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CURRENTLY will resume weekly publication on Sept. 28. Deadline for that issue is Tuesday noon, Sept. 22.

Student creativity runs wild

Portland State students showed their ingenuity at two major, local events last week. Architecture students [created a stage backdrop](#) made out of 435 giant cardboard tubes for Pickathon, a music festival held in Happy Valley (pictured here). In town, a team of engineering students launched a [human-powered flying Viking helmet](#) into the Willamette River during Red Bull Flutag.

Planned tuition increase reduced

Portland State's Board of Trustees approved a reduction in the planned tuition and fees increase from 4.2 percent to 3.1 percent for in-state undergraduates. The board's approval fulfills President Wim Wiewel's promise that he would use additional state funding to lower tuition and improve student retention and graduation. "PSU is committed to doing everything we can to help students get in, be successful, and graduate with as little debt as possible," said PSU President Wim Wiewel. PSU is the only university in Oregon reducing the tuition increase. [READ MORE](#)

Suarez named head of diversity

Carmen Suarez, chief diversity officer at the University of Idaho, has been named the new chief diversity officer at Portland State, where she will lead PSU's ongoing mission to create a more diverse and inclusive campus. She will begin her new position on Sept. 8. [READ MORE](#)

Two-factor login coming for secure network access off campus

Beginning this week, faculty and staff who use Portland State's secure-access networks while off campus will be able to opt in to a "Duo Two Factor Authentication." This service will improve the security of sensitive data sent via VPN (virtual private networks) through secure systems such as Banner and DataMaster. The new system will incorporate users' Odin login as well as a prompt delivered to a phone or tablet at the time of login. The system will become mandatory Sept. 9, so users are encouraged to enroll early to test the feature and gain comfort with the new protocol. More information on how to enroll is available at [Duo Two-Factor Authentication for Employee VPN Access](#).

Business Administration welcomes new dean

Daniel Connolly, former senior associate dean at the University of Denver's Daniels College of Business, started as the new dean of the School of Business Administration on June 30. Connolly, a global expert in hospitality management and information technology strategy, will lead SBA as it breaks ground this fall on a \$60 million renovation and expansion. [READ MORE](#)

Social Club gathering for faculty, staff

Join your colleagues for the Second Thursday Social Club from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13 on the fifth-floor balcony of the Collaborative Life Science Building. Food is provided and a cash bar is available.

New HIPAA, drug and alcohol policies adopted

After careful review by the University Policy Committee, two new policies have been adopted for Portland State: the HIPAA (Heath Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) Compliance Policy and the PSU Alcohol and Drug-Free Policy. They can be read on the [Policy Library website](#) of the PSU Office of General Counsel.

New place to play opening soon

Campus rec is on schedule to open its new fourth floor space on Sept. 20. Construction began this summer to extend the fourth floor from its current balcony to the windows, resulting in an additional 3,700 square feet for fitness equipment, small-group workouts and personal training. A stairway will connect the new area to the third-floor weight room and offer a better view of the Urban Plaza and Mt. Hood. PSU faculty, staff, alumni and other affiliates may join the Rec Center for a monthly fee. [READ MORE](#)

PSU artists join MAX Orange Line opening festivities

Portland State artists will fill a vacant lot owned by TriMet at Southwest Fourth Avenue and Lincoln Street with music, dance, and art during the opening ceremony of the MAX Orange Line on Sept. 12. Two faculty and two student proposals were selected for funding through an open application process launched by the PSU Institute for Sustainable Solutions in collaboration with the School of Art + Design and the Campus Planning Office. [READ MORE](#)

PSU ranks among best online colleges in Oregon

Affordable Colleges Online has ranked Portland State among the best online colleges in Oregon for 2015. The ranking acknowledges PSU for providing the best in academic programs and support services for online students. "As online classes become more prevalent, it is important to acknowledge the colleges and universities that go above and beyond," said Dan Schuessler, founder and CEO of Affordable Colleges Online. [READ MORE](#)

Exchange items at Pop-Up Swap Shop

Students, employees and community members will have the chance to bring unwanted but still usable items to the Pop-Up Swap Shop from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, in the Urban Center Plaza. The event, hosted by the PSU Exchange Room, is free and open to the public, and you don't have to bring anything to take items. Items swapped generally include office and school supplies, household goods, decor, clothes, dishes and any other reusable goods that deserve a second life instead of the landfill. [READ MORE](#)

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- August 6**
[OIT Workshop: Intro to DataMaster](#)
- [OIT Workshop: Exploring DataMaster Reports](#)
- August 8**
[Summer Youth Pool Party](#)
- August 10**
[Commuting and Maintenance 101](#)
- [Harvest Share: Free Fresh Fruits & Vegetables](#)
- August 11**
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- August 12**
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- August 13**
[Second Thursday Social Club for Faculty & Staff](#)
- August 17-21**
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- August 18**
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