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Exchange Guide

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Schedule

Saturday, October 26

Washington, DC

2:05pm Arrive at **Dulles International Airport (IAD)**

Please proceed through customs and immigration. Ms. Natalie DeV Vaughn, Program Officer (410-570-8469) will meet you in international arrivals

4:00pm Depart for hotel

5:00pm Arrive at and check in to hotel:

Residence Inn Dupont Circle

2120 P Street NW
Washington, DC 20037
Tel: 202-466-6800

6:45pm Meet in hotel lobby and walk to dinner

7:00pm Welcome dinner at **Leziz Cafe**

Location: 2016 P St NW

Sunday, October 27

Washington, DC/Arlington

Attire: *Casual*

Breakfast: *At the hotel*

Additional: *Please wear comfortable shoes will be necessary for today's activities*

9:45am Meet in hotel lobby

9:30am Depart for first activity

10:30am Visit and tour **Arlington National Cemetery**

Location: Arlington, VA 22211

11:30am Depart for next activity

12:00pm Lunch at Sweetgreen salads

Location: 3200 Wilson Blvd

1:00pm Meet guide for **Washington, D.C. Monuments Tour**

Highlights include: Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam War Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, and Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial.

3:00pm Visit to the **Smithsonian Air and Space Museum**
Location: 600 Independence Avenue

5:30pm Depart for hotel

Free evening – please use your per diem for dinner.

Monday, October 28
Washington, D.C.

Affire: **Business**
Breakfast: **At the hotel**
Additional: **Please bring your passport to today's meetings**

9:00am Meet in hotel lobby

9:15am Depart for first meeting

9:30am Meeting with **Ms. Libby Rosenbaum**
CEO, ACYPL
[ACYPL alumna to China 2009 and Argentina 2019]

Topic: ACYPL welcome and delegate expectations
Location: 1030 15th Street NW, Suite 580 West

10:30am Depart for next meeting

11:00am Meeting and tour of the **Chinese American Museum**

In attendance will be:

Ms. Jenny Liu
Vice President, Chinese American Museum

Topic: History of Chinese immigrants and culture
Location: 1218 16th St NW

12:00pm Depart for lunch meeting

12:30pm Lunch hosted by **Mr. Ken Gross**
Partner, Skadden Arps, Slate, Meagher, & Flom LLP
[China 40th Anniversary 2019]

Topic: Campaign finance in the U.S.
Location: 1440 New York Ave NW

2:15pm Depart for next meeting

3:00pm Meeting with The **US Department of State**

In attendance will be:
The Honorable Jonathan Fritz

Deputy Assistant Secretary for China, Mongolia, and Taiwan Coordination, Bureau of East Asia and Pacific Affairs, US Department of State

Topic: U.S. – China relations
Location: 2201 C street NW

4:00pm Depart for hotel

Afternoon activities are pending

5:45pm Meet in lobby

6:00pm Depart for dinner

6:15pm Dinner hosted by **Ms. Maggie Mick**
Chief Advancement Officer, the Council of State Governments
[ACYPL Trustee, China 2011, and Turkey 2015]

Location: Zaytinya, 701 9th Street NW

8:45pm Return to hotel

Tuesday, October 29
Washington, D.C.

Attire: **Business**
Breakfast: **At the hotel**
Additional: **Please bring your passport with you to today's meetings**

9:00am Meet in hotel lobby

9:15am Depart for first meeting

9:30am Meeting with representative(s) from the **American Heart Association**

In attendance will be:

Ms. Emily Holubowich
Vice President, Federal Advocacy, American Heart Association

Ms. Diana Vaca McGhie
Global Advocacy Manager, American Heart Association

Topic: Healthcare in the U.S.
Location: 1150 Connecticut Ave NW

10:30am Depart for next meeting

10:45am Meeting with **Mr. Brian Diffell**
President, Washington Tax and Public Policy Group
[ACYPL Trustee, China 2001, and North Macedonia 2018]

Topic: US Tax and Trade law

Location: 1030 15th Street NW

11:45am Depart for next meeting

12:00pm Lunch meeting hosted by **Ms. Leigh Moyers**
Senior Manager, Federal Government Affairs, The Toy Association
[Japan 2016]

Topic: The Toy Association and China relations
Location: 1200 G Street NW

1:30pm Depart for next meeting

Mr. Li Keyong will depart for Dulles International Airport at this time.

2:00pm Meeting with **Mr. Pat Butler**
Vice President of Programs, International Center for Journalists (ICFJ)

Topic: International Programs at ICFJ
Location: 2000 M Street NW

3:30pm Depart for hotel

4:30pm Meet in hotel lobby

5:00pm Attend the **ACYPL-ACYF 40th Anniversary Reception**

In attendance:
The Honorable Betsy DeVos
Secretary, US Department of Education
[China 1988]

And representative(s) of the **ACYPL Board of Trustees**

Location: 1425 K street NW, Suite 300

7:00pm Depart for dinner

7:15pm Dinner hosted by **Mr. Brian Diffell**
President, Washington Tax and Public Policy Group
[ACYPL Trustee, China 2001, and North Macedonia 2018]

Location: Sichuan Pavilion, 1814 K St NW

8:30pm Return to hotel

Wednesday, October 30
Washington, D.C./Lansing, MI

Attire: Business
Breakfast: Available in hotel

Additional: **Please pay for any incidentals and check out of hotel. Please have your passport readily accessible**

9:00am Meet in hotel lobby and load luggage onto bus

9:15am Depart for first meeting

10:00am Meeting with **The Honorable Julia Chang Bloch**
President, U.S. – China Education Trust
Former US Ambassador to Nepal
[China 1977 and China 40th Anniversary 2019]

Topic: Experiences in international relations
Location: 2660 Connecticut Avenue NW
Contact: Laurie Size – 443-249-3533

11:30am Depart for next meeting

12:00pm Lunch meeting with representative(s) from the **Embassy of China**

In attendance:

Minister Counselor Yin Chengwu

Chief, Congressional and Subnational Affairs

Topic: Operations of the Embassy in the U.S.
Location: 4500 E W highway #100, Bethesda

1:00pm Depart for next meeting

Afternoon meetings are pending

3:00pm Depart for airport

3:30pm Arrive at **Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA)**

Check into flight and proceed through security

5:07pm **American Airlines #5652** departs Washington, DC

7:02pm Arrive at **Capital Region International Airport (LAN)**

7:30pm Collect luggage and depart for hotel

Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center

219 S Harrison Road
East Lansing, MI, 48824
Tel: (517) 432-4000

8:00pm Meet in hotel lobby

8:15pm Depart for dinner

8:30pm Dinner with **Mr. Nathan Triplett**
Democratic Legal Counsel, Michigan House of Representatives
State Host
[Ghana and South Africa 2014]

And **The Honorable Marlon Brown**
Mayor Pro Tem, Mason City Council
State Host
[Japan 2018]

Location: The State Room, 219 S Harrison Road

9:30pm Return to hotel

Thursday, October 31
Lansing, MI

Affire: ***Business***
Breakfast: ***Refer to schedule***
Additional: ***Today is Halloween Day in the US***

8:30am Meet in hotel lobby

8:45am Depart for first meeting

9:00am Breakfast meeting with **local young legislators in Lansing**

Topic: State and local policymaking process
Location: Pending

10:30am Depart for next meeting

11:00am Meeting with **The Honorable Heaster Wheeler**
Assistant Secretary of State, State of Michigan

And **Ms. Jenita Moore**
Legislative Liaison, Department of State of Michigan

Topic: Elections and legal process in Michigan
Location: Pending

12:00pm Depart for lunch

12:15pm Lunch

1:30pm Depart for next meeting

2:00pm Meeting with **The Honorable Bridget McCormack**
Chief Justice, Michigan Supreme Court

Topic: Judicial system in Michigan

Location: Pending

3:30pm Depart for next meeting

4:00pm Meeting with **Ms. Lavora Barnes**
Chair, Michigan Democratic Party

Topic: Democratic party platform in Michigan
Location: Pending

5:00pm Return to hotel

Free evening – please use your per diem for dinner.

