

# Martin Luther King, Jr. Ed. Center

“Opportunity Partners Success”

September 4, 2009



Ali and her Flan!

## Culinary Arts Program

The Culinary Arts program has been extremely busy this week. The culinary team went to the Eugene Fair to serve cake and apple pie to the seniors for senior day.

DYS hosted Rudy Chavarria to share his experience growing up in Nicaragua. Youth catered lunch for this event preparing chili verde, rice, beans, cucumber and Caesar salad, and flan. Two of the culinary youth gave a short speech at this event explaining what they prepared and both included how exciting it is to learn how to cook.

Youth, Mike Buck, said;  
"This job prepares me to get a job outside of youth services and allows me to have the tools I need to succeed."

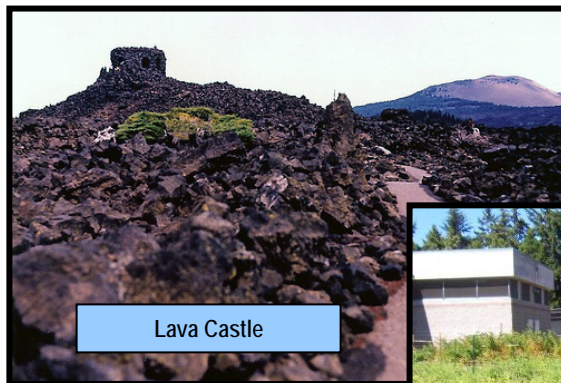
Both events received excellent reviews and tremendous appreciation.  
Great Job, **Culinary Arts!**

## Horticulture Program

The crew has done extensive work this week. The Juvenile Forest Work Team worked on the McKenzie Scenic Highway, on a heavily overgrown trail project. It looks fantastic!

The youth also got to check out the Lava Castle, near McKenzie Pass. The Horticulture Crew has also been picking produce like CRAZY....we have seen over 50 lbs of produce picked and delivered (this week alone) to the kitchen.

Last but not least, City Crew has completed over 2 miles of trail brushing on the Ridgeline Trail System.  
GO TEAM!



Lava Castle



Garden Produce

### Technology Programs

The Next Step: Four Computer Tech students have worked at Next Step Recycling over the summer and more potential recruits are lining up.

Beyond the basics of developing responsibility and good work habits students are learning valuable computer skills at Next Step. As they progress from working in the warehouse to actually building computers for sale to the public each step adds to the next and provides a basis for a real career opportunity.



### Financial Literacy

Nine students attended last weeks Financial Literacy class and worked hard to produce amazing results. Eight of the nine completed the two extra credit sections of the FDIC materials, going well beyond the minimum requirements, and the other student successfully completed the minimum requirements and passed the course. Several kids commented that they had really learned a lot about how bank accounts, loans, and credit work in real life.



### WIA Summer Programs

Youth in the WIA Summer Program are hard at work! Some youth who are currently at work, received support service including new boots and pants!

Youth were excited to receive some well deserved work clothes to assist them through the rest of the summer.

Other support services received include; gift cards, bus passes, and general independent living necessities!

Keep up the great work  
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You Look Great!

