

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Lee Perlman
The Southwest Portland Post

Sunday Parkways scheduled for September 29 in Southwest

Sunday Parkways will be back next year, including one that will take in Southwest Portland on September 29, Linda Ginenthal of the Portland Bureau of Transportation told the Post.

This can be done despite the severe budget cuts all bureaus are going through, she said, because part of the appropriation for the event is contained in the adopted 2012-2013 budget.

During Sunday Parkways, a roughly circular route, usually on local streets, is shut off to auto traffic for five hours, allowing bicyclists and pedestrians to tour the area in a relaxed way. There are special activities in parks along the route, and vendors of all sorts lining the way.

Last year, for the first time, there was a Sunday Parkways event that included parts of Southwest. Without providing specifics, Ginenthal said the southwest route will be altered this year and will be shorter for bicyclists.



Portland Sunday Parkways will be held in Southwest Portland again this fall. (File photo courtesy Portland Bureau of Transportation)

Council adopts historic review changes

In late February the Portland City Council adopted a series of changes to the procedure for exterior work on historic landmarks or buildings in national historic districts.

The changes, in response to criticisms of the process by both proponents and opponents of such districts, are designed to make the reviews easier, shorter and cheaper.

As part of the process, the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability called

for exempting some things from review, such as handicapped ramps, fire escapes, storm windows, and minor changes on parts of the structure that are not visible from the street.

Other matters, including changes that cover a total of less than 150 square feet, and restoration work that makes an historic structure more like it originally was, will be subject to a Type I review process.

In this case, a city planner will make a decision on the appropriateness of the change, and his/her word is final; the only avenue open to someone who disagrees is an appeal to the state Land

Use Board of Appeals, a costly and time-consuming process.

Currently all exterior work on structures in historic districts beyond routine maintenance is subject to a Type II procedure, which takes six to eight weeks, costs a minimum of \$900 and allows an appeal to the Portland Historic Landmarks Commission that involves more time and expense. Type I takes no more than three weeks, and the proposed fee is \$500 or less.

COMMUNITY LIFE

By Don Snedecor
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6 Trillium Festival: The 33rd Annual Trillium Festival provides an excellent opportunity for the public to get out in nature and pay tribute to spring with a wonderful lineup of activities including one of the region's first native and hardy plant sales of the season; guided hikes; children's activities; artisan craft and garden art vendors; and much more. Visit the weekend of April 6-7, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. both days. Free. Tryon Creek State Natural Area, 11321 SW Terwilliger Blvd. For more information and to register please visit www.tryonfriends.org or call 503-636-4398.

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Events

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Sunday, April 16, 9am - 3pm at Garden Home Recreation Center 7475 SW Oleson Rd., Portland

Shop dozens of local vendors and support the American Cancer Society's fight to end cancer.

Events

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Sat., April 13th, 9-noon, St. Luke Lutheran, SW 46th Ave & SW Vermont St.

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