Friday, November 1

Lansing, MI/Detroit, MI/Dearborn, MI

Affire: Business
Breakfast: Available at hotel
Additional: Please pay for any incidentals and check out of hotel

8:00am Meet in lobby

8:15am Depart for first meeting

8:30am Discussion on economic development with representatives from the **Lansing City Council, Lansing Chamber of Commerce, Office of the Mayor of Lansing**

Topic: Economic development issues
Location: Michigan State Capitol, 100 N Capitol Ave

9:30am Tour of the **Michigan State Capitol**

10:30am Depart for **Detroit, MI**

1:00pm Tour of **Belle Isle Park** with **Ms. Michele Hodges**
President, Belle Isle Conservancy

Topic: Historic preservation and sustainability
Location: Belle Isle

1:30pm Depart for next activity

2:00pm Tour of the **Henry Ford Museum** with **Mr. George Moroz**
Special Assistant to the President of the Museum, Henry Ford Museum

Topic: History of automobiles in US
Location: 20900 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn, MI

Late afternoon and evening activities are pending

4:00pm Arrive at and check in to hotel:

Trumbull & Porter Hotel

1331 Trumbull Avenue
Detroit, MI 48216
Tel: 313-496-1400

7:00pm Dinner

Location: Pending

Saturday, November 2

Detroit, MI

Attire: *Casual*
Breakfast: *At the hotel*

*Today's activities are pending but will include visits to **Detroit Institute of Arts**, a **history tour of Detroit**, and a meeting with **Mr. Jonathan Quarles**, President, BTL Group, [Romania & Croatia 2011].*

Sunday, November 3

Detroit, MI/Portland, OR

Attire: *Casual*
Breakfast: *See below*
Additional: *Please pay for any incidentals and check out of hotel. Please have your passport readily accessible; Today is the end of the Daylight Savings Time in the US— please set your clocks back one hour*

6:30am Meet in lobby

6:45am Depart for airport

7:15am Arrive at **Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW)**

Check into flight and proceed through security

Please use your per diem for breakfast

8:35am **Delta Airlines #0403** departs Detroit

10:32am Arrive at **Portland International Airport (PDX)**

11:00am Collect luggage and depart for hotel

Mark Spencer Hotel

409 SW 11th Avenue
Portland, OR, 97205
Tel: (503) 224-3293

11:30am Meet in hotel lobby

11:45am Depart for lunch

- 12:15pm Lunch hosted by **Portland-Suzhou Sister City Association**
- In attendance will be:
Ms. Felicita Monteblanco
 Chair, Board of Directors, Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District
 State Host
 [China 2019]
- Ms. Bonnie Starkey**
 Vice President, Portland-Suzhou Sister City Association
- Location: Red Robe Restaurant – 301 NW Davis Street
- 1:15pm Depart for first activity
- 1:30pm Tour of **Portland China Town Museum**
- Location: 127 NW 3rd Ave
- 2:30pm Depart for next activity
- 3:30pm Visit to the **Lan Su Chinese Garden**
- Location: 239 NW Everett St
- 4:30pm Depart for next activity
- 5:00pm Happy hour hosted by **The Honorable Daniel Nguyen**
 Member, Lake Oswego City Council
- And **Ms. Katherine Lam**
 Member, Business Oregon Commission
- Also in attendance:
 Representative(s) of the **Asian American and Pacific Islander Caucus of the Democratic Party of Oregon**
- Location: 3682 SW Bond Ave

Free evening; please use your per diem for dinner.

Monday, November 4
Portland, OR

Attire: *Business casual*
Breakfast: *Available in hotel*

- 9:00am Meet in hotel lobby
 9:15am Depart for first meeting
- 9:30am Welcome from **Ms. Vailey Oehlke**
 Director of Libraries, Multnomah County Center Library

Topic: Overview of US public library system
Location: 801 SW 10th Avenue

10:00am Meeting with **Mr. Dan Valliere**
Chief Executive Officer, Reach Community Development Center

Topic: Homelessness in Portland
Location: 801 SW 10th Avenue

11:00am Depart for next activity

11:15am Tour of **Multnomah County Central Library**

In attendance:
The Honorable Lori Stegmann
Commissioner, Multnomah County District 4

Location: 801 SW 10th Ave

12:00pm Depart for lunch

Please use your per diem for lunch

1:00pm Depart for next activity

1:30pm Tour of **Oregon Zoo**

In attendance:
Dr. Donald E. Moore
Director, Oregon Zoo

The Honorable Juan Carlos Gonzalez
Member, Metro Council District 4

The Honorable Christine Lewis
Member, Metro Council District 2

Location: 4001 SW Canyon Rd

3:30pm Depart for next activity

4:00pm Tour of the **Portland Children's Museum**

In attendance:
Ms. Ruth Shelly
Executive Director, Portland Children's Museum

Location: 4015 SW Canyon Road

5:00pm Return to hotel

Free evening; please use your per diem for dinner.

Tuesday, November 5

Portland, OR/Beaverton, OR

Attire: *Business casual*

Breakfast: *Available in hotel*

Additional: *If you have them, please wear Nike shoes to the Nike tour—if you do not have Nike shoes, we ask that you kindly avoid wearing shoes from Nike competitor brands*

8:45am Meet in hotel lobby

9:00am Depart for first activity

9:30am Tour of **Vernier Software and Technologies**

In attendance:

The Honorable Janeen Sollman

Member, Oregon State Legislature

Purchasing & Inventory Assistant, Vernier Software and Technologies

Topic: Technology in STEM education

Location: 13979 SW Millikan Way

10:30am Tour of **Nike World Headquarters, Inc.**

In attendance will be:

Ms. Julie Brim Edwards

Global Senior Director for Government Affairs

Ms. Ashley Hartmeier Prigg

Business Operations Manager, Nike

Topic: Global relations and manufacturing

Location: Pending

11:30am Depart for next activity

11:45am Visit to **Nike Employee Store**

12:30pm Depart for **Beaverton, OR**

1:00pm Lunch meeting with **Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department**

In attendance:

Mr. Doug Menke

General Manager, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department

Topic: Special Districts

Location: 15655 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton

1:30pm Meeting with **Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department**

Board Members

In attendance:

Ms. Wendy Kroger

Board Member, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department (THPRD)

Ms. Heidi Edwards

Board Member, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department (THPRD)

Topic: Overview of parks and recreation departments

Location: 15655 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton

2:15pm Depart for next meeting

2:30pm Meet and greet with **The Honorable Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR)**
Member, US House of Representatives

