



April 2017

LATEST NEWS



Celebrating Success

On the best days at Albertina Kerr, I get to retell stories of success to our donors, my peers at other agencies, and my family when I get home. A recent story about Thomas, who graduated from our Project SEARCH job-training program in November, especially highlighted Albertina Kerr's ability to empower people with developmental disabilities to live fuller lives.

Thomas enrolled in Project SEARCH at Embassy Suites immediately after high school. There, he was mentored in food preparation and cooking skills. Thomas quickly developed a passion during his internships, deciding that coffee and work as a barista were perfect for him.

Just last week we found out that Thomas accepted his first paid position in the food service industry as a lobby attendant for a chain restaurant. What's even better is that Thomas has an opportunity to grow at his own pace in the position. He will be able to cross-train using his barista and cooking skills by making specialty coffee drinks, baking pies and cookies, and preparing salads.

Way to go, Thomas! We're all proud of you and the way you're helping to create a society that has no barriers.



Support Albertina Kerr While You File Taxes Using Charitable Checkoff

This year Tax Day falls on Tuesday, April 18 instead of the usual April 15 because the 15th is Saturday and Washington D.C. will be celebrating Emancipation Day on Monday, April 17. Use those extra three days to consider donating all or a portion of your 2016 Oregon State Tax Return to Albertina Kerr. Your donation will help support children's mental health services and developmental disability programs. Include [Schedule OR-Donate](#) with your Oregon Tax return or let your tax preparer know that you would like to give via Charitable Checkoff. [Learn More.](#)



Albertina Kerr's 19th Annual Race for the Roses

On Sunday, more than 1,500 people participated in The Albertina Kerr Race for the Roses and more than 360 volunteers helped make the race a success. 100% of proceeds from the event goes back to supporting the programs and services of Albertina Kerr. This was the 19th year of the event.

Thank you to everyone who ran, walked, and volunteered.



Albertina's Closet Bag Sale

Thursday and Friday, April 6 & 7, 2017 – Save 75% off everything in the store!

Saturday, April 8, 2017 – For only \$20, stuff your Albertina's Closet bag full of treasures!

KERR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Save the date for Albertina Kerr's signature fall and winter events!

September 16, 2017 | Albertina Kerr's 24 Hours of Kerr Gala

September 18, 2017 | Albertina Kerr's 24 Hours of Kerr Golf Tournament

December 15, 2017 | Albertina Kerr's Christmas Ships Soiree

Thursday, April 13, 2017 | Luncheon Learn: You Go Girl Travel

Marcia Lynn Miller, author of *You Go Girls – The Woman's Guide to Great Travel*, has visited around 70 countries. Her easy-going, fun-loving and informational presentation will not only keep you entertained, but it will guarantee to teach you new travel skills. **SOLD OUT.**

Thursday, April 20, 2017 | Luncheon Learn: Gluten-Free Beer and You

Join us for a gluten-free lunch paired with beer presented by Neil Davidson. Chef Davidson of Ground Breaker Brewing opened the country's first dedicated gluten-free gastropub in Portland in 2013. By sourcing the best local ingredients, he prepares a creative and dynamic gluten-free menu that everyone can enjoy. Cost is \$35 per person. [Reserve Your Seat.](#)

Saturday, May 6, 2017 | Kentucky Derby Lunch

And the race is on! Join Albertina's as we celebrate the Kentucky Derby along with raffling for distinct prizes while indulging in a true "derby" lunch. Cost is \$35 per person. [Reserve Your Seat.](#)

Saturday, May 13, 2017 | Mother's Day Tea

Transform a Saturday afternoon into a treasured memory at Albertina's Kitchen. Enjoy savory sandwiches, scones, treats and delicious tea all while you cherish your loved ones. Cost is \$30 per person. [Reserve Your Seat.](#)

Thursday, May 18, 2017 | Luncheon Learn: Portland's Japanese Garden

Lose yourself in the peace and tranquility of the Portland Japanese Garden with a virtual tour lead by the Garden's most knowledgeable guides. During your stroll, you will learn the history and design principles behind the Garden's five distinct garden styles and go behind the scenes of the expansion, known as the Cultural Crossing Project. By the end of the tour your sense will be rejuvenated by the quiet beauty and respite the Garden offers. Cost is \$35 per person. [Reserve Your Seat.](#)

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