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Staff News

Introducing: Our new Educational Program Director



The Oregon Council of Hostelling International is thrilled to introduce [Jennifer Bullock](#), our new Educational Program Director.

Jennifer is responsible for ensuring that our educational programs serve our community, though building partnerships, managing volunteers, and coordinating workshops. She and her team of two nonprofit interns from Portland State's Master's of Public Administration programs, [Sean Files](#) and [Therese Vogel](#), will be expanding our outreach efforts to further the

The Oregon Council of Hostelling International invites you to our Annual Membership Meeting!

Dear Lee Ann,

The Oregon Council of Hostelling International, USA is holding its **Annual Membership Meeting** on Monday, March 17, 2008. Members of Hostelling International are especially encouraged to attend. We are excited to share our 2007 achievements and 2008 goals with you, and to have you participate in our annual election of the board of directors. We'll tell you about our volunteer opportunities, too!

We will also hold a screening of a short documentary about Hostelling International's Cultural Kitchen program - a great way to see how HI workshops help young community members grow and develop broader world perspectives.

The meeting will take place at the Oregon Council office at:

3945 SE Hawthorne Boulevard
Portland, OR 97214
503-239-0030
council@oregonhostels.org

Time: 6:30pm
RSVPs appreciated but not required
Refreshments will be served

... featured HI hostel:

HI-Sacramento

Skiing in Tahoe this winter? Why not plan an overnight or two in sunny Sacramento, starting at \$23/night? The Sacramento Hostel is housed in a beautiful 19th century mansion, one of the few surviving Gold Rush-era buildings on Sacramento's Merchant Row. A restored grand entry, vaulted ceilings, wood paneling, chandeliers, stained glass skylight, and fireplaces with original hand-painted tiles all add to the historic appeal of this uniquely refined hostel.



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About our hostels

Click the links below
to learn more about
HI hostels in
Oregon:

[HI-Portland
Hawthorne](#)

[HI-Portland
Northwest](#)

[HI-Seaside](#)

Volunteer with us

We have many
opportunities for
volunteers and
interns.

A brochure of all of
our volunteer
opportunities is on
our website:
Oregonhostels.org

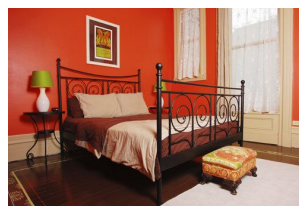
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for more
information!

Learn about our cultural programs!

[World Travel 101](#)
[Cultural Kitchen](#)
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Postal Stamp Initiative

Hostelling is
celebrating its
100th anniversary



Relaxing common areas include:

- Elegant front parlor
- Drawing room with piano
- Recreation room with games, library, and television (video/DVD rental available)

- Patio with fountain, barbecue, and umbrella tables
- Wrap-around veranda
- Landscaped garden
- Light-filled dining room (complete with chandelier!)

The Sacramento Hostel offers shared dorm rooms with 4-9 beds per room, as well as private rooms and family rooms.

For more information, visit <http://norcalhostels.org/sac>

Hostelling International USA Presents: Peace-ing Communities Together A Peacebuilding Conference for Young Adults

March 7-9th, 2008 House of Pacific Relations, Balboa Park

The San Diego Council of Hostelling International USA presents the first HI-USA Peace Building Conference. Join young leaders (ages 18 to 29) to discuss ways to expand peace building efforts locally and globally.

- Discover how you can build a more peaceful world through travel
- Gain skills in cross-cultural communication, mediation and conflict resolution
- Help create a collaborative art project with the United Nations Association of San Diego
- Learn how you can take action in your community
- Meet like-minded young adults from around the country

Early Registration: \$35 Registration (after February 22): \$45

Registration Includes:

- All meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast)
- Workshops on components of peace building (click [here](#) for a detailed agenda)
- Discussions with peace building leaders in our community
- Saturday evening banquet including keynote speaker from the University of San Diego Joan Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice
- Opportunities to become involved with local peace building efforts

[See the Agenda](#)

in 2009. HI-USA is working with hostelling supporters worldwide to promote the multi-national issuance of postage stamps commemorating the Centennial of Hostelling.
[Sign our petition!](#)

Our Mission

To help all, especially the young, gain a greater understanding of the world and its people through hostelling

Our Vision

For hostellers to become caring world citizens who are catalysts for intercultural exchange and understanding, and who are stewards of the earth



[Register now!](#)

Local Partners:

- [United Nations Association of San Diego](#)
- [House of Pacific Relations](#) and International Cottages
- [House of Ireland](#)
- [USD Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice](#)
- Miramar College Students for Peace
- San Diego City College Peace Studies Program

Coming from out of town? Accommodations are available for an additional cost at our two HI-San Diego hostels, located in Downtown's Gaslamp Quarter and Point Loma. Please reserve your room by Feb. 7 to guarantee availability. To make a reservation, please email Iain Baker at ibaker@sandiegohostels.org and mention that you are attending the Peace Building Conference: **Questions?** Please contact Laura at (619) 338-9981, ext. 14.

Other Winter Events

Every Sunday 11am-1pm-ish

[Gracie's Sunday Brunch - Sundays at the HI-Portland Hawthorne Hostel](#)

We've been doing brunch at the Hostel for over a year and a half! But wait...you still haven't stopped by? Well, come on down! There is always plenty of food available, but you can make it EVEN BETTER by bringing your own special dish! Brunch is what we make of it!

And we've been making it good! Recipes tested and perfected in the Gracie's Kitchen Laboratory include the famous tofu scramble and vegan biscuits and gravy good enough to fool the most ardent dairy-vore. And we'll be making those recipes, and others, this week!



Don't forget, brunch is a great opportunity to try out your conversation skills. Who knows who will be there? This may be a good opportunity to test your foreign language skills: the Hawthorne Hostel is an international place! Or pick up the guitar and serenade us all with brunch music. We won't even care if all you can play is "Stairway"!

WHAT TO BRING: a dish to share, raw ingredients to make stuff, or a modest monetary donation to pay for supplies. And you can always help the Gracie's Chefs!

Every First Thursday 6:35pm

[First Thursday Art Walk - starting at the HI-Portland Northwest Hostel](#)

Join us on our walking tour for travelers and visit art galleries,

an art college, and other hot spots in the Pearl. Cost: free.
Registration required - manager@nwportlandhostel.com

Monday February 25, 2008 7pm

[2-Taco Night - at the HI-Portland Hawthorne Hostel](#)

Hola, amigos! To ward of the gloom of late winter, we will be getting into a South of the Border groove! We'll be serving up some of our special house tacos. Options for carnivores, vegetarians, and vegans. Three bucks will get you a plate of tacos! Volunteers needed!

Saturday March 15, 2008 6:30pm

[Belgian Food Night - at the HI-Portland Northwest Hostel](#)

Join John Sebastien from Belgium for an authentic Belgian dinner and a brief presentation about his home country. Cost: \$3. Registration required - manager@nwportlandhostel.com

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[HI-Portland Northwest Hostel:](#)

info@nwportlandhostel.com

503-241-2783

[425 NW 18th Avenue \(at NW Glisan\)](#)

Hostelling International would love to hear your suggestions for other cultural learning events, and we welcome volunteers and new partners. Please contact us with questions or ideas at (503) 239-0030 or council@oregonhostels.org.

Sincerely,

Lee Ann Moldovanyi
Oregon Council of Hostelling International

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