3:00pm **Beaverton, OR Winery tour and tasting** with **Ms. Lorraine Clarno**
CEO, Beaverton Chamber of Commerce

Topic: Winery tour and tasting

Location: PENDING

4:30pm Depart for dinner

5:00pm Dinner hosted by the **City of Beaverton**

In attendance:

Ms. Ashley Harmier-Prigg

Director, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department

The Honorable Lacey Beaty

Member, Beaverton City Council

The Honorable Mohamed Alyajouri

Member, Portland Community College Board of Directors

Ms. Tya Ping

Secretary/Director, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department

Location: Pending

6:30pm Observe **Beaverton City Council Meeting**

Please note that the delegation will be formally recognized during the meeting

7:00pm Return to hotel

Wednesday, November 6
Portland/Wilsonville, OR/West Linn, OR

Attire: **Business casual**
Breakfast: **Available in hotel and refer to schedule**
Additional: **Please wear comfortable walking shoes for today's activities**

8:45am Meet in hotel lobby and walk to **Voodoo Donuts**

9:30am Walk to tour the **University of Oregon, White Stag Building**

Location: 70 NW Couch St

9:45am Meet and greet with **Ms. Angela Wilhelms**
Secretary, University of Oregon
[Brazil 2011]

10:00am Meeting with **Mr. Hans Bernard**
Associate Vice President for State and Community Affairs, University of Oregon

Topic: Government relations at a public university

11:15am Lunch

12:00pm Lunch meeting with **Ms. Chris Otis**
Executive Director, SMART Reading

And **Ms. Jessica Bowersox**
Communications Director, SMART Reading

1:00pm Depart for **Wilsonville, OR**

1:30pm Tour of **Wilsonville Water Treatment Plant**

In attendance:
Ms. Chelsea Martin
Vice-Chair, West Linn-Wilsonville School District
[Brazil 2017]

And **Ms. Jenni Tan**
Former Member, West Linn City Council
[Indonesia and Malaysia 2015]

3:30pm Depart for next activity

4:00pm Tour of **Oregon Institute of Technology – Portland-Metro**

In attendance:
Ms. Di Saunders
Associate Vice President, Communications and Public Affairs, Oregon Institute of
Technology – Portland-Metro

Location: 27500 SW Parkway Ave, Wilsonville, OR

5:30pm Depart for dinner

6:00pm Dinner hosted by the **City of West Linn**

In attendance will be:
The Honorable Russ Axelrod
Mayor, City of West Linn

Location: Pending

7:30pm Return to hotel

Thursday, November 7
Portland, OR

Attire: ***Casual***

Breakfast: ***Available at the hotel***

Additional: ***Please pay for any incidentals and check out of hotel. Please have your passport readily accessible***

4:45am Meet in hotel lobby and load luggage onto bus

5:00am Depart for airport

5:25am Arrive at **Portland International Airport (PDX)**

Check into flight and proceed through security

7:30am **United Airlines #1410** departs Portland

****End of Program****

Schedule Notes

Sunday, October 27

Arlington National Cemetery serves as a cemetery and a memorial to Americans including presidents, Supreme Court justices and countless military personal. The cemetery was established during the Civil War as a final resting place for Union soldiers on approximately 200 acres of Mary Custis Lee's 1,100-acre Arlington estate. The property was expanded over the years to encompass more than 624 acres of burial grounds of more than 400,000 American servicemen. Each year, more than four million people visit Arlington, attending graveside services and special ceremonies to pay tribute to veterans and historical figures.

The **Smithsonian Institution** was established with funds from James Smithson, a British scientist who left his estate to the United States "*to found in Washington, under the name of the Smithsonian Institution, an establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men.*" An Act of Congress, signed by President James Polk in 1846, established the Smithsonian as a trust to be administered by a Board of Regents and a Secretary, and since its founding, the Smithsonian has become the world's largest museum and research complex, with 19 museums, the National Zoo, and nine research facilities.

The National Air and Space Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, also called the Air and Space Museum, is a museum in Washington, D.C. It was established in 1946. The National Air and Space Museum is a center for research into the history and science of aviation and spaceflight, as well as planetary science and terrestrial geology and geophysics. Almost all space and aircraft on display are originals or the original backup craft. The museum contains the Apollo 11 command module, the Friendship 7 capsule which was flown by John Glenn, Charles Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis, the Bell X-1 which broke the sound barrier, the model of the starship Enterprise used in the science fiction television show Star Trek: The Original Series, and the Wright brothers' airplane near the entrance.

The Lincoln Memorial is a national monument built to honor Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States (1860-1865). In 1861, the US was sharply divided on the issue of slavery and the rights of individual states to enforce that practice. The Northern and Southern states worked to formulate a compromise and when none could be reached, the South seceded and plunged the US into the Civil War. President Lincoln not only saved the Union, preserving the government and the national boundaries, but also emancipated all Southern slaves in 1863. In both his life and death, Lincoln has been an inspiration for many and is considered one of the greatest Presidents in American history. He was assassinated in 1865, a month before the Civil War ended.

The **Vietnam War Memorial** honors the more than 58,000 US service members who died in Vietnam War from 1959-1975. It was designed by Maya Lin in 1981, then an undergraduate at Yale University, who won a public design competition beating 1,441 other submissions. The black cut-stone masonry wall, with the names of fallen soldiers carved into its face, was dedicated on November 13, 1982.

The Korean War Memorial commemorates the 5.8 million Americans in the US armed services who died during the Korean War from 1950-1953. The memorial was dedicated on July 27, 1995.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial was dedicated in 2011 in honor of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. who is considered one of the great leaders of the African-American Civil Rights Movement. He preached the use of non-violent protests to propel the Civil Rights Movement forward, and thousands of African-Americans and whites participated in sit-ins, boycotts and

marches throughout the 1950s-1960s. He was also a renowned writer and orator who delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during the March on Washington in 1963 and was the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. He was assassinated on a hotel balcony in Memphis, Tennessee in 1968 at the age of 39.

The Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial honors the four-term president Franklin Roosevelt. The memorial is divided into four outdoor "rooms", which mirror his terms, and they hold statues and murals that represent issues from the Great Depression to World War II.

Monday, October 28

Libby Rosenbaum serves as the Chief Executive Officer overseeing the ACYPL's fundraising, communications, grants management, new business development, and strategic planning. Libby previously served as the Vice President of Programs and Communications. Prior to this, Libby served as the Education Partnerships Manager at the British Council where she promoted and established US-UK university research collaborations and planned international summits devoted to higher education best practice. She also served as the Major Gifts Officer at the Center for American Progress, a progressive think tank, and as a fundraiser on the US Senate campaigns of Ken Salazar and Joe Hoeffel. Libby graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in political science and received a master's degree in politics and government of the European Union from the London School of Economics. She previously traveled on an ACYPL exchange to China in 2009 and Argentina in 2019.

The Chinese American Museum in Washington, D.C. is a museum with a mission to advance the understanding, knowledge, and appreciation of the Chinese American experience by highlighting shared cultural exchanges and stories of the spirit, resilience, and contributions of Chinese Americans throughout the past, present, and future. The museum is opening in phases over 2019 and 2020.

