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EWEB's "Run to Stay Warm" to Be Held November 23

Registration is now open at <http://www.eweb.org/runtostaywarm> for Eugene's fall running tradition, Run to Stay Warm. This family-friendly event on Sunday, Nov. 23, welcomes all levels, from novice runners and walkers to elite athletes. Run to Stay Warm is a benefit for Eugene Water & Electric Board's (EWEB) Customer Care Program, which assists income-eligible families in paying their electric bills. To date, the event has raised more than \$115,000 for Customer Care.

Run or walk the half-marathon, 5K or 10K; kids can run the free 400-meter dash led by Sluggo, the Eugene Emeralds mascot. The various courses along the Willamette River begin and end at the River Edge Plaza adjacent to EWEB headquarters, allowing participants to explore Prefontaine's old stomping grounds while helping a worthy cause.

An after-party will be held at the Tap and Growler, where participants will be treated to a soft pretzel and a pint of Claim 52 beer (or non-alcoholic beverage of choice).

Want to help out but don't want to get up early to run? Contribute with a "Sleep in to Stay Warm" donation to the Customer Care program. To donate, contact EWEB Customer Service at 541-685-7000, and feel free to sleep in on Sunday morning. One-time donations are always an option on a monthly EWEB bill. Additional race and registration information can be found at eweb.org/runtostaywarm.



Exploring Big Questions at Eugene Public Library

The Eugene Public Library is partnering with the Oregon Humanities, National Endowment for the Humanities, and Oregon Cultural Trust to host a community Conversation Project. This program sends experts statewide to speak and lead group discussions on a variety of topics.

Join Portland State University professor Veronica Dujon (at left) for "Your Land, My Land: Using and Preserving Oregon's Natural Resources" on Monday, Nov. 3, 6 p.m., at the Downtown Library. As she explains, "Oregonians are known for a fierce sense of independence and a rugged individuality, qualities long associated with natural resource vocations such as logging, fishing, farming, and ranching. The state is also known for its progressive environmental policies." Which raises the question - how does the community come together to resolve land use conflicts?

On Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 6 p.m., at the Downtown Library, the focus will be “Life after War: Photographs and Oral Histories of Coming Home.” Award-winning photographer Jim Lommasson has collected oral histories from returning soldiers and documented their struggles at home. This gathering will address questions starting with “When does a war end? Does it ever?” As Lomasson says, “Many returning soldiers bring wars back with them, and these wars can reach beyond the battlefield or firefight, infiltrating the very thing that defines comfort and safety: home.”

For more information, contact the Eugene Public Library at www.eugene-or.gov/library or 541-682-5450.

Campbell Center Holds 14th Annual Bazaar

There’s no better way to get in the holiday spirit than by attending Campbell Community Center’s annual Holiday Bazaar, where one can find gifts everyone will love. Items include homemade, one-of-a-kind crafts, original jewelry, timeless treasures, books, and a silent auction featuring gift baskets, certificates and items donated from local businesses. After shopping, enjoy live music, and have lunch.

This is the 14th year for the bazaar, which annually raises several thousand dollars to support programming for adults and seniors at Campbell Community Center.

Many of Campbell Center’s patrons contribute to the bazaar either by making items to be sold or included in the silent auction, or by volunteering to help run it. The Holiday Bazaar is open to the public and will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., on Nov. 8, at Campbell Center, 155 High Street. Admission is free. Drop in.

Here is the schedule of events:

- 9 a.m. - Bazaar opens; live music begins and is performed throughout the day.
- 9 - 10:30 a.m. – Continental breakfast available for purchase.
- 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. – Delicious beef stew and biscuits served and homemade pie available for purchase.
- 2 p.m. - Silent Auction tables start to close
- 3 p.m. - Bazaar ends



For more information, contact Senior Programmer Diane Sconce at 541-682-5318.

Compost Photo Competition 2014!

It’s time for all fans and businesses of the [Love Food Not Waste](#) (LFNW) commercial compost program to submit photos for the annual Compost Photo Competition to celebrate LFNW’s third birthday (Nov. 1) and America Recycles Day (Nov. 15)!



Contest Rules:

1. Anyone can submit photos to the contest (no limit on the number of photos submitted.) Photos must be uploaded to the [LFNW Facebook page](#) by Nov. 14, 2014.
2. The photo must be taken at a [participating LFNW location](#) and engage employees of that location.
3. By submitting a photo, one agrees to let the City of Eugene use the photo(s) in various publications and media.
4. Two prizes will be awarded: the winning business will receive free advertising and marketing throughout the year (including one print ad) AND the photographer will receive a \$100 gift certificate to the business depicted in the photo.

For more information, please contact Waste Prevention and Green Building Analyst [Stephanie Scafa](#), 541-682-5652.

Eugene Recognized at Oregon Connections Technology Conference

Eugene regional public network and Information Services Division staff, were recognized at the annual Oregon Connections Telecommunications Technology Conference, held in Hood River, Oregon, from Oct. 22 - 24. In its 19th year, over 300 public and private sector attendees enjoyed a full slate of telecommunications and broadband presentations. The theme this year was *Big Data and the Internet of Things* and how technology innovations are impacting daily life in ways that both challenge and benefit area communities.

The awards ceremony is initiated by open nomination from any entity, whether a participant in the conference or not. The award for outstanding telecommunications project went to the Lane County Area Public Agency Network (PAN) in recognition of its innovative strategies to provide better access, reliability and/or affordability to telecommunications services for communities or promotes and accelerates adoption and utilization. The members of PAN are the Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB), City of Eugene, Springfield Utility Board (SUB), City of Springfield, Lane County, Lane Council of Governments, Lane Transit District, Eugene School District 4J, University of Oregon, Lane Educational Service District, Lane Community College, State Department of Administrative Services and State Department of Transportation.

Telecommunications Program Manager Pam Berrian received the Edwin B. Parker Enduring Achievement Award. This award is presented to individuals whose contributions in telecommunications have been rendered with the greatest civility, who serve as a role model and mentor to many, and who have provided a lasting legacy influencing the course and future of telecommunications in Oregon for years to come.

Conference materials, presentations, and award information are located at www.oregonconnections.info. For more information, please contact Interim Information Services Division Director Joe Zaludek at 541-682-5075.