



OREGON
MENTORS



October 2009

This month's e-news has just four items- but they are all important.

Oregon Mentors Annual Luncheon

Featuring Bill Russell, legendary NBA hall-of-famer

November 4th, 2009. Reception begins at noon. Lunch begins at 12:30 pm.

Location: The Nines Ballroom in Downtown Portland

Tickets for nonprofits are \$25 (\$75 regular)

Also attending: Greg Oden, Congressman David Wu, and 450 Oregon Business Leaders

How can you be involved?

- 1) **Send 25 copies of your best brochure.** New this year is the reception before the luncheon. We'd like to share your brochure in the gallery beforehand. Please send your brochures to Oregon Mentors, 1221 SW Yamhill Ste 260, Portland, OR 97203. Make sure your brochures arrive by November 3rd.
- 2) **Share your best photos of pairs.** During the event, our slide show features mentoring programs from around the state in a beautiful slide show. To be considered for the slide show please send photos of mentor pairs or groups that have your program's permission to be displayed in public. Every effort will be made to include at least one submission by every program. Send a limit of 3 photos to Christina@OregonMentors.org by October 26, 2009.
- 3) **Bring mentee/mentor pairs to the event.** At every table, we like to host a mentor and youth pair. During the program, we invite guests to ask questions about your program and about the pair. Not only is this a great way to share information about your program, but pairs from previous years have reported their surprise about how much "bigger" and supportive mentoring is in our community than they could have imagined. Mentees are invited to take the book on the table home with them. New this year will be an information kit for attending pairs. Note that this event is best for students in high school.
- 4) **Attend the event.** Nonprofit tickets are only \$25 (\$75 regular). You can sign up by going [here](#).

Annual data for Oregon Mentors

Reminder - it is almost that time of year again. Oregon Mentors will be sending

out our annual request for data in the next week or two. Filling out the data is the one requirement to continue your registration. We are sending an email with a survey link that is specific to your program, if you receive the email but are not the most appropriate person in your organization to complete, please forward it to that person.

Greg Oden's Gift to You!

Greg Oden has again donated Trail Blazer tickets to mentoring programs. As soon as your data is complete, you can once again submit your request for Trail Blazer basketball tickets! New this year: our tickets are in Greg Oden's private suite. Moving to the suite means we have slightly less tickets than in previous years, but the pairs that attend the game will be thrilled with the great seats.

The details: Tickets are allocated for mentoring pairs or groups. We are also glad when programs are able to bring a group of kids with staff escorts. This is a great reward for the matches that get those timesheets into you! Every program can sign up for one game (and a backup date), and may choose between 2-10 tickets. Tickets are available on a first come, first serve basis. As this is a youth-focused event sponsored through Team ODEN and Oregon Mentors, we ask that no one consumes alcohol in the suite.

The following games are reserved for programs that are farther than 55 miles from the stadium (Astoria, Hood River, Albany and farther):

- Fri, Nov 6 at 7:30 pm (vs. San Antonio)
- Sun, Nov 8 at 6:00 pm (vs. Minnesota)
- Wed, Dec 30 at 7:00 pm (vs. LA Clippers)
- Fri, Jan 15 at 7:30 pm (vs. Orlando)
- Fri, Mar 19 at 7:00 pm (vs. Washington)
- Fri, Apr 9 at 7:00 pm (vs. Dallas)

These programs must reserve their tickets by November 30th. After this date, we will give the open up the remaining tickets to Portland area programs.

To sign up for a game, please fill out the following web form:

<http://oregonmentors.wufoo.com/forms/oregon-mentors-team-oden-blazer-tickets-0910/>

You may reserve your tickets before you complete your annual date, but tickets will be released only after your data is submitted.

A representative from Oregon Mentors will attend each game to ensure that everything goes smoothly. While at the game, we will take a group photo and ask all attendees to sign a card. The photo will be given to Greg Oden and will NOT be used for publicity purposes.

UPDATED Elements of Effective Practice - just released!

Hot off the press: MENTOR has just released the new version of the Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring. To download a copy of the *Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring, Third Edition*, go to www.mentoring.org/elements.



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