Jenny Liu is Vice President of the Chinese American Museum in Washington, D.C. Prior to a career in international consulting, she was an award-winning film editor originally from Shanghai. Jenny worked for Chinese and American consulting companies helping to advance Sino-American joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions in the US and China. In addition to her position at the museum, Jenny serves as the Vice President of the Philip Qiu and Family Foundation in the United States, a nonprofit organization focusing on helping disabled children through art and musical therapies and education in public and private schools in the US.

Ken Gross is a partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher, & Flom LLP, where he advises clients on matters relating to the regulation of political activity. An authority on campaign law compliance, gift and gratuity rules, lobby registration provisions, and securities laws regulating political activity and municipal securities transactions, Mr. Gross counsels numerous *Fortune* 500 corporations and political candidates at the state and federal level. Ken is a member of the executive committee and counsel to the American Council of Young Political Leaders. Ken received his bachelor's degree from the University of Bridgeport and his law degree from Emory University. He traveled with ACYPL on the China 40th Anniversary exchange in 2019.

The U.S. Department of State is the federal executive department responsible for the international relations of the United States, equivalent to the foreign ministries of other countries. The Department was created in 1789 and was the first executive department established. The Department operates the diplomatic missions of the United States abroad and is responsible for implementing the foreign policy and diplomacy efforts of the United States. The Department is led by Secretary Mike Pompeo who was nominated by President Trump and confirmed by the US Senate in April 2018.

Jonathan Fritz is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for China, Mongolia, and Taiwan Coordination in the Bureau of East Asia and Pacific Affairs at the US Department of State. Before that, he was the Director for Bilateral & Regional Affairs in the State Department's Office of International Communications & Information Policy. Prior to that he was posted at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, where he served alternately as Minister-Counselor for Economic Affairs, Chief of Staff, acting Deputy Chief of Mission, and chargé d'affaires. Jonathan spent two years at the U.S. Air Force Academy and graduated from Stanford University with a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in East Asian studies.

Maggie Mick serves as Chief Advancement Officer for The Council of State Governments, or CSG, nationally headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky. Maggie has experience at the international, federal, state, and local levels of government. Previous to her work with and on behalf of states at CSG, she served as an aide in the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate. From 2009-2012, she held public office as a member of the Lancaster City Council. Maggie received her bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas. She is an ACYPL Trustee and traveled on exchanges to China in 2011 and Turkey in 2015.

Tuesday, October 29

The **American Heart Association** is the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization dedicated to fighting heart disease and stroke. The American Heart Association's mission is to be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. Founded in 1924, the organization now includes more than 40 million volunteers and supporters. The American Heart Association funds innovative research, fights for stronger public health policies, and provides critical tools and information to save and improve lives.

Emily Holubowich is the Vice President of Federal Advocacy at the American Heart Association. Emily leads the American Heart Association's Federal Advocacy team, dedicated to advancing legislative and regulatory policy priorities in the areas of access to care, food and nutrition policy, public health and prevention, medical research funding, tobacco control and transportation policy. Emily has over 20 years of experience in health and fiscal policy, government relations, strategic communications and coalition building. Emily received her bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth and her master's degree in public policy from Johns Hopkins University.

Diana Vaca McGhie is the Global Advocacy Manager at the American Heart Association. As Global Advocacy Manager, Diana develops strategies and global opportunities to build government and public support for the control of cardiovascular disease and stroke. In her role, Diana serves as the agency representative to multilateral organizations and builds strategic relationships to accomplish organizational goals. Diana received her bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Stony Brook and received her master's degree in health policy and administration from New York University.

Brian Diffell is the President at the WTG Global, where he assists clients with legislative projects using his government and private sector experience. Prior to this, Brian had a 12-year long congressional career where he served in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. While serving as a Legislative Policy Advisor in Congress, he focused on many issues including international trade and foreign policy. Brian is a former ACYPL Program Officer and has traveled on ACYPL exchanges to China in 2001 and North Macedonia in 2018. He also serves as the Treasurer of ACYPL's Board of Trustees.

Leigh Moyers is Senior Manager of Federal Government Affairs at the Toy Association where she advocates on international trade issues, product safety, marketing and advertising to children

and environmental sustainability. She previously worked on Capitol Hill as a Legislative Assistant in the U.S. House of Representatives and Director of Operations in the U.S. Senate. After eight years of service on Capitol Hill, she joined Feld Entertainment (producers of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, Disney on Ice, Monster Jam, and Sesame Street Live) as Manager of Government Relations working closely with local, state, and federal government officials. Leigh traveled with ACYPL to Japan in 2018.

The **Toy Association** is a trade association that represents the US toy industry. Its member companies account for nearly 85 percent of toy sales within the US, generating almost \$27 billion in retail sales. The association also sponsors two major annual trade fairs: The North American International Toy Fair and the Fall Toy Preview.

Patrick Butler is the Vice President of Programs at the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ), overseeing as many as 70 programs carried out each year. He has worked with journalists around the country to improve news coverage, especially focusing on elections, and establish journalism programs in universities. He has previously served at ICFJ as Program Director, Director of Training, and Vice President of Programs. He has degrees in journalism and Spanish from the University of Missouri.

The **International Center for Journalists (ICFJ)** is a non-profit, professional organization that promotes journalism worldwide. Founded in 1984, ICFJ has worked with more than 70,000 journalists from more than 180 countries. Among their programs includes hands-on training, workshops, seminars, fellowships, and international exchanges for reporters and media managers.

The Honorable Elisabeth 'Betsy' DeVos is the 11th US Secretary of Education, having been appointed in 2016 by Donald Trump. Secretary DeVos is also the founder and chairwoman of the Windquest Group, a private group that invests in technology, manufacturing, and clean energy. Active in politics for over 35 years, she was chairwoman of the Michigan Republican party from 1996 to 2000 and a Republican National Committeewoman between 1992-1997. She is the former chair of both the American Federation for Children and The Philanthropy Roundtable board of directors and served on a number of other national and local boards including ArtPrize, American Enterprise Institute, Foundation for Excellence in Education, and the DeVos Institute for Arts Management at the University of Maryland. Secretary DeVos has a bachelor's degree in business economics from Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She previously served on ACYPL's Board of Trustees and traveled with ACYPL to China in 1988.

Wednesday, October 30

Julia Chang Bloch was the first US ambassador of Asian descent and the founder and current president of the US-China Education Trust. Ambassador Bloch has over 25 years of government experience, including her ambassadorship to the Kingdom of Nepal from 1989-1993. She moved to the corporate sector in 1993, holding various positions at Bank of America. She began a career in philanthropy in 1996, beginning with a focus on Japan but refocusing on China in 1998. She earned a bachelor's degree in communications and public policy from the University of California, Berkeley, and a master's degree in government and East Asia regional studies from Harvard University. She was awarded an honorary doctorate of Humane Letters from Northeastern University. Julia traveled on ACYPL exchanges to China in 1977 and 2019.

The **Embassy of the People's Republic of China** in Washington, D.C. is the diplomatic mission of China in the United States. It is located in the Van Ness neighborhood and was designed with the consultancy of I. M. Pei. The current ambassador is His Excellency Cui Tiankai.

