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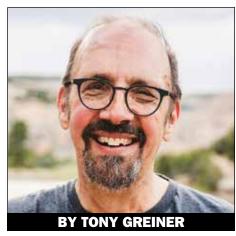




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#### ARMSTRONG TO LEAD PPS

Portland Public Schools has chosen Kimberlee Armstrong as its next superintendent, ending a six-month search for a permanent replacement for former superintendent Guadalupe Guerrero, who stepped down in February after serving for nearly seven years.

Armstrong stepped into her new role on July 1, replacing interim superintendent Sandy Husk.

For the past year, Armstrong has served as deputy superintendent for Evergreen Public Schools in Vancouver, Washington, and prior to that, she served as chief academic officer at PPS for a year.

She has a doctorate of education in educational leadership and policy studies from the University of Washington, and an MBA and master's degree in teaching from City University in Seattle.

"(Armstrong) is just what the district needs in this time of opportunity and challenge," the Portland School Board said in a statement. "She has a demonstrated record of advancing



Kimberlee Armstrong became the new supervisor of Portland Public Schools on July 1.

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student achievement, addressing racial inequitie, and closing the achievement gap for students of color through her dynamic approach to classroom innovation, curriculum enhancement and professional development."

#### **FOOD PANTRIES**

There are a number of food pantries that can help out folks in putting supper on the table. Some of the local pantries include Northeast Emergency Food Program at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, 4800 N.E. 72nd Ave., 503-282-5470; Sharon Community Services, 5209 N.E. 22nd Ave., 503-287-7649; St. Andrew Catholic Church, 806 N.E. Alberta St., 971-244-0339. Allen Temple Food Pantry, 4215 N.E. Eighth Ave., 503-282-1010; Trinity Lutheran Church 5520 N.E. Killingsworth St., 503-288-1055; and the C3 Food Pantry, 6120 N.E. 57th Ave., 971-770-2720.

Days and hours the pantries are open vary. For a full list of Portland food pantries, got to www.foodpantries.org/ci/or-portland.

#### PEDALPALOOZA BIKE FEST



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Tapas Tuesday, a Lloyd District Pedal Tour, Bike the Levees, and too many others to list. Visit the pedalpalooza calendar website, and

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director.
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#### **LIBRARY GETS INTERIM BOSS**

With the retirement of Vailey Oehlke (she of the unpronounceable names), Annie Lewis was named interim director of the Multnomah County Library in June. Lewis will hold the position while the county does a nationwide search for a permanent director. She has worn numerous hats in the library system, including being a bilingual Spanish youth librarian, supervisor of the Gresham branch, director of Community Services and deputy director. Dave Ratliff will take Lewis' place as deputy director. Ratliff has worked at the Central Library in several roles, and before that was at the New York Public Library and the Louisiana Coastal Fisheries Institute.

The library system is continuing its program of building several new libraries and remodeling and expanding others throughout the county using money from a \$387 million voter-approved bond issued in 2020.

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The Community for Positive Aging at the Hollywood Senior Center has a slew of activites and resources available to senior citizens (and if you think you are one, you are one.) Legal questions? They can help. Medical equipment, such as walkers, incontinence products, or shower chairs are there as well, all free of charge. Medicare questions? Check. And there is fun, including classes, movies, chess, ukelele groups, food, games and a place to get a doughnut, cup of coffee and meet someone new. 1820 N.E. 40th Ave. Call 503-288-8303 or visit www. communityfpa.org/

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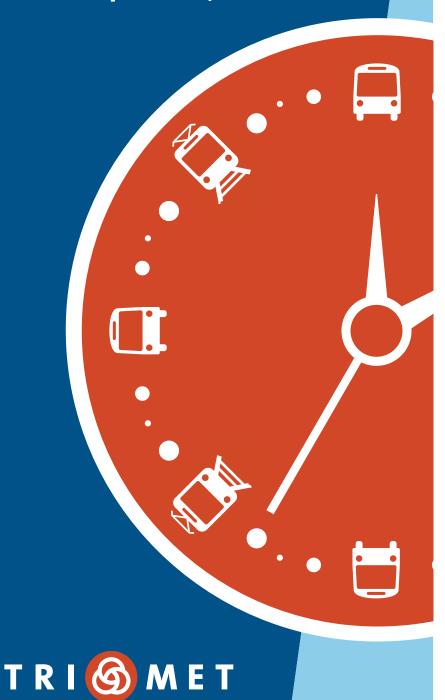
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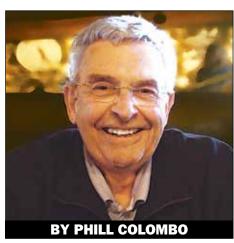
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## FIXING OUR STREETS GAS TAX MEASURE 26-245 PASSES

Portlanders will continue paying an additional 10 cents per gallon gasoline tax following the May 21 passage of the Fixing Our Streets Ballot Measure 26-245 for a third four-year period. Continuing the tax will allow the city's Bureau of Transpotation to repair potholes and make safety improvements on some of the busiest streets, school routes and neighborhoods throughout the city.

The bureau's next move will be to work with state legislators to provide additional critical transportation funding for state and local governments. Find more information at www. portland.gov/transportation.

## LIGHT POLE REPLACEMENT NEARING COMPLETION

Scheduled to finish in the fall, Portland Parks & Recreation is currently winding up replacement of dozens of light poles across 11 city parks. Aimed primarily at some existing poles that are up to 100 years old and have faulty anchoring issues, the Parks Bureau project also includes a partnership with Portland General Electric to install area lighting in other parks, using environmentally friendly LED lights.

The newer lights are 66% more efficient than the ones being replaced, are Dark Sky-friendly and automatically programmed to stay lit from

dusk to dawn.

During construction, park visitors may encounter temporary path closures or detours, and parks may be darker than usual. So far, 65 poles have been replaced in Irving Park, 10 poles in Montavilla Park, and work began in May to replace 88 poles at Mount Tabor Park.

#### **PERMITS**

- **In Boise at 3235 N. Haight Ave.,** Bennett Minton and Laurie Erdman received permision to build a 400-square-foot, detached garage.
- In Cully at 5924 N.E. Mason St., Shawn
  Busse has permision to build a two-story,
  single-family residence on vacant land with
  a workshop accessory and single-vehicle
  garage.
- In Eliot at 532 N.E. Monroe St., Janet
  Duboise-Otis secured a permit to build
  a 400-square-foot, detached accessory
  dwelling unit.

