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**April 2****[Workshop: Embedding Articles, Books and Multimedia in Online Classes](#)**

Noon to 1 p.m., 160 Millar Library, free

**[Burying Man's Best Friend: Canine Catacombs in Ancient Egypt](#)**

7:30 p.m., 338 Smith Union, free

**April 3****[Should Oregon Take the Lead on Carbon Taxes?](#)**

6 to 8 p.m., 123 Market Center, free

**April 3-8****[A Pigeon & A Boy: Act 3](#)**

7:30 p.m. Thursday to Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, MILAGRO Theatre, 525 SE Stark St., \$25

**April 4****[Chinese Memorial Qingming Festival](#)**

1 to 3 p.m., Lan Su Garden, 239 NW Everett St., \$9.50

**April 4-6****[PSU French Film Festival](#)**

7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, various locations, free

**April 5****[Chinese Hell Scrolls: Retribution, Ruin and Rebirth Illustrated](#)**

9:30 to 11 a.m., 236 Smith Union, free

**April 7****[PSU Faculty Senate](#)**

Regular meeting, 3 to 5 p.m., 53 Cramer Hall, free

**[Workshop: Embedding Articles, Books and Multimedia in Online Classes](#)**

4 to 5 p.m., 160 Millar Library, free

**April 8****[6th Annual Northwest Environmental Health Conference](#)**

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Smith Union, \$85/\$70/\$30

**[OIT Workshop: Google Calendar, Google+, Hangouts](#)**

10 a.m. to noon, 439 Neuberger, free

**[HR Healthy, Wealthy: Estate Planning](#)**

Noon to 1 p.m., 294 Smith Union, free

**[Understanding Muslim Admirers of Japan's Shinto Emperor](#)**

6 p.m., 329 Smith Union, free

## PEOPLE

**[Will Parnell](#), [Gerry Sussman](#), [Karen Thomson](#)**

## PRESENTED

**[Annabelle Dolidon](#), [Stephanie Roulon](#), [Jill Emery](#), [Andy Job](#), [Jason Jurjevich](#), [Meg Merrick](#), [Eva Nunez](#), [Inger M. Olsen](#), [Lee Ann Phillips](#), [Tracy J. Prince](#), [Ken Ruoff](#)**

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**[Heejun Chang](#), [Alan Yeakley](#)**

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## Update on PSU-AAUP contract negotiations

Portland State and the American Association of University Professors met twice last week with a state mediator in an effort to reach a contract agreement. The University modified its earlier offer to increase salaries and job security for union-represented faculty members. PSU's offer would increase pay between 4 and 15 percent over two years, with the largest raises going to the lowest paid academic professionals and fixed-term faculty. PSU will continue to work toward resolving differences with the AAUP to reach a fair contract settlement. No new bargaining session was scheduled as of Monday. [READ MORE](#)

## Panel to discuss carbon taxes

"Should Oregon Take the Lead on Carbon Taxes?" is the question a panel of community and academic experts will discuss from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 3, in 123 Market Center Building. The Institute of Economic and Environment event is free and open to the public. Panelists are Michael Armstrong, Yoram Bauman, Jackie Dingfelder and Jenny Liu. Remarks from Tom Potiowky are also planned. [READ MORE](#)

## Professor emeritus Dick Sonnen passes away

Richard "Dick" J. Sonnen, professor emeritus of education, died Feb. 26. He was 77. Prof. Sonnen joined the University in 1978 as chair of the newly formed Department of Special and Counselor Education, a position he held until 1988. He was a highly regarded administrator and trainer of new teachers until his retirement in 1992. Funeral services will be held April 11 at 11 a.m., St. John the Evangelist Church, 8701 NE 119th Street, Vancouver, Wash. [READ MORE](#)

## Put on a better conference, event or meeting

Travel Portland, PSU's convention and visitors' bureau partner, is hosting a Spring Social with coffee, tea and desserts Tuesday, April 8, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Willamette Room at University Place Hotel. Travel Portland will share resource ideas for those who host conferences, meetings, or even visiting scholars. On-campus experts in lodging and event services will also be presenting. The social is free with RSVP to [shc@pdx.edu](mailto:shc@pdx.edu).

## Student technology survey results available

The University recently took part in an EDUCAUSE survey on student technology use. The survey provides insights into how technology is used on

campus and expected trends in classroom technology. The Office of Information Technology has made the results available in a brief online report. [READ MORE](#)

## Sustainability career talk and networking opportunity

What does authentic sustainability leadership look like in business and nonprofit organizations? The PSU Alumni Association and the Institute for Sustainable Solutions have gathered four experienced leaders who will share their insights and offer career advice for those looking to build a career in a sustainability-related field. A networking session precedes the talk on Thursday, April 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. at BridgePort Brewpub, 1313 NW Marshall St, Portland. Tickets are \$11.50 in advance and the public is welcome. [READ MORE](#)

## McNair Scholars Program accepting student applications

Please encourage undergraduates to apply for the PSU Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program starting winter 2015. Applications are due May 5. The program introduces juniors and seniors who are first-generation, low-income, and/or members of under-represented groups to academic research and to effective strategies for getting into and graduating from Ph.D. programs. McNair scholars work closely with faculty mentors on original research projects. [READ MORE](#)

## French Film Festival returns

Take in the third annual French Film Festival this week at Fifth Avenue Cinema. The festival opens April 4 with a reception at 6 p.m. followed by the 7 p.m. showing of *Cousin Jules*, a documentary about rural France. On April 5 the family-friendly film *The Rabbi's Cat* is at 7 p.m. and on April 6 *The Secret of Kells* plays at 3 p.m. All films have either English subtitles or English audio. [READ MORE](#)

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