Yin Chengwu is the Chief of the Congressional and Sub-national Affairs section of the Embassy of the People's Republic China in Washington, DC. In this role, he liaises at the state level with representatives around the United States and in Washington, D.C.

Lansing is the capital of the US state of Michigan. The city was first settled in 1836 and replaced Detroit as Michigan's capital in 1847. According to the 2010 census, Lansing has a population of 114,297, making it the fifth largest city in the state of Michigan. Apart from being the center of Michigan's government, Lansing is home to several educational institutions including Michigan State University.

Nathan Triplett is the Democratic Legal Counsel for the Michigan House of Representatives. He was formerly the Political Director of Equality Michigan and was the Mayor of the City of East Lansing, elected in 2013 after serving on the East Lansing City Council in 2007. Nathan has also served as an Officer of both the Ingham County Democratic Party and the Michigan Democratic Party and has been recognized with the ICDP Volunteer of the Year Award and the MDP Young Democrat of the Year Award. Nathan graduated from Michigan State University in with degrees in political theory/constitutional democracy and social relations. He received his master's degree in public policy from the University of Michigan and a JD from the Michigan State University College of Law. Nathan previously traveled on an ACYPL exchange to Ghana and South Africa in 2014.

Marlon Brown was first elected to the Mason City Council in 2012 and presently serves as Mayor Pro Tem. Marlon also works for the State of Michigan as a section manager in the State Budget Office, providing management and oversight of fiscal and policy analysis concerning the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. Marlon previously served as Treasurer of the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce, Chairperson of the Mason Sesquicentennial Anniversary Steering Committee, and the Secretary of the Ingham County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. Marlon earned a bachelor's degree in political science from American University in Washington, DC, a master's degree in public administration from the University of Delaware, and is currently pursuing a doctorate in public administration at Valdosta State University. Marlon previously traveled on an ACYPL exchange to Japan in 2018.

Thursday, October 31

Heaster Wheeler is the Assistant Secretary of State of Michigan. Wheeler is a past assistant county executive for Wayne County and served as executive director of the NAACP's Detroit branch for more than a decade. He has been chief innovation officer with Black Family Development and is the founder and CEO of his own company, providing leadership, community engagement and government affairs consultation. Wheeler received his bachelor's degree from Wayne County Community College and received his nonprofit management certification from Harvard University.

Jenita Moore is the legislative liaison for the Department of State of Michigan. Jenita received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and received her master's degree in public administration from Western Michigan University.

Bridget McCormack is the Chief Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, a position she has held since January 2019. Prior to her election to the court as associate justice in 2012, Bridget was a professor at the University of Michigan Law School in Ann Arbor, where she taught criminal law and legal ethics and oversaw the law school's clinical programs as associate dean of clinical affairs. Bridget has been published in the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, the *Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics*, the *Tennessee Law Review*, and the *Windsor Access to Justice Journal*. Her research and scholarship focus on issues surrounding legal ethics and

education, wrongful conviction, and issues of clinical pedagogy. Bridget received her bachelor's degree from Trinity College and earned her law degree from New York University School of Law.

Lavora Barnes is the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party. In February 2019, Barnes was chosen to lead the organization by its members, making her the first person of color elected to serve as state party chair in Michigan. Barnes is a veteran political strategist and operative with extensive leadership and management experience in public relations, communications, politics, and media at the national, state and local levels. Lavora has held numerous state-level leadership positions, including Chief Operating Officer for the Michigan Democratic Party, Political and Communications Director for the Michigan House Democratic Caucus, and Michigan State Director for Obama for America in 2012. Lavora received her bachelor's degree in government from the College of William and Mary.

Friday, November 1

The **Michigan State Capitol** is the building that houses both the chambers and offices of the Michigan Legislature. Completed in 1878 and inaugurated in 1879, it also hosts the ceremonial offices of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor and is the third building to house the Michigan government.

Detroit is the largest city in the state of Michigan. Located in Wayne County, Detroit has historically been a major industrial hub for the entire United States. Detroit has long been a center for the automobile industry, with the "Big Three" (General Motors, Ford, and Chrysler) automobile manufacturers all being headquartered in the city. In the 2010 census, Detroit had a population of 713,777, making it the 23rd largest city in the United States.

Belle Isle is an island in the Detroit River that is home to Belle Isle Park. Connected to Detroit by the MacArthur Bridge, the park contains several tourist attractions. These include the Belle Isle Aquarium, the Belle Isle Conservatory, the Belle Isle Nature Center, and more. The park was originally a city park, but, in 2013, it was converted into a state park under the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Michele Hodges has been the president of Belle Isle Conservancy since 2013. In this role, she oversees all programs, projects, and organizational growth, while also maintaining important relationships for the Conservancy. Before her time as president, she held a variety of municipal positions including President of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, where she worked from 2001 to 2012. Michele has a bachelor's degree in urban planning from Michigan State University.

The **Henry Ford Museum** (known simply as "The Henry Ford") is a history museum complex in Dearborn, Michigan. The museum is noted for the vast collection of machinery commemorating the industrial revolution in the United States, along with a collection of significant artifacts from American history.

George Moroz is Special Assistant to the President of the Henry Ford Museum. He has worked as Special Assistant since 1996 and is charged with overseeing the museum's external affairs and government relations divisions. Before his work at the Henry Ford, he was Acting Vice President for Development at the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, where he oversaw all of the organization's fundraising activity. George holds a PhD. in analytic philosophy from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Saturday, November 2

The **Detroit Institute of Arts**, established in 1883, is one of the largest art museums in the United States. The institute has over 100 galleries, containing exhibits spanning from ancient Egyptian and European works to contemporary art. The total works contained number around 65,000. The institute sees over 677,500 visitors annually, making it one of the most visited art museums in the world.

Jonathan Quarles is the Founder and CEO of the BTL Group, a business and political consultancy organization. Jonathan founded BTL Group in 2003 and has provided services to multi-national corporations, political campaigns, nonprofits, and more. Jonathan recently founded a new company, SolAir water, a sustainable drinking water company in Flint, Michigan. Jonathan received his bachelor's degree from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and traveled on an ACYPL exchange to Romania and Croatia in 2011.

Sunday, November 3

Portland is the largest city in the US state of Oregon. It is located at the confluence of the Willamette and Columbia Rivers, and is a major transportation port for its region. In recent decades, the city has attained one of the highest quality-of-life rankings within the United States and is known for its environmentally-conscious citizenry. The 2010 Census listed a population of 583,776 residents, making Portland the 25th most populous city in the US.

Portland-Suzhou Sister City Association is a nonprofit founded in 1988 with a mission to foster cultural, economic, and academic exchange between China and the US. It is overseen by the Office of Government Affairs under the Mayor of the City of Portland. The organization is comprised of Members and is led by a Board of Directors, with an Executive Board consisting of a president, a vice-president, a treasurer, a secretary and a past-president.

Felicita Montebianco serves on the Board of the Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District, the largest special park district in Oregon. Felicita is also the Policy and Advocacy Officer for Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center serving over 48,000 patients in Washington and Yamhill Counties. In this role, she supports the efforts of the internal Equity Team and leads the work of the Advocacy Team. Previously, Felicita worked as a Development Associate at Albertina Kerr, a nonprofit service provider for children and families with emotional or mental health challenges. She has also frequently worked on local campaigns as a canvasser and field organizer. Currently, Felicita is an appointed board member of the Hillsboro Library and leads a Latinx community-building initiative. Felicita received a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of San Francisco. She also traveled on the ACYPL China 40th Anniversary exchange in 2019.