#### **APPLICATIONS FILED**

- In Alameda at 2826 N.E. Bryce St., James and Mary Lewis have requested a permit to build a 456-square-foot, detached garage with electrical and plumbing rough-in.
- In Boise at 3750 N. Kerby Ave., the Scott Lewis McCaughey and Mary Caroline Winzig Revocable Living Trust wants to construct a single-story, detached accessory dwelling unit without a garage.
- In Cully at 6020 N.E. 45th Ave., Wendy Horn has applied for permission to build a single-story, single-family residence without a garage on vacant property.
- In Humboldt at 4523 N. Haight Ave., Greenwood Homes LLC of Canby has filed for permission to create a two-story, nineunit cottage cluster on a shared lot with no garages.
- In Irvington at 1808 N.E. Knott St., Allison Knowles and Nicolas Von Borries are looking to take down a detached garage built in 1911 and replace it with a detached, single-story, 526-square-foot garage.
- **In Kenton at 3621 N. Alaska Place,** Rhonda Smith is seeking permission to build a detached, single-story accessory dwelling



Light poles have been replaced at many Portland parks, including 65 at Irving Park and 10 at Montavilla Park. Work began in May to replace 88 poles at Mount Tabor Park, above. The project improved faulty anchoring and the installation of environmentally friendly LED lights. (portland.gov)

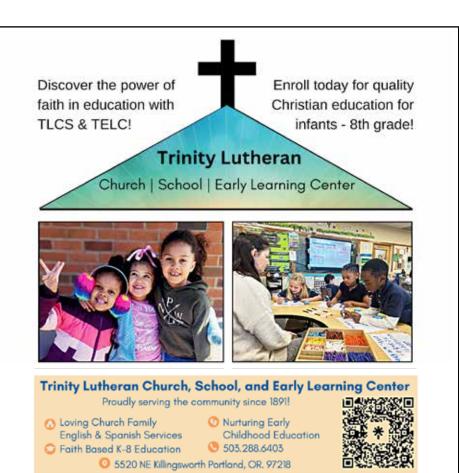


The 1,206-square-foot, single-family residence at 1713 N.E. Third Ave., which the Western Dominican Province of Oakland, California, is seeking to deconstruct. The house was built in 1905. (portlandmaps. com)

unit in the rear of an existing home without a garage.

- In Lloyd at 1713 N.E. Third Ave., the
  Western Dominican Province of Oakland,
  California, is seeking to deconstruct a
  1,206-square-foot, single-family residence
  built in 1905.
- In Montavilla at 725, 727 and 729 S.E. 92nd Ave., James Kosta of Happy Valley has applied for permits to develop the property at 9144 S.E. Alder St. and to construct three, three-unit townhouses without garages on a lot occupied since 1947 by a single-family residence.
- At 37 N.E. 78th Ave., 78 Eightplex LLC has applied for permits to develop the site on which a 2,484-square-foot, single-family residence has stood since 1890. The intention is to deconstruct that building and build two four-unit townhouse

- structures. One of the new buildings would be two-story with no garage, and the other would be three-story with garage.
- In Roseway at 3140 N.E. 72nd Ave., Kalen
  Development Inc., of Clackamas is seeking
  permission to deconstruct a 943-squarefoot, single-family residence built in 1914.
  This application is subject to a 35-day
  demolition delay and appeal period that
  expires at 4:30 p.m. July 16. A detached
  garage is also to be removed but not subject
  to a permit.
- In Vernon at 5954 N.E. 16th Ave., Anthony and Patricia Obst have filed for permission to construct a two-story, single-amily residence without a garage on a lot already occupied by a 2,674-square-foot, detached duplex, single-family residence built in 1949. Permission to deconstruct a detached garage was granted back in May.





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#### **STAR NEWS**

# Sculptors chosen to create art at expanded libraries



Artist Greg A. Robinson will create a sequence of sitespecific, exterior sculptures to greet Albina Library patrons, staff and visitors approaching from Northeast Russell Street. This sculpture series is one of three, new, permanent public artworks at Albina's renovated and expanded location. (Greg A. Robinson)

#### By Phill Colombo

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ultnomah County Library and the Regional Arts & Culture Council have announced artists who will assist in the collaboartive effort to bring community-centered artwork to libraries throughout the county.

The project is part of a voter-approved 2020 library building bond to build, rebuild or expand nine libraries. Smaller upgrades to 11 libraries are also underway.

Two libraries included in the most recent announcement are Albina and North Portland. As part of these building updates, regional artists are creating unique sculptural artworks that represent and reflect each location's history, culture and diversity.

Greg A. Robinson has been commissioned to work at the Albina Library, at 216 N.E. Knott St., on a sculpture series that is one of three new permanent public artworks at the renovated and expanded location. Robinson will create a sequence of site-specific exterior sculptures to greet library patrons, staff and visitors approaching the new building from Northeast Russell Street.

Robinson's work will center and uplift the histories, experiences and stories of Indigenous people who originally lived in the Portland area, befiting his role as an enrolled member of the Chinook Indian Nation. Known for working in a variety of materials, including wood, stone, glass, metal and cement, Robinson adds this commission to a number of other public art installations he has created in the Pacific Northwest.

In addition to renovation, Albina Library will be greatly expanded to a 30,000-square-



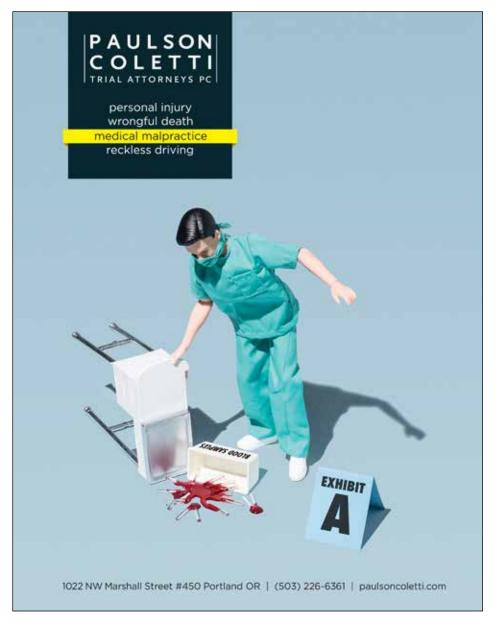
Architectural details and art of the Black Cultural Center at North Portland Library will reflect the mission of that space, including artist Melanie Stevens' site-specific wooden relief sculpture surrounding the interior window sill facing North Commercial Avenue. (Mario Gallucci)

foot facility. Led by LEVER Architecture, the design preserves and seismically upgrades the historic Carnegie structure, while providing four times the current space, making it one of the largest libraries in Multnomah County.

