# Park bureau offers free movies and concerts for summer fun

Once again, the Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation is offering free entertainment in City parks, including many in Southwest, this summer.

**Outdoor Cin**ema The following is a sched-July 13, Sherlock



ule of movies The Linda Hornbuckle Band performed at Willamette Park in southwest: in July 2011. (Post file photo by Polina Olsen)

Holmes: A Game of Shadows, Multnomah Arts Center. July 19, Roman Holiday, Elizabeth Caruthers Park. July 26, Pretty in Pink, Dewitt Park.

August 9, The Muppets, Elizabeth Caruthers Park. August 23, Megamind, Dewitt Park. September 6, Big Miracle, Elizabeth Caruthers Park. September 7, Hugo, Multnomah Arts Center.

In most cases the fun begins with some kind of live entertainment beginning at 6:30 p.m., with the film commencing at dusk.

Summer Concerts In The Park Three parks will have live concerts starting at 6:30 p.m. except as noted below. Elizabeth Caruthers Park will have its first such program with "Toque Libre" August 17 and "Sassparilla" August 24.

Willamette Park continues its annual Wednesday concert series with

"Bon Ton Roulet" July 11, "Norman Sylvester Band" July 18, "The Bylines" July 25, and the "Devin Phillips Band" August 1.

At Duniway Park, as part of the Terwilliger Parkway centennial, "Trashcan Joe" will play July 21. This concert will be at 6 p.m..

Note: In most cases, also, there will be vendors on site from whom you can purchase food, but you're also free to bring your own. Movies and concerts are co-sponsored by local neighborhood groups and others.

Somewhere during the program, volunteers will seek donations to help offset this year's or next year's program. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, be considerate of your neighbors, and enjoy the fun.

– Lee Perlman

# Bicyclist injured in Hillsdale collision with automobile

## **BREAKING NEWS**

On May 22, 2012, at 7:52 a.m., Portland Police officers assigned to Central Precinct and the Traffic Division responded to the report of a bicycle rider struck by a vehicle at Southwest Bertha Boulevard and Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway.

Medical personnel responded and transported the bicycle rider, 28-year-old Jessie L. Belter, to an area hospital where it was determined that she had a broken right leg

The driver of the car, 33-year-old Nicole Y. Poor, remained at the scene and cooperated with investigators.

Traffic investigators determined

that Poor was driving northbound on Bertha then made a westbound turn onto Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway where she struck Belter, who was riding her bicycle eastbound on Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway in the bike lane.

According to Portland police, the driver of the car stopped at the stop sign but failed to yield to the bicycle rider. Investigators believe that the collision speed was approximately five miles per hour.

The driver of the car was given a citation for failure to obey a traffic control device. Traffic in the intersection was affected briefly as investigators processed the crash scene.

– Don Snedecor

# Letters to the Editor <sup>@</sup>

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## Is landscaping required for new Walgreens drugstore?

I'm writing about Jillian Daley's article about Walgreen's in the May 2012 issue of the Southwest Portland *Post* ("The Country Store: Walgreens to replace Castle Superstore at Barbur Crossroads").

I notice from driving by (the construction site) that the footprint of the new Walgreen's and its parking lot seems to take up almost the entire lot, coming within about a foot or so of the sidewalks.

I'm wondering whether this leaves any room at all for landscaping.

I realize that this property has probably been zoned commercial for some time, but does the code enforcement bureau of the City of Portland have no power to require landscaping and offsets and other aesthetic enhancements when it approves new construction?

It seems paradoxical that at a time

when we have a Barbur Concept Plan looking into what to do about one of the ugliest streets in the city we should be allowing new outrages that we will have to live with for a long time. Or am I unaware of planned improvements?

Michael Ossar Southwest Wood Parkway

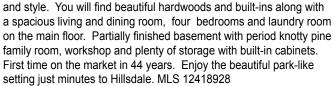
Editor's Note: We received this letter at press time, but we will look into Michael Ossar's concerns and report back to you in the July edition.

The Post welcomes reader response. You can e-mail editor@multnomahpost.com or fax us at 866-727-5336. Snail mail: Letters, The Southwest Portland Post, 4207 SE Woodstock Blvd, Box #509, Portland, OR 97206. Please limit letters to 350 words. Deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.





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# BARBUR CONCEPT PLAN

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agree, saying it contains "too much noise and pollution." In contrast, Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. land use chair John Gibbon countered, "Many people live on busy streets."

## Barbur Boulevard to receive tax abatement for housing

New multi-family housing development on most of Southwest Barbur Boulevard would be eligible for tax abatement, under a change in program boundaries proposed by the Portland Housing Bureau.

Under the program, the owners of new development that meets certain criteria would be exempt from paying property taxes on their buildings for the first 10 years, although they would still have to pay taxes on the land.

Factors that could help a project win such abatement would be that at least some of the units would be "affordable."

Additional factors include that some units are large enough to house families with children, that some units are handicapped accessible, that the area has shopping and services within walking distance, and that the project has little or no off-street vehicle parking.

There will be a public hearing on the program and its boundaries the afternoon of June 12 at 1900 S.W. Fourth Ave. For more information, contact the Portland Housing Bureau.