Bonnie Starkey is the Vice President of the Portland-Suzhou Sister City Association. Bonnie also serves on the Board of Directors at the Confucius Institute at Portland State University, whose goal is to promote a deeper understanding of Chinese language and culture in the greater Portland area and to foster mutually beneficial educational exchanges between the United States and China.

The **Portland Chinatown Museum** is a museum that showcases the historical Chinese immigrant experience in Portland. The museum is located in Portland's Old Town Chinatown neighborhood. It opened in 2018, with Jackie Peterson-Loomis serving as executive director.

The **Lan Su Chinese Garden** encloses a full city block (almost 4,000 m²) in Portland's Old Town Chinatown neighborhood. The garden draws heavy influence from the famous classical gardens of Suzhou. Ideas for a Chinese garden in Portland began after Suzhou and Portland became

sister cities in 1988. The Lan Su Garden was opened on September 14th, 2000 as the Portland Classical Chinese Garden, before being renamed to its current title in 2010.

The **Asian American and Pacific Islander Caucus of the Democratic Party of Oregon (AAPI-DPO)** represents and advocates for the interests of Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) throughout the state of Oregon. The caucus seeks both to increase the political activities of AAPI communities in Oregon, as well as ensuring state legislation properly accounts for the interests of AAPI communities.

Daniel Nguyen serves as a member of the City Council in Lake Oswego, a suburb of Portland. Before his election, he was a Co-owner of Bambuza Hospitality Group, LLC, which operates a number of Vietnamese restaurants within the Portland area. He has been a resident of Lake Oswego since 2010, and he is the first person of color elected to the City Council. Daniel has a bachelor's degree in business and public administration from the University of Puget Sound and an MBA from Marylhurst University.

Katherine Lam is the President and Co-Owner of Bambuza Hospitality Group, LLC. In this capacity she oversees the strategic growth of the company and fosters relationships with partner companies. She has a bachelor's degree from Pacific Lutheran University's School of Business and an MBA from Marylhurst University.

Monday, November 4

Vailey Oehlke was appointed Director of Libraries for Multnomah County in 2009. A longtime resident of Portland, she began her career at the library in 1997 as a youth librarian in the Multnomah County Library School Corps. After six years, she joined the staff of the downtown Central Library, first as a section administrator and then as director. She became the library's deputy director in 2008 and was promoted to director a year later. She graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Dan Valliere has worked as Chief Executive Officer for the Reach Community Development Center since 2013. In his previous role as Executive Director of Chicago Commons, a 100+ year old organization providing educational and human services, he oversaw an annual budget of \$20 million and 600 employees and led a strategic turnaround of the company. He also spearheaded the creation of the Back Office Cooperative, a consortium of Chicago non-profits that consolidated administrative services and achieved significant cost-savings. Dan has a master's degree in public affairs from the University of Texas and a certificate in executive leadership from Loyola University.

The **Multnomah County Central Library** is the main library servicing the downtown Portland area. There has been a library in central Portland since 1864, however the history of the modern Central Library begins in 1913. The current building was placed on the list of the National Register of Historic Places, and the interior of the building has undergone several extensive renovations, the most recent finished in 1997. The Central Library has a book capacity of 725,000.

Lori Stegmann has served as the Multnomah County Commissioner for District 4 since her election in 2016. As Commissioner, she introduced resolutions to create an apprenticeship training fund and dedicate funding to supportive housing in Multnomah County. She leads regional efforts for a complete and accurate Census 2020 count and represents Multnomah County in a national cohort through the National Association of Counties and the Gates Foundation to develop local strategies for economic mobility. She has a bachelor's degree in business from Portland State University.

The **Oregon Zoo** is the main zoo for the Portland Metropolitan Area. It was founded in 1888, making it the oldest zoo west of the Mississippi River. It currently holds more than 1,800 animals from more than 230 species, including 19 endangered species and 9 threatened species. The zoo also contains numerous specialized gardens home to a wide variety of plant life. Currently, the zoo is considered Oregon's most popular tourist attraction, with more than 1.6 million visitors in 2016.

Donald E. Moore has been the Director of the Oregon Zoo since 2016. Previously, he worked at the Smithsonian's National Zoo, holding a variety of positions relating to animal-care and conservation programs. He has led international workshops in modern zoo design and accreditation, animal behavior and enrichment, and ecotourism in Spain, Malaysia and South America, where he has conducted much of his conservation biology research. Donald earned his bachelor's and doctoral degrees in wildlife management and conservation biology from the State University of New York's College of Environmental Science and Forestry, as well as a master's degree in public administration from Syracuse University.

Juan Carlos González is a member of the Portland Metro Council, representing District 4. He previously worked at Centro Cultural, an organization that promotes the interests of Latino families within Washington County. On the Metro Council, he works to advocate for racial justice in land use planning, transportation investment and affordable housing. Juan Carlos has a degree in economics from Georgetown University.

Christine Lewis represents District 2 in the Portland Metro Council. In addition to her work on the council, she serves on the Willamette Locks Commission, the Willamette Falls Partners Group, the Oregon Zoo Foundation Board and the Community Placemaking Advisory Committee. Christine was the former Legislative Director at the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries. She has a decade of experience in state and local government and policy roles. In 2016, she managed the historic housing bond campaign in the City of Portland. Christine serves her community as chair of the West Linn Historic Review Board, a quasi-judicial land use committee, and chairs the Clackamas Vector Control District Budget Committee. Christine has a bachelor's degree in anthropology from Reed College.

The **Portland Children's Museum** is located in Portland's Washington Park neighborhood. The museum was opened in 1946, making it the sixth-oldest children's museum in the world and the oldest children's museum west of the Mississippi River. The mission of the museum is to create new learning experiences through the arts and sciences. Through this, the museum seeks to promote healthy cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development.

Ruth Shelly is the Executive Director of the Portland Children's Museum. She oversees a staff of 60 employees and administers the Opal School and Museum Center for Learning associated with the Children's Museum. Prior to this, Ruth was the Executive Director of the Milwaukee Children's Museum in Wisconsin. Ruth has a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Tuesday, November 5

Vernier Software and Technology is an educational software and equipment company based in Beaverton, Oregon. Vernier produces sensors and graphing software for science education and was one of the first companies to popularize the usage of computers and sensor technology in the field of education. The company produces a total of 75 sensor models and six data-collection interfaces.

Janeen Sollman is a Member of the Oregon House of Representatives for District 30. A Democrat, her district includes the cities of Banks, North Plains, Hillsboro, and Beaverton. She has been a member of the legislature since 2017, and previously served on the Hillsboro school board from 2009 until the year of her election. She has worked for Vernier Software and Technology for 22 years.

Nike, Inc. is an American multinational corporation that designs, develops, and manufactures apparel, footwear, and sports equipment. It is headquartered in Beaverton, Oregon, near Portland, and is the world's largest supplier of athletic shoes and apparel. In 2018, the company reported a total revenue of \$36.39 billion. Founded in 1964 as Blue Ribbon Sports and renamed to Nike in 1971, the company is responsible for a variety of brands and trademarks sold under the Nike name.

