



TASK NEWS

Treasuring, Accepting & Supporting Kehillah

TIKVAH EVENTS

Tikvah is a social-recreational group for adults aged 18+ with any type of special needs. Our members plan activities and events, and new members are always welcome. Contact Corinne for more information, 503 226-7079, ext 155 or email: corinne@jfcs-portland.org. RSVP required!

AUG 1 / SAT / 4:30 PM / Hillsboro Library Veritas Medieval Fighting demonstration and **6:00 PM / Izzy's Restaurant** 11900 SW Broadway
RSVP by July 29 please

AUG 7 / FRI / Flicks on the Bricks
GREASE Sing-A-Long, starts at sundown, Pioneer Courthouse Sq

AUG 8 / SAT / 10:00 AM Hike / Oaks Bottom Ready to hike? Wear comfy shoes and bring plenty of water! RSVP by Aug 6 please

AUG 9 / SUN / 4:00 PM The Bite of Portland / Waterfront Park and **7:00 PM / Portland Thorns Soccer / Providence Park**

AUG 11 / TUES / 12:00 PM / Noon Tunes with the Rose City Rollers and Pop/American music, Pioneer Courthouse Square

AUG 14 / FRI / 5:30PM Dinner and PDX Live! Join us for dinner at **Casa Colima** in Hillsdale followed by the energetic **PDX Live!** a fun

musical service outside (weather permitting) at Congregation Neveh Shalom! RSVP by AUG 12 please

AUG 15 / SUN / 6:00 PM / India Festival Food and fun at Pioneer Courthouse Square

AUG 21 / FRI / Flicks on the Bricks
Mrs. Doubtfire starts at dusk, Pioneer Courthouse Square

AUG 22 / SAT / 2:00 PM / Music Fest Northwest / Waterfront Park

AUG 27 / THUR / 6:00 PM / Fiesta Italiana / Pioneer Courthouse Square

AUG 30 / SUN / 6:00 PM / Portland Thorns Women's Soccer at Providence Park, RSVP by Aug 28 please to get seats together

SEP 10 / THUR / 11:00 AM-2:00 PM Volunteer Expo / Pioneer Courthouse Square. This is a great way to discover fun volunteer positions that help others!



For information, please call:

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AUG 9 / SUN / 9:30 AM-11:00 AM TASK Advisory Board / MJCC Deli Area. Join us as we plan future events and discuss current issues. please RSVP to 503 226-7079, ext 155, or corinne@jfcs-portland.org.

AUG 11 / TUE / 6:30 PM-8:00 PM TASK Parent Meeting / Rose Schnitzer Manor Brown Room / 3rd Floor This is a great way to meet with other parents of children and adults with special needs, network, discuss issues of concern, update on the ABLE ACT and support one another. Fee: \$10 per person, kindly RSVP by Aug 7, as above.

SEP 10 / THU / 3:00 PM- 4:30 PM TASK Meeting / Kehillah/ 6000 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, with Alan Edwards of the Social Security Administration. Ask questions and learn what Social Security means to you, your child with disabilities, retirement plans, and other questions you may have. Kindly RSVP by Sep 7, as above.

For up-to-date events, to RSVP, or to leave a message, call 503-226-7079, ext. 155 or email

COMMUNITY

I WORK WE SUCCEED is the new campaign by Oregon's **Employment First** initiative to promote the benefits of paid, integrated work in community jobs for people with intellectual and developmental (I/DD) disabilities. This is a collaborative effort with Oregon's Depts. of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation, and Developmental Disabilities.

Planning My Way to Work, a revised guide for students with disabilities leaving high school and their families to help navigate the transition from school to work and adult life, is now available to download from www.ocdd.org. Print copies are also available, call 503 945-9941. Or if you prefer, you may borrow a copy from the TASK Lending Library. Contact corinne@jfcs-portland.org.

Congratulations to the Oregon Legislature for passing three important pieces of legislation, including **SB 777**, state's version of the **ABLE ACT**. While more rules are still under review by the IRS, the ABLE ACT will allow monies in excess of the previous limit of \$2,000 to be held for the benefit of a person with disabilities without affecting government benefits. In addition, **HB 5006** passed, which provides \$40 million to build **affordable housing**, and **HB 2005** was enacted, which provides \$25 million for **housing for people with mental illness**.

Have you wondered how **Oregon** compares to other states in terms of how we support people with developmental and intellectual disabilities? According to a survey by United Cerebral Palsy, Oregon ranks #18 in the nation for its services to people with D/II.

Google Impact Challenge: Disabilities

Google plans to invest \$20 million in technology that will help people with disabilities live more independently. "People with disabilities rarely get a lot of attention from any sector, and Google is taking a rights-based approach to promote the inclusion of people," said Diana Samarasan, Disability Rights Fund Founding Director.

Since 1947, Jewish Family & Child Service (JFCS) has served the greater Portland area through our mission: Guided by the wisdom and values of our tradition, JFCS provides social services that improve the lives of adults, families, and children in the Jewish and general communities. We partner in the community to help our most vulnerable residents, including seniors, people with disabilities, and individuals and families lacking basic necessities. JFCS offers compassionate wraparound services to address the whole person to foster mental, emotional, and financial wellbeing so they can thrive.

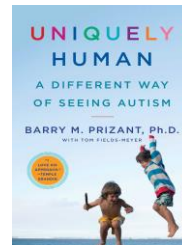
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DID YOU KNOW?



British toy-maker **MakieLab** has created diverse dolls and accessories for their 3D printed dolls, allowing kids to customize their toys. Accessories include a cane, hearing aids, and birthmarks. It was inspired by the 'Toy Like Me' Facebook campaign, which called for toy companies to create more diverse toys that reflect children in more inclusive ways. Read more about it at:

<http://designtaxi.com/news>.



Congratulations to former Portlander **Tom Fields-Meyer**, author of "Following Ezra: What One Father Learned about Gumby, Autism, and Love from his Extraordinary Son" on the publication of his new book, "Uniquely Human: A Different Way of Seeing Autism," written with Barry Prizant, in print Aug. 5.

SEP 19 / SAT / 9:00 AM / 11th Annual WALK, ROLL N RUN / 1515 SE Water Ave. Bring your empty water bottle, filling stations available along the 2.5 walk. To register, see www.walkrollnrun.org.

HOLIDAYS

Labor Day	SEP 7	MON
Rosh Hashanah	SEP 14 & 15	MON & TUES
Kol Nidre	SEP 22	TUES
Yom Kippur	SEPT 23	WED
Sukkot begins	SEP 28	MON