North Portland Library also will be expanded, adding 1,500 square feet to increase the total square footage to 10,200. Also by LEVER Architecture, the design preserves the building at 512 N. Killingsworth St., providing an opportunity for community gatherings in a new Black Cultural Center.

The center's architectural details and art will reflect the mission of that space, including artist Melanie Stevens' site-specific wooden relief sculpture surrounding the interior window sill on North Commercial Avenue. This artwork will build upon Stevens' practice of printmaking and graphic novels, exploring the powerful legacy of Black narrative and cultural reclamation. The center also will include four portraits of Afrofuturism's forebears: Octavia E. Butler, W.E.B. Du Bois, Zora Neale Hurston and Sun Ra.







#### STAR FEATURE





Above left, water damage after firefighters extinguished a blaze in September 2021 at the Billy Webb Elks Lodge in the Albina neighborhood. Above right, the first phase of reconstruction of the ballroom. (TRestore Oregon)

# Billy Webb Elks Lodge revamp underway

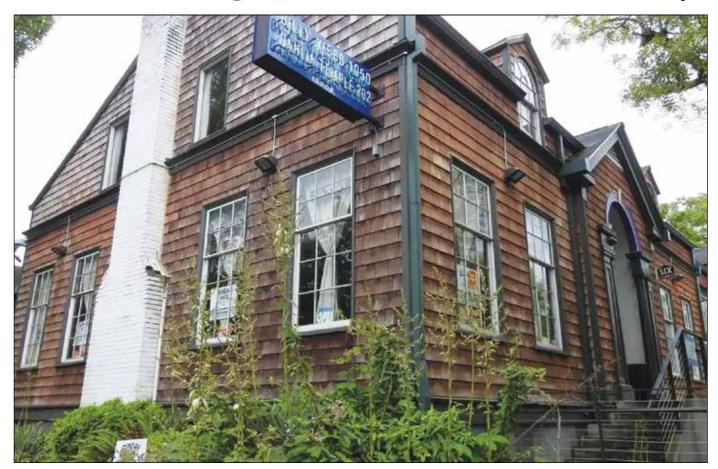
Albina lodge was home to historic Black chapter of fraternal order

**By Tony Greiner** 

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ore than two years after a fire almost destroyed the Billy Webb Elks Lodge, restoration work has begun. The lodge, which is on the National Register of Historic Places, is at the corner of North Williams Avenue and Northeast Tillamook Street. According to lodge member Deborah Roaché, the fire began when someone was "either cooking dinner or cooking drugs" on the back porch of the building. After firefighters extinguished the blaze, there were holes in the roof, damaged walls and windows, and the interior was ruined.

The lodge is the home of the local chapter of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks of the World (IBPOEW), which was formed in 1920 by African Americans who liked the idea of belonging to a fraternal order, but who were rebuffed from joining the original Elks Lodge because of their race. Putting the word "Improved" in front of the formal name of the order was a nice dig, and while the IBPOEW membership is primarily African American, they had, and continue to have, members of other races. This paid off in 1973, when the Supreme Court ruled that organizations that practiced racial



I PAGE 7 The Billy Webb Elks Lodge has served the Albina neighborhood for close to a century. (Billy Webb Elks Lodge)

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#### **STAR FEATURE**

# Who was Billy Webb

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Portlander and his band were hit in early local music scene

Billy Webb was born in Mobile, Alabama, in 1880, and somehow made his way to Portland. He was one of the first notable African American musicians in the city.

There are several references to him in the Portland Journal and The Oregonian between 1911 and 1925. One Oregonian piece mentioned a performance with "the popular Billy Webb, who sang several old-time favorites."

The band was a hit at dances, and one review of a party at the Multnomah Club said that "Billy Webb and his group of players made it difficult to resist the jazzy tunes." The band was also featured on the "Blue Bird," a dinner boat that sailed on the Willamette River, and most notably, his band played regularly (and live) on radio station KGG, owned by the Portland Journal.

The oldest mention I found of him, from 1911, was about a fundraiser to buy uniforms for the "Portland Giants Baseball club, an aggregation of colored men." Other articles made it clear that the band toured the Pacific Northwest, and mentioned drummer "Dodo" Jones singing the recent hit "My Buddy" on a radio broadcast.

Webb lived at 111 N. 13th St., what is now 429 N.W. 13th Ave., currently a warehouse



Billy Webb (Oregon Historical Society)

area. In addition to being a member of the Rose City Elks, he also belonged to the African American Masons. Webb died in 1925 of heart disease, and is buried in the Masonic section of Mt. Scott Cemetery, now part of Lincoln Memorial Park.





Top: A flyer for a performance by Billy Webb and his band aboard the Blue Bird dinner boat.
Left: A fez worn by members of Billy Webb Elks
Lodge #1050. (The Historical Oregonian)

Curiously, his death certificate notes that contributing to his death was "Shock, Bad News." What that bad news was is unknown, but that certificate was signed by Dr. James A. Merriman, the first African American physician to practice in Portland.

Webb was married to Laura and had a niece, Lena Broadhead, who lived in Tacoma, Washington.

— Tony Greiner

discrimination were not exempt from property taxes. Because the Billy Webb lodge allowed all races, it kept its protected status.

The lodge was built in 1927 to serve as the "Colored YWCA." It was repurposed as the United Service Organization (USO) for Black troops during World War II, and was an emergency shelter for people who had to flee the Vanport Flood of 1948. Other groups that have met there were the Urban League and Congress of Racial Equality (CORE). Among other notables, boxer Joe Louis and Gov. Tom McCall made visits to the lodge, and the Elks sponsored a 1962 performance by Duke Ellington and his orchestra at Memorial Coliseum.

#### WANT TO HELP?

A GoFundMe campaign is underway to restore the Billy Webb Elks Lodge. To contribute, go to gofund.me/5d20e5cf

Or mail donations to Billy Webb Elks Lodge #1050, P O Box 12026 Portland, OR 97212.

Volunteers and members are also needed. If you would like to donate your time and/or you would like to become a member, call 971-288-9668 and leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

The Elks bought the building in 1959 and, in addition to their own activities, made the space available for memorial services, afterschool activities, polio vaccine clinics, voter registration drives and their own oratorical programs. These programs continue to award college scholarships to high school students who triumph in speech competitions.