Julia Brim-Edwards is the Senior Director of Global Operations at Nike, Inc. She is also responsible for Operations, World Headquarters, and Public Engagement. Her professional career also includes 20 years of public policy experience, including service as a professional staff member in the U.S. Senate and the Oregon Legislature. She is a graduate of Oregon State University and currently serves on the University's Board of Trustees, as well as the Board of Trustees of Pacific University.

Ashley Hartmeier-Prigg is the Business Operations Manager at Nike, Inc. As manager, she works to build the vision and roadmap required for Nike to successfully execute operations and user services. Ashley had a career in law before coming to Nike, and in May 2019 she was elected to Position 3 of the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District. She has a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Portland.

Beaverton is the sixth-largest city in Oregon. It was founded in 1893 and has been home to a number of large businesses and corporations, including Nike, Inc. The city is named for its proximity to a large body of water resulting from beaver dams. The 2010 census listed the city's population as 89,803 residents.

The **Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department (THPRD)** is the largest special park and recreation service district in the state of Oregon. Its service area spans the City of Beaverton and many unincorporated areas of eastern Washington County. THPRD services around 250,000 residents and works to provide access to natural areas, and high-quality park and recreational facilities.

Doug Menke has been the general manager of the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department (THPRD) since 2006 and has worked in various capacities at THPRD since 1984. As general manager, Doug oversees the THPRD staff and reports to the THPRD Board of Directors.

Wendy Kroger is Director of the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department for Position 2. She began her position in 2018 and serves as the Secretary Pro Tempore for the Board of Directors. Wendy previously served on the Beaverton and Salem Planning Commissions, the Salem Environmental Commission, and the Salem-Keizer Urban Watershed Council. She's a founding member of the Salem Parks Foundation. Wendy has a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in counseling from the University of Oregon.

Heidi Edwards is Director of the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department for Position 4. She was first elected in 2019. Heidi has worked in higher education for over two decades both at Portland Community College (PCC) and Portland State University in various student affairs, workforce development, and teaching roles. She is also a union leader serving PCC's Federation

of Faculty and Academic Professionals. Previously, Heidi worked for the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization where she assisted newly-arrived refugees to learn English, transition into employment, and establish themselves in the Portland metropolitan area. She earned her bachelor's degree from Purdue University and master's degree from Portland State University.

Suzanne Bonamici is a Member of the United States House of Representatives, representing Oregon's 1st district. Suzanne was elected in 2012, and currently serves on the Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and the House Ocean's Caucus. She earned her bachelor's and law degrees at the University of Oregon.

Lorraine Clarno has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce since 2000. She first joined the Chamber in 1995, working as Program Director before becoming president. From 2007 to 2010, she further served as the president of the Hillsboro Band Boosters Association. She earned a bachelor's degree from Simon Fraser University.

Lacey Beaty is the City Councilor for Position 1 in Beaverton. Lacey is also the Director for Virginia Garcia's School-Based Health Clinics, overseeing six locations throughout Washington and Yamhill counties. She is active in the community including serving on the HomePlate Youth Services Board of Directors, as well as lacrosse coach at George Fox University. Lacey served five years active duty in the U.S. Army as a radiology specialist and combat medic. She served in the 1st Infantry Division during the Iraq War. She has a bachelor's degree in political science and government from Oregon State University and a master's degree in management and organizational leadership from Warner Pacific College.

Mohamed Alyajouri is a member of the Board of Trustees for Portland Community College and an appointed Commissioner on the Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs and an Advisory Board Member for WorldOregon. He is a Primary Care Practice Manager for Oregon Health and Science University. Mohamed has a bachelor's degree in health management and policy and a master's degree in public health from Oregon State University.

Tya Ping is a Director of the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation Department (THRPD) for Position 5. She is also the current secretary of the THRPD. She is a clinical pharmacist at Kaiser Permanente and has served on various boards including the Beaverton City Library Advisory Board and the Washington County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Tya earned her pharmacy doctorate from Oregon State University and the Oregon Health and Science University.

Beaverton City Council is a representative Council for Beaverton, Oregon, comprised of five members. They are all elected at-large, meaning that they each represent the whole City of Beaverton as opposed to a district. They serve four-year terms and meet four times a month.

Wednesday, November 6

The **White Stag Building** is the University of Oregon's main hub in Portland. It is the home of several of the university's academic departments as well as branches of the university's library. In particular, the White Stag is an important facility for the university's law program, and several classes, events, and other activities are held within the facility. The building has been owned by the University of Oregon since 2015.

Angela Wilhelms is Secretary of the University of Oregon. Prior to this she was an attorney with Dunn Carney of Portland where she focused on government affairs. She traveled with ACYPL to Brazil in 2011.

Hans Bernard is Associate Vice President for State and Community Affairs at the University of Oregon. In this position, he leads the University's state and community relations programs. Previous roles include serving as a Legislative Assistant and Policy Advisor to then Senate Majority Leader Kate Brown and the Senate Democratic Caucus, a Senior Policy Advisor and Deputy Legislative Director to Governor Ted Kulongoski, and vice president at a communications and public affairs firm. Most recently Hans worked with the Oregon Business Council lobbying the Oregon Legislature on higher education issues including strong support for Senate Bill 270 establishing the University of Oregon's institutional governing board.

University of Oregon is a public research university in Oregon. Opened in 1876, it is divided into five colleges (Arts and Sciences, Business, Design, Education, and Honors) and seven professional schools (Accounting, Architecture and Environment, Art and Design, Journalism and Communication, Law, Music and Dance, and Planning, Public Policy and Management) and a graduate school. It covers 295 acres and enrolls nearly 23,000 students.

Chris Otis is Executive Director of SMART Reading, a role she assumed in 2010. She has more than 20 years of experience in nonprofit leadership. Prior to joining SMART Reading, she served as executive director for the Children's Relief Nursery, a child abuse prevention program serving high-risk children and families in Portland. She has also served as the executive director for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation—Oregon Chapter.

SMART Reading is a nonprofit organization comprised of educators and volunteers who aim to increase literacy among children in Oregon. Founded in 1992, SMART Reading focuses on increasing one-on-one reading time and access to books for children in pre-kindergarten through third grade.

Jessica Bowersox is the Communications Director at SMART Reading, where she has worked since 2010. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Oregon and her master's degree from Willamette University.

Wilsonville is a city located outside of Portland incorporated in 1968. The population was 19,509 according to the 2010 census.

The **Wilsonville Water Treatment Plant** began operations in 2002. The facility is capable of processing 15 million gallons of water per day. The average water demands at the facility range from seasonal lows of two million gallons per day to a high of six million gallons per day. The plant's additional treatment capabilities are meant to respond to increases in demand, whether seasonal or sudden.

Chelsea Martin is Vice-Chair of West Linn-Wilsonville School Board. Before being an elected school board member, Chelsea served in many capacities. She volunteered for two years as the first PTA president at Lowrie Primary and served on school district committees such as the World Language Task Force (2012) and the Budget Committee (2014). Chelsea also works as an Organizational Development Consultant and Leadership Coach in her business that she founded in 2007, 4C Professional Communication. She was a college instructor for over 10 years, teaching in the Communication Studies department at Portland State University, Marylhurst University, and Chemeketa Community College. She traveled with ACYPL to Brazil in 2017.

