

COMMUNITY LIFE

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3 Songwriter Circle: Singer-songwriters Cal Scott, Richard Moore and Beth Wood will play at O'Connor's Restaurant in Multnomah Village on Monday, October 3, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each, from www.brownpapertickets.com or at the door.

7 Explorations in Fibers, an exhibit of interlacement techniques by the Portland Handweavers Guild, will be on view at the Multnomah Arts Center Gallery (7688 SW Capitol Hwy) beginning with an opening reception on Friday, October 7, 7-9 p.m.

Wearables, utilitarian items and art pieces will be on display that are woven, knitted, braided, felted, plied and embellished. The exhibit will be display through October 26. For more information, contact Jaye Campbell at 503-823-2787.

Artist reception at Knack with Karen Story Friday, October 7th from 4-8pm Knack in Multnomah Village will be hosting a show by encaustic artist Karen Story. Karen's paintings in this landscape series are created on a wood surface using a mixture of materials, including beeswax, natural resin, and natural pigments.

Each layer of wax is fused to the preceding layer using a torch, allowing the layers to become one. Many tools are used in addition to the brushes, one of the most useful being a scraper, which keeps the surface of the painting even.

Layering and removal of layers keeps this process-oriented painting method archaeological in nature, as there is much digging back to reveal the often forgotten history of the painting. Knack is located at 7824 SW 35th Ave, Portland OR 97219. For more information visit www.knack-pdx.com.

22 Stand Up for Neighborhood House comedy night is Saturday, October 22nd. The sassy moms of the Time Out comedy crew will be bringing the funny to the Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, to raise funds for families in need. Tickets are \$20 (general admission, with light hors d'oeuvres included) and are available on the Neighborhood House website, www.nhpdx.org.

Donate Your Purses For The Arts: The Wilson Area Arts Council is collecting new & gently-used purses, handbags and messenger bags for its purse sale. All proceeds will benefit Wilson High School's choir, orchestra, band, drama and visual arts.

Once all the purses are collected, then come to the benefit pop-up purse sale on Sunday, November 13, 2011. Tax receipt given with all donations.

Drop off your donations at: Switch Clothing in Multnomah, Paloma Clothing in Hillsdale, Sip D'Vine Wineshop in Multnomah, O'Connors Restaurant in Multnomah, Haircolor Salon Dirk in Hillsdale, KeyBank in Hillsdale, UPS Store in Hillsdale, or at the Wilson High School front office.

Capitol Hill School

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A combination of parent donations and supporting grants raised the \$50,000 needed to fund the second phase of the "Greening of the Playground" renovation project.

According to Martina Ford, the project was originally created by Sid Scott, an architect and Capitol Hill parent. He started the three-phase project while his son attended the school's kindergarten.

At the time the playground consisted of a small play structure island surrounded by nearly two acres of asphalt.

Scott's hope was to see the asphalt be removed and replaced with a softer and more natural environment for the kids to play and explore.

The first phase was not completed until Scott's son was in high school. In the spring of 2008, a large area of asphalt was removed from the perimeter of the playground providing space for students to plant trees.

Scott was called on again by a group of parents to help them move forward with the second phase of the project. With the support of Jessie Higgins and his film crew with Nike, a short video was made of a few of the students on the current playground.

The video portrayed the kids as prisoners in their asphalt and chain-



(Photo courtesy of Martina Ford)

linked fence environment. The video was shown at the PTA's school auction which helped raise more than \$24,000 in donations.

The video was also a top ten finalist in the KaBoom! Dr. Pepper Snapple Playground Grant competition.

The school then competed in an interactive online voting contest and successfully placed in the top five, qualifying for a \$15,000 grant in playground equipment.

Capitol Hill School also received support from Depave, a local non-profit that helps communities remove unwanted asphalt in urban areas. This project received a \$9000 grant from the West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District.

The completion of Phase II coincides with Scott's kindergartener now attending his first year of college. According to Martina Ford, Phase III involves the addition of a turf field.

On September 22, the Capitol Hill Elementary School community had their Back to School night, celebrating the significant improvements made to the playground over the summer months.

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