The Elks were helped by Restore Oregon,

a group established to protect the state's architectural heritage, the University of Oregon and grants from the African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund. Helping with the work are students in the Historic Preservation program of Clatsop Community College, who are learning the skills to keep the important buildings of the past in good repair.

The work is being done in two phases. The

first, now funded and underway, involves putting on a new roof, cleaning the interior and repairing the windows. Roache' and her siblings are pleased to see this happen, as they were the ones who patrolled the fences, made repairs when vandals cut holes in the chain link and generally kept an eye on things. After completion of that work, more will be needed to allow the building to be usable.







# Sunday Parkways is one long block party — 6.5 miles long, to be precise!

MIKE on a BIKE



#### Michael Wright

you have. But have you been to 64 block parties in a row? In one afternous?

I joined thousands of cyclists, inline skaters, folks on scooters, skateboarders and walkers as we meandered through Northeast Portland on a late spring day last month. There were so many colorful helmets, fun costumes and intriguing bicycles that I didn't really know who to talk with first.

So I picked the family of a young girl wearing a strawberry-designed helmet and stopped to chat. I met the girl's mother, Elana, who just happens to be running for City Council. We didn't get into politics or policies. I simply asked her what prompted her to gather her family and join the throng.

Her answer was simple, "This is where the heart of our Portland community is. Right here on our streets, celebrating our city, meeting neighbors, friends and friends we haven't met yet!"

I liked her style. No doubt she was there to win some hearts and, hopefully, some votes, but it was wonderful to see her and her family embracing the outdoors and participating in an event that connects people of every ilk.

My next stop was by a brightly painted yellow fire engine. A retired engine that no doubt had seen its share of fires over the years — probably helping save many lives along the way. A group of Portlanders were looking to gather support for reducing dependence on fossil fuels. The truck, which was painted with a logo reading, "World on Fire Department," definitely drew attention. And hey, who doesn't want to do their part to save the world?

What struck me the most about all those participating were the ever-present smiles,

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Above: Portland's Summer Block Party encompasses

Left: World on Fire Department (W.O.F.D.) volunteers spread the

(Michael Wright)

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the courtesy shown to other participants and what I'll call a Happiness Vibe.

Crowds gathered around Erik the Magician and marveled at his sleight of hand — on inline skates, no less. Nor could you miss Boom Box PDX as he rocked and rolled along, stimulating impromptu sing-alongs.

The joint was hopping at Khunamokwst Park, with music, food trucks, interesting displays and plenty of free gifts for the children and adults alike.

I made a stop to visit my friend Reed Lewis who was manning a booth giving cyclists an opportunity to sign up for July's annual cystic fibrosis Cycle For Life ride in the Willamette Valley.

Reed was busily handing out blueberry muffins and frozen popsicles while explaining how the ride works and spreading awareness about the advances benefiting those who are born with cystic fibrosis. Talk about a feelgood story. The CF Foundation scientists and researchers have discovered a treatment that allows almost 85% of those with the disease to live normal lives.

I gave Reed a hand, bringing some smiles to faces by offering blueberry muffins for either \$5 or free. Didn't get any takers for the \$5 deal, but when I left, Reed was almost out of muffins.

Oops.

While I circled my way home, I discovered that many residents along the route were having informal gatherings. Hot dogs were grilling, music was playing, a few impromptu lemonade stands popped up and one stylish, older woman sat alone in her yard waving and greeting passersby — such generous kindness.

Stopping to engage a volunteer who was busily keeping track of the number of people passing her spot, I met Melinda, a cheery



Reed Lewis was "Adding Tomorrows" for anyone with cystic fibrosis. (Michael Wright)

young woman, clearly enjoying her volunteer work. I asked her if she missed actually riding with the masses and what inspired her to get involved.

Her answer, "The PDX bike community is my social network. These are all my people. Don't worry, I'll be riding in next month's Sunday Parkways."

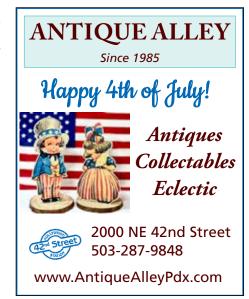
As I saddled up she saw my license plate and called after me, "Guess you're 'Mike On A Bike' then? I love the Hollywood STAR News, it connects me to our community." That made me smile.

Composing my article sitting outside Grand Central Bakery, I realized I didn't have enough input from the younger generation. As if on cue, a young, hip woman pulled up on a very cool touring bike. I asked her if she had ever participated in the Sunday Parkways event.

"I rode in it this past weekend," Erin replied.
"What would your takeaways or
observations be?" I asked.

"I like how it gets people out socializing on Portland's quiet streets. Compared to many large cities, we have relatively quiet, safe streets. I also like that the event brings people together." How about that? Whether you are trying to save the world, serve your city, end a disease, embrace your community or just plain get out and exercise in a safe, family environment, you share the happiness vibe surrounding Portland Sunday Parkways.

Pedal on, Portland!







#### STAR NEWS

# Blog connects Alameda's past and present

**By Tony Greiner** 

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A lameda Old House History is a well-researched, well-written and fun blog that started in 2007.

Doug Decker, a man of many parts puts out a new issue every few weeks, with

While the emphasis has been on the Alameda neighborhood, in recent years it has expanded to neighboring areas.

more than 300 entries posted on the site.

Favorite posts include the "Geography of the Imagination: Beverly Cleary's Neighborhood," "Broadway Streetcar Stick-up," "Finding Ford's Pool Hall on Early Alberta," and "Horse Tethering Rings." The website is well organized, with links to maps, biographies of builders and the like

Decker started the blog after he purchased his home, which had been built about 1910 in the Alameda neighborhood. The house needed some work, and he begin finding "ghosts" of columns and other architectural features that had been removed over the years.

Decker dug into city directories and other documents and was able to find Bruce Morrison, then in his 90s, who lived in the house as a boy. And to Decker's delight, Morrison had photos, showing his family gathered up on the porch.

Decker was able to take that photo and rebuild the front porch to look much like it did decades before. The photo that goes with this story is the one of the Morrison family sitting on the porch of what is now



The Morrison family gathered on the porch of their Alameda home in the early 1900s. Doug Decker, who started the Alameda Old House History blog, now lives in the house. With the help of the historic photo, he rebuilt the porch to mimic its original look.