Jenni Tan is a Member of the West Linn City Council, which she was first elected to in 2010. She traveled with ACYPL to Indonesia and Malaysia in 2015. She currently serves on the Boards of Directors for Clackamas Women's Services and Providence Milwaukie Foundation. She has a

bachelor's degree from the University of California Los Angeles and a master's degree from Northwestern University.

The **Oregon Institute of Technology, Portland-Metro** is a public polytechnic and research university located in Wilsonville. US News and Education World Report ranks Oregon Tech second in public schools in the western US, fifth in regional colleges in the western US, and twelfth in best value schools. There were a total of 688 undergraduate students and 46 graduate students in attendance in the fall 2018 semester.

Di Saunders is Associate Vice President for Communications and Public Affairs at the Oregon Institute of Technology. Prior to joining Oregon Tech, Di was Director of Communications for the Oregon University System for more than eleven years. She received a bachelor's degree from Portland State University and a master's degree from Simmons College.

West Linn is a suburb of Portland with 25,109 residents as of 2010. The city is one of the most affluent in Oregon, ranking in the top five cities in the state for per capita income.

Russ Axelrod is the Mayor of West Linn, Oregon, a position he has held since May of 2015. Prior to his election as mayor, Russ served on the city council of West Linn and was Vice Chair of the West Linn Planning Commission. Russ is also a Professional Registered Geologist in Oregon and License Geologist and Hydrogeologist in Washington. Russ has more than 30 years of consulting experience on environment issues for local, national, and international A&E firms. Currently, Russ is the owner and manager of Axelrod LLC, an environmental consulting firm established in 2007. Russ received his bachelor's degree from the University of California, Santa Cruz and his master's degree in geology from the University of Montana.

Delegate Biographies

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Mr. Li Keyong

Acting Vice President
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Li has served as the Acting Vice President of the All-China Youth Federation since 2018. He also works within the Office of the Chief Editor of Xinhua News Agency as the Deputy Director of Media Integration Development.

Li has worked as a Journalist at Xinhua News since 1996. He has served in other positions including Senior Reporter and Deputy Director of Xinhua Perspective.

Li has also directed the film *Red Temperament*, is the author of *Lighting a Butter Lamp – Notes of Tibet*, and has won the Chinese News Award several times.

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Mr. Chen Yang

General Manager
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Chen is the General Manager of Jiangsu Phonological Culture Industry Development Limited Company. He has served in this position since 2006. His organization focuses on Chinese language and cultural development.

Chen is involved in a variety of Jiangsu-based organizations. He is the Director of the Jiangsu Pop Music Society, a member of the Young Men's Association, and Vice Chairman of the Jiangsu Youth S+, which is the newly developed youth league of the Central Communist Youth League.

Chen graduated from Nanjing Arts University.

Ms. Shuwen Diao

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Shuwen is the leader of three foundations created by the World Economic Forum: the Global Shapers Community, Young Global Leaders, and the Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship in the Greater China and Northeast Region. She works closely with members and partners for the Young Global Leader and Social Entrepreneurship Awards Nominations.

Prior to working at the World Economic Forum, Shuwen worked with the Shanghai Media Group as a journalist and producer.

Shuwen studied philosophy and international relations at Peking University and Asian studies at the University of Sydney.

Ms. Wang Yi

Honorary President
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Wang is the Honorary President of the Henan Provincial Youth Federation. She is currently a Member of the Standing Committee of the 13th National People's Congress in Henan Province. She is also a representative to the 19th National Congress of the Communist Party of China and a member of the 18th Central Committee of the China Communist Youth League.

Previously, Wang served as a Deputy Researcher in the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Construction. She also served as Deputy Minister of Rural Youth Work in Henan Province.

Wang received her master's degree in economics from Henan University.

Dr. Wei Li

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Wei is a Professor at the School of International Studies at Renmin University of China. Concurrently, he is a Senior Researcher at the National Academy of Development and Strategy and at the Charhar Institute.

Wei has previously worked as a postdoctoral research fellow at Tsinghua University and as a visiting scholar at Japan's Institute of Developing Economics, Cornell University, and the Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies.

Wei received his bachelor's degree from Huazhong University of Science and Technology, his master's degree at Peking University, and his Ph.D at Fudan University. He has published three books and dozens of articles on Chinese-US relations and international political economics.

Ms. Yuan Li

International Director
Chinese Young Volunteers Association

Yuan is the International Director of the Chinese Young Volunteers Association (CYVA), where she has worked since 2003. CYVA volunteers work internationally, mostly in Africa and Southeast Asia. As International Director, she is responsible for organizing young people for volunteer programs and activities.

Yuan graduated from China Communication University.

Mr. Zhang Yi

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Zhang is the Director of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs Coordination in the International Liaison Department of the Communist Party of China. The International Liaison Department oversees the conduct of foreign relations with foreign political parties.

Zhang has worked for the Communist Party of China since 2005. He held other roles such as Third Secretary and Deputy Division Chief of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs Coordination before assuming his current role.

Zhang graduated from Renmin University with a master's degree in international relations and also earned a master's degree in business administration from Tsinghua University. He has also studied at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Ms. Zhao Chang

Founder and CEO

Remakehub

Zhao is the Founder and CEO of Remakehub. Her organization seeks to promote "circular waste management" wherein disposable trash is converted into renewable materials through innovation and sustainable design.

In addition, Zhao is also the Founder of The Refuture, which seeks to promote similar environmentally sustainable goals as Remakehub. Before this, she worked as an Analyst at Accenture and CEO of the Mouzenidis Group China Office.

Zhao has received degrees from the London School of Economics, St. Andrews University, and Duke University.

Escort

Mr. Zhou Ji

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All-China Youth Federation

Zhou Ji is the current Deputy Director for the International Department of the All-China Youth Federation (ACYF). ACYF was founded in 1949 and has been partnering with ACYPL since 1979. It has a membership of over 75,000 people and represents many youth groups in China, including the Communist Youth League.

Zhou Ji worked in the Information Department of the Foreign Ministry from 2007 to 2013. He joined ACYF as a Program Officer in May 2013.

Zhou Ji received a bachelor's degree in economics from Shandong Economic University in 2007.

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YUAN LI	(AA)DMQRGJ (DL)GIC8K7
DIAO SHUWEN	(AA)DKLUZX (DL)GIMQGI
LI WEI	(AA)LTOHDL (DL)GICTMV
CHEN YANG	(AA)EDGBSI (DL)GHNNOG
WANG YI	(AA)EIINOT (DL)GI2TVM
ZHANG YI	(AA)WRXEPU (DL)GIQSPR
MARTY ZHU	(AA)YUXGKQ (DL)HHQOGO
EVELYN YANG GARLAND	(AA)TJQJGB (DL)HG35OQ
WEIQUN GU	(AA)ILOXX (DL)HGWLEX

Wednesday,
October 30

American Airlines #5652

DCA Washington, DC
LAN Lansing, MI

Depart: 5:07pm

Arrive: 7:02pm

Sunday,
November 3

United Airlines #0403

DTW Detroit Metro, MI
PDX Portland, OR

Depart: 8:35am

Arrive: 10:32am