright Shalanda Sims and World Stage Theatre on a journey through the African American experience. This masterful production that employs song, dance, imagery, and spoken word presents the hardships and triumphs of unsung African American heroes from Oregon and abroad. Followed by a conversation with the cast and playwright.

Sex, Love & Aging: It's Up to You | Wednesday, Feb. 26 | 5:30-7:30 PM | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

Join Anna Marti and Dr. Kelly Rees for discussion and sharing resources and insights on navigating desire, love, sexual function, making adjustments, and the myths that surround how we cultivate intimacy with ourselves and others. Anna Marti is an intimacy coach in Portland with 20 years of experience. Dr. Kelly Rees is a board certified Sexologist with a private practice in Portland and is a group therapist at Crestview Recovery Center. No registration required.

Generation Exchange | Saturday, Feb. 29 | 11 AM-Noon | Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

What can you learn when you talk to people from different generations? Come as a family or as individuals for a conversation and an activity that brings together all ages, young and old, to celebrate each other's knowledge and experiences. Treats provided. No registration required. Recommended for ages 8 and older. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

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