(https://alamedahistory.org/)

Decker's home. Bruce is the boy in the cap, top left.

Once having tasted research success, Morrison was hooked, and continues today.

You can read the blog posts by visiting alamedahistory.org, and be sure to

subscribe for email delivery of new articles. He also posts messages he has received and his responses to them. If you are interested in the history of where you live or work, but don't have time to do the work yourself, you can contact him at his "side business," see box, right.

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# MIGHTY Shop, dine and play on this laidback street



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he Mississippi Street Fair — one

of Portland's biggest and most beloved summer events — is going down on Saturday, July 13.

Can't make the fair? Don't worry — there's always something to see, do and experience on North Mississippi Avenue. Known for its vibrant music scene, funky shops and delightful restaurants, there's never a dull

#### **BLACK BOOK GUITARS**

moment here.

Every guitar has a unique story and history, and a shop on Mississippi is ready to listen to every single one.

"For some people, a guitar is more than wire and wood," says Nathan Fasold, the owner of Black Book Guitars, located at 3624 N. Mississippi Ave.

For the past 12 years he has been restoring, selling and collecting vintage guitars — and their stories — at his shop, which has seen its share of rare finds, like a blue sparkle



For the past 12 years, the team at Black Book Guitars has been restoring, selling and collecting vintage instruments — and their stories. The shop serves as a hub, getting the instruments from one musician to the next. (Black Book Guitars)

Hagstrom that was owned by Kurt Cobain.

"I discovered the guitar and live music in high school," Fasold says. "It was a challenge for me to learn chords on a guitar, and a way for me to bond with my friends who were doing the same thing, making up songs to play live music at parties and all-ages shows."

Now Fasold bonds with musicians and music lovers from all over the world in a space designed for collectors and guitarists to do what they love most: talk music.

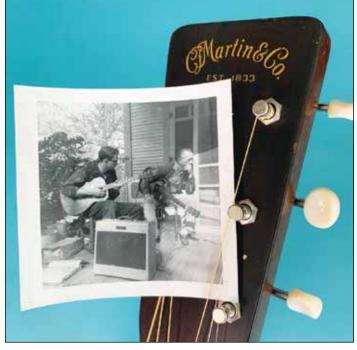
"Pearl Jam recently played at the Moda Center and purchased two guitars from me," he says. "A black 1966 Fender Telecaster played by Eddie Vedder, and a 1974 Gibson Les Paul Signature played by Stone Gossard.

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Black Book has a large selection of instruments and amps and their selection changes daily. (Black Box Guitars)





When buying, selling and fixing guitars, pedals and amps, the team has the next owner's hands in mind, and how they will continue the rest of the story.

(Black Book Guitars)

"Mostly though, I appreciate that local and touring musicians take the time to drop by for the love of guitars, and to find a hidden treasure hanging on the wall."

Interested in getting your instrument appraised? Fasold says he looks for "functional instruments that have a vibe."

"Some instruments need restoration to get there, which we do in house," he says.

It's the thrill of the hunt and helping people connect with new instruments — or letting go of an old family heirloom — that really inspires him.

Fasold says: "It's tough to let go of a family heirloom guitar. There's a lot of emotional attachment sometimes. Often a family member will come in with an old guitar to



Nathan Fasold first fell in love with playing the guitar in high school. Now he works with guitarists from all over the world. (Geoff Fox)

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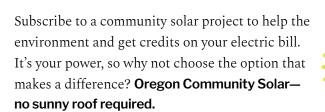






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new life for the instrument.

"Sometimes that guitar goes on to write a new record, or to play on stages again."

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#### **KATE'S ICE CREAM**

I scream, you scream, we all scream for plant-based ice cream.

Like many of us, Katelyn Williams has fond memories growing up eating ice cream with her family. It's these special moments combined with a desire to create tasty treats everyone can enjoy that led her to make her own creations in 2014.

Now she's the founder and recipe creator



Above: All of the ice cream flavors and waffle cones at Kate's Ice Cream are 100% vegan and gluten-free so everyone — regardless of allergies or food sensitivities — can have a fun dessert experience. Come in before mid-July and try unique seasonal scoops like Strawberry Chocolate Potato Chip or the Blue Moon, which is a take on a Midwestern ice cream flavor classic and tastes like Froot Loops. (Kate's Ice Cream)

of Kate's Ice Cream, located at 3713 N. Mississippi Ave.

"I started making dairy-free ice cream for my younger sister who has an autoimmune disease," Williams says. "This was 10 years ago and there wasn't a lot of great vegan ice cream on the market she could have, so I became passionate about providing an inclusive experience for everyone."

All of her ice cream flavors are 100% vegan and gluten-free, including her custom-made waffle cones, so everyone can have a fun experience.

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Katelyn Williams started making her own dairy-free ice cream creations in 2014 for her sister, who has an autoimmune disease. At the time, there weren't many vegan ice cream options. (Kate's Ice Cream)

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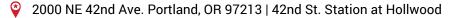
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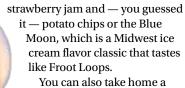


She explains: "We make plant-based ice cream because so many people can't have the classic ice cream shop experience due to intolerance, allergies or other reasons."

Popular flavors include the Marionberry Cobbler, which includes fresh Oregon marionberry jam and gluten-free walnut oat streusel and the Salted Peanut Butter Brittle, which has candied peanut brittle and lightly salted peanut butter.

"My personal favorite is a split scoop of Java Chip and Triple Chocolate Brownie," Williams says. "I love coffee and ice cream together!"

Come in before mid-July and try a unique seasonal scoop like Strawberry Chocolate Potato Chip, which is strawberry ice cream and chocolate ice cream covered in homemade



You can also take home a pint or ice cream cake to share with your crew.

These plant-based delights have become so popular with customers, Williams opened a second shop at 1430 N.E. 23rd Ave. in June and you can find their pints in local grocery stores like Stella's Kitchen and Providore Fine Foods.

"Portland is so communityfocused and also healthcentered, so running a
vegan, gluten-free ice
cream company here
makes so much sense,"
she says. "People love
feeling like they can
have a nostalgic
experience with
friends and family."

ADDRESS: 3713 N. Mississippi Ave. with



The interior of Kate's is painted in cool pastel ice cream shades. (Kate's Ice Cream)

a second location at 1430 N.E. 23rd Ave. **WEBSITE:** katesicecream.com **INSTAGRAM:** @katesicecream **DON'T MISS:** Mark your calendars — National Ice Cream Day is the third Sunday in July.

