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TO ILLUMINATE AND UNITE

Steals in Stumptown

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Want to save money? Here are some easy ways to get cheap or free stuff in Portland!

Around the Sun Blog publishes a list of free events happening each weekend in Portland. Check it out at <http://aroundthesunblog.com/>.

Cheap or free lectures, performances, and cultural events abound on **college campuses** in Portland! Check the websites of Portland State University, OHSU, PCC, University of Portland, Lewis and Clark College, and Reed College, among others...and don't forget Linfield!

Craigslist offers a free section of the "for sale" listings at <http://portland.craigslist.org/zip/>.

Get a **ChooseLocal Card**. These cards are distributed free at a number of businesses in Portland. Present yours at many local businesses to receive a discount. Find out where you can pick up a card and view available discounts at www.chooselocal.com.

Many Portland museums and other attractions offer **discounted admission** a few days a year. For example, admission to the Oregon Zoo is only \$2 on the second Tuesday of every month. Admission to the Portland Art Museum is free four Sundays a year. Check to see if your favorite attraction offers discounted or free days.

Join **Freecycle**. Using an online discussion board and email, members can offer stuff they no longer want and receive a list of others' offers in their area. Everything is free! Go to <http://www.freecycle.org/group/United%20States/Oregon/Portland> for more information.

Don't forget your **Linfield ID** when you're in Northwest Portland! Refer to the first edition of *Vital Statistics* for a list of businesses offering discounts to Linfield students.

Visit your **local library**. You can read books and magazines, watch DVDs, use the internet, and listen to music...all completely free! Many libraries also offer other services and events, such lectures, workshops and book groups. Check the website of your local library to learn more.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 20-24: Summer & Fall '09 Registration

April 23: May '09 Auction

April 27: BREATHE Concert

April 27: Softball Game

April 30: Softball Game

April 30: El Dia del Nino (Children's Day)

April 30: Ping Pong Tournament Deadline

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Please note that there will be an e-mail alias for the newsletter, but until it is set up, please e-mail all suggestions to Gina Drew at gdrew@linfield.edu

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Get free clothes at **PDXSwap!** This group organizes clothing swaps by gender, size and geographic location. It's geared toward women but beginning to offer some swaps for men. Go to www.pdxswap.com to learn more and add yourself to the mailing list.

Eat and drink on the cheap during happy hour. **UrbanDrinks.com** offers a list of happy hours in Portland, sorted by time and neighborhood, at <http://www.urbandrinks.com/happyhour/usa/or/portland>.

The **Willamette Week Deal Box** lists selected cheap and free events/offers in Portland every week. Find it online at <http://wweek.com/columns/dealbox/>.

Campus and Community Events

[APRIL 20-24](#)

Summer and Fall '09 registration begins. Make sure to speak to your adviser to be cleared for registration.

[APRIL 23](#)

The Class of May 2009 invites all students, staff, family, and friends to a silent auction fundraiser. It will be held at Bar XV from **5-8 p.m.** Bar XV is located at 15 SW 2nd between Ankeny and Burnside. A \$5 donation is suggested and food and drinks will be available at the bar. Some of the items to be auctioned off include Columbia Sportswear jackets, Portland Beavers/Timbers tickets, an iPod, and many other great items. Come down to Bar XV to have a drink, bid on some great items, and have fun for a good cause. We hope to see you all there. For more information, contact Noah Jacobson at nojacobs@linfield.edu.

[APRIL 27](#)

BREATHE is hosting musicians Jesse Elliott and Adam Smouse on April 27 from **11:45-1:00 p.m.** in the courtyard (weather permitting). Lunch will be provided.

[APRIL 27](#)

The Wildcatheters, Linfield's slow-pitch softball group, has 2 teams this year. Both teams have their first game this week! WC2 (Wildcatheters 2) vs. Talbot, Korvola & Warwick ~ **7:35 p.m.** @ Westmoreland #1. For more information, contact Scott Shepherd at scshephe@linfield.edu.

[APRIL 30](#)

The other softball team has their first game. Wildcatheters vs. Krackerz ~ **6:15 p.m.** @ William V. Owen Softball Field.

[APRIL 30](#)

The Office of Student Affairs and Multicultural Programs would like to invite you to celebrate El Dia del Nino (Children's Day), a popular Mexican holiday. This event is open to all, so feel free to bring the children in your family. We will be promoting healthy habits through fun activities. This is a great opportunity for faculty, staff, students, and community members to introduce children to the academic environment while encouraging health. For more information, contact Claudia Garcia at clgarcia@linfield.edu.

[APRIL 30](#)

It's that time again! Time to dust off that ping pong paddle and bring your best game to the annual ping pong tournament! Notify Jeremy Jasnoch by April 30th if you are interested in playing. Bracket placements will be drawn on May 1st in the blue room at **12:30 p.m.** The tournament will be held on **Monday, May 4th** at **noon**. If weather permits, we may play in the courtyard. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Nicknames are not a must, BUT definitely add to the fun! Refreshments will be provided, so come cheer on your favorite ping pong players! Contact Jeremy Jasnoch: jjasnoc@linfield.edu.