

Letters to the Editor



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New Safeway (Continued from Page 2)

going to replace the existing Safeway store would have been one word worth adding.

And it seems like a no-brainer. That store has been frozen in history for at least 30 years (same as the Raleigh Hills Safeway, but there they are surrounded by competitors).

But if they really wanted to update the Barbur Safeway, seems like somebody really dropped the ball in not having the grand re-opening coincide with the closing, although temporarily, of the Burlingame Fred Meyers.

David Martin
Southwest Portland

EarthTalk column on cannabis contained unverifiable statements

I sincerely hope that as a free and responsible press, The Post publishes counter information to the pro-legalization article on cannabis, which I found loaded with plenty of statements that are not verifiable.

How about getting comment from a rehab counselor from the local, county, state and federal level to respond to the erroneous statements of improvements to society that the article claims.

How about talking about DNA stranding and marijuana use amongst teen users, the 600 compounds identified in cannabis that are toxic including 24 or more that are found in tobacco and listed as more toxic?

How about the activation of opiate receptors and use of marijuana as contributing to more intensified use of cannabis?

And does anyone really believe that the money incentive for illegal growers, transporters, and cartels will shrink away when so much money is being made?

Reduce the demand for drugs. Then talk about legalization.

Greg Schifsky
Southwest Lee Street



Hoffman house and barn, 1886, looking southwest from present day Vermont Street at about 52nd Avenue. (Photo courtesy Multnomah Historical Association)

Maplewood Walking Tour

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for platting purposes 44.4 acres of improved land on the Oregon Electric Line at Kusa Station, four miles south of Multnomah County courthouse.

"The property was purchased from John P. Hoffman and John Zneifel for \$26,665. The land is adjoining the electric line and has all been cleared and cultivated."

"The new owners will plat the land into tracts of from one to 10 acres and will place it on the market through the agency of the Bromley-Constans Company in a few weeks. The property is so located as to have a fine view of the valley and of Council Crest."

Along the route, Williams pointed out restoration success stories. Debbie Benke led the effort that turned an ivy-

choked tunnel into a delightful walkway filled with native plants.

MNA Schools Chair Ronda Zakocs discussed the Maplewood Road Greenway Project, which will make the road safer for walking.

The neighborhood nearly lost public bus service before MNA activists led by Bill Rector convinced TriMet and the City of Portland staff to change their minds.

The tour took about two hours. While most preferred walking, bicycling or riding in the van provided by the Neighborhood House Senior Center were also options.

Those who couldn't make the June 12 date will find the guide and map posted on the MNA website. Visit maplewood.swni.org or email maplewood@swni.org for more information.

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Public Notice of Water Construction

Starting in July, a contractor for the **Portland Water Bureau** will install 5,000 feet of 36 inch diameter steel mains to replace an aging supply pipeline that is critical to the city's water system.

Working from north to south, the 12 month open trench construction project, with some work at night, affects the following streets:

- **SW Naito Pkwy.**, between SW Clay St. and SW Caruthers St.;
- **SW Caruthers St.**, between SW Naito Pkwy. and SW Water Ave.;
- **SW Water Ave.**, between SW Caruthers St. and SW Baker St.;
- **SW Baker St.**, between SW Water Ave. and SW Water Ave.;
- **SW Water Ave.**, from SW Baker St. under SW Kelly Ave. to Hooker;
- **SW Hooker St.**, from under SW Naito Pkwy to SW First Ave.; and
- **SW First Ave.**, between SW Hooker St. and SW Porter St.

Other work includes boring under sections of SW Naito Pkwy, SW Kelly Ave. and SW Harrison St. to install casing to protect pipe.

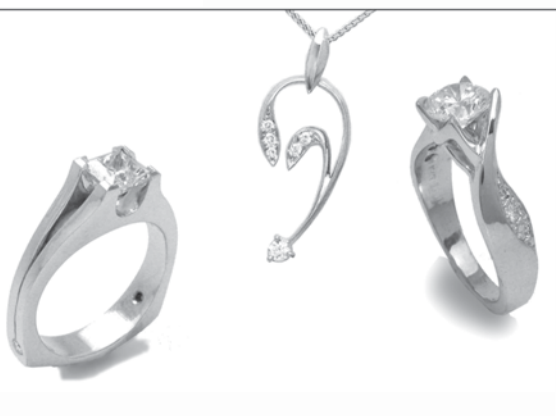
The Portland Water Bureau encourages motorists and bicyclists to avoid these streets when work is underway. The public's cooperation is appreciated.



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