#### **RANGOON BISTRO**

Rangoon Bistro is more than a restaurant for its owners, it's the culmination of a journey that started more than two decades

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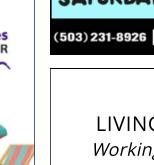


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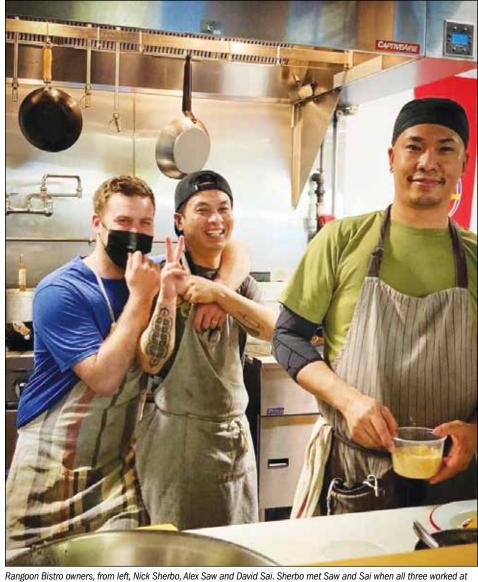
Crispy fried chicken is marinated in lemongrass, curry and red peppers. Diners have the option of ordering a quarter or a half of a chicken. (@alanweinerphotos)

ago halfway across the world.

David Sai and Alex Saw met almost 20 years ago working at a restaurant in Malaysia. Both chefs are originally from Rangoon, Burma, now Yangon, Myanmar, and had fled the country due to ongoing conflicts.

After decades of working in restaurants across Southeast Asia, both men were granted refugee status in the United States and reconnected in Portland. While working at the Bollywood Theater they met Portland native Nick Sherbo and a seed was planted to

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Rangoon Bistro owners, from left, Nick Sherbo, Alex Saw and David Sai. Sherbo met Saw and Sai when all three worked at Bollywood Theater. Saw and Sai have been friends for nearly 20 years and met while working at a restaurant in Malaysia. (@alanweinerphotos)



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Rangoon Bistro serves up authentic Burmese dishes at two locations — North Mississippi Avenue and Southeast 50th Avenue.

(@alanweinerphotos)

open a Burmese restaurant with a Portland twist.

After doing a variety of pop-ups and farmers markets, the trio opened their first location on Southeast 50th Avenue and Division Street in March 2022 and opened the doors to their Mississippi location this past March.

Says Sai: "We are really excited to bring something brand-new to a street that already has a diverse restaurant scene."

Diners can enjoy authentic Burmese dishes in an unpretentious and inclusive environment.

One of their signature dishes is lahpet thoke, which translates to tea leaf salad.

"We are lucky to live near one of the country's largest green tea farms, and we believe we are the only Burmese restaurant in the country using locally grown tea in our lahpet thoke," Saw says.

The tea leaves undergo a cooking and salting process that draws out bitterness and essentially pickles the leaves. They are then seasoned with garlic, chilies and fish sauce, mixed with peanuts and fried chana dal,

shredded cabbage, radicchio and tomatoes.

"It's bright, it's savory, it's crunchy, and it's unlike anything else," Sherbo adds.

Diners can enjoy other authentic Burmese dishes like pork or tofu si chet noodles, curry

and fried chicken marinated in lemongrass, curry and red peppers, to just name a few.

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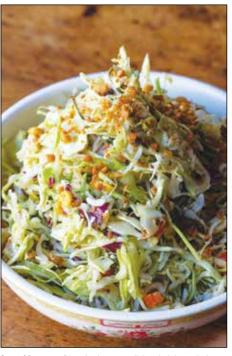
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One of Rangoon Bistro's signature dishes is lahpet thoke, or tea leaf salad, which incorporates locally grown tea leaves with garlic, chilies, fish sauce, peanuts, cabbage, chana dal, radicchio and tomatoes. (@alanweinerphotos)

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## **STAR PET CONNECTIONS**

# **Cat Adoption Team is committed to feline welfare**



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uring the spring and summer, local shelters are flooded with kittens and cats. Shelters already pressed for space struggle to meet the demand for care and adopters.

Heather Miller, development and communications director for the Cat Adoption Team (CAT) explained that post-pandemic, this influx has increased significantly because the normal flow of spay/neuter surgeries was disrupted. To help curb this annual surge, make sure you spay and neuter your pets in a timely manner.

CAT is a major contributor in helping to stem the overpopulation of felines in our area. The organization has the honor of being the largest cat shelter in the Pacific Northwest and has been operating since 1998.

During the past 26 years, over 63,000 cats have successfully been adopted. CAT offers a variety of programs including low-cost spay and neuter, rehoming (limited), lost-and-found resources, educational resources, fostering services, recent adopter support, a thrift store in Raleigh Hills, and the Keeping Cats in Homes Fund (KCIH) a one-time fund for owners struggling financially to keep their cats.

CAT's full-time staff of eight includes one veterinary medical director and one part-time veterinarian. An on-site hospital allows staff to provide medical care for felines in the shelter.

Staff, volunteers and vets ensure that each cat or kitten receives complete care — emotional and physical — including transportation to emergency hospitals if necessary. A large volunteer group provides foster care for kittens or sick cats until they are ready for adoption. Cats with special needs, such as older felines, are given more attention and love by being allowed to reside in staff offices during the day.

No appointment is needed to view felines in the shelter. Cats and kittens in foster care appear on the website. The adoption process can begin for these cuties online, see the website for details. All felines are spayed or neutered before being released.

Each year, over 100 kittens become available on the same day at CAT's annual Kitten Palooza. At this year's event on June 22, 88 cats were adopted.

Adoption and retail hours are noon-6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (adoptions





Far left, Cat Adoption Team Development and Communications Director Heather Miller holds a kitten that is available for adoption.

Portland's Cat Adoption Team (CAT) is the largest cat shelter in the Pacific Northwest. It offers adoption, foster care and veterinary services to homeless cats and kittens.





CAT's annual Ktten Palooza was held June 22. It is the largest adoption event of the year, with about 100 kittens available.

#### Resources

**Cat Adoption Team (CAT):** https://catadoptionteam.org/

**Drop off items:** Make appointment to donate items to the thrift store: https://tinyurl.com/bdh73ews

end 30 minutes before closing.) The shelter is located at 14175 S.W. Galbreath Drive in Sherwood.

A wide variety of cat toys and supplies are available for purchase. If you would like to support the shelter and clean out clutter in your home, consider donating gently used clothes, jewelry or household items to their thrift store.

Make an appointment (see link in Resources box above).

Cat Adoption Team is a valuable partner helping to support a healthy viable feline population in our area.



A variety of supplies, including toys and other delights, for your cats and kittens can be found at the shelter store.

(Photos by Lisa Lakes)

#### **STAR COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

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#### **NEIGHBORHOODACTIVITIES**

#### **4TH OF JULY BIKE PARADE**



July 4. Gather at 9:45 a.m. Parade starts at 10 a.m. Bring vour wheels and join your neighbors for the annual bike parade. The route extends from Rose City Park Methodist Church to

Rose City Park Elementary School. Enjoy some cool treats at the finish line. For more information, RCPNA.org. Meet at 5830 N.E. Alameda St.

#### **MISSISSIPPI STREET FAIR**

July 13, 10 a.m.-midnight. The Mississippi Avenue business community will host its annual family-friendly street fair that will include three music stages, a kids zone, rib cook-off competition and vendors. The streets get crowded and warm, so dog owners are advised to leave Fido at home. But for the die-hard mutt-lovers, Salty's Pet Supply will have a dog pool to cool your dogs' dogs. mississippiave.org/streetfair. North Mississippi Avenue, between Fremont and Skidmore streets.





Bring the entire family to the Cully Bike Fair where there will be loads of activities including a repair station, biking lessons and bicycles to borrow

(portland.gov)

#### **BROADWAY IN BLOOM**

July 20, 5-8 p.m. Not a trip to the Big Apple, but an all-ages summer party hosted by the Northeast Broadway Business Association. Live music, food and drink, including beer and kids activities. Northeast 17th Avenue between Broadway and Weidler.

#### **BEAUMONT ART & GARDEN TOUR**

July 27, 1-5 p.m. Tour five private gardens in Beaumont-Wilshire, and while you are at it, take a look at the art for sale in each of the gardens. See water features, a certified

wildlife backyard habitat, a bird garden and a Mediterranean garden. Tickets are limited and cost \$17, with the proceeds going to neighborhood activities. www.bwnapdx.org/ upcoming-events

#### **FARMERS MARKETS**

Summertime, and the eatin' is easy. On Saturdays, check out the farmers market in St. Johns from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at North Charleston Avenue and Central Street. and in Hollywood from 8 a.m.-1 p.m., 4420 N.E. Hancock St. On Wednesdays, find the

Kenton Market open from 3-7 p.m. at North McClellan Street and Denver Avenue.

#### **MUSICNOTES**

#### **AFRO-CUBAN MUSIC**

July 12, 6:30 p.m. Free. Picante plays irresistible rhythms incorporating traditional Afro-Cuban music and a fusion of Latin jazz, McCov Park, North Trenton Street and Newman Avenue, museband.com/picante-

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#### **AFRICAN PERCUSSION, HORNS**

July 18, 6:30 p.m. Free. Wamba performs West African rhythms from Ghana with jazz, funk and Afrobeat styles, along with innovative original compositions at Glenhaven Park, Northeast 82d Avenue and Siskiyou Street, www.wamba.world/music/

#### **GET JAZZED**

July 19-21. Free. The 44th annual Cathedral Park Jazz Festival. Sit under the St. Johns Bridge, bring a picnic and enjoy. Artists include Alan Jones, Mel Brown, Johnny Wheels and the Swamp Donkeys, and the Nigerian Afrobeat group Jujuba. Food and beverages, including beer and wine, available for purchase. https:// jazzoregon.org/

#### JIM PEPPERFEST

July 27, noon. The music of Portland's famed tenor saxophone player is celebrated, with an emphasis on his use of Native American sounds in his performances.



Tuesday, July 2

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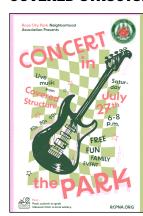




nba brings Afrobeats, funk and jazz to Glenhaven Park on July 18. The concert is free. (Wamba)

Native artists will be performing. Columbia Park Annex, North Lombard Street and Woolsev Avenue, www.iimpepperfest.net/

#### **COVERED STRUCTURE**



July 27, 6-8 p.m. Get out your picnic baskets and dancing shoes. Join your neighbors for an evening in the park and a live performance by local band Covered Structure. Rose City Park.

Northeast 62nd Avenue and Thompson Street; CPNA.org/summer-concerts/

#### **BLONDIE TRIBUTE BAND**

July 27, 6:30 p.m. Fans of Deborah Harry will want to hear "Glass of Hearts" a Blondie tribute band. Kenton Park, 8417 N. Brandon Ave., www.glassofhearts.net

#### **NORMAN SYLVESTER BAND**

Aug. 1, 6:30 p.m. Ever since they opened for B.B. King in 1987, the Norman Sylvester Band has been a local favorite. The "Boogie Cat" and his band will give a free performance at Unthank Park, 510 N. Shaver. https://normansylvester.com/

#### **OPERA IN THE PARK**

Aug. 4, 6 p.m. Free. One of Giuseppe Verdi's greatest hits, "La Traviata," is presented with an orchestra. Peninsula Park, 700 N. Rosa Parks Way. Operaintheparkportland.org



Groove to the Afro-Cuban sounds of Picante on July12 at McCoy Park

(Picante)



Cuban sounds of Picante on July12 at McCoy Park.

(Picante)

#### **PUT A BYRD ON IT**

Aug. 3-4. The 25th annual William Byrd music festival celebrates the compositions of the Renaissance composer. Programming will include British composers of the

past century, in addition to Byrd. Some programs encourage free-will offering; some are ticketed. Holy Rosary Church, 375

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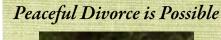
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N.E. Clackamas St. 503-295-2811, www. byrdfestival.org/

#### **ARTANDCULTURE**

#### **YOU CRAFTY DEVIL**

July 9, 5-7 p.m. Free craft night at Collage arts and crafts store, 1639 N.E. Alberta St., www.collagepdx.com/stores

#### **MOVIES OF EDGAR WRIGHT**

July 11, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, through Aug. 1. Edgar Wright was one of the most iconic directors of the 2000s, with satires like "Shaun of the Dead" and "Hot Fuzz." This class follows his journey from cult filmmaker to blockbuster director, helping shepherd geek culture from the fringes to the mainstream. Movies will be screened at the Movie Madness Miniplex, followed by a discussion led by Dylan Reiff. 503-234-4363, 4320 S.E. Belmont St., email education@ moviemadness.org

#### **SAMOAN FESTIVAL**

July 13, noon-5 p.m. Free. Dance, singing, food and art by people from the Pacific Islands. Peninsula Park, 700 N Rosa Parks Way. Visit the city's oldest and best rose garden while you are there. www.samoapdx. org/samoan-festival-2024

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Photos are welcome, but must be suitable for print: 300 dpi JPG. If sending from a smartphone, download the largest size. Events will be included as space allows.

#### TWO-SPIRIT BEADWORK SOCIAL

July 18, 5-7 p.m. Adults who identity as Two-Spirit/LBGTQ+ can make medallions, posters, flags and more at Artistic Portland Gallery. Allies are welcome and supplies are provided. First come, first served; all abilities welcome. Hollywood Library 4040 N.E. Tillamook St. https://multcolib.org/eventsclasses/two-spirit-beadwork-social

#### **MOVIES IN THE PARKS**

July 19, 20, 25 and Aug 3. 7:30 p.m. "or until it is dark enough to watch the movie." Free. Movies this summer include "Jazz on a Summer's Day" about the 1948 Newport Jazz Festival. "Whale Rider," "The Little Mermaid," "Newsies," and "Madame Web" (in Spanish). Movies will be shown at various parks, including Fernhill, Khunamokswt, Overlook, Wilshire and Wilkes. www. pdxpipeline.com/2024-free-outdoorsummer-movies-in-the-parks-schedule-



Artistic Portland Gallery is an artists cooperative. It sells handcrafted goods and offers workshops each month. In July, learn how to make fused-glass pendants or beaded earrings. (Artistic Portland Gallery)

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Learn about film director Edgar Wright in a series of four classes that includes movie screenings and discussions beginning July 11 at the Movie Madness Miniplex. (Movie Madness)

#### **GLASS PENDANT WORKSHOP**

July 20, 1-3 p.m. Create three to four fused glass pendants using dichroic and other glasses. Cut, shape and prepare your glass for the kiln. Pieces will be fired and available for pickup within one to two weeks. All materials and tools supplied. Cost is \$45. Spaces are limited; registration required. 971-339-0945, www.artisticportlandgallery.

#### **LAST THURSDAY AT GALLERY**

July 25, 6-9 p.m. Paintings by Gabe Wolfe and ceramics by Veronica Arquilevich will be on display at the Alberta Street Gallery, 1829

#### **BEADED EARRINGS WORKSHOP**

July 26, 6-7:30 p.m. Head to Artistic Portland Gallery to learn how to make

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simple, three-strand earrings. There will be a brief discussion on the history of beads and Native American culture. All materials and tools supplied. Cost is \$49. Spaces are limited; registration required. 971-339-0945, www.artisticportlandgallery.com

#### **FORKIDS**

#### **SUMMER IN THE PARKS**

July-September. Summertime fun for kids, from camps to drawing and other artsy things to 5K fun and competitive runs. How about basketball, skating and soccer for kids 4-13? That ain't the half of it. There's metalsmithing, calligraphy and ceramics, swim lessons, Zumba, tennis, pickleball, dances and more things we don't have room to share. Visit https://tinyurl.com/mr4hadus

#### **MAKING COMICS FOR KIDS**

July 11, 3-4:30 p.m. Cartoonist Breena Bard of "Wildfire" gives a workshop on the basics of drawing, designing characters and writing a script. Participants will leave with a one-page comic of their own. 503-988-5123, Gregory Heights Library, 7921 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

#### **LEGO MASTER**

July 12, 2:15-4:15 p.m. Kelly Bartlett of the "LEGO Masters" television show will talk about her experience and her career as a professional LEGO builder. 503-988-5123; Kenton Library, 8226 N. Denver Ave.

#### KOMEDY 4 DA KIDZ/COMEDIA PARA LOS NINOS

July 20, 3-3:45 p.m. Entertainer Angel Ocasio gives a bilingual and interactive



Join fans from around the country at Portland International Raceway for the Rose Cup Races on July 13-14. There will be high-speed racing, exhibits, vendors and more.

(Portland International Raceway)

performance with juggling, magic and jokes. Free. 503-988-5123, Gregory Heights Library, 7921 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

#### **INGENERAL**

#### **ROSE CUP RACES**

July 13-14. gates open 7:30 a.m.; races are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Seven different categories of race cars compete for the Rose Cup Trophy, including stock cars, GT, vintage, Spec Racer Fords, and sports cars such as Austin Healey and Mazda Miatas. Portland International Raceway, 1940 N. Victory Blvd. https://rosecup.com/

#### **WALK A LABYRINTH**

July 20. 4 p.m. Walk a contemplative labyrinth in the second-floor Great Hall. At 5 p.m., a Taize/Healing & Wholeness service begins in the main-floor sanctuary. An elevator to the second floor is inside the Northeast 16th Avenue door. From the parking lot, enter Westminster Presbyterian Church under the maroon awning at 1624 N.E. Hancock St.



Spend quiet time at Westminster Presbyterian Church walking the labyrinth and/or attending a Taize servce July 20. (Wikimedia)



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WELCOME TO THIS BEAUTIFUL SPLIT LEVEL DAYLIGHT RANCH perched on Mt Scott in the Pleasant Valley neighborhood. Enjoy the incredible sweeping views of Downtown Portland, all the way to Mt. Saint Helens and beyond. The semi open floor plan seamlessly integrates the living and dining rooms, showcasing a wall of windows to enjoy the views and the manicured yard with inground pool. The beautiful stone fireplace anchors the living room giving off mid-century vibes. Updated kitchen with eating area, plenty of storage and access to the upper level Ipe deck. 3 BR and 2 BA on the main level, including primary suite with attached bath. Hardwood and bamboo flooring. Daylight basement features a family room with another wall of windows looking out to the backyard, 4th BR space, laundry and 3rd bathroom +access to the 2-car tuck under garage. The amazing backyard has a pool as its center piece to beat the heat on hot summer days. Lovely yard with mature landscaping, large patio and lower level Ipe decking. Pool house has mechanical room and small studio space. New roof 2024, air conditioning 2018, newer hot water heater, awnings and fencing. Come and see all this